



AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION OF THE SOUTHERN TIER, INC. AN ARRL AFFILIATED CLUB



KA2BED, President, called the meeting of the ARAST General Membership to order on September 17, 2015, at 7:20 pm. The meeting took place at the Horseheads Town and Country Fire Department, 130 Gardner Road, Horseheads, New York.

Roll Call – KA2BED, N2AMW, N2OJM, W3QBZ, KC3DOW, KC3DOV, N2YJY, N2EUS, KB2STX, KD5KVI, KD2DGF, KA2ZMT, KD2DGD

Treasurer's Report – Given by N2AMW. A motion was made second and approved to accept the report.

Repeater Report – N2EUS – The repeaters are both working fine. The pre-amps are still not in. There is a delay in the order. He is switching the phone service over to Consumer Cellular at both sites.

The 145.220 portable repeater will be used for the Hamfest.

KA2BED reported on Echolink – It is currently off the air as people are reporting that they cannot hear on the receive side. He ordered a radio and a rig blaster to fix the problem.

Membership Committee – KD2DGD – currently 2015 membership is 51. We have four paid members for 2016.

Education Report –KA2BED – The following classes and scheduled times were noted: Technician class Tuesdays in September, General Class – Thursdays in September –only one person attended the general class so it was cancelled and combined with the Tuesday class. Both test will be given at the Hamfest in September.

Hamfest Report- KD2DGF- We need help with the Gates. There are very few people signed up to help with gates and parking. Help is need for the fest, bring friends, family and enemies if able to work constructively.

A report was given on the Door Prizes. We have 8 radios at this point and have spent \$1200 of the \$1400 budgeted. We will also be making some purchases from vendors at the fest so we may purchase a few radios.

A report on the Kitchen- Larry is finishing up obtaining the supplies and foods. The tent will be supplied by KA2BED. He is set with help.

Tables - 39 tables reserved.

Tickets are ready for sale and will be available at Tropical Fish Outlet and the Grand Spectacle. Larry will be running the kitchen and getting the door prizes together as well.

The secretary read a letter that welcomes new hams to the club. It will be handed out to all those who pass their licensing exam at the Hamfest.

CCARES – N2OJM- We need help staffing Hamfest Gates – Both flea market and main gate.

Wine Glass Marathon - October 4. Help is needed for both events.

Repeaters 149.190 (-) PL 110.9 Bath Repeater
449.275 (-) DCS 054 STARRS Repeater
146.455 simplex –Corning
442.300, no PL will be on top of Baron Stueben Bldg.
147.270, PL 100 this is N9RIM's repeater
The 36/96 and 70/10 repeaters can also be used if the other repeaters are not working.

All must be cognizant that you must wait three seconds from the point that you key up until you can start to talk. This three second delay is due to the fact that it is a linked system and requires this time to link and unlink.

Those reporting will be asked to report the first male and female in each of the two marathons, any emergency reports, and the location of the finish vehicle.

Unfinished Business (aka "Old Business") / *President*

The Club has been approved to work with the Amateur Radio International Space Station at the Soaring Museum – this will include working with the Space Station Contact Mentor from the Amateur Radio International Space Station.

K2NSM is the call that will be used for the event. KA2BED will be the amateur leading the event. The application contains all the information as to what is required and recommended for the event. KA2BED will look into all the equipment.

New Business:

Calendar of events:

- a. Hamfest – September 26
- b. Wine Glass Marathon - October 4
- c. CCARES Meeting October 6
- d. ARAST Meeting – October 15
- e. Winterfest – February 27 – Big Flats American Legion

Motion to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

KD2DGF
Albert Comfort

