

**11/07/2023**

**Amateur Radio Club of Columbia County, Inc.**

**General Meeting #131**

**Rusty Welsh (KG4HIR) Called the Meeting to Order at 19:00**

**Invocation** led by Richard Sturgis (KR4XN)

**Welcome Special Guests and Introductions**

**Presentation**

- Winlink – Dave Kjellquist (WB5NHL)

**Upcoming Events**

11-11-2023	CSRA Ham Exam Examination Session
12-07-2023	ARCCC Holiday Party & Awards Ceremony
12-09-2023	CSRA Ham Exams Examination Session
02-09/11-2024	Orlando, FL Hamcation

**Membership Applications**

- Jefferson Williams (KQ4LNS)

**\*Motion** – Dan Marshall (N4MI) mad a motion to accept membership applications and David Slabodnick (KO4LDS) seconded. None were opposed.

**Treasurer's Report** – Steve Clayborn (KJ4FSX) - Treasurer's Report for October 3rd, 2023.

**\*Motion** – Bill Clark (WK4F) made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as posted and Rick McKnight (NO3K) seconded it. None were opposed.

**Secretary's Report** – of last month's meeting on Website for October 3rd, 2023.

**\*Motion** – Dan Marshall (N4MI) made a motion to accept the meeting minutes as posted on the website and Randall Blumberg (KN4FYG) seconded it. None were opposed.

## **BUSINESS ITEMS**

**HamClubOnline.com**

- Note: Membership Expiration Notices are sent 60 Days prior to the date of expiration.
- Note: There is a 7 Day Grace period where you can pay and not have to reapply for membership.

**Groups.io**

- <https://groups.io/g/arcccinc>

**IT Committee** – Will be performing an Email Server Rebuild in November or December 2023 and some mail may be down for intermittent periods of time during the process.

**Repeater Committee** – Randall Blumberg (KN4FYG) Co-Director and Rusty Welsh (KG4HIR) Co-Director Recently we received notification that the 442.900 Repeater at Pollard's Corner was inoperable. Upon further investigation it was found the power supply for the Primary 442.900 Repeater had a blown fuse and a broken fuse holder. The backup 442.900 Power Supply was connected and the 442.900 Repeater Operations were restored. The Primary power supply will be repaired in the near future.

Also, while responding to the 442.900 repeater outage, it was discovered that the ARCCC, Inc. lock had been removed from the gate and the lock in the fence surrounding the tower is severely weathered. The Repeater Committee would like to request funds (no more than \$45) to replace the two locks.

**\*Motion** – Eric Cagle (KK4ZHT) made a motion for the repeater committee to replace 2 locks for no more than \$45.00 at the repeater site at Pollards Corner and David Slabodnick (KO4LDS) seconded. None were opposed. Rusty Welsh will order, label and install the replacement locks.

**VE Team Committee** – VEL Shannon Covington (KK4MED), Bill Clark (WK4F) and Susan Messick (WA0B)

- Next Test session on Saturday November 11th, 2023 at 9:00 AM. POB1 – 1305 Interstate Pkwy, Augusta, GA 30909.

**Net Control Committee** – Bill Clark (WK4F)

- Net Controllers Wanted
- Bill Clark (WK4F) will update net announcements and if you have any updates, please email him by Monday at 3 PM.

**Nomination Committee** - Jim Cunningham (KV4YA) Co-Director and Samantha Lytch (KN4NSF) Co-Director

- Responsibilities
  - Rookie of the Year Award-
  - Thomas Kholi Ham of Year Award-
  - Elections

**Dry Run ARCCC, Inc. Board of Directors Slate for 2023-2024**

- President-
- Vice President-
- Secretary-
- Treasurer-
- Board Member at Large-

This is **ONLY A TEST ELECTION!!!** Election ballots have been emailed out several times. Currently only about a third of the members have voted so far. This election process is **ONLY** a test but will be the way elections will be conducted in the future. It would be great if every member would vote!

**ARCCC, Inc. Holiday Party & Awards Ceremony**

- Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- 18:30 (6:30 PM)
- Top Dawg Tavern- 2821 Washington Road, Augusta, Ga. 30909
- We need nominations for Rookie of the Year Award
- We need nominations for Thomas Kholi Ham of Year Award
- Must have votes in by November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

### **Mentoring Committee**

-HANDI-Finder Workshop Poll

- <https://handi-finder.com/>
- \$29.95 + S+H
- Kit
- 45-450 MHz
- Soldering, general assembly skills, and patience ARE required
- Estimated 2 Hours
- Needs
  - Coat Hanger Wire or Similar
  - 50 Ohm Coax
  - Handle

### **Field Day Committee - Co-Directors Marc Woodworth (KR4QT) and Sam Reeder (WW4ZT)**

- To Join the Field Day Committee
  - You must join via Groups.io
  - <https://arcccinc.groups.io/g/fieldday/topics>
- Camp Tanglewood has been reserved for Winter Field Day 2024.
- \$200.00 for 24hrs.
- An email will be sent out to the Winter Field Day committee about conducting a site visit.
- Reserved Eubank-Blachard Community Center for 2025 Winter and Summer Field Day. Marc will check to see if any charges will be incurred.

With Rental Fee, Food and miscellaneous operating items the Field Day 2024 Committee Requests not more than \$500.00 for the Winter Field Day 2024 Event.

**\*Motion** – David Slabodnick (KO4LDS) made a motion to allow the Field Day committee to spend not more than \$500.00 for Winter Field Day and Pete LaPierre (K1OYQ) seconded it. None were opposed.

### **REVIEW OF MOTIONS AND ASSIGNMENTS**

**Repeater Committee** – Rusty Welsh (KG4HIR) will be ordering, labeling and installed two new combination locks at the Pollard's Corner Repeater site.

**\*Motion** – Eric Cagle (KK4ZHT) made motion to adjourn the meeting and Randall Blumberg (KN4FYG) seconded. None were opposed.

**Meeting Adjourned at 20:35**