



KARC – Kingsport Amateur Radio Club  
Website: W4TRC.org  
Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: October 13, 2022

Location: Randall's Restaurant, Church Hill

Start Time: 1800 Adjourned: 1835

Presentation: None

Attendance: 31 present

Next Meeting: November 10, 2022

Location Randall's Restaurant, Church Hill

Time: 1800

Training/Presentation: Unknown

**Attending:** Ann Adams, Lynn Anderson, David Broome, Mary Ellen Broome, Steve Broome, Charles Collingwood, George DeVault, Adalaya Eaton, Ernie Ferguson, Jeffrey Hutchison, Travis Hutchison, Greg Johnson, Rick Johnson, Ken Klotz, Nick Lawson, Erik McCord, Kevin Morrell, Linda Moenter, Ben Morris, Dennis Mott, John Phipps, Robert Poore, Teresa Poore, Tom Price, Scott Rose, Jack Rutherford, Randy Steed, Neil Weber, Gary Williams, John Williams, James Young

**Meeting Opened** - Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer

**President's Report** – Remember our Sunday night NET 2030 – Please listen and report.

**Treasurer's Report** – Balances reported, 87 paid members (no change from last month)

**NOW TAKING DUES FOR 2023** \$20 Individual; \$25 Family

**Repeater Update – Ken Klotz**

- For the winter, Saturday Repeater meetings will be as needed
  - Hopefully, Electrical work and setup of the 900 can be done First Qtr. 2023
- Echolink will be up soon
- Neil is donating a 6 ' ladder and Randy is donating a metal storage cabinet that we can lock.

**POTA/SOTA/FOXHUNT**

- Schedule is on the website and emails will be sent by team leaders before each event.
- There was a great turnout for the September Foxhunt. Located in the Dog Park behind Lowes.
- Did you know? Civil Air Search & Rescue uses the same techniques as Ham foshunting.

**Old Business**

- Lifetime Membership
  - Not finalized – Tabled for a later date.
- NVIS build
  - On hold for another build session and more planning. Need more participation.
  - Good to revisit this as we have new members that may be interested.
- Youth class -The Church of Jesus Christ, 100 Cannon Gate Road
  - There is an ongoing Ham training class
    - 20 Young men attended first class
    - Future CW classes – TBA – hopefully to include adults
- Summer Field Day 2023 – will again be at Warrior's Path
- Winter Field Day
  - Considering Neil's trailer on Bays Mountain



KARC – Kingsport Amateur Radio Club  
Website: W4TRC.org  
Meeting Minutes

### Old Business (continued)

- October 2022 Events
  - Netherland Inn Special Event – Rick Johnson – CANCELLED DUE TO WEATHER
    - 10/1 & 2 1300 - 1700
    - Annual event – this is our 4<sup>th</sup> year
    - Mary Ellen will develop a script and Certificate
    - George DeVault will submit PR articles
    - The club gives donation to Netherland Inn as they do not charge us for the use of their pavilion
    - We usually make around 200 contacts
  - Fire Prevention Week – Tom Price
    - There was on session on Tuesday 10/11 at Fire Station #2 Noon – 1600
    - We made eight 40m contacts and seven 2m
  - CW Instruction Class – Ron Burns
    - Greg will work on the schedule
    - November – January – every Monday & Thursday at 1900
    - We will work around holidays and any meeting night problems
    - We will set up a sign up sheet on the website
  - Tool Loan-Out Program
    - Suggested for items such as crimpers and analyzers
  - Sky Warn Net – every Thursday 2000 on the 290

### New Business

- Sunday Night NET
  - Average participation. LET'S SEE MORE!
  - It's a great time to get up-to-date club info to members and let non-members hear about events.
- Meeting Location is changing
  - You will receive an email with details for the considered locations
  - The website will have an area for each member to place a vote.
- Election Committee for 2023 Officers
  - The committee may send out an email with a link attached to access the website for voting.
- Website Issue
  - The contact info on the website has no email links.

### Inventor Center Tailgate Hamfest

- John Phipps spoke about this.
- We would like to see this happen in Spring 2023
- All local Ham Clubs should work together to make this happen
- The center has classroom space they are offering to us for testing , CW training , etc.
  - We need to check to see if membership is required to use these rooms