

LOWER COLUMBIA AMATURE RAIDO ASSOCIATION

Business Meeting Minutes for 21 June 2017

Call to Order: 1900 Hours
Pledge of Allegiance: President Stan – KF7CVR led the Flag Salute.
Visitors: None
Reading of Minutes: 17 May 2017 Vice President Mike – N7DQ stated that he had read them and that they were on his phone. Stan - KF7CVR put in a motion to have the minutes approved, and motion was granted.
Correspondence: None
Officer Reports: As Follows-
ACS: Randy – NU7D stated the mock search drill had been canceled and no new date had been made. At the Tour De Blast there were no major injuries however there were a lot of bicycle rims damaged and tire blow outs. Fourteen hams, and about five-hundred riders were there. Stan N7DQ stated the Cowlitz county public works and Kilckitat county fire control complained about the “Hams” interfering with their radio frequency's. However no proof was given and the issue is being handled. A radio list may be requested to reprogram the radio's for future use, and may go digital. The Dron has been repaired from the tree damage and should be back soon.

Treasurer: John (JJ) – W7BO There was a problem with the software however the problem was solved. A deposit of one hundred and sixty-six dollars was made to the club account.

Vice President: Mike – N7DQ Field day at Scotthill Road in Woodland. Set up will be on Friday 21 June. All those wanting to help meet at the club house at twelve noon, hardhats and gloves will be required for safety. After loading the equipment needed we will then travel to Woodland to set up. Broadcasting will start at Eleven AM on Saturday 22 June, and carry on through the morning of Sunday 23 June. The club is planing on having three stations up, or “3 Alpha”. All hams are encouraged to come on down and participate. Some members will be camping on site, restrooms will be provided. No real plan is made for meals, however a pot luck or barbecue is planed for Saturday dinner. On Sunday morning anyone wanting to help tear down should be on site at around Ten, AM the contest ends at Eleven AM.

President: Stan – KF7CVR Nothing new to add.

Old Business:

Stan – KF7CVR asked for a volunteer to pick up a door sweep for the main door to the club house and install it. No one stepped up so Stan said he would most likely do it himself. Jeff – KB7PMO asked about the missing door plate if anyone had found it, the answer was no however it is somewhere at the club house. Once found the door plate needs to be installed.

Bill – KB7CZ was asked again if he had a chance to look at the club main computer locking up. Bill stated he was unaware of any problem with the main computer, however the computer in the Com-Van may have a problem with ELT mapping. There was a discussion that the computer in the Com-Van had been updated recently and therefore there should not be anymore problems with the computer.

Stan – KF7CVR asked again if anyone knew how Wally- KC7FTS is doing or for any updates. Jeff – KB7PMO stated that he had spoken to Wally on Sunday, and that he was doing better. Jeff stated that Wally has some major health issues that he will be taking care of over the next several months. It is unknown at this time when Wally will be able to rejoin the club. Stan asked if there was anything that the club could do to help Wally or his family, and it was unknown at this time.

Stan – KF7CVR wanted to thank and welcome Lloyd – KI7KMJ for helping out with the Secretary duties while Wally – KC7FTS is out on medical leave.

Stan – KF7CVR asked about the lawn mower. Randy- NU7D stated the mower was fixed, with an oil change, tune up and new belts. Randy did state that a new blade was needed soon, however the mower is fully operational. So the lawn was mowed and no other problems were noted.

Stan – KF7CVR asked if the club had received the two new Kenwood TM-281 radio's. VP Mike – N7DQ stated that yes the radio's were received. One will be used for APRS, the other will be used for the RMS Gateway.

Stan – KF7CVR asked if anyone knew if Kie - KD7UQR was able to get his tower up. Jeff – KB7PMO stated that he went by his house and did not see it up. So more information is need to see what can be done to help Kie

Stan – KF7CVR asked JJ -W7BO if he received any help for the Planters Day Festival, JJ stated that he did not because everyone was at the Tour De Blast.

New Business: No new business to speak of however a general discussion was made about the Tour De Blast. What happened, what changes could be made for next year, like law enforcement, radio commutations, and shut down procedures.

Good of the Order: Steve – K7KO stated that he had talked with a friend about US Airways Flight 1549. The plane that crashed into the Hudson river in 2009. Steve gave an in-depth discussion about the plane crash, what pilot “Sully” did and how because of the actions of the pilot no one was killed. Steve brought to light new information about the investigation into the crash .

Jeff -KB7PMO was in eastern Washington, Spencer Butte, cutting fire wood and came across a tractor trailer eighteen wheeler stranded and jacked-knifed about forty miles up a mountain road. Jeff because of his training was able to call local authorities and aid in locating and giving assistance to the driver. The driver was okay and a “Sling” wrecker was dispatched to help recover the tractor trailer.

Adjournment: The motion was given by President Stan – KF7CVR, and seconded by VP. Mike – N7DQ the motion was granted and we adjourned at 19:50 hours.

Club Drawing: A total of thirty-one dollars was taken in, the winner Rick – WA7NWN received sixteen dollars and the club received fifteen dollars.

Attendance:

Minutes report was submitted by Acting Secretary:
Lloyd Plourd KI7KMJ

