

GMARC MEETING MINUTES 20-JAN-2015

I. Call to Order by the President, Marty KB8JIU at 7:00 PM

II. Introductions, Upgrades, and Visitors

There were no visitors.

III. Minutes

Minutes of the 16-Dec-2104 meeting were available on the web site and copies at the meeting. Motion to approve minutes by Charlene KC8PIC and seconded by Ray W8PIE. Motion carried.

IV. Treasurer's Report – Ed KC8SBV

GMARC Treasurer's Report

January 20, 2015

Last Statement Balance 16-Dec-2014	\$ 1,576.03
Membership Dues	60.00
TCF Service Charge	-0.30
December Pizza Party	-79.15
Coffee Fund	<u>2.50</u>
January Bank Balance --	\$ 1,559.08

Raffle Fund	338.58
Repeater Fund	90.00
New Member Mailpiece Fund	10.96
501(c)(3) Fund	400.00
General Fund	719.54

Motion to approve January Treasurer's Report (as amended) by Linda KD8SAI and seconded by Scott W1BIC. Motion carried.

V. Membership Report - Bobby N8CY

We have **35** members who paid their 2014 dues, and 36 Heritage Members. We have **16** members who have paid their 2015 Dues. The following members paid their 2015 dues at the meeting:

Robbin K1KNN Eddie KD8NYA

VI. Rochester Crop Walk

The Rochester Crop Walk has been moved to the Spring. Linda Riggs has moved on, and we will have a new contact person. The contact phone number is still 248.651.5836 director@ranh.org

VII. Inter-Club Liaison – Jim K8LFE

USECA Winter Field Day will be Jan 24-25, 2015. Contact Jim K8LFE@aol.com

Linda KD8SAI reported that the Snow Drift Rally will be held Jan 30-31, 2015 in Montmorency County, MI. Contact Barbara 248.685.2773 or workers@sno-drift.org

Livonia ARC Swap-N-Swap will be Sunday, 15-Feb-2015 at 8 AM.

VIII. NetPoints Contest

There will be a new NetPoints contest from Jan-Jun 2015. The prize will be a Baofeng HT. One point will be awarded for each sign-in to the Monday night 8 PM InfoNet, and one additional point for each time you are the Net Control Operator (NCO). You must be NCO **at least once** to be eligible to win.

IX. Technical Committee Report – Ray W8PIE

The entire 2m repeater (controller, transceiver, cans, etc) has been sent out for repair and calibration to Scott Adams AC8IL. A discussion was had about the desirability of trying to repair the existing Kenwood repeater. Given its checkered history (and lightning strikes), it was the general feeling that it should be retired and replaced with a new repeater. The cost of a new 2m repeater is \$725 from Scott Adams. Scott W1BIC donated \$100 at the meeting, Ray W8PIE and Bobby N8CY each pledged \$100, Charlene KC8PIC pledged \$25, and Ben WB9FJO pledged \$50. Marty KB8JIU has previously donated \$90 to the Repeater Fund. This will bring the Repeater Fund balance to \$465. We now only need to raise an additional \$260 to have enough money to buy a new repeater. Let's get going and get the 2m repeater back on the air!
440 MHz Repeater needs a tune-up
We need to check our Coordination filings with MiARC and make sure they are up-to-date.

X. Tribute to Bernie W8NBC (sk)

Barbara KD8SAA had a poster with a picture of Bernie W8NBC (her late husband). Members were asked to sign the poster in memory of Bernie. Barbara will be moving back to Iowa 14-Feb-2014 and will no longer be able to attend our meetings. We will miss her (and Bernie).

XI. Presentation – Powered Parachute Flying – Heritage Member Phil W9PMA

Phil W9PMA made an interesting and informative presentation via teleconference (with the assistance of Scott W1BIC and Marty KB8JIU) on Powered Parachute Flying. There was an exciting 2-minute video showing take-off/landing, and a "pilot's view" from the aircraft. There was a lively Q & A period after the formal presentation with Phil, and members got to learn more details about the sport.



Flying the craft requires a Sports Pilot License. It is rated to 10,000 feet altitude, nominal altitude is 2,500 feet. Climb rate is 600 ft/min and has a 10-gallon fuel tank. During operation it uses 3-3.5 gal/hr. Therefore flight time can be in the range of 1-1.5 hours.

XII. Attendance + Funds Collected

Motion by Bobby N8CY and seconded by Kurt WU8V to authorize and expenditure of up to \$300 to purchase a prize for an upcoming raffle. Motion carried.

Motion to make customary donation to Trinity Lutheran Church of \$200 made by Bobby N8CY and seconded by Kurt WU8V. Motion carried.

Robbin K1KNN now has an internet radio show www.BluesMusicFan.com Tues/Thurs 10-Noon.

17 Members attended. There were no visitors.

The following funds were collected and delivered to the Treasurer:

50/50 Raffle	\$ 23.00
Coffee Fund	10.00
Repeater Fund (Scott W1BIC)	100.00
Membership Dues	<u>60.00</u>
Total --	\$ 193.00

Upcoming Events for GMARC:

USECA Winter Field Day	Jan 24-25, 2015
Snow Drift Rally	30-Jan-15 Atlanta, MI
Livonia ARC Swap-N-Shop	15-Feb-15 8:00 AM Sunday
Next Membership Meeting	17-Feb-15 7:00 PM Tuesday

XIII. Meeting Adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bobby Corr N8CY
Secretary – GMARC

GMARC Treasurer’s Report
February 17,2015

Last Statement Balance 20-Jan-2015	\$ 1,559.08
Membership Dues	60.00
50/50 Raffle	23.00
Repeater Fund (Scott W1BIC)	100.00
Coffee Fund	<u>10.00</u>

February Bank Balance -- \$ 1,752.08

Raffle Fund	338.58
Repeater Fund	190.00
New Member Mailpiece Fund	10.96
501(c)(3) Fund	400.00
General Fund	812.54