Minutes of the SARA (Sussex Amateur Radio Association) monthly meeting at Mulligan's Point Country Club

November 16, 2023

- 1. Meeting called to order at 19:01 with 34 in attendance
- 2. Pledge given to the flag
- **3.** Moment of silence for the fallen protectors to our country, county, community and silent keys
- 4. President Report Butch WA0CIE:
 - 4.1. December 7th at 17:30 will be our Christmas party at Grotto's in Millsboro
 - 4.2. Spoke about his time and conditions of being president of SARA and thanked everyone for the privilege
- 5. VP Report Deb AJ3L:
- **6. Secretary and Treasure Report:** Both reports were accepted and approved by the membership.
 - 6.1. We have approximately \$20K in the bank per Stuart KC3MAL
- 7. Hamfest: April 20th 2024 We Need Volunteers
- 8. Testing Herb W3BW: Two tested and two passed their Tech tickets
 - 8.1. Herb spoke about how to renew your licenses and address changes. 605 forms do not require signatures
- 9. ARRL (Section Manager) John K3PFW:
 - 9.1. Monday November 21th is the election for Section Manager
 - 9.2. John K3PFW and Steven KC3DCO are running
 - 9.3. We need to develop mentoring for new hams
 - 9.4. The Board stated that we need to push for more operators to get on the air, we need to stimulate the new hams and youth
 - 9.5. Spoke about the ongoing HOA's issues and things in the works

10. ARES Jim N3XKJ:

10.1. Not much going on

- 10.2. In contact with Sussex Tech to see about getting meetings back there
- 10.3. There is a need of net control operators for July 3rd and December 18th
- 10.4. Next meeting will be at 6:30 at Sussex Tech in Georgetown on December 13th, that is a Wednesday

11. RACES / AUXCOMM Bill N3ID:

- 11.1. Apple Scrapple went well on October 14th except for the weather
- 11.2. December 2nd is the Rehoboth Marathon
- 11.3. The Second Thursday of every month are the meetings at the EOC in Georgetown

12. Sky Warn Steve KC3DSO:

- 12.1. December second is recognition day
- 12.2. Update on the hurricane status
- **13. Repeater(s) John K3JL:** Internet working, repeater working On spare amplifier right now
- **14.** Old Business: No old Business

15. Events:

- 15.1. Winter Field Day January 27-28
- 15.2. Rehoboth Marathon December 2nd
- 15.3. Holiday Event (Christmas party) on December 7th at Grottos in Millsboro Delaware. Its from 17:30 to 19:30 and the cost is \$15 per person

16. New Business:

- 16.1. Elections:
 - 16.1.1. New officers and positions take effect January 1st, 2024
 - 16.1.1.1. President: Paul Ross NR3P
 - 16.1.1.2. Vice President: Deborah Libertore AJ3L
 - 16.1.1.3. Secretary: Paul Rieger KC3OIN
 - 16.1.1.4. Treasurer: Richard Long N3RTL

16.1.1.5. Director: Lars Spencer 'Spence' NS3F

16.1.1.6. Director: Jim Baker N3XKJ

16.1.1.7. Past President: Butch WA0CIE

- 17. 50/50: \$30 was won by Wayne N3UFG
- **18. Motion to Adjourn:** Was given and approved by the group at 20:10
- **19.** Next meeting will be on January 18th same time, same location

Respectfully Submitted by Donna KC3IHV

Spence and I would like to thank everyone for putting up with us for the past few years.

*** Smoke Signals ***



"Why should we buy a carpet that covers one room when for the same amount of money we can buy a radio that covers the whole world?"



someday all these old Baofeng chargers will be yours.



My mom as a grandma: "That looks dangerous."

My mom in 1989:



Back when my mom and I used to go running together.



TYPES OF CABLES AND USB

