

Hops River Radio Club

February 2025 Meeting Minutes

Members in Attendance: Christian, KD0POO; Alex, N1SIX; Lisa, KB1RVU; Mary, WX1W; Dave, AC1K; Bob, ;

Called to Order: **18:12**

1 Old Business

1. Meeting began at 18 : 00.

2. Member Update

- Don Wilson recently had a seizure. He's been having issues with texting/ communicating/ processing.
- Bill set up and operating, but isn't meshing well with the local club.
- KB1EMJ let her license expire past the grace period and is looking to obtain her license again. If anyone has an extra, current technician manual she would appreciate using it.

3. Items available

- Lisa has 2 propane fryers for sale, \$100 each. Contact her if interested.

4. Contests Coming up

- 13 Colonies contest is looking for volunteers. If interested ask Lisa or Mary for details.

5. Field Day

- If we want to reserve the pavilion in Hebron, it needs to be made by a citizen.

6. Nets

- Johnny has a "Welcome to the Weekend" net on 80 m (3.969 MHz) that happens on Fridays 20 : 00 est.
- Wednesday night 2 m ragchew net, Wednesday 18 : 30 est (147.300 PL: 77.0).

7. Treasury

- No change.

8. Ideas

- George proposed a senior citizen outreach activity called “Senior Center on the Air”.

9. Meeting adjourned at 19 : 14.

Old business accepted unanimously.

2 New Business

1. Member Update

- Dave’s birthday today! DE49Lesso at gmail.com
- Carole recieved her manual and is studying for the test. Can hold a testing session at her house if she can’t get out.

2. Field Day

- locations: ideas:
- Pickleball courts in Andover might be a backup location weather pending
- Columbia pickleball courts have a pavilion that might be viable. Closes at dusk. Bob to look into reserving the pavilion.
- Henikin road location?

3. Treasury

- Steve not present for report. Assumed no change in reserves.

4. Nets

- Doug, W1HNA, was able to tune into Johnny’s cb net and is interested in expanding into cw, but is in restricted living.

5. Digital Modes

- WJST-X for FT8; you can call “cq” or hunt for other signals; additional discussion about how the FT8 works.

Meeting end: **some time**