

SIARC MEETING NOTES FOR NOVEMBER 9, 2016

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:40 with 25 in attendance. Tom took a few minutes to introduce some new faces to our group one from Manchester and another from Tompkins County.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The previous month's minutes were read by club secretary Ray DreimillerAB2UY which were then accepted and entered into record.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Club treasure Stan Avery WM3D then gave his report and the club account stands at \$3,748.58; accepted and entered into record.

COUNTY REPORT:

John Park WA2SSJ reported that the County Grounds Department will probably complete the antenna and ground work at the Geneva EOC around January. The County Budget goes to the Board in November.

VE REPORT:

Dave Foster AB2WZ reports that there were 4 test applicants two of which passed; with 1 technician class license and 1 advancing from technician to General Class. Next month's testing will be conducted at the Drumlin club facility.

PUMPKIN PATROL:

Steve Benton WB2VMR reported that the two evenings went well. Steve suggested that it would be nice to appropriate some funds to provide coffee and refreshments that would be distributed by the two rovers to the stationary patrol units.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH HOSPITAL DRILL:

The drill was conducted November 1st ; the Tuesday after Pumpkin Patrol. Three hospitals that we are responsible for were activated by 5 operators. There were 2 at the Geneva hospital but in the future Tom would like to get as many as possible operators to participate and become familiar with the facilities. Wayne County's operators also participated and activated the Hospitals that they are responsible for. The **MARS DRILL** "Military Amateurs Radio Service" drill was conducted on the same day.

JAMBOREE ON THE AIR:

Mike Moore KC2NM reports that DSTAR communications was set up along with a Morse Code demonstration. There were no HF communications because of lack of antennas. Mike heard that there were more than 2000 people at the Trophy Challenge Weekend.

CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY:

The Christmas party will be held at the main AWA museum building on Wednesday December 7th at 7pm. Pizza and beverages will be provided by the club and members can bring a dish to pass if they would like.

KIDS DAY:

Will be held January 8th at our EOC, Station set-up will begin at 8-9am and radio operation should begin around 10 -10:30 am. This is a good opportunity to operate our equipment along with giving kids a chance to do the same and thereby get interested in Ham Radio. Get a hold of Tom if you can participate.

FIELD DAY 2017:

Dave Mette W2ACC reports that we have been offered the site of the Varick Fire Department for our Field Day Event to consider. This is located off Route 96A at the North end of the Old Depot. Jay Hamill will run the idea by the Drumlin's radio club whom we share the event with.

JANUARY FLEA MARKET:

The Flea Market will be our program at our January meeting. Bring any of your equipment that you would like to sell.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE STORM TRACKERS:

John Greco KD2GTA reports that the event will be held on November 22 on the 146.745 repeater 71.9PL and the 443.250 repeater 110.9PL

AWA REPORT:

Ron Roach W2FUI reports that the Deputy Director proclaimed this Saturday November 12th as “**Here we Grow Day**” and the AWA Museum will be open free to the public all day from 1-5 pm. Ron also passed out a sheet outlining a proposed AWA club radio station that would be open to the Licensed Ham Radio operators whereby they would be given the rare opportunity to operate a variety of vintage along with modern ham radio equipment. The facility would be around 955 sq.ft. and include the historic 1936 Millen Station along with a variety of Collins and other great modern and vintage equipment that would be regularly on hand for operation. To reiterate, this project is currently in the proposal stage and Ron is mainly interested in the overall reaction and interest as well as persons who would like to be involved in the development of this station. This must be done before the AWA can proceed forward with the idea. The museum would not necessarily have to be open for operators to use the equipment. The idea came about with the desire of AWA Museum officials to keep in active operation some of their unique and historic equipment as well as a venue for operators who don't necessarily have radio equipment of their own to operate or in addition an opportunity for operators to use vintage equipment

that is normally not available to the general ham radio public or even operators visiting from out of town to do the same while visiting the museum. It would be helpful for those interested to express their interest directly or in writing to Ron Roach.

THIS MONTH'S PROGRAM:

This month's program was hosted by John Greco KD2GTA. John demonstrated the operation of DSTAR and DMR mobile digital communication. John operated the two radios which were hooked up to the internet via a raspberry pie computer and with the operation parameters displayed on a large screen for all to see and understand. Thank you John as well as Mike Moore, KC2NM and Doug Bullivant, KB2BON who assisted in a very interesting and informative program demonstration.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50. Minutes were taken and submitted by club secretary Ray Dreimiller AB2UY.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Tom Sanders KB2NCI	Bob Hess KD2GMX
Dean Stahlman W2WDS	Dave Foster AB2WZ
John Greco KD2GTA	Sandy Federico KA2HQZ
Norm Schrader WB2GGM	Steve Benton WB2VMR
Robert Dugan KD2KOR	John Park WA2SSJ
Stan Avery WM3D	Ron Roach W2FUI
Dan McGregor KD2LBM	Vern Kunes KZYJK
James Rosato KD2AVK	Dave Jorgensen KD2LJE
Shawn Springer AC2SA	Doug Bullivant KB2BON
Dave Mette W2ACC	
Mike Moore KC2NM	
Russ Dreimiller WA2LTH	
Ray Dreimiller Sr AB2UY	
Dave Hunter N2EZY	
Jay Hamill KC2TCM	
Sabrina Hamill WD2STK	