

MARPLE-NEWTOWN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
MINUTES OF MEETING
Sept 5, 2019

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BOARD: **President - Joe Gray (N3LMV)**
 Vice President – Dick Klein(W3WXC)
 Secretary - Connie Kester (KC3GPW)
 Treasurer - Sheila Gray (KB3TVK)

All Board members except Connie Kester were in attendance. There were approximately twenty seven (28) people in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER:

President, Joseph Gray, called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m., welcoming all in attendance. Each attendee introduced himself/herself by call sign and name.

OFFICERS' REPORT(s):

Treasurer, Sheila Gray, provided updates on account balances and expenditures. dues and deposits equaled \$60.0 and expenditures were as follows: Hoagie Day – \$162.59, Field Day Food – \$247.42 (65.82 check still outstanding), Meeting room donation - \$225.00, Field Day site for 2020 - \$175.00.

Mike Thomas gave an update on The Weather Net contacts: For the summer months we had the following contacts: June 2019 – 466 versus 687 in 2018; July 2019 - 587 versus 619 in 2018; August – 641 versus 493 in 2018.

Current membership: 81 members have paid for 2019.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Felix announced that Hartford County, Maryland needs ham radio operators to help with the Susquehanna River Run on Sept 28, 2019.

Dick Klein advised that he had found a biography of Lee De Forest, inventor of the first triode vacuum tube on Sirius XM that was very interesting. He will try to find a way for the club to obtain access.

Joe Gray announced the following:

The MS City to Shore Ride scheduled for Sept 21 & 22, 2019 needs ham radio operators if anyone is available.

Technician License Training classes will be held by the club on October 5, 12, 19th and 26th from 9:00-12:30 PM at the St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 415 Athens Ave, Ardmore Pa. 19003. More information is available at the MNARC website.

SPEAKER/TOPIC:

- Jim Goldman and John Dyckman gave a presentation on the results of Field Day 2019. It was our 5th best year QSO's in the last 21 years with 945 phone QSO's, 175 CW QSO's and 97 digital QSO's from a total of 19 operators. There was a lot of positive feedback from the members.
- Joe Gray thanked all that made it possible, including Jim Goldman and Neil Blaho for leading the event, Harold Dalton for organizing the food and all of those that helped with the event overall.

- The 50/50 was held.

ADJOURNMENT:

All business having been conducted, the meeting was adjourned by Joe Gray at 8:10PM.

APPROVED:

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