Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Station (BNJARS) Minutes of the General Membership Meeting of December 13, 2008

The meeting was conducted in the 1st Class lounge of the Battleship New Jersey The meeting was called to order at 1000 hours with the pledge of Allegiance. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved. (Listed on the Web)

Officers/Directors:

President: Harry Bryant, AA2WN Vice President: Ed Clark, W2KP Secretary: Ron Cohen, K3ZKO Treasurer: Lou Priestly, N2HQL

Chief Engineer: Dave Burgess, WA2TVS

Public Affairs: Joe Cramer, N2XYZ, not in attendance. Station License Trustee (NJ2BB): Dave Burgess, WA2TVS

Directors:

Margaret Burgess, KB2BRR Bill Bacon, KE2XC Al Alkins, K2SLA, not in attendance

Presidents Report:

Thank you for showing up for today's meeting, nothing new to report.

Vice President Report: No report

Secretary Report: No report.

<u>Directors Report:</u> - Margaret, KB2BRR announced that as of November 30, 2008 we have logged 38,312 volunteer hours since 2001. At our September meeting we went over the Constitution/Bylaws and tabled two items for review, copies of these items are on the web site.

<u>Treasurers Report:</u> Lou Priestly, N2HQL, reported that we now have \$889.98 in our treasury as of this date. Our last meeting we had \$656.48 in our treasury.

<u>Chief Engineers Report:</u> I have not been putting out the weekly updates as often as I should. ship yard raid didn't yield any electronic equipment. I don't make up the ship yard raid list of people who will be allowed to go. If you have a problem as to why you were not put on the list talk to me and maybe I will be able to give you an answer. All broadway hatches are to be kept closed to try and save heat, so please keep this in mind. There are two hatches aft that remain open for access to broadway. We received a request from staff about relighting some areas and a service call for the super camera.

Education/Scouting: No report.

Activities: NJ2BB Trustee Report: - Dave, WA2TVS; No report.

<u>Public Events:</u> Joe, N2XYZ; has had open heart surgery and is doing fine now. Harry, AA2WN; Museum Ships weekend contest will be held June 6 and 7 this year.

H.P.A. Report: No report.

Safety Officers Report: No report.

<u>AD Hoc Committees:</u> John, WB2DFB; everything we have is repaired, three power supplies for the RBM receivers done, calibration of one O-Scope and a DVM.

Configuration Control: No report.

Standing Committee Reports: No report.

QSL Manager: Margaret, KB2BRR reports that the last Quarter we had 135 contacts for a grand total of 26,205 contacts made from the ship with over 5,251 QSL cards received and answered through November 2008. Our postage reserve is \$38.62.

<u>Station Operation:</u> The RF-350 transceiver located at Ham-4 is a very simple 100 watt rig. Be careful when operating this rig, it does transmit out of our bands as designed. We are finding poor logging occurring, please be careful with your logging.

<u>Emergency Communications:</u> Ed, W2KP; the drill we just had in Atlantic County worked out very well we had APRS working and could see where all of the vehicles were located, a great tool.

<u>Old Business:</u> Brian, KC2PAF chairman for the nominating committee has come up with the following slate,

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The only addition is Beth Barnish, KB2EAL as a director.

A motion to approve was made by Jerry, WB2CAK and seconded by Ted, N3OWM.

New Business: Margaret, KB2BRR would like to thank Jean Priestley, KA2YKN for her work with the ARRL as Section Manager for South Jersey. She has retired from this position.

<u>Good of the Order:</u> Bill, KE2XC, tells us about a channel 10 video showing our 2003 ships weekend in 2003, this is located on UTube, search under Battle Ship New Jersey.

Next meeting: will be Saturday, February 14, 2009

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jerry, WB2CAK and seconded by Margaret, KB2BRR.

Meeting was adjourned at 1020 hours Ronald Cohen, K3ZKO Secretary