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CLUB MINUTES

President Steve Luchuk, N4UTQ called the meeting to order at 7:15 PM. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Steve called for visitors and there were two: Matt and Scott. Vice President Report: Nothing to report this month.

Treasurer's Report: The General Fund is unchanged at \$1061.16. The Equipment Fund is also unchanged at \$1883.65.

Past President Report: Viron, N4VEP reported that he is experimenting with NVIS transmissions.

The minutes of the June meeting were accepted.

Field Day Report: The club operated 2A this year using 5 watts only and exclusively

batteries for radio power. We had a 170 CW contacts and 65 phone contacts. The main bands of operation were 20 meters and 40 meters with some contacts on 15 meters and 80 meters as well. Our entries were sent and received by the ARRL and await posting of final results and score. We had a visit from the

We had a visit from the ARRL SFL Assistant Section Manager, Jeff Beals, WA4AW just prior to beginning operations.

As always, Steve, N4UTQ provided the food for the event giving us awesome hamburgers and other excellent food.

All in all, Field Day this year was a great experience, a great time, and lots of fun.

Upcoming Events: The Simplex Exercise this month will

be on Saturday, July 23 starting at 9:00 AM. This time we may try using HF for contacts after the initial check in on 147.42 MHz.

Following the business meeting, Steve gave an interesting presentation on QSL cards from CB radio. American CB call signs used to include generally 3 letters followed by 4 numbers, in contrast to Canadian CB call signs that included 4 letters and 4 numbers. Steve went on to show many very original and imaginative CB QSL cards from years past.

Following the presentation, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted Armando Delgado, KN4JN, Secretary

HAPPENINGS

The FCC will retire the previous COmmission REgistration System (CORES) on July 15, 2022. CORES is the FCC's public-facing database that enables and tracks certain types of FCC and FCC applicant actions, including amateur radio applications and licenses The National Association for Amateur Radio® advises the amateur radio community to transition to the updated version of CORES as soon as possible.

Licensees that do not already have an FCC CORES Username Account must create one with a unique username (a valid email address) and password. After creating the account, when logged in, users should associate their existing FRN or FRNs with this account. Instructions for doing so are on the FCC Registration Help page. One's FRN is printed on all current amateur applications and licenses, and will not

change.

Additional information is available on the FCC website or by calling the FCC Licensing Support Center at (877) 480-3201, Option 4, and on the FCC's esupport page.

The ARRL granted **David Schnoor, KO4SFZ,** of Davie, Florida the IRARC Joseph P.Rubino, WA4MMD, Scholarship for 2022 in the amount of

\$750

The Indian River Amateur Radio Club instituted this scholarship many years ago in honor of a founding member of the club, Joe Rubino, WA4MMD, who contributed greatly to the club. Initially, the club managed the scholarship program, but some years ago, the club transferred the management to the ARRL with the proviso that only Florida amateur applicants would

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be considered for this scholarship.

The 41st ARRL and TAPR Digital Communications Conference (DCC) will be held September 16 - 18, 2022, in Charlotte, North Carolina. This year's 3-day event will be held at the Hilton Charlotte Airport Ho-

The DCC is for everyone, beginners and experts alike, with an interest in all forms of digital communica-

The general topic areas include, but are not limited to: softwaredefined radio (SDR); digital voice; digital satellite communications; digital signal processing (DSP); HF digital modes; adapting IEEE802.11 systems for amateur radio; global positioning system (GPS); automatic position reporting tacts with W9W. system (APRS); Linux in amateur radio; AX.25 updates; internet operability with amateur radio networks; TCP/IP networking over

amateur radio; MESH and peerto-peer wireless networking, and emergency and homeland defense digital communications in amateur radio.

More information about TAPR -Tomorrow's Ham Radio Technology Today can be found at their website.

The EAA Warbirds of America Board of Directors will be sponsoring a special event station, W9W, which will be on the air all week during daylight hours on July 25 - 31 from AirVenture in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, Look for W9W on 40 - 10 meters near 7.225, 14.250, 21.235, and 28.425 MHz. A special event QSL card will be issued for con-

Also, members of the Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club (FCARC) will be operating station W9ZL from Pioneer Airport at KidVenture

throughout EAA AirVenture in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. Club members and other volunteers will operate HF stations on 20 and 40 meters, 6meter SSB (on, or near, 7.250, 14.270, and 50.150 MHz). A special event certificate will be available. See the ARRL Special Events database for further details.

