

Central NH Amateur Radio Club Steering Committee Meeting Notes for Monday October 11 2004

Meeting was held at Dick Christopher's N1LT home in Laconia.

Members present were President Dave Megin KA1VJU, Vice President Cliff Dickinson N1RCQ, Treasurer Hope DuBois N1YRO, Steering Committee members Jack Barbara WA1ZDV, Dick Christopher N1LT, Bob Carollo KB1JCL, Ed O'Hearn N1EO, Mike Stone N1VE.

President Dave Megin called the meeting to order around 7:15 p.m.

Dave: reported that CNHARC & ARES members had covered two public service events in September and one in October.

September 17th & 18th Reach the Beach Relay Race

September 25th Fred Brown Lake Winni. Relay Race

October 2 NH Marathon around Newfound Lake

Vice President Cliff: reported that work is in progress to identify, collect and sell unneeded club equipment via E-bay and other means. Cliff is working with Mark W1DDI to have the old repeaters checked out so a price can be set on them. There was a discussion on where equipment is currently stored, what should be listed for sale, things that the club should keep. List of sale items to be published in upcoming communicators.

Treasure reports: Hope reported the club had for the month of September income of \$713.00 & expense of \$514.87.

This spring the club updated its old financial software with new. During her vacation week in September Hope finished entering into the computer all club financial records for the last three years bringing the club records up to date in the computer. After all the data was entered she had one member of the CNHARC Audit committee (Tom Persson K1LQN) look over the club finances and make sure she had not missed anything with the new software.

Hope also reported that planing for the club Xmas party at Hart's Turkey farm is moving ahead. She is waiting to hear from Hart's if our date of Saturday December 11th is going to work, if that fails she will try to get Friday December 10th. Info to be listed in the next communicator if available in time.

Hope (also keeper of the club P. O. Box) turned over to Dave a few communicators that we undeliverable. Dave ask if Hope and Doug Mertz (Secretary) could compare notes and update the membership list then forward it to him before the next mailing of the communicator.

Program Coordinator report: Jack reported that he is working on having a speaker from Crushcraft for the next meeting. Covered during discussion was the availability of providing over night lodging for a speaker who travels from a great distance to come to the club meeting. Dick and Jack both said that they have spare bedrooms that might be used. Also discussed was inviting member of other club to our meetings.

Communicator Editor report: Mike reported that he should be able to do the November communicator. Mike is asking for articles from all members on any events that the club has done and other things that might interest the general membership. Due date for articles is the 16th of each month.

Field Service Coordinator report: Dick reported that there has been a request for info on the clubs ham class that we hold in Laconia, there was discussion on the last ham class the club offered.

Dick also showed the steering committee members present a recent purchase he and Jack made from West Mountain Radio that included Powerpole power panel,(works with Anderson power plug connectors) a Pwrgate panel (a simple system to safely connect both a battery & AC power supple to you stations with battery maintenance), a assorted bunch of Powerpole connectors. The connectors are the new ARES

stranded power connectors. Look for an article in an upcoming communicator on Dick & Jacks new equipment.

The club has purchased a powerpole crimping tool for 15, 30 & 45 amp contacts, it is now available to lone out to club members. When not on loan it will be stored at Dicks N1LT's home. The club is also looking into buying a bulk order of assorted powerpole connectors for resale to club members who wish to update their radio equipment and save a little money at the same time.

ARES Coordinator reports: Cliff reported On Saturday October 31st CNHARC and ARES members have been ask to do a Halloween safety patrol in Center Harbor working with the Police dept. from 5 to 8 p.m. Also the SET (Simulated Emergency Test) is coming up on the last week of October.

Publicity Coordinator reports: Greg Sheard WIIP has left for warmer climates for the winter. Greg took the job as Publicity Coordinator with the condition we let him go south for the winters. We are currently looking for a club member or two to take over the job. Greg with still be able to assist via email and when he returns in the spring.

Club Historian report: Jack filled in for Shirley Barbara KB1LEN (recently appointed as CNHARC Historian). Shirley is looking for anything that at any club members might have that is of historical interest to the club, (newspaper clipping about the club, old records, Pictures, ect. (No Boat Anchors please).

Repeater & Web Page updates: Mark WIDDI was unable to attend the meeting but emailed some notes for the meeting. Mark is working on re-programming the controller on the club .39 repeater. Mark is planing on going up to the repeater site soon and erasing the controller scripts and then reloading the update scripts into the controller. Mark is also looking for an updated club roster. On club web page news Mark has moved the web page to a new site. Work is still in progress and some things may not be working for a little while, but should be back to normal shortly.

Other things covered or discussed were, get well cards to be sent out to two club members who were recently hospitalized. The possibly of putting a limited club roster on the club web site, need to check with Mark to see what might be involved. Check to see how many Gam Antennas & base the club still has for sale to club members, (checked 2 antennas, 1 base). Club Van project report: Jack will be signing the tittle for the van over to the club, there was a short discussing on the project. There was a discussing on the program that Jack & Dick coordinated covering amateur radio at the Holderness school, covered was it worth doing again and the response from the project, how might it be done different if they do it again.

Next Steering committee meeting to be held on the air (via club repeater 147.390) on Monday November 8th at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at or about 9:???????????

Thanks to Dick and Mary Ellen for hosting the meeting and all the great snacks!!