

Minutes of HCARC Meeting – 5 April 2018

MEETING COMMENCEMENT

Pledge of Allegiance – led by Dale K4DG

New member and guest recognitions

- Dave Riehl AF5B and Donnie Bunch (no call) with UBARU Ranch as new members;
Myron Tate - Guest

Public service/emergency service and membership assistance/elmering recognitions

- LBJ 100 Bike Event – March 24, 2018. Volunteers:

K4DG	Dale Gaudier	K5SWH	Steve Holloway
W4FYK	Deborah Gaudier	AF5UX	Jim Jinwright
K5EWS	Dr. Jim Lindley	AF5AO	Charley Robinson
W5FBG	Dennis Robertson		

- Jerry Ransom N7BYN – elmering, Gary Johnson N5BAA – elmering, Mort McKenzie WB2GRU – elmering
- Thanks to Clay Lambert W5CHL for printer donation and Fred Andreas KG5TKM for 32” TV donation, both of which are being used in the club station.
- The annual Laughlin AFB Airshow will be May 12 in Del Rio. Looking for 2 volunteers.

Updates to Committee Reports (if any)

- Repeater (Curtis AD5UZ) – none
- VE Testing (Fred WØLPD) – Upgrade testing to be held 4/28/18 at Red Cross
- Red Cross Liaison (Terry WØHIP) – none
- ARES – (Terry WØHIP) – none
- SKYWARN – (Larry N5QED) – 4/12/18 Basic SKYWARN, at Ag Barn
- Field Day – More operators needed.

Other announcements

- Thanks to Starr, KI5SC for another great issue of the Static.
 - Be sure to read over the Static as it contains Committee reports, general announcements, DX news and much more.
- Extra Class license class will be starting in May. If interested, see Dale K4DG.

Reading/approval of prior month's minutes

- The reading of the minutes for April was waived and the minutes, as posted, were approved.

Reading/approval of prior month's Treasurers report

- The reading of the Treasurer's report for April was waived and the report, as posted, was approved.
- **Reminder: Members whose dues aren't paid by April 30 will be dropped from the roster**

OLD BUSINESS

- **Radio room cleanup:** Gary N5BAA – needs help in checking out donated equipment and determining disposition. See him if you want to help. Terry WØHIP – Donated equipment will be offered for sale at a silent auction soon. Anything not sold at auction will be sold on Ebay or at Austin hamfest.
- **New IC-7300** HF rig has been successfully commissioned. Gary N5BAA requests that users check with him or Terry before using in order to help preserve programming and get help with first-time use.
- **CW Class:** Fred Gilmore WØLPD investigating interest in on-air CW classes to be held on the N5HR 2m repeater immediately after Monday nets.

NEW BUSINESS

- Gary N5BAA noted that April 15th is Rookie Radio Roundup at Dale's house. Email to K4DG@ARRL.net for RSVP and directions
- Terry WØHIP suggested replacement of club shack key lock with cyber lock for ease of access update, maximum cost \$300.00. Membership voted approval of purchase and installation.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS/BUSINESS

Dave Riehl from UbarU Ranch – Grant has been received for youth program shack – stay tuned for volunteer opportunities

BREAK FOR REFRESHMENTS

PRESENTATION: Operating the Newest Digital Mode: FT8 by Dale K4DG

50/50 DRAWING: Winner: Dennis W5FBG

NEXT MONTH'S MEETING: May 3, 2018 – Program: "Low Band Receiving Antennas" – John AC4CA

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Johanna Bruns KG5PBS, Secretary