

December 15, 2015 WARES General Meeting

Meeting held at Sir William Stephenson Library

Meeting began 7:00 pm VE4MBQ presiding

After Introductions VE4MBQ gave a presentation on Callouts & Equipment.

Presentation ended 7:45 pm.

Parrish Andrews AF7BA, a visiting amateur from Montana , then gave a very interesting and amusing presentation on how his ARES group acquired a 31 foot travel trailer that had been confiscated by the US government. He went on to describe certain items the group discovered when refurbishing the trailer. It is now a fully equipped emergency communications center.

Presentations ended 8:00 pm.

During the break, VE4DLA won the 50/50 draw. He and WARES each received \$16.00.

Randy Hull from City of Winnipeg donated several prizes to WARES.

VE4's DWG, DXR, and AJO each won a Disaster Management notebook and a USB power plug.

AF7BA was given a Disaster Management notebook and USB power plug in appreciation of his fine presentation (portfolio was declined).

Business Meeting

Meeting began 8:12 pm VE4SIG presiding.

Minutes of November 17, 2015 meeting approved as e-mailed to membership

Moved VE4DLA

Seconded VE4JDH

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Business Arising

VE4SIG noted that the group previously approved the motion to dispose of the Boler trailer. His plan to dispose of the trailer is:

- Offer to registered Wpg ARES members for \$1000 for two months,
- If not sold offer to any certified Amateur Radio operator for \$1500
- If still not sold list on Kijiji.

A discussion concerning the Boler trailer sale ensued

End of Business Arising

Treasurer's Report

Presented by VE4MBQ, as VE4SYM was absent. See accompanying report.

EC Report

Presented by VE4MBQ. See accompanying report.

Fundraising Report

VE4SIG reported that VE4JDH was collecting prizes for the Silent Auction at the next WARC Flea Market.

A suggestion was made that these items could be stored in the Boler trailer (humourously).

New Business

VE4GWN stated that members participating in events such as Santa Claus Parade set the *TIME OUT TIMER* function on their handheld for 3 minutes. That way, a stuck mike will not interfere with the net for too long.

VE4HK stated that participants in these events do not transmit 'SOMEONE HAS A STUCK MIKE'. This is a waste of time, since the person with the stuck mike cannot hear anything over the radio. The Net Control station is fully aware that someone has a stuck mike.

VE4MBQ was approached to provide volunteer WARES members to deliver hampers for the Christmas Cheer Board in the future. If anyone is interested contact VE4MBQ after Labour Day.

A discussion concerning our efforts in the Santa Claus Parade followed.

No further New Business

Adjourn 8:39 VE4SIG

Minutes taken by VE4HK