

TVARC Minutes

07-29-08 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by our president, and Carl welcomed the 13 members and two visitors present.

OLD BUSINESS

1. The secretary read the Minutes from the June 24th meeting, which were accepted as read.
2. The treasury balance is \$224.71. Marline's report was accepted as presented. Katy will inquire of Lisa McLellan about the \$25.00 that our Club is supposed to receive from having displayed a HamCom banner on our website.
3. Personal Reports—Mel reported that Howard Winnett is moving to South Oak Cliff next week. Mel has removed most of Howard's ham equipment from his truck. Mel also stated that Bill Norris has not been feeling well recently.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Field Day Critique—Carl read a summary of Field Day, prepared by Leo Luker, describing highlights from this event
2. Club Growth—Session notes from a HamCom class provided these suggestions:
 - a) Send postcards to all local, licensed ham operators.
 - b) Postcards to former hams and members of the Club.
 - c) Cards under vehicle windshields of hams or suspected hams.
 - d) Offer one-year free membership to any new members.
 - e) Podcasts and videos to attract younger people.
 - f) Regular liaison with other clubs.
 - g) Fund raising: Bingo.
 - h) Ham Speaker Bureau provides speakers for special presentations.
 - i) Begin meetings with Pledge of Allegiance.

NEW BUSINESS

1. EchoLink—Rusty has replaced the computer power supply, and the system is operating properly.
2. Sale of Gin Pole—Mel made a **motion that a gin pole belonging to our club be sold for \$125, with proceeds to be donated to the Club**. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Summer Newsletter—Katy has published an interesting newsletter with lots of pictures from Field Day. It has been posted on the website and e-mailed to club members.
4. RARC Future Events—1) Hot Rocks Bike Race, 8-9-08. Harry Bell said they would need operators. Participating hams are to meet at Utley School, Townsend Dr. at Yellow Jacket Ln., at 6:00a.m. The ride is officially over at 1:00pm. 2) Tri the Rock Triathlon, 8-24-08. This is a 300-yd. swim, 14-mi. bike, and 2.9-mi. cross-country run sponsored by the Rockwall County Kiwanis Club. 3) Christmas Parade—first Sat. in December.
5. Annual Meeting and Election of Officers—To be held at Ruth Hall's home at 6:00pm, with group photo at 6:15pm on Oct. 25. Meeting to follow a covered-dish dinner. Carl reminded everyone to bring non-perishables for donation to the needy. * Dinner committee: Mel Goodwin, Ruth Hall, Marianne Marsden, Katy O'Mary, Carl & Linda Sherman
7. Adjourn—The meeting adjourned at 7:54pm.

*Items to be furnished were decided after adjournment as follows:

Mel—Deviled Eggs, Potato Salad

Ruth—Dessert, Tea with sweeteners, silverware, plates, napkins

Marianne—Ham

Katy—Potato Salad

Lawrence—Brisket

Shermans—Green Beans, Lemon for tea

Members in Attendance

Johnny Ballard	K2YKQ
Marline Ballard	N5VVM
Mel Goodwin	W5EEY
Mildred Goodwin	W5ELS
Ruth Hall	KE5NEJ
David Jones	N5UFG
Marianne Marsden	KA7CZX
Rusty Mott	WK5R
Katy O'Mary	KE5CGL
George Purnell	K5SXE
Ted Scherbel	KF5HV
Carl Sherman	W5SBH
Linda Sherman	KC5QKN

Guests

Harry Bell	KD5MLL
	RARC President
Leo Luker	KC5DQB
	RARC Treasurer