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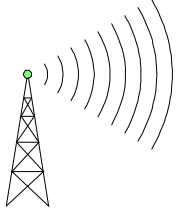
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January 2011 – There was no meeting.



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March 30, 2011

Minutes of the February 2011 Meeting of the Stephen F. Austin Radio Club

The February 23, 2011, meeting of the Stephen F. Austin Radio Club was called to order at 6:37 p.m. by President Ben Worrell, who asked for a reading of the Minutes of the previous meeting by Kathy Croker. Dave Jenkins made a Motion to accept the Minutes as read, which was seconded by Johnny Holmes. The Motion carried.

Kathy Croker then read the Treasurer's Report, and Johnny Holmes made a Motion to accept the report as read, seconded by Dave Jenkins. The Motion carried.

Ben then thanked Robert and Kathy Croker for hosting the Annual Banquet in January.

He then welcomed guests G.A. and Beth Franke, as well as guests present to participate in the Test Session that would immediately follow the Club's business meeting.

Dan White reported that the repeater had gone down, apparently due to the cold weather.

The door prize drawing was held and Bob Smothers, WD5FDU, won a Travel Plus CD for computers, generously donated by Dave Jenkins.

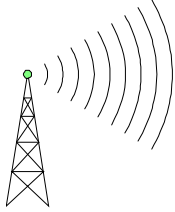
Johnny Holmes made a Motion to adjourn the meeting, followed by a second from Robert Croker. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Croker
KB5ITB
Secretary/Treasurer

ATTENDEES:

Kathy Croker, KB5ITB
Robert Croker, AD5ME
David F. Jenkins, K5KX
Ben Worrell, NE5B
Bob Smothers, WD4FDU
Cameron Mitchell, K5CAM
Johnny Holmes, W5ALG
Ray Chislett, Guest
Gil Franke, WB5RFQ
Beth Franke, KD5KAD
Agnes Beauregard, Guest
Ron Beauregard, K1PEC
Dan White, W5AOV
Carl Pleasant, W5MPX
Linda Pleasant, AD5LP
Joe Kallina, K8KP



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April 29, 2011

Minutes of the March 2011 Meeting of the Stephen F. Austin Radio Club

The March meeting of the Stephen F. Austin Radio Club was called to order by Vice President Cameron Mitchell at 6:51 p.m. Wednesday, March 30, 2011, who asked for a reading of the previous Meeting Minutes by Kathy Croker. A Motion was made by Johnny Holmes, seconded by Dave Jenkins, that the Minutes be approved as read. The Motion carried. Cameron then asked for the Treasurer's Report, which was given by Kathy Croker, after which Robert Croker made a Motion, seconded by Johnny Holmes, that the Report be accepted as read. The Motion carried.

Kathy Croker asked for an update on Carl Pleasant's condition, which was provided by Dan White. Dan also circulated a card for members to sign, which he would mail to Carl. Carl is in the TLC Nursing Home in Columbus, in Room 308, and has started rehabilitation from his stroke.

Dan then updated the members on the status of the test sessions. We are now a Certified VE Team, with Dan White at the helm as CVE. He announced testing will be made available following each monthly meeting at a cost of \$14.00 per test. Of that fee, \$7.00 will be sent to W5YI and \$7.00 will come to the Club.

A short discussion then ensued regarding a change of venue for meetings. Johnny Holmes made a Motion to move the monthly meeting site to Cielito Lindo in Bellville, which was seconded by Dave Jenkins. The Motion carried.

Robert Croker then made a Motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Johnny Holmes. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Croker
KB5ITB
Secretary-Treasurer

ATTENDEES:

Kathy Croker, KB5ITB

Robert Croker, AD5ME

Gilbert Franke, WB5RFQ

Beth Franke, KD5KAD

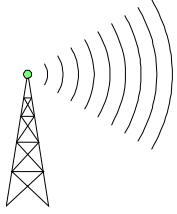
Cameron Mitchell, K5CAM

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John B. Holmes, Jr., W5ALG



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May 25, 2011

Minutes of the April 2011 Meeting of the Stephen F. Austin Radio Club

The April Meeting of the Stephen F. Austin Radio Club was called to order at 7:11 p.m. by President Ben Worrell, who called for a reading of the Minutes from the March meeting by Kathy Croker. One change was noted in the March Minutes: Monies received from test sessions are not to be split between W5YI and the Club. They are to be split between W5YI and the CVE, to cover expenses. Dave Jenkins made a Motion to accept the Minutes with the change, which was seconded by Dan White. The Motion carried.

Ben then called for the Treasurer's Report, following which, Gil Franke made a Motion, seconded by Ron Beauregard, that the report be accepted as read. The Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Linda White reported that Carl Pleasant is improving every day and that his goal is to be at home by his birthday, May 25, 2011.

NEW BUSINESS

Cameron Mitchell led a discussion on revamping the Club's website. It will be moved to an individual hosting site. Cameron told the members that if we will move it to the QTH-sponsored site, he will pay the hosting fees. The site is maintained by Scott Neader, KA9FOX. Our current GoDaddy domain registration is set to expire July 2013. We will leave that registration as-is, then discuss our options again just prior to the expiration date. Cameron will be the Webmaster for the Club.

Cameron also updated members on the plans for Field Day at the Courthouse. Anyone wishing to participate in the activities should contact him to schedule a time slot. The Club will operate the station from Noon to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday in 2-hour shifts. A get-together for participants may be scheduled following the contest.

Kathy Croker will send a member listing via email to the Club members.

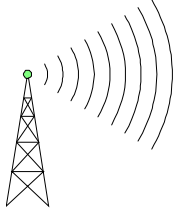
Johnny Holmes made a Motion, seconded by Dave Jenkins, to adjourn the meeting. The Motion carried. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Croker
KB5ITB
Secretary/Treasurer

ATTENDEES:

Kathy Croker, KB5ITB
Robert Croker, AD5ME
Pam O'Brian, Guest
Cameron Mitchell, K5CAM
Dan White, W5AOV
Linda White, Guest
Gil Franke, WB5REQ
Beth Franke, KD5KAD
Johnny Holmes, W5ALG
Deanne Holmes, Guest
Dave Jenkins, K5KX
Joy Jenkins, Guest
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Ron Beauregard, K1PEC
Agnes Beauregard, Guest
Ray Chislett, KF5JYB
Bruce Mitchell, