

SMCARA Meeting Minutes 25 July 2019

Meeting called to order at 1930

Jayne McNutt, W4VJU acting as President, in Rob Hoyt's absence

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Jayne McNutt

Introductions around the room and sign in sheet. 23 people in attendance including some new folks.

Presentation: Charles Hallock, AA3WS, Modulation- Very Educational - Thanks!

Reports from Officers

Secretary: Jayne McNutt, W4VJU said June 2019 minutes were posted on SMCARA website. Asked if anyone wanted to request any changes. None received.

Treasurer: Walt Rupp, W3GYT gave a report. Bank account solvent. Dues are due - membership runs from Aug. 1, 2019 - July 31, 2020.

Old Business

Museum SMCARA Station Update: Pete Butt WA3UMY - plans moving along, working with contractors, plan is to have LED lighting, separate room where members can run radio during Museum open hours. Turq Brown, AK4DT is coordinating and working with Pete on station design.

Field Day Update: Jayne McNutt reported numbers provided by Tony Barrett N5TB, 1280 radio points and 1190 bonus points = 2470. Great event and lots of Public Participation! Thanks to everyone.

TailgateFest Update: Chuck Gantz, K3WJX, all is progressing well. Info is listed on ARRL & SMCARA website, There is a lead on a possible hot dog vendor. Flyers submitted to Charles Co., Ft. Washington, and Southern MD clubs. Looking for Vendors but is understandably difficult due to the size of our event. There are 7 tables reserved at the present time. Contact Chuck if you have a Vendor lead or need to reserve a table.

Test Session: Mike Souders, KB3ZWM hosted a session before this meeting. Thanks! Congratulations to Jon Sheldon, KB3UFB who passed both his General and Extra Exam.

New Business

Echolink: John McKay, KB3UCT is working with others to make this happen.

Fox Hunt: Rick McNutt, W1JRM, either Sat 14 or 21 Sep 2019 in the morning. Will post on website and send an email with details once confirmed.

Joint Event with Calvert Co. Club (Pres. Dave Hardy, KB3RAN): Captain Will Gates has invited us to set up a station on the Dove in Historic St. Mary's during RiverFest 28 Sep 2019 in the afternoon. Looking at 10m or 20m station with solar or battery power. Watch the website calendar for updates as they are revealed.

December Holiday Party: Olive Garden Sat. 7 Dec 2019 at 6 pm
Mark your calendars!!!!

Meeting Adjourned: 20:30

Respectfully submitted,

SMCARA Secretary, Jayne McNutt