

CARC Monthly Meeting Minutes for 7 January 2019

Introductions and Opening: Club President Dan Cunningham (K9DBC) welcomed everyone to the meeting. Ronnie Livingston (W4RWL) posted the colors and guest Scott Stepp sang the National Anthem.

Meeting Minutes: Posted on the club website.

Financial Report: As of 31 Dec 2018, we had \$3383 in the bank account and 149 members.

CARC Net Report: Net Manager Gary Anderson (K4HGA) reported that there were 9 nets during December 2018 with 47 announcements. This was an average of 27 check-ins per net. The 3 Jan 2019 net had a near record 47 check-ins with Net Controller K4HGA. Jay Girton (AA3TE) will be taking over as Net Manager late in first quarter.

Meeting Announcements:

- Winter Field Day was mentioned. Members present were given a list of those planning to attend at this point and a sign-up sheet for those still wanting to attend.
- Bill Minikewicz (W4FSV) did a drawing for several radio related items, including two antennas and a volt-ohm meter.
- Pete Emmel (K4LLE) is starting a committee to review the existing club By-Laws. Meetings of committee would be mostly conference calls. Members who would like to assist, please contact K4LLE.

Presentations:

Phil Shreves (N7GZT) gave an in-depth presentation on AmSat. N7GZT is the "Watch Fox" TV station chief engineer. He had brought an AmSat antenna and gave a real time demonstration of the SatPC32 software suite used to track AmSat's and the ISS.

Columbia Amateur Radio Club

Meetings are the first Monday of the month at 7 PM at the ETV Building near downtown Columbia.

Eat Before We Meet: Quaker Steak and Lube, 2154 South Beltline Blvd., Columbia, SC 29201. We gather between 5 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

<http://thelube.com/locations/south-carolina/columbia/>

<http://w4cae.com/>

Links:

Winter Field Day:

<https://www.winterfieldday.com/>

<https://www.sctrails.net/trails/trail/doko-meadows>

<https://scgreatoutdoors.com/park-dokomeadows.html>

AmSat

<https://www.amsat.org/>

<https://amsat-uk.org/>

<http://www.dk1tb.de/indexeng.htm> (AmSat SatPC32 software download site)

<https://sourceforge.net/projects/gpredict/> (Linux equivalent of SatPC32, GPredict)