SIARC MEETING NOTES FOR OCTOBER 14, 2015

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:30 by President Tom Sanders KB2NCI with 27 in attendance. We immediately went to this month's program by our guest speaker Paul Kolacki K2FX who is an ARRL affiliated official observer. Paul has spent 40 years in radio broadcasting and has been licensed in ham radio since 1973. He is employed presently in a radio engineering capacity. Paul is actually the Official Observer Coordinator of Western NY a unit of the 'Amateur Radio Auxiliary Volunteer Organization' with 20 observers under his jurisdiction. This organization was created for the following reason; whereas amateur radio is under the licensing control of the FCC, it is however a 'self- policing' activity as prescribed by the Communications Act of 1982. The overall concern of the organization is that amateurs subscribe and practice the Amateur Code of considerate, polite, friendly and legal communications protocol. Official observers will on their own time monitor the bands and send a courtesy card to operators informing them of poor practices like not identifying their station call in a timely manner in short anything that is considered poor or illegal operating practices etc. They also send out cards of compliments for good operating practices. For this reason when we as amateurs encounter illegal practices such as jamming, cursory language, etc. we should first and only contact our local official observer who will submit any evidence that you have collected, recorded and documented to the local interference committee for investigation and ultimately to referral to the FCC for legal action if deemed necessary. Thanks Paul for an interesting and informative program. The previous month's minutes were then read by club secretary Ray Dreimiller AB2UY accepted and entered into record.

TREASURES REPORT:

By club treasurer Stan Avery WM3D. The club account stands as \$3,831.09. Stan passed out this year's membership cards.

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SOME MESSAGES FROM OUR PRESIDENT:

- -The club breakfast will be at the Villager Restaurant in Canandaigua at 8am October 17
- -RDXA NY QSO party October 17. Our club sponsored a plaque for the event.
- -Jamboree on the Air October 17 Ovid NY a scouting radio event
- -Pumpkin Patrol. Dave Taylor KB2KBY event coordinator reports that all bridges are covered by the necessary number of operators however he could use some more volunteers as rovers. Starts 8-12 PM.

CLUB APPAREL:

John Greco, KS2GTA reports that T-shirts with 2 colors and our logo on the back and front will cost \$15 for Small-X Large, \$17 XX Large and \$8 extra for name and call embroidered. Sweat shirts logoed for \$25 and \$2 extra for XX Large. Polo \$22 - \$26 \$8 extra for name and call. SIARC Hats \$15. The company will need a deposit of 60% and would like an order for at least 20 shirts. Tom Sanders will send out an email to members for orders and size. A motion was made and carried by the membership for the club to subsidize the amount of \$3 towards each T-shirt ordered.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00pm

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Ray Dreimiller SR. AB2UY	Ray Dreimiller JR. KC2OHL	James Rosato KD2AVK
Tom Sanders KB2NCI	Nate Castle NY2NC	Dean Stahlman W2WDS
Vern Kunes K2VJK	Russ Harris N2IZV	Bill Glosick KD2CZW
David Reussow KC2DQS	Steve Benton WB2VMR	S. Christopher Springer KD2HNJ
Dave Hunter N2EZY	Norm Schrader WB2GGM	Tony Golumbeck KD2HNI
David Furber AC2HK	Wes Mills W2WES	Ron Roach W2FUI
John Park WA2SSJ	John Greco KD2GTA	Paul Kolacki K2FX
Marissa Ashour KC2VMM	Keith Rowland WA2OFF	Dave Taylor KB2KBY
Dave Foster AB2WZ	Ed Pevear N2VCY	Stan Avery WM3D