



NORFOLK AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

We meet every Wednesday at Eaton CNS School, Eaton Road, Norwich, NR4 6PP from 7-10pm, usually in the 6th Form Centre at the front of school. For more information visit <http://www.norfolkamateurradio.org>

Minutes of NARC AGM held on Wednesday 3rd April 2013

Opening of meeting

President Malcolm G3PDH opened the meeting and welcomed the large number of amateurs who had turned out. He pointed out that we are one of the largest and most active clubs in the country. He then handed over to Chairman David G7URP.

Apologies

Giorgio Romanin, SWL, John G0MXN, Shirley 2E1HAO, Ken M0KJW, Shirli G0ZAA, Phillip G4NZQ, Peter M0VRA and Chris G0DWV

Minutes 2012

All members present were given a copy of the minutes from the 2012 AGM and a list of current members.

Proposed: Dodge M0TTN

Seconded: Nigel 2E0NLK

Approved by the membership

Matters Arising from 2012 AGM

Stewart G7KBF pointed out that minutes of the EGM regarding the adopted charity should also have been distributed with the AGM minutes. These were later displayed and read out when the adopted charity vote took place later in the meeting.

Chairman's Report

David G7URP outlined the club's achievements over the past year, with talks on subjects as diverse as 3D Television and the T32C DXpedition. The contest group also received special mention, having won the RSGB's 80m Club Championship.

Six training courses were also held throughout the year and Morse code continues to gain popularity, complete with a unique Morse boot camp.

The Bright Sparks group has also been very active.

Other activities included International Marconi Day and a trip to the RSGB Hamvention. David said that this year we need to keep coming up with new ideas.

The year will include trips to the Radar Museum at RAF Neatishead and a trip to USAF Lakenheath. David said that we had a great year ahead. He concluded by saying that we should be proud of our club and its achievements.

Treasurer's Report

Mark G0LGJ gave an overview of the NARC accounts and thanked the auditors Mike G4DYC and Mark M0DFF for their help. Fixed assets were £8,150.00 Funds at the bank were £10,518.70. Net Worth was £18,698.32.

There were questions about how the money on account could be used and how we handle depreciation on equipment. The point was made that we also now have "new for old" insurance cover. We also have public liability insurance cover through the RSGB. David G7URP thanked Mark for his work in compiling the accounts.

Proposer: Chris G0TZZ
Seconded: Jonathan M1ADX

Vote of acceptance - Unanimous

Election of Officers for 2013–14

Chairman

David Palmer G7URP
Proposed: Steve Nichols G0KYA
Seconded: Kevin Colman M0UJD

Unanimous Vote carried.

Vice Chairman

Kevin Coleman M0UJD
Proposed: James Banham M0UKS
Seconded: James Souster G7PQF

Unanimous Vote carried.

Secretary

Chris Danby G0DWV
Proposed: Kim Medley G4WUG
Seconded: Colin G4WTD

Unanimous Vote carried.

Treasurer

Mark Taylor G0LGJ
Proposed: Chris Soames G0TZZ
Seconded: Tony Hall G0MQG

Unanimous Vote carried.

Proposed Committee Members

Tony Hall G0MQG

Proposed: Chris Soames G0TZZ

Seconded: Mark Taylor G0LGJ

Steve Nichols G0KYA

Proposed: Mike Mobbs G8EEY

Seconded: Mark Taylor G0LGJ

Roger Cooke G3LDI

Proposed: Jim Bacon G3YLA

Seconded: Phillip Brookes G4NZQ

Roger Colman-Whaley (Dodge) M0TTN

Proposed: Simon Bywater M0EBN

Seconded: Jack Lambert M6BXA

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Proposed: Kevin Colman M0UJD

Seconded: Mark Taylor G0LGJ

Nicky Crabb 2E0NKI

Proposed: Paul Burgess G8VPT

Seconded: Jim Whiteside M0HPJ

Matthew Woolley 2E0MAP

Proposed: R Smith G7JTZ

Seconded: Mark Taylor G0LGJ

Andrew Goldsmith M0NKR

Proposed: Chris Holloway G0GGF

Seconded: Kim Medley G4WUG

Chris Soames G0TZZ

Proposed: Tony Hall G0MQG

Seconded: Mark Taylor G0LGJ

Ray Spreadbury G3XLG

Proposed: Chris Soames G0TZZ

Seconded: Tony Hall G0MQG

As there were 10 nominations for eight positions a ballot vote was then held. All were elected bar Matthew 2E0MAP and Dodge M0TTN.

Election of two honorary Auditors

Mike G4DYC and Mark M0DFF were prepared to stand again.

Tracey 2E0CEY also offered her help as an auditor. Vote carried unanimously.

Election of EMC Advisors

Bob G8SDU and Mike G8EEY were both prepared to stand again.

Unanimous vote carried.

Proposed changes to constitution

No changes this year

NARC adopted Charity for 2013/2014

Only one formal proposal had been received in advance of the AGM; Nik 2E0NGR spoke in favour of his favoured charity – Hospital Radio Norwich – and took questions from the floor (31 Votes).

Other charities were proposed from the floor:

David G0PFN suggested that we adopt the same charity as last year – EACH. (17 votes)

Ian M0IMW suggested that the Air Ambulance be considered. (14 votes)

G0MQG suggested Diabetes UK. (5 votes)

Rex G0CLR suggested we support RAIBC. (18 votes)

After a show of hands, a vote was carried in favour of Hospital Radio Norwich (actual vote counts shown in brackets above).

Jim G3YLA asked how much money had been raised for last year's charity - £283.50 had been raised.

Presentation of Awards

John Wadman Memorial Key

Andy M0NKR

Peter Ives Youth Award

Jack M6BXA

Speaker of the Year

Jim G3YLA and Steve G0KYA

Direction Finding (Foxhunt) Winners

Chris G0GGF, Kim G4WUG, Chris G0DWV, Tina SWL, Laura 2E0LJG, Andy M0NKR

Koblenz Plate

Bill M0HHW

NARC Committee Cup

Peter M0VRA

Presidents Cup

Roger G3LDI

Certificate of Appreciation

Bob G7JTZ

Certificate of Appreciation

Paul G3VPT

DX Ladder 2012

Chris G0DWV

Construction Competition Cup

(as judged on the evening by last years winner Ray G3XLG)

Peter G4KLM

Any other Business

Malcolm G3PDH informed the meeting that the club was not successful in reaching the final of the RSGB Club of the Year Contest.

David G7URP also said we had received two requests for Dxpediton funding. The first was for Wake Island – the number 25 most wanted entity in the World. The Dxpediton would use the call K9W.

The second was for P5/K6VVA - North Korea. Roger G3LDI briefed the group on a potential Dxpediton to an island (IOTA) off North Korea. The trip is to support a humanitarian mission.

Kim G4WUG suggested £50 to each DXpediton. A show of hands vote was then held and both donations were supported unanimously.

Ray G3XLG then asked if we had supplied Koblenz with a prize. Malcolm G3PDH said that we had given the club a painting of Norwich.

Paul Woolley asked if we could ask for a list of nominated charities on the NARC website before the next AGM.

Chris G0TZZ also asked for suggestions as to how the club could spend its funds before the next committee meeting.

Malcolm G3PDH also pointed out that members could view the G5RV Trophy before it goes back to the RSGB. Malcolm also thanked G7URP for all his hard work throughout the year and for running the AGM.

David G7URP closed the meeting by thanking everyone for attending.

The meeting closed at 21.30.