

TIDELANDS AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Minutes of Meeting July 14, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Cookie, K5EWJ, at 1900.

Those present were:

Cookie, K5EWJ (President)
Joe, WA5OMB (Vice President)
Joe, AA5OP (Treasurer)
John, KC5LAA (Secretary)
Louis, WB5BMB
Wink, N5ECE
Bo, KT1AA
Michael, AC0TX
John, WA5UUP
Michael, KG5MNE
Rudy, KF5QYG
Curt, WB5UZZ
Ken, KF5PGU
Dan, WA5DLH
Bill, WA5WVP
Robert, W5TWA
Chuck, KG5OFU
Wes, KF5UKF
Kerry, KF5WDU

That's 19 attendees!

John read the minutes of the June 9, 2016 meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

Joe provided the treasurer's report.

Next were introductions.

Old business:

Field day: Cookie calculated a score of 900 bonus points and 300+ QSO points at Bayou Park. We operated class 3A. We had no GOTA contacts. We need logging programs and computers to better track QSO'S. A discussion of calculations for field day points followed.

Cookie had the trailer with a 3-band beam. We need filters on all transmitters next year to avoid splatter. There were 3 people who stayed the night. Cookie purchased all the logging software from N5BPS.

Joe, AA5OP, asked if we had decided on a place for the Christmas party. Kelly's in LaMarque? The Reef? Discussion followed.

Cookie said that the election for officers is coming up. October will be nominations, November vote, installation in December, and take over in January. We also need to select a field day chairman and hamfest chairman.

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Joe, AA5OP, said the hamfest has been paid for for 2017 and 2018. Dates will be July 8, 2017 and July 7, 2018.

Michael, AC0TX, has advertised the hamfest in several places. He will be the "Cat-In-The-Hat" for the auction. HVRA will allow TARS members in free; however, they must register for the auction.

Cookie mentioned the TEXAS QSO Party and JOTA, the third weekend in October. He also mentioned Islands on the Air, SS CW contest, ARRL 10 meter, 160 meter sweepstakes and Skywarn Recognition Day.

John, KC5LAA, presented information on the 60 meter and 30 meter ham band plans. Discussion followed.

More discussion of the hamfest followed.

Meeting adjourned at 2100.

The next meeting will be at the North County Building on Thursday, August 11, 2016.

s/ John, KC5LAA
Recording Secretary