

MARPLE-NEWTOWN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
MINUTES OF MEETING
FEBRUARY 1, 2018

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

All Board members were in attendance. There were approximately thirty (30) members in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER:

President, Joe Gray, called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m., welcoming all in attendance. Each attendee introduced himself/herself by call sign and name.

Joe announced that Vic Tenaglia (N3IO) may be giving classes for licenses, but he hasn't heard anything definite yet. When he does, he will provide information on the MNARC website.

OFFICERS' REPORT(s):

Vice President, Harold Dalton, announced that there will be a presentation by Royd Nuckols concerning the FEMA response situation in Puerto Rico.

Secretary, Connie Kester, gave a brief synopsis of the December meeting Minutes. She noted that there was no January, 2018 meeting due to inclement weather. All were reminded that the Mid-Atlantic Club has a 9:00 a.m. breakfast meeting on the second Saturday of each month at the Country Squire Diner, to which all are invited. The December, 2017 Minutes were approved.

Treasurer, Shiela Gray, announced that there was a balance in the Club's account as of January, 2018 of \$3,489.50. There were food expenses for the December, 2017 meeting of \$23.94; the annual insurance was paid in the amount of \$200.00; and there was a deposit of \$196.00. The Club's current balance is \$3,461.56.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mike Thomas (KB3SUS) provided the call-in totals to the repeater for January, 2018. There were a total of 583 contacts. This is an average of 24 contacts per net. There were 647 contacts last year in the same month, January of 2017. The annual total for the year 2017 was 6,352 contacts, which is slightly lower than the year 2017.

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Mike explained, particularly for those new members, what the net is about. He then 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/year was provided to Secretary, Connie Kester.

SPEAKER/TOPIC:

Jim Goldman (W3JG) gave an interesting presentation entitled "Avionics - Part II", beginning at 7:14 p.m. and ending at 8:45 p.m.

After the presentation, Jim mentioned that there is a website called PlaneFinder.net which provides real-time flight information for all flights throughout the world.

- The 50/50 drawings were held after the presentation.

REMINDER:

The Club's next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 1, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

All business having been conducted after the 50/50 drawings, the meeting was adjourned by Joe Gray at 8:53 p.m.

APPROVED:

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

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