NARC Committee Meeting, 1900hrs, 14th July 2014

City of Norwich School, 6th Form Media Studies Room, Eaton Rd, Norwich, NR4 6PP

Minutes

Attendees

Phil G4NZQ, Roger G3LDI, Andy M0NKR, Tony G0MQG

Chris G0TZZ, David G7URP, Chris, G0DWV, Steve G0KYA

1 Apologies for absence

Mark G0LGJ, James M0UKS, Simon M0EBN, Kevin M0UJD

2 Previous Minutes Approved

Proposed G0TZZ

Seconded M0NKR

3 Matters Arising

Malcolm has now completed the trailer towing sheet and circulated to various people. Details are kept on file.

Chris G0TZZ has had tower on a weigh bridge, as it stands with all equipment loaded, 1520kg tower weight. This limits the towing vehicles to larger cars and 4x4's.

Encouraging Newbies into contesting G3LDI / G3PDH working on it

On Moving shack into the spare room to make a quiet environment, committee advised cable has been bought

Committee reminded to help encourage attendance at any organised event.

4 SSB Field day - G3PDH

Club meeting, members to be asked for firm offers to operate, If enough a B station will be provided.

The main station only open to more experienced operators, B Station for training

5 Happisburgh Lighthouse - Malcolm G3PDH

16th – 17th August weekend, NOV applied for by Malcolm, looking for a rota as usual.

He needs other names for the NOV, Philip G4NZQ a possible TBC

QSL on request or on receipt of a card, not QSL all as has happened in the past.

6 Worsted festival - James M0UKS

26th 27th July weekend

Club members to be asked to come along and offer exhibits and meet greet, to enthuse to the general public.

Philip G4NZQ a possible, Tony M0MQG also offered

Use of club tower and someone to tow it there and back, Roger to ask Ray G3XLG

7 Bletchley Park Trip - David G7URP

Philip to check if there is a time limit on free entry to the park... suggested Polish Day as a possible event to piggyback. Steve G0KYA suggested February or March to be outside other events.

8 NFD Stations / Radio Active correspondence received – David G7URP

Letter sent to David from John G3XLL regarding the Radio Active Event. Disappointed in the interest it attracted, worried that it had caused a split in the club with the stations spread over at the airfield, front field, etc... he suggested that the event should be restricted to the one local area.

Splinter groups with in club were to try to be avoided...

Courses Training and individual encouragement to attend.

Membership informed and encouraged to Help out

Newbies, explain the events so they can really understand that it could be applicable to them instructive (set up day) and FUN.

All were real concerns and steps would be taken to encourage the one site idea for the future, this being dependant on the type of event etc and close proximity of RF etc.

9 Foxhunts 2015. - Roger G3LDI

I need dates ASAP for the main events, but it has been suggested that more Sunday events take place, including some for juniors only! How many and when?

Dates to be set for the middle of June / July in the 2015 calendar, Winners to be asked

10 Bright Sparks 2015. - Roger G3LDI

Bright Sparks 2015. Are two meetings a month feasible, desirable and would they be attended. Volunteers for non-technical instruction: good or bad idea?

It was suggested that it' not really possible to do every month but on occasions have an additional meeting to focus on a particular aspect of the hobby to enthuse or demo to them.... David to champion the cause.

10 Barford 2015. - Roger G3LDI

5th July 2015

I had a suggestion put to me for the committee to discuss. Next year, perhaps do NOT charge £8 for traders. All traders free!! However, charge EVERY individual £2 entrance fee. It might attract more traders, and less complaints about the £8 so overall might be beneficial.

It was discussed and everyone thought it would make little difference to the income, it was decided to leave as is.

11 For discussion - Peter Claydons Email

How about positioning a small table at the coffee bar in back of the room and staffing it with the organiser of an event/ a committee member or even myself. On the table could be details of events, (timings, duration, cost, etc etc) and lists for volunteers.

All this could be hand-written on A4 sheet.

It would provide a focal point for newer members and give them the opportunity to ask questions. Plus, it would be adjacent to the main body of the members having their evening mardle saving them the walk to the front desk.

It only need operate for 15 minutes prior to the evening notices and 15 minutes after the talk, or straight after the notices on an informal night.

All information gathered could then be passed back to you or the event organiser by the end of the evening.

Hopefully it will increase awareness of club activities and promote greater participation.

All agreed it to be a good idea and a were happy to be involved, as Peter was happy to be active on this he is to be asked to help kick it off.

12 Accounts G0LGJ As attached

AOB

Visit to Saxon Air -Philip G4NZQ Chris G0DWV

Fire service control centre visit – informal nights 3 possible visits due to small number that can be accommodated, Alternative option North Earlham Fire Station

Hamfest Ivy Road carpark is now sorted by G0TZZ

Tony advises he is now the holder of all club licenses

Andy M0NKR thanked everyone for the bereavement card

Next Meeting dates

08/09/14

10/11/14

12/01/15