

Wabash Valley Amateur Radio Association

March Club Meeting Minutes

2017-03-03

President Kevin Berlen (K9HX) called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm EST.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice-President Jay Sotak (AB9CG).

Roll Call/Introductions – There were 27 sign-ins.

New Ham Operator Camp – Jerry Cockrell (W9GWC) – There were three participants. We will do it again next year.

Hamfest – Schedule for next Saturday, March 11, 8 am - Noon. There is still a need for lots of help. Setup begins at 6 am. There will be breakfast served. We need to publish it on any net we possibly can. Fee is \$7, not \$5.

North Vigo High School Radio Club – The School Roundup On The Air is scheduled for February 13-16, 3:30 pm-9:00 pm EST.

Education Report – Dick Wood (N9TH) – School Roundup went well, 300+ QSOs and over 1,000 points. VE testing was held the next week with 1 General and 7 Technicians. There have been 5 General and 18 Technicians in total the past few years. Would like to do antenna work this Spring. Students would like to do some portable operating.

Vigo County ARES – Net is the 1st Sunday monthly, 8:30 pm EST on 146.685 Repeater.

VE Report – No testing this month because of the Hamfest.

Brentlinger Dinner – The dinner will be held at MCL Cafeteria in Terre Haute on March 18. Gathering and dining from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm (EST). Program to begin at 7:00 pm EST.

Storm Spotter Classes – March 18 @ Brazil Public Library. March 27 @ Berean Baptist Church, 7 pm. There is also a Weather Safety Class that will possibly be held at Ryves Hall (no date given).

The Club Station is open, 5:30-8:00 pm EST every Thursday. The Club Station is located on the N.E. corner of 7th and Idaho. Entrance and parking is in back of building. Come to the Club Station and operate it's great practice for Field Day, etc.

Secretary's Report – February minutes presented and approved.

Treasurer's Report – February report presented and approved. Dues are continuing to be collected.

Audit Committee Report – Club books were found to be in order.

Future Meeting Ideas – Suggested that we might hold a meeting at North High School (K9NTH) again.

Break

Ray Andrews (K9DUR) has Baofeng software to program your system if needed.

Program – Kevin Berlen (K9HX) – “Check You Rig”

WVARA Board Meeting – The meeting will follow the WVARA club meeting. All members are invited to attend.

Adjourned – 9:00 pm EST.

Next Meeting – April 7