C6ADX C6AYL Exuma Islands Bahamas Joe, W8GEX and Janet, W8CAA will be active from Exuma Islands, IOTA NA-001, Bahamas, 16 - 26 July 2022, as C6ADX and C6AYL. They will operate on 60 - 6 m SSB, Digital modes . QSL via W8GEX. Joe Pater, 2419 Pierson Rd., Oxford, Oh 45056, USA.

D4Z Sao Vicente Island, Cabo Verde, Cape Verde D4Z Team

will be active from Sao Vicente Island, IOTA AF - 086, Cape Verde, Cabo Verde in RSGB IOTA Contest, 30 - 31 July 2022. Team - G4BVY, G4CLA, GD4XUM,G4PVM. WAZ Zone - CQ 35. ITU Zone - 46. QTH Locator - HK76mu. OSL via HB9DUR direct or IK2NCJ buro, MONTEVERDE CONTEST CLUB, Pregassona 6963, Switzerland.

OJODX Market Reef OJODX Team will be active from Market Reef, IOTA EU - 053, 25 July - 1 August 2022.Team - DG5CST, DL3DXX, DL6FBL and SMOW. They will operate on 80 - 6m Bands. QSL via DL3DXX, ClubLog OQRS, Kasper, DL3DXX, Birkenweg 3, Pirna-Jessen, D 01796, Germany.

ON THE AIR

XACOBEO - From Galicia to the World Jul 18-Jul 25, 0000Z-2359Z, A02022XAC +, Galicia, SPAIN. URE Territorial Council of Galicia. 6, 10, 12, 15, 17, 20, 30, 40, 80, and 160 meters on SSB, CW and MGM. Certificate. Email, galiciaxacobeo2022@ure.es, for rules, SPAIN. Look for these call signs: AO1XCF, AO1XFM, AO1XVP, AO1XCI, AO1XCP, AO1XCN, AO1XAU, AO1XCV, AO1XCU, and AO1XPC.

Apollo 11 Moon Landing Commemoration Jul 20, 1330Z-2000Z, K2CAM, Garden City, NY. Long Island Mobile Amateur Radio Club. 14.240 7240. QSL. LIMARC, P.O. Box 392, Levittown, NY 11756. Remembering the 1969 Moon Landing of Apollo 11. It recognizes the contributions of the aerospace industry on Long Island. Located at the Cradle of Aviation Museum. K2CAM will be oper-

ated by the Long Island Mobile Amateur Radio Club. Will be operating SSB, PSK31, and FT8. www.qrz.com/db/K2CAM or www.limarc.org

RRC Kiska Island Expedition -80th Anniversary of the Japanese Invasion of the Aleutian Islands Jul 23-Aug 3, 0000Z-0000Z, K7K, Homer, AK. Russian Robinson Club. 7242 14242 18142 21342. QSL. Richrd J. Moen, 2935 Plymouth Dr., Bellingham, WA 98225.

EAA Airventure 2022. World's largest Airshow. Jul 25-Jul 31, 1330Z-2030Z, W9ZL, Appleton, WI. Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club. 7.250 14.270 50.150. Certificate. W9ZL Special Event Station, PO Box 2346, Appleton, WI 54912. www.fcarc.club

US COAST GUARD 232 BIRTHDAY Aug 4, 1400Z-2300Z, K1CG, Port Angeles, WA. CG CW Operators Association. 3.552 7.052 14.052 21.052, OSL, Fred Goodwin see QRZ/K1CG, 424 N. Bagley Ck, Port Angeles, WA 98362. www.qrz.com/db/k1cg

WW2FLY, Attica, NY. WWII Flying Fortress Amateur Radio Club 1.900 3.850 7.180 14.250. Certificate. Nathan Fix, 3339 Stroh Rd, Attica, NY 14011. https://www.qrz.com/db/ WW2FLY

W5JON will be active again as V47JA from Saint Kitts Island. IOTA NA-104, 12 - 28 July 2022. He will operate on 160 - 6 m (Including 60m), SSB, FT8. QSL via home call direct, LOTW JOHN V ABBRUSCATO, 22199 PINE TREE LN, HOCKLEY, TX 77447, USA. Giovanni, IZ2DPX will be active as 8Q7AG from Maldive Islands, IOTA AS - 013, 8 - 20 August 2022.

He will operate on HF Bands plus 6m Band. QSL via IK2DUW via HE9ERA, IZ2DPX direct, LOTW, ClubLog.

Masa, JAOROV will be active from Niuafo'ou Island, IOTA OC - 123, 7 20 August 2022, as A35JP/P. He will operate on 80 - 6m CW, SSB. QTH - Esia village. QSL via home call. Masato Tamura, 2086-13 Daitakubo, Minami-ku, Saitama-city, 336-0015, Japan.

