

SIARC MEETING NOTES FOR SEPTEMBER 13, 2017

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

-At 7:40 by President Tom Sanders KB2NCI with 20 in attendance. Tom announced the results of our VE testing session. There was one applicant that went from Technician to Extra. Todd Coon who is a new technician, stayed afterwards for the club meeting.

-The July minutes were then read by Club Secretary Ray Dreimiller AB2UY : accepted and entered into record.

-The Treasures report was read by Club Treasurer Stan Avery and the club account stands at to the penny \$3306.05.

Accepted and entered into record. Stan also relayed a thank you note from the Varick Fire Department expressing their thanks for the club's \$100 contribution for the use of their hall on Field Day.

COUNTY REPORT:

-John Park WA2SSJ reported that there were concerns from the Grounds Superintendent about the loose wires atop of the EOC. We assured him that they were antenna wires and not guy wires and the situation will be corrected in the near future.

-John also reported that our printer has gone down and we are working on getting a new one. Additionally, the internet connection is questionable possibly due to some interference. An effort to correct this is in effect.

-John reports that the Geneva station is still not working due to no antenna; because of current remodeling the repeater along with the RACES station may be moved to a different location anyway.

-John informed the membership that our 911 system now has the ability to alert people via text messaging. Scott Teresi would like your wireless phone numbers along with your cell carrier's names relayed to John Park so they can be put into the system.

-The Finger Lakes Triathlon, which we assisted in communications, went well. It should be mentioned here that any activity like this makes it into the County Administrator's newsletter which gives us publicized recognition to the distribution list in its circulation. This is good publicity for us owing that the County is so very supportive and crucial to our RACES organization

STEVE BENTON REPORTS ON HARMFULL INTERFERENCE:

Scott Teresi N2UMH requested that our RACES group organize a specialized division dedicated for the purposes of detection and location of harmful radio interference County wide especially when it occurs to agencies like Fire department frequencies. We already have a good leg up in this arena with an excellent direction finder that we practice drill with from time to time.

STORM TRACKERS NET:

John Greco KD2GTA reports that the next net will be held on September 26th which is the 4th Tuesday of the month at 7 PM on the 146.745 repeater.

FIELD DAY 2018:

Our group has already agreed and reserved the Varick Fire Hall for the event.

CANAL TOWN DAYS:

Dave Taylor KB2KBY reports that the event along with a parade will be this Saturday 9/16/2017 from 2-5 PM in Palmyra. The DRUMLIN ARC will handle the communications for the event. Get ahold of Dave if you would like to assist. Bring your handheld and meet at the SW corner of West Jackson and Stafford Streets at 2pm. KB2KBY@rochester.rr.com.

PUMPKIN PATROL:

Dave Taylor also reports that the SIARC/DRUMLIN ARCs. Service event, which covers 10 NYS Thruway bridges, will be held on October 30 and 31st. Get ahold of Dave at the above email address if you would like to help in this event. You will be provided with the necessary official papers and if enough volunteers apply you should be able to guard on the date you request and only one of the two nights if you prefer to guard on just one night.

CLUB BREAKFAST:

The next breakfast will be held on October 28th at the Villager Restaurant in Canandaigua at 8am. Get ahold of Tom if you plan on attending so he can provide an approximate seating for reservation.

PERRY ACT:

The act that will help Ham Radio operators circumvent unfavorable antenna restrictions is before the Senate now. There is a form letter on the ARRL website that you can complete and forward to your State Representative.

CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY:

Will be held this year again at the AWA museum in East Bloomfield.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS RESULTS FOR 2018:

President-Tom Sanders KB2NCI

Vice President-Steve Benton WB2VMR

Treasure-Stan Avery WM3D

Secretary-Ray Dreimiller AB2UY

Board Members: First board meeting will be after the next club breakfast Oct.28th.

Bob Hess KD2GMX

Jay Hamill KC2TCM (Jay will also be the DRUMLIN –SIARC liason)

John Park WA2SSJ

John Greco KD2GTA

Dave Hunter N2EZY

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 immediately followed by an extremely interesting program on the recent total solar eclipse hosted by fellow SIARC member and amateur astronomer Tony Golumbeck KD2HNI who traveled to Kentucky and personally viewed and photographed the eclipse. Many thanks Tony!

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Ray Dreimiller SR. AB2UY

Stan Avery WM3D

David Jorgensen N2JOR

Tom Sanders KB2NCI

Dean Stahlman W2WDS

Jay Hamill KC2TCM

Vern Kunes K2VJK

Russ Harris N2IZV

Steve Benton WB2VMR

Dave Hunter N2EZY

Tony Golumbeck KD2HNI

Sabrina Hamill WD2STK

John Greco KD2GTA

Sandy Federico KA2HQZ

Norm Schrader WB2GGM

Dave Taylor KB2KBY

Robert Dugan KD2KOR

Doug Howles KD2LGE

Bob Hess KD2GMX

Todd Coon