

BNJARS Meeting Minutes

May 14, 2016

President Harry Bryant AA2WN opened the quarterly meeting at 1007 hours with leading the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

President Bryant stated he had no specific items to discuss.

Treasurer Lou Priestly N2HQL was called to give the financial status of the club. Lou remarked that at the moment the club had a balance of \$ 1808.00 in the treasury.

Harry then asked for the current QSL report from QSL manager Margaret Burgess KB2BRR. Margaret said that as May 14, 2016 the ship had 38,137 qso's logged with 6,685 qsl cards sent. And uploaded 8422 matches to Log Book of the World sponsored by the League.

Margaret said that through the period of December 2015 to the meeting date of May 2016 there were 164 contacts . Margaret stated that the monies given to the treasurer was \$377 after the expenses for Museum Ships Weekend. Qsl fund had a balance of \$78.

For Scouting Merit Badge program Harry Bryant said that after the meeting today there would be a merit Badge program sponsored by the club as in the past with club member Joe Arico. He asked for additional participation from the general membership as more help is very much needed.

There would be a couple of sessions during the winter months as during the summer the Scouting Activities change agenda. Anyone interested would have to complete Child Safety Protection training Sponsored by Boy Scouts of America.

On Chief Dave (WA2TVS) Burgess' arrival the president asked for an update on activities. Dave spoke about repairs and impending repairs to the audio visual system in Turret 2. Chief Burgess then requested for help after the meeting for removal of the friendship lights so that the ship's crew could string items for the Battleship's Commemoration of its anniversary.

New Club member Ron Schaefer was introduced by Harry Bryant. His call is W2RES and is relatively new to the hobby. His son helped transition him to the hobby and he is very happy to be a recent addition to BNJARS. Ron said that he is avidly chasing DX at home and would like to contribute to Museum Ships Weekend in June by being an additional operator.

John Saracen would not be in attendance this meeting to give his technical report. In his stead Jim Nilon N3GUY spoke briefly about the repairs and alignment to the TCS transmitter currently under repairs. Plans are being made to operate the unit for demonstration to the public on the flag deck during MSW.

BNJARS will not be hosting a booth at Dayton Hamvention this year. Help for the three day event is in great need . Dave and Margaret will be there but not attending to the booth. Dave added that any persons who would help during the 2017 event the booth would then be activated. Chief stated that this weekend was Armed Forces communications weekend. Ham radio operators could contact military Stations using split band operations.

Discussion for the need to be courteous to operators in the shack was brought to the floor by Margaret Burgess. Operators have expressed dismay as call signs have been missed or miscopied due to noise and mayhem.

A call for adjournment by President Bryant was made and seconded by acting Recording Secretary Barnish. Adjournment was ratified by the membership at 10:38 hours.

Submitted :
Acting Recording Secretary
Jerry Barnish, WB2CAK.