The University of Oregon amateur radio club will hold a special event the week of July 15-24 to celebrate the World Athletics Championship, for the first time held on American soil. They will be using the call sign N7DUX for the activity. Operations will use all bands and all modes.

Frank, K3TRM will be active as ZF2RM from Cavman Islands. IOTA NA - 016, 17 - 30 July 2022. He will operate on 40 - 6m, CW, SSB, RTTY, FT8, satellite with focus on 6m Band.

Free-Space Optical Communications by Armando Delgado, KN4JN

Visual communications using signals have been around since early mankind, but it was not until the early 1800's that systems capable of relaying letters, and thus complex messages, were invented. One was the semaphore, invented by the French and quickly adapted worldwide. The semaphore used moving arms to configure patterns representing letters. Another devise invented about the same time, the heliograph, was capable of sending Morse code messages by reflecting sun light by means of mirrors. In 1880, Alexander Graham Bell invented and patented a devise he called the Photophone capable of transmitting the human voice over free-space by reflecting light with a thin concave mirror that vibrated with the sound and thus modulated the light beam. This was years before the invention of radio.

Unfortunately, optical communication devises suffer from two significant weaknesses that eventually led to the replacement of early devices by more reliable systems, such as the telegraph and the radio. Optical devices require line of sight contact, which cannot always be achieved. More significantly, they fail under certain meteorological circumstances, such as fog, heavy rain, and heavy snow.

After the invention of the laser in the 1960's, many hoped that the high energy, coherent beam of light of the laser could be used for optical communications. Yet, lasers suffer from technical problems besides the old atmospheric ones that plagued the early systems.

Lasers produce their light by activating photons in a medium with external energy triggering a cascading effect of photon generation in the medium. There are today many different kinds of lasers, some more energetic than others. For effective visual communications, the laser must be of a higher energy type. The photon activation is a time-dependent process and this limits the possibility of modu-

lating a laser by turning it on and off, like to produce Morse code. It is technically possible, but the message rate would be so slow as to be impractical. The lifetime of lasers depends on the number of times it is switched on, so the technique of messaging by turning on and off would significantly limit the lifetime of the laser itself.

In spite of the laser's limitations, amateur radio operators, always willing to explore new media, have studied the laser as a mode of communications and even home brewed transceivers capable of relaying messages over several miles (See References).

The main benefit of lasers as a messaging medium is their broadband. A laser beam potentially can carry 100 Gb/s of data. These rates have not been achieved yet, but modern advances in laser communications are getting there. Currently, the main advantage of lasers is in space communications where there are no interfering meteorological changes.

In 1998 the European Union demonstrated with their SILEX (Semi-Conductor Inter Satellite Link Experiment) that lasers could achieve inter-satellite communications. Later, in 2013 NASA, as part of their LLCD (Lunar Laser Communication Demonstration) experiment transmitted a picture of the Mona Lisa to a moon orbiting satellite using lasers. In that particular experiment, the laser beam successfully used an error correction protocol to compensate for atmospheric interference. More recently, the SpaceX Starlink system of satellites uses lasers for intersatellite communications.

There is extensive, on going research in the use of lasers for communications. As modern lasers become lighter in weight, smaller and require

less power to activate, their potential for communications use increases.

Amateurs, always interested in new and promising media for communications, have the opportunity to learn, participate, explore and benefit from the new technology.

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An optical transceiver you can build to get on the 6500-A band
Bob Gonsett, W6VR Laser QSOCarrying voice over a 'RED POINTER' laser beam by Bob Gonsett, W6VR



W1AW CW PRACTICE TRANSMISSIONS

7 PM EST Slow CW: 5-15 WPM Mon, Wed, Fri

7 PM EST Fast CW: 35-10 WPM Tue, Thu

FREQUENCIES: 1.8025, 3.5815, 7.0475, 14.0475, 18.0975, 21.0675, 28.0675, 50.350, 147.555



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145.490	490 TI	-600	100.0	WN3DHI	TITUSVILLE SR405 & Fox lk rd.	WN3DHI	
146.610	610 ME	-600	None/107.2		MELBOURNE- HOLMES HOSP	PCARS	Tone Downlink only
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146.850	850 ME	-600	None/107.2	W4MLB	PALM BAY- Port Malabar Rd.	PCARS	Tone Downlink Only
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147.570	TACE	SIMPLEX		N/A	Station to station, anywhere		Standardized tactical option since 2006
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