

MARPLE-NEWTOWN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
MINUTES OF MEETING
DECEMBER 7, 2017

BOARD: **President - Joe Gray (N3LMV)**
 Vice President - Ace Trexler (KB3ACE)
 Secretary - Connie Kester (KC3GPW)
 Treasurer - Sheila Gray (KB3TVK)

Board members in attendance were Ace Trexler and Connie Kester. There were nineteen (19) members present for the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER:

Vice President, Ace Trexler, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m., welcoming all in attendance. Each attendee introduced himself/herself by call sign and name.

Ace reminded everyone that this is the month for elections of Board members. There were no nominees for the positions of President, Secretary or Treasurer. Last month it was announced that Harold Dalton was nominated for the position of Vice President. There was no opposition, and Harold accepted the nomination.

Ace made a motion to accept and re-elect our President, Secretary and Treasurer. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

The Board members for 2018 will be:

President - Joe Gray (N3LMV)
Vice President – Harold Dalton (KC3IAN)
Secretary - Connie Kester (KC3GPW)
Treasurer - Sheila Gray (KB3TVK)

OFFICERS' REPORT(s):

In Sheila Gray's absence, Connie Kester reported that the Club's bank balance as of November 2nd was \$3,555.34. There were expenditures of \$65.84 for coffee supplies, leaving an ending balance of \$3,489.50. The pending expense for this month is \$23.94 for refreshments at tonight's meeting.

Connie advised that a new member joined at the end of last month, giving us now a total of 85 Club members. She also gave a brief synopsis of last month's meeting. She gave reminders to everyone that next month's speaker will be Jim Goldman (W3JG), and that the

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Mid-Atlantic Club has a 9:00 a.m. breakfast meeting on the second Saturday of every month at the Country Squire Diner.

A motion to approve the Minutes and Treasurer's Report was given by Ace Trexler, and they were approved.

Ace reminded everyone that the dues for 2018 will be accepted starting January.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Walter Faust (N3FXR) announced that Danny Amoroso was recently operated on and is in the process of recovery. Danny gave Walt a weather radio for the Club, which was the second drawing of the 50/50 raffle tonight.

Michael Lebrun (N3OMR) stated that the Mid-Atlantic Club has its upcoming holiday party on December 9th at Noon at the Uno Chicago Grill in Newtown Square. The cost for non-members is \$20.00. All are invited. Please visit the MARC website for further details.

Mike Thomas (KB3SUS) provided the monthly call-in totals to the repeater for November, 2017. There were 540 contacts, which averages a little over 20 contacts per net. This figure is 87% of what the net did last year. Mike reminded all in attendance that if anyone is interested in running the net, please let him know. The proper instruction and assistance will be provided. A hard copy of the statistics for the month was provided to Secretary, Connie Kester.

Mike Thomas also mentioned that Vic (N3IO) is working on getting Echo Link fixed. There seemed to have been a hardware problem.

Jim Goldman (W3JG) reminded everyone that at the January, 2018 meeting, his topic will be "Avionics - Part II".

John Dyckman (W3YDC) provided more Field Day statistics and numbers.

SPEAKER/TOPIC:

Ace Trexler began his presentation at 7:30 p.m., and provided a brief lesson on CPR. Ace has been teaching CPR for 25 years, and gave us valuable information on the basics of CPR. There are classes available throughout the area for certification in training.

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The 50/50 drawings were held after the presentation. The first 50/50 was for \$16.50; the second drawing was for the weather radio provided by Danny Amoroso.

REMINDER:

The Club's next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 4, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

All business having been conducted after the 50/50 drawings, the meeting was adjourned by Ace Trexler at 8:16 p.m.

APPROVED:

By: _____
JOE GRAY, President (N3LMV)
Marple-Newtown Amateur Radio Club

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Special Thanks:

On behalf of all members of the Club and Board Members, we wish to thank Ace Trexler for his time and services throughout the past year. We wish you all the best !

HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!