



NORFOLK AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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NR4 6PP from 7-10pm, usually in 6th form centre at front of school.
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Committee Meeting Agenda 11 August 2010 at 19:30 held at:-

City of Norwich School

6th form Media studies room (ie classroom next to our usual club meeting
room/computer area).

Eaton Road

Norwich

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NR4 6PP

Apologies- None as Improptu

Present

G0DWV, G0MQG, 2E1GTE, G0KYA, G0LGJ, Gary 2E0YTF, M0UJD M1ADX G3PDH G3LDI
G7URP

Agenda And Minutes

Minutes from last meeting –

Approved by Proposed, , Seconded,

1. Ham Week- Grand opening of the NARC shack in the middle of the Ham week, on Wednesday 6th October Steve G0KYA to action PR. Jonathan -Shack suggested to start at 3.15pm at end of school. Name to be Open Night.
2. CNS Centenary. David attended a meeting 9th July, School suggested they launch celebrations with a circus. NARC to focus on science and radio. Ideal date either side of weekend. All agreed National Science week during March, David to ask school if they have any plans then. Thoughts were GB4FUN and contacts with Space station...this is beyond the capabilities at present. Demonstration to include Data modes, HF voice /CW, Science week Posters, flyers maybe..... Impressive antennas, also modest to show what can be done with simple setup, NARC to try to Link into teachers lessons before event, to cover radio, Jim G3YLA to be approached for weather angle. Working party to be decided – M1ADX,

Any Other Business

Club Badges- Tony concerned that 3 month free membership people are at present included in the badge list or but feels they should wait for full member status. All agreed that 3 months only entitles to basic benefits. Badges to for paid up members. Any existing 3 month members to get a badge. Mark LGJ mentioned a Constitution change to add clarification to this matter. Also Voting rights not in free membership.

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All agreed that the free 3 months is an 'Introductory membership to NARC' after which if they decide to join they will then receive their welcome pack of a badge etc and full voting rights.

PLT Issue

What can NARC do to assist this situation. David G7 URP

Jonathan suggested a letter to the Local MPs from as many individual members of the club as possible...but all agreed that not the same letter but a variation . Club voice considered too small a group to influence anything, but we all feel that it's a cause we should not ignore. David asked Committee to make a donation to the RSGB fighting fund of £250.00 all agreed, To Bring awareness at club level, the Committee were urged to encourage members to check out the problem at there location, supply a bullet list to the members to look for. Research evening at the club to educate members. David to bring test equipment, Evening called PLT to be added to the program. G3LDI & GODWV to amend Calendar to suit.

Gala HF station- Jonathan + Kevin

Decided to give limited limited contest activity, more to engage the public... making Q's and demonstrating the hobby. Radio, iC7000+big screen +ATU+ Mac antennas, G4ARN call to be used, PC in Mac for logging any contacts and for Data demo, QSL cards with Tony, Sarah/Tony asked for a copy of the log for QSLs or done on the day if time allows.

Club shack status

David / Malcolm met site manager and agreed the positioning of the shack. The shack was started and placed in the agreed position. Mike Bullock from the School called to re position, David URP to re-contact the school about an acceptable position... with the idea to meet member of school staff to allow us to finish installation. We only need to clad the frame once position agreed and install Antennas and equipment. Concerns that school holiday will end soon and it was hoped to be finished by then. Gary asked about Planning for Club aerials and we also need to decide about the sale or other of the Tennamast, due to school plans re mast. Rex to be considered as a potential buyer, to recover the NARC outlay, but Bill to be contacted by Malcolm to see if he wants to manage sale himself as mast was sold to NARC at preferential price. General committee thought was to retain the rotator for club use, Bill to be consulted. And action agreed.

Malcolm suggested the purchase of a Microham interface £320. All agreed

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Next meeting for September was cancelled in leu of this meeting taking place.

Please amend your diary and note next meeting on November 8th.

Correspondence

G3OEP Letter.- David wrote to congratulate the club on their efforts in Field day with both stations. Roger to reply.....

Meeting Closed at 21.25