

Monthly Club Meeting Minutes

date

2023-12-16

convened

09:35

adjourned

10:30

Officers

- **President:** David Bailey (K5DKB) *present*
- **Vice President:** Paul Bilke (KF5WGJ) *present*
- **Secretary:** Matthew Barry (KG5LYE) *present*
- **Treasurer:** Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ) *present*

Attendees (27)

Quorum attained!

- David Bailey (K5DKB)
- Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)
- Paul Bilke (KF5WGJ)
- Ralph Cobb (W5RYC)
- Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)
- Phil Gates (N5ZKF)
- Ron Hambric (N5SBN)
- Don Hutchcraft (KE5ADX)
- Tom Johnson (KI5ZPG)
- Jeff McDowell (KI5CES)
- Ray Meech (WA5IWB)
- Henry Menefee (W5RAS)
- Robert O'Connell (KC5DWB)
- Wayne Pecena (N1WP)
- Rick Pfeil (W4RDP)
- Bill Preston (KZ3G)
- Rich Rychetsky (KI5QNR)
- Thomas Sanborn (KG5DAA)

- Harold Turbyfill (KG5SDG)
- David Vickers (KI5WEH)
- Patti Weir (KJ5BED)
- Mindy Caldwell (KJ5MJC)
- James Pfeiffer (KJ5BRH)
- Sam Labarbera (N6HB)
- John Walker (W1JCW)
- Nathan Wood (KN4TTV)
- Carrie Kirchner

Officer Reports

President

David Bailey (K5DKB)

- Today's primary business: officer elections
- January *social* meeting (2024-01-20 **11:00**)
 - **Cooper's BBQ**

Vice-President

Paul Bilke (KF5WGJ)

- *Nothing to report*

Secretary

Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)

Approval of Minutes

- Hearing no corrections, minutes stand approved as sent out
- Minutes from this meeting will be sent out later today

Treasurer

Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)

- 75 members as of this morning
 - Accepting renewals for 2024:
 - \$15 individual
 - \$5 student
 - \$20 family

Winter Field Day

- Save the date: 2024-01-27/28
- Planned events:
 - Saturday
 - Setup
 - Lunch
 - Presentations throughout the day
 - Janelle Johnson, Emergency Coordinator for Bryan
 - Joann Keith, 7290 Traffic Net Coordinator
 - Don Conlee, Meteorologist
 - Panel discussion
 - Spaghetti Dinner
 - Operations all night
 - Sunday
 - Pancake and sausage breakfast
 - Pico-balloon launch
 - Ham license exam
 - Teardown and cleanup
- Committee Meeting this coming Wednesday, 2023-12-20

Last Month's Statement

- Starting balance: \$8,435.06
- Income: \$15 (Ham license exam fees)
- Disbursements: \$15 (to ARRL for ham license exam fees)
- Ending balance: \$8,435.06

Club Merchandise

- Winter Field Day 2023 stickers: \$2
- Club logo pins (limited): \$3
- Club logo stickers: \$2
- Club logo window clings: \$2
- Club logo patches: \$5
- Club logo keychains: \$2

Membership Renewals

Membership can be renewed in any of the following ways:

- online at [Ham Club Online](#)
- request PayPal invoice via email
- mail in cash or check (PO Box 4442, Bryan, TX 77805-4442)
- bring cash or check in-person at a meeting

Other Business

Brazos County ARES (N5BRZ)

Ron Hambric (N5SBN)

- No meeting this month
- CEOC visits Friday 09:00
 - Until about 11:00 or so
- Large-scale exercise
 - Radio checks at hospitals in the surrounding area

Robertson County ARES

- Nets Thursdays 20:00 [W5KVN](#), “after the lady”

RACES

Mike Wisby (KA5HIA) (proxy Rick Pfeil (W4RDP) and Ron Hambric (N5SBN))

- New RELLIS facility progress
 - No equipment yet
 - Furniture is in
 - Coax is pulled
- Possibly club meeting at new facility when finished

Officer Elections

- Special thanks to our Nomination Committee members!
 - Phil Gates (N5ZKF)
 - Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)
 - Robert Grigsby (KI5WFZ)

Outcome of Election

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Veteran's Coffee

- American Legion hosts every Thursday, 08:00/10:00
- We provided the donuts on 2023-12-07, 10 members were presents
- There are usually kolaches
 - Provided on first/third and second/fourth Thursdays by two different organizations
 - No one is covering the occasional fifth Thursdays (there are four of these each year)
 - Propose that W5BCS sponsor the fifth Thursday, probably not more than \$100

- We are hosted here for free

Motion by Robert O'Connell (KC5DWB):

to sponsor the fifth Thursday kolaches for the American Legion Veteran's Coffee in an amount not to exceed \$100

Seconded by John Walker (W1JCW).

Outcome: *passes unanimously*

- The American Legion is definitely worthy of our support
 - consider becoming a member if you are a veteran
 - can join the Sons or Auxiliary (if any parent or grandparent is a veteran)
- Great partnership: our presence has also sparked a lot of interest among Legion members
 - Don Hutchcraft (KE5ADX) has been trying for two years to get a local radio club

Health and Welfare / Good of the Order

- If anyone needs help with anything please reach out to the club. You can contact any of the officers at:
 - officers@bryanarc.org

Closing

Motion by Phil Gates (N5ZKF):

to adjourn the meeting

Seconded by Don Hutchcraft (KE5ADX).

Outcome: *passes unanimously*

Next Meeting

2024-01-20 11:00 at Cooper's BBQ

After-Meeting Presentation

A Case for FT8 (and FT4) by David Bailey (K5DKB)