

Trident Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

Membership Meeting Minutes

7/20/2026



Call to order: 1900 **Adjourned:** 2210

Location: American Red Cross, 2242-A City Hall Lane, N. Charleston, SC 29406

Board Officers/Committee Members:

President – Chris Benoit, KC4NW

Vice President – David Merritts, AE4ZR

Secretary – Brent Tatum, KO4KCR (Absent)

Treasurer - Steve Anderjack – KO4AFL

Board Member at Large - Glenn Stephens, WA4NMW

Board Member at Large - Jim Wasson, KO4M

Membership – Ron Davis, K4TCP

Testing – Ron Davis, K4TCP, Steve Anderjack KO4AFL

QSL manager –Chris Benoit KC4NW

Education - Jim Wasson KO4MNB, Steve Behr K4OPZ

Programs – Reid Robinson KR4CPL (Absent)

By-Laws – Chip Mack WB4ZVR

POTA-

Treasurer Report: \$6,911 - ~200 outgoing to John Place estate, 250 to Church for FD.

Membership: Currently at 112. 2 guests at tonight's meeting.

Education Committee: No report

QSL: No QSLs received

Programs:

July Go Box/Bag show and tell

August None Elections

September Contesting

Ongoing Activities (Listed Below)

POTA: On Hold for now – looking for new chair for POTA activities

Fox Hunt: September when it's cooler. Still a lot of interest.

Net Control: Club is in need of a few additional operators to help run the TARC VHF network on Tuesday evenings at 8:00pm. Running a net is good training for Emergency Operations. A script will be provided to anyone who wishes to become a Net Control Operator. Please see Ron K4TCP to sign up.

Trailer Maintenance: Glenn Stephens, Steve Anderjack, Chris Benoit, and Brent Tatum adjusted trailer brakes before summer field day. Chip Mack is going to windows update the computers in trailer while at his house. Glenn Stephens, stated that we need to purchase and install a new battery balancer.

Old Business:

- Need a POC for POTA.
- ARRL Summer Field Day June 27-28: AAR

New Business:

- Elections in August
- President Chris Benoit
- Vice President Ron Davis
- Secretary Brent Tatum
- Treasurer Steve Anderjack
- Member at Large Glenn Stephens
- Member at Large Chip Mack

Nominating Committee

David Merritts
Terrence Hamilton
Jan Kauser

ARRL Summer Field Day AAR

- Preliminary score 1452 with bonuses. 40m = 229 Phone, 20m = 72 Phone, 6m= 25 FT8
- Need more takedown volunteers
- Not really a good event for new operators
- Radio issues in the beginning, need to reset radios to a baseline.

ARRL - On The Air Publication

The club was featured on page 9 of the ARRL On the Air Publication Jul/Aug edition with a spotlight on what the club brings to the community. The hard copy was circulated amongst the members to view. Access to the publication is on the ARRL website.

Contesting – Possible program

The club is investigating doing a program on contesting if there is interest in the membership. More info to come.

Tonight's Program – Go Box/Bag show and tell

Participants:

Chris Benoit - KC4NW
Glenn Stephens - WA4NMW
David Merritts – AE4ZR
Jeff Carner - AA4BC
Chip Mack - WB4ZVR
Drew McCoy - KQ4TYT
Greg Mitchell - NG4M
Jim Wasson – WA5DAD

General Information:

- Testing: POC: Testing is scheduled at 6:30pm the 3rd Wed of every month at the Hanahan Public Library, 1216 Old Murry Ct., Hanahan, SC 29410. Pre-register for the exam session at <https://hamstudy.org/sessions/glaarg>
- Upcoming Events:
 - o Elections

NETS:_Check the TARC Website: Every Tuesday at 8pm on your local repeater.

73

Brent Tatum, KO4KCR

Secretary