

YCARS March Business Meeting Minutes (2019)

Meeting: Thurs. March 14th, 2019 - 7:30 PM, 25 were attendance.

- Darcy Pach, K4DQP, President of the club brought the meeting to order.
- Darcy introduced Chris Marshall (no call yet). He was voted on by the members to be an associate member and approved.
- Brent Case, K4BSC read the minutes from February Business meeting. They were approved by the membership.
- Treasurer Report was read by Fred Thompson, KK4FT and approved by membership.
 - It was noted that electric bill will be higher due to increased use of the clubhouse.
- John Gendron, NJ4Z reported that T-Shirts will be ready by the program meeting. South Paw Screen Printing on Cherry Rd has our logo information so personalized apparel is available.
- He reported that the end of the month is the CQ World Wide SSB contest.
- John reported on the Charlotte Hamfest and reminded members to offer to give breaks to the guys working the events. We made a profit on the Yaesu FT-70DR raffle.
- John talked about the effort coming on repainting the clubhouse, on March 16-17 at 8 AM
- Wayne Reeves, KD4RNP, was concerned about the gravel that has been washed in the ditch from recent rains. Also be sure to keep wires or cables on the ground away from where Wayne mows the grass. He has been using much of his time moving wires from being cut by the mower.
- Members discussed the gravel situation and preventing flow of water from the airstrip.
- Wayne wanted to know what the official address is and Fred informed the members that 2051 Squire Rd is the official address.
- Steve Czaikowski, W3SPC, talked about Internet should be installed by next business meeting. He also talked about the plan for the paint refresh for next weekend.
- Barnes Marshall, W4GOY asked members to report to him any Silent Key they know of for the plaque.
- For new business, Fred proposed we moved the SC QSO party budget be moved to the CQ WW DX Party since the club didn't participate on the SC QSO event. A motion was made and was approved by the members.
- Barry Jones, KE4NOE reminded members of the VE Test happening in April.
- Steve Czaikowski talked about the upcoming club event, Parks on the Air and Foxhunt on April 6th at Kings Mountain State Park. The Foxhunt will start at 8 AM with the POTA operation from 10 AM to 2 PM but if there are pileups, it will be run as long as needed. It is the goal to get the most contacts of any POTA deployment. We plan to utilize multiple stations.
- Steve also talked about another activity for the club is to get the portable tower road worthy for ARES and Field Day. Members discussed ideas since there isn't a budget for it and if fundraising could be done.
- Steve Kelly, WB4QNI, talked about his upcoming Presentation on Hints on Building Antennas.
- Steve said the Lunch Bunch would be eating at Friendly Billiards, across the street from the old White Horse Restaurant on Camden Ave.
- 50/50 was held and Vic Belanger won.
- Meeting was adjourned.