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Minutes of NARC AGM 4th April 2012 Held at Eaton School, Eaton Rd, Norwich NR4 6PP

1. Opening of meeting

G3PDH Welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked members for their support to this nationally recognised progressive club.

2. Apologies for absence Giorgio Romanin - SWL, Phil G4NZQ, G3IOR G0ZAA M0UAH
John G3XLL G0DCA

3. Approval of AGM minutes 2011

Proposed M1ADX
Seconded 2E0GOL

4. Matters Arising from above meeting

None

5. Chairmans Review 2011

Looking back on another good year for the club I believe, meeting on 50 Wednesday nights in 2011 plus many other trips and events.

Again a wide diversity of talks from our own members

Steve's 'What Ionosondes do and what they tell us' and 'how to work T32C'

Data for Dummies by Roger and Malcolm

Plugs and things with Mark

DIY Aerial digital photography with John

The DX Cluster and Operating procedures by Roger

And evenings you help to make your own like the club quiz where each of you sets a question, and 'My Other Hobby Is' to reveal your other interests

Guest Speakers

Don Fields – Long distance communications

Martin Athertons Islands on the Air

Ken Cheetham's revealing talk on the Baldock operations room

RSGB president Dave Wilson explaining what society can do for you

Practical Wireless into the future with Editor Rob Mannion

Log of the World with Nigel G3TXF

Arranged Visits

Orwell observatory

Bletchley Park

BBC

Not enough people to make coach to Newark Hamfest viable - if interested this year let me know, but we need a minimum of 30.

Events for NARC members

RadioActive – fun for family, with NFD contest, YOU raised over £800 charity – this year it moves to 1st weekend of September with SSB FD contest so more accessible to everyone

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Barford Radio Rally – our main fund raising event (1st July this year)

International Marconi Day at Caister-on-Sea – happening again this year in just couple of weeks

Radio by the Seaside – real family event in North Norfolk

And I hope you agree A really magical Christmas party..... FREE to all members

Public events

Norfolk Gala Day,

International Lighthouses on Air

Railways on the Air

Bright Sparks continues to build and go from strength to strength, supporting 12 regular youngsters. Now with Johns scrap box challenge taking things apart to find out how they are made and work, to making projects as diverse as Christmas effects and automating a model railway.

And you can still be part of NARC on other days of the week with at least one contest nearly every week of the year, regular local nets and the Koblenz sked and did you know we held a radio course on 14 weekend days in 2011?!

Me

I've had a busy year too, for as well as my involvement with this club I was invited to join the Advisory Group to the RSGB and although I think this was chiefly for my professional experience, I believe that being part of this wonderfully ambitious and diverse club enabled me to bring up-to-date and relevant ideas to the table to combine with my business experience and contribute in some small way to shaping the future of our single national organisation which represents our hobby's interests on both the National and global stage.

Contesting The Club has been particularly active on the contesting front with increasing number of members taking part. We took part in all of the main RSGB Club team HF contests in which we attained creditable positions.

Of particular note we came a close 3rd after holding 2nd position for some time out of 91 participating clubs in the Club Championship.

Also 8th in CW NFD, and 9th in SSB FD.

But we still have no involvement in VHF club contests or VHF FD – anyone here like to help get us onto the VHF contest league? We will support you!

Koblenz Skeds Regular monthly skeds were maintained on the second Saturday of the month with our friends in Koblenz and it is encouraging to note that these have now also been joined by several newer licensees. This has created a large net on the band which often also attracts other stations calling in from within the UK and on the Continent.

PHEW! That's a lot to pack in a year!!

All this in a club you can belong to for around £20 a year – surely wonderful value in what are difficult times for so many.

OK, so not all of you will want to go to every talk, or take part in contesting or come to every event. But I hope that in our varied programme of talks and activities there are plenty of things for each of you,

And for some of the 22 new amateurs we have trained and licensed already this year

As well as for the new amateurs and members we are yet to meet.

But all this doesn't just happen.

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Of course we need your support – and we get it – Thank You.

Every year at this time you have the opportunity to propose and elect who you want to run your club, which is why tonight, the AGM, is so important, to reflect back on the last year and look forward to the next.

But I would like to close by asking you now to pay tribute to our programme committee, training team, club officers and committee and all the other members who organise all these talks, activities and events with such dedication.

Because its them, and you which makes Norfolk Amateur Radio Club what it is.

Thank You!

6. Treasurer's Report

NORFOLK AMATEUR RADIO CLUB Accounts 2011		
2010	YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER	2011
£9,575.00	FIXED ASSETS COVERED BY INSURANCE	£8,150.00
£9,575.00	SUB TOTAL	£8,150.00
	BANK ACCOUNTS/PETTY CASH	
£448.08	Treasurer's (Cheque) account	£290.46
£6,708.24	Instant access account	£8,262.99
£39.14	Petty Cash	£33.54
	Shop Stock	
£7,195.46		
	SUB TOTAL	£ 8,586.99
£16,770.46	NET WORTH	£16,736.99

NARC Officers

Hon Treasurer Mark Taylor G0LGJ

Hon Chairman D.Palmer G7URP

Accounts Audited & Verified By

Auditor No1 M.Cook G4DYC

Auditor No2 M.Bywater M0DFF

Thanks to Mark M0DFF and Mike G4DYC acting as auditors

Acceptance of accounts Proposed Dodge 2E0GPZ, Seconded Kim G4WUG

7. Election of Officers for 2012 – 13

8. Vote for Election of Committee

President M Prestwood G3PDH

Proposed G3LDI

Seconded G7JTZ

Unanimous

Chairman D Palmer G7URP

Proposed G7JTZ

Seconded G8EEY

Unanimous

Vice Chairman K Colman M0UJD

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Proposed K Medley G4WUG

Seconded S Lake M6EXY

Unanimous

Secretary C Danby G0DWV

Proposed R Cooke G3LDI

Seconded Chris Soames G0TZZ

Unanimous

Treasurer M Taylor G0LGJ

Proposed G7JTZ

Seconded 2E0RHT

Unanimous

Committee members

2E0MAP

Proposed M0URA

Seconded G7JTZ

Unanimous

G0KYA

Proposed G4WUG

Seconded G3YLA

Unanimous

G3LDI

Proposed G3YLA

Seconded G0TZZ

Unanimous

G3XLG

Proposed M0UMH

Seconded G0LGJ

Unanimous

M0EBN

Proposed 2E0CIP

Seconded G0MQG

Unanimous

2E0NKI

Proposed G7URP

Seconded M0URA

Unanimous

G0TZZ

Proposed G0KYA

Seconded G3LDI

Unanimous

All voted in favour of the above

9. Election of two Honorary Auditors.

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M0DFF G4DYC to stand again
Unanimous

10. Election of an EMC Advisor.

G8SDU asked for an additional officer to help
G8EEY happy to take on the post
Unanimous

11. Proposed Changes to the Constitution Section 7 FINANCE

Para

iii) The internal Accounting System of the Club shall be as agreed with the Honorary Auditors and be such that all monies held in connection with major projects such as Rallies, Equipment and other special activities as directed by the Committee shall be identifiable.

Add

(a) Profits derived from nominated voluntary fund raising activities shall be split equally between club funds and a nominated registered charity or charities. Such charity or charities shall be formally voted upon and agreed by the club membership prior to such fund raising activities.

A discussion took place about the definition and merits of the proposed wording
A summary below.

Dodge 2E0GPZ was concerned that not all good causes were registered Charities.

Words 'Charitable' or 'good cause' suggested by G0TZZ

Stuart G7KBF also voiced concerns regarding the word 'Registered'

Tony G0MQG suggested the plural 'Charities' with 'registered' removed

M0IMW said 'Good Cause or Causes'

Tony M0SWO briefly defined the words 'Charity' and 'Registered' and said that he would provide more detail.

G0CLR brought up the financial assurances by using 'Registered Charities'

Peter M0VRA Nominated 'worthy cause or causes'

G0TZZ proposed that all funds should go to the charity, not 50/50 split with club.

Richard suggested the split should be voted for by club members based on the charity concerned

Tracy "2E0CEY said remove 'Registered' to leave 'charitable causes'

G3YLA asked for Tony M0SWO to suggest the wording which he considered correct.

G7URP asked for the members to ratify the wording change in principle so that we could not have to wait until next AGM to approve.

Proposed Motions

G0TZZ prefer all funds should go to the charity not 50/50

G7URP suggested a proportion of the money to Charity

G0CLR suggested an EGM to ratify the revised wording

G3XLG suggested to take out the words "equally" and "registered" which would suffice.

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David G7URP proposed that an amended wording would be prepared and put forward at an EGM with a voting system for people not able to attend.

Section 11 Club Trophies

All Trophies shall be awarded annually at the Annual General Meeting.

Delete word 'All'

Unanimous

Peter Ives G3ASQ Youth Award

An award presented to the young member (under 16 (**change to 18**)) who has tried hardest and made the most personal progress during the year including helping fellow young colleagues.

Change age to 18 to align with current educational age

Unanimous

12. NARC Charitable causes Vote for 2012-2013 (Assuming constitution change adopted)

Postponed pending constitution changes on charitable giving.

13. Presentation of Awards

John Wadman Memorial Key

Stuart M0JKB

Peter Ives Youth Award

Shaun 2E0SXC

Speaker of the year

Steve G0KYA

Direction finding (Foxhunt) Winner Trophy

Bob G8SDU Mike G8EEY

Koblenz Plate

David 2E0DWT

NARC Committee Cup

Bob G7JTZ

Presidents Cup

Kevin M0UJD

Certificate of Appreciation

John Goldsmith M6JAU

NARC DX Ladder

Keith Martin G0GFQ

Construction Competition Cup (judged this evening) & Bright Sparks Award

Judged by Mike G8EEY, last years winner

Main Cup - Ray G3XLG

Bright Sparks – Lauren G6ELY

14. Any other Business

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Ken M0KJW asked how many members the club had, Tony G0MQG responded with 148

Mike G4DYC proposed a vote of thanks for committee and Officers CW tutors etc
Seconded M1ADX

Meeting Closed: 21.12