

Minutes of the AARC Membership Meeting for June 6, 2019

Agenda – Membership – June 6, 2019:

Pledge of Allegiance – Led by Keith Miller (AE3D)

Meeting Minutes – Steven Grimaud (W3SWG)

Introduction – Everyone

Presidents Remarks – Keith Miller (AE3D)

Applications for Membership – Stephen Grimaud (W3SWG)

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I move we accept Douglas Massey N3HBG a General Class Amateur from Stevensville, Md. into regular membership of the Anne Arundel Radio Club. **Barry seconded, all approved.**

Critical Business:

501(c)(3) Status – Will Mooney KA3UQQ No news yet.

Ham Shack Renovation Project Outline:

1. Place 6” shelf on the back exterior wall. [Started]
2. Paint all work surfaces. [Bottom of tables painted]
3. Purchase and installation of acrylic top. [Ordering complete]
4. Finalize the location of all equipment. [Started by Keith Miller AE3D]
5. Construction of risers and shelving to support assorted equipment.
6. Mount monitors on brackets. [Completed but not attached to table]
7. Finalize plan for antenna cables & grounding [Jim Wallace N3ADF, is developing a plan to include cable hanging]
8. Install cable and ground system.
9. Finalize table edge and install it.

Announcements:

1) The General Class will hold its final session this Saturday followed by testing. This class, has gone from 20 signed-up to 9 who actually attended one class or more. To only one who has attended all classes, and only one who has attended all but one class. In other words, I expect only 2 of our students to come away with General Class licenses. The good news is that three who originally signed up have already become General License holders.

2) The Father's Day Hamfest at Arcadia in Upperco MD is June 16th.

3) The Holly Net is still looking for Net Controllers, to volunteer, see Jim Wallace N3ADF [holly.net@w3vpr.org](mailto:holly.net@w3vpr.org)

4) David Rawley N3AT is still looking for someone to take charge of erecting Shelters for Field Day. This person will act as a group leader, not as a one person committee.

5) The Club Clothing sale continues online. Jim Goldsberry KB3NYQ will be on hand with info on when this phase of the sale will end.

6) Field Day is 16 days off. That's 2 weeks folks.

7) John Graefe AE3JG regrets that he must resign as head of the Ham Shack Antenna Planning Committee. So we not only need more volunteers to serve on this committee, we need a Chairperson as well. This chairperson need not be an antenna expert, but rather someone who knows how to chair a meeting. Further the scope of this committee is to create a plan, not to construct antennas. I expect the plan this committee creates to be a joint effort, rather than one designed by the Committee Chairperson. The new chairperson will get the email forwarder of [shack.antenna@w3vpr.org](mailto:shack.antenna@w3vpr.org)

8) Yesterday, I ordered the two Winkeyers for the Ham Shack Project as passed last month by a vote of the Membership. They were ordered in kit form, saving us \$58, and Eric Berman and myself will be assembling them prior to Field Day.

9) Boy Scout Troup 249 has asked to join us for Field Day, and would like to camp with us on the site, and join us for meals. This will be a small group of roughly 10 people, and our Field Day Chairman,

Safety Chairman and Field Day Food Chairman have already been consulted and have given this idea their blessing.

#### Committee Reports

Bernarr Coletta NK3PS

Tower Team Leader – David Rawley N3AT

Repeater Team Leader – John Williams K8JW (several people have commented on problems with the “075” repeater, although some problems can be addressed.)

Packet Team Leader – Jon Graefe AE3JG

Networking Officer – Scott Rasmus KC3BFW

Antenna Team Leader – John Williams, K8JW

Eric Berman – KC3GDV

Information Officer – Ed Santilli KB3YMU

Public Relations – Ed Santilli KB3YMU

Facilities – Eric Berman – KC3GDV

Safety Officer – John Bowes KB3YLY

DFRC Representative – Milford Craig – N3WYG (in the discussions about it, it was noted that the AARC usually donates \$100 to the Boy Scouts for use of their resources.

Security Officer – Tom Provenza N3HDL

Larry Booth: - AA3AU

Fox Hunt – Vacant

Public Service Events Team Leader – Erick Graves (WA3G)

Cherry Pit 10k is this Sunday May 5.

Club Picnic - Jim Myrick W3JLM - Sept. 15

MDC QSO Party – Jim Wallace N3ADF

Change in Scoring and with regard to FT8 and FT4.

ARES/RACES Representative – John Bowes KB3YLY

Station Manager – formerly Rick Steer AB3XJ

Winter Field Day Team Leader – Vacant

Field Day Team Leader – David Rawley N3AT

Holiday Party - Vacant

William Mulzera-Mooney KA3UQQ

Trustee – Dick Maio WW3R

Rules Committee work. New system.

Beverage - Jim Myrick W3JLM  
Registered Agent - Justin Leishman KC3BJT  
Club Sale & Auction – Ike Lawton W3IKE  
New web site posting for Continuous Sale.

Steven Grimaud W3SWG  
Rules – Chuck Tanner K3ACT  
Trustee rules. Still working on this policy.  
Listserv Officer – Doug Ellmore NA1DX - NTR  
Service Hours – Jim Wallace N3ADF - If you work some activity for the club, put it in.  
Membership Secretary – becomes Lambert “Lam Jam” Matias KK6WOW - working now.  
Webmaster – Mark Bova W2PAW - NTR  
Newsletter – Milford Craig N3WYG - June newsletter done, July will also be done early.  
Nominating Committee - Vacant

Tim Nagel KB3YQK  
VE Team Leader – David Rawley (N3AT) Testing this weekend  
Wednesday Night Net – Jamison Phipps W3KNH - NTR  
Holly Net – Jim Wallace N3ADF - still looking for net controls  
Training Director – Keith Miller AE3D - General class almost finished.  
Kitbuilding – ‘Raven’ Wieland KB3MUV - This month will hold on the 5th Sunday  
Presentation – Tim Nagel KB3YQK - Looking to get a speaker for this month.  
HSMM-MESH Committee Chairman – Tim Nagel KB3YQK - NTR  
Joint 440 Committee – Tim Nagel KB3YQK - NTR

Generator started at 8:05pm

Spending Motion Delayed: We have delayed a spending Motion to bring to the attention of the Membership funding for an improved base for the South Tower, which may also provide an improved base for the Suburban Propane tank. The concept is to strengthen and enlarge the base for the South Tower. Note: We have already determined that 6 meter, 2 meter, 1 ¼ meter and 70 centimeter antennas and a suitable rotor and controller are available to use on

this tower. The motion may also suitable cable to connect the rotor and the controller, and to cover the cost of coax to feed these 4 antennas. The reason this Motion will not be brought to your attention tonight, is that Suburban Propane has failed to show up for two consecutive appointments to discuss the new base for their tank.

Volunteer Field Day Control Operators Needed: After speaking with our Trustee, Dick Maio, WW3R, I am told that in order to use the W3VPR call sign for any event, network or purpose, that prior approval of same must be requested then authorized in writing by the Trustee. This includes Field Day. In doing so Dick Maio, WW3R will approve a list of those who may serve as Control Operators during the event. For Field Day, this list must be approved and signed prior to the event start of 2pm Saturday June 22nd.

The president has therefore created a sign-up page on our web site, accessible by Members from the Home menu item. There is a link to it from the Home page. Simply sign-in to the web site, go to the Home menu, select the appropriate option, then hit "Submit". We are looking for volunteers who plan to attend Field Day, especially those who have Extra Class Licenses. Without enough volunteers we may not be able to stay on the air for the duration of the event.

When you volunteer be aware that after Field Day concludes, a subsequent report may be requested by the Trustee of those who served as Control Operators.

Susan G. Koren Promise Ride: Last minute, Erick Graves, WA3G, our Public Service Event coordinator received a request for "hams" to help out with communications for the Susan G. Koren Promise Ride, which starts and ends at South River High School in Edgewater, with 10, 35, 67 and 100 mile biking distances, with starts between 8 and 10am. The problem is that this event is on Field Day Saturday. Undaunted, Erick put together a coalition of several clubs to help with volunteers, and he even found an experienced event coordinator in Eric Christensen, WG3K an AARC member from Calvert County, willing to take the lead for this event. If you are interested in helping out with this one, contact Erick Graves at

public.service@w3vpr.org. I hope to have more details on the website tomorrow (eric@christensenplace.us).

David Rawley, N3AT, spoke about the status of Field Day.

50/50 Drawing – Weber, KB3HUU

Adjourned – by President AE3D

PRESENT

Keith Miller, AE3D, President  
Tim Nagel, KB3YQK, Vice President  
Steven Grimaud, W3SWG, Secretary  
Will Mooney, KA3UQQ, Treasurer  
Bernarr Coletta, NK3PS, Boardmember  
Eric Berman, KC3GDV, Boardmember

ABSENT

Larry Booth, AA3AU, Boardmember  
End of Agenda