

# TARC Board Meeting

## 05/03/2021



**President** – John KK4JS – Welcome

**Vice President** - Jan KX4MI – See New Business

**Treasurer** - Jim KW4PW – Approx. \$3750 in the account

**Secretary** - Mike KJ4TAC – See Old Business

**Membership** – Ron K4TCP –

**Testing** – Dave AE4ZR/Ron K4TCP 1 signed up and test. Passed tests for Tech and General tests.

**Programs** – Van N4VGE- Dr Tom giving May presentation – Digital radio. Mike will be giving June presentation on HAMRS Logging software. Gregg, KB1AWM will give the July presentation on WSJT-X and Grid Tracker.

**Repeaters** – Bryce K4LXF – Adams Run repeater antenna stored. County said they would not be responsible for installing the repeater antenna and hardware. However, the spot on their tower will be free of charge. Still waiting feedback from county for specific location so that estimates can be made for installation cost.

**Fund Raising** - Peggy W4ZBR – HT, Mobile and Arduino prizes for raffle. Winner choice.

**Properties** - Steve KO4AFL – No Report

### OLD BUSINESS:

Dave AE4ZR – Changes to the admin portion of the testing went off without any issues. Electronic filing was simple, and the response came back in about two hours. Hard copies snail mailed as backup.

Van N4VGE reported that Museum Ships on the Air will be held June 5-6. TARC has been registered and will be activating the Hunley again this year. Dave, AE4ZR volunteered to assist. All arrangements have been made and new signage will be obtained to guide visitors to the operation site.

The General Election for TARC Board members in August. Nominating Committee Chair is Nan, KN4MJA with Van N4VGE assisting. Several nominations have been received and confirmed.

Summer Field Day will be 26-27 June. Ron is committee chair, Glen will assist.

Place: Glen's property. All arrangements have been made except for the Porta Potty. John, KK4JS will arrange that.

A proposal was made to hold a Tail Gate this year since there will be no Ham Fest. Volunteers are needed to help plan and set up this event. Mike spoke with several CARS members about joining in and making it a dual club event. There was a general lack of interest for a Tailgate from those spoken to. Including CARS in the Tailgate has been tabled.

What's Next - Ron K4TCP will be the point of contact and co-ordinate the program. The program will cover many of the different aspects and subjects included in ham radio. It is designed to provide new Hams basic information. TARC members with specific skills/knowledge in Ham Radio and would like to volunteer for this program, contact Ron. All new members and new Hams are encouraged to sign up for the program when it becomes available. Notices about the What's Next Program will be on the TARC website soon.

Gregg, KB1AWM, brought up the FCC changes on RF Management. These changes in the rules can affect some Ham operating stations because several of the ham exemptions have been removed. All non-exempt stations will be required to have an RF Survey on file at the station. Gregg is still investigating how these rules changes will affect TARC and its operating events. Once he completes this, he will give a short presentation at the General Club Meeting. Additionally, a Guidance sheet will be printed, and laminated copies will be placed in each of the club's radio storage boxes for use during events.

Jan, KX4MI, moved to restart the dinner group since the Covid restrictions are easing up. Items discussed were which day of the week (previously Thursday), location (businesses capable of hosting 20+ guests), coordinator (will rotate each month) who will choose the location and contact them for reservations. The motion was seconded and carried to bring this matter up to members at the next Club meeting.

Mike, KJ4TAC, requested permission to invite a local church youth group to TARC events, specifically the Museum Ships Weekend and Summer Field Day with the intent on spurring interest in Ham radio. Permission was granted.

Ron will be giving a short (10 minute) overview of the new web site and its features at the May Membership meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 1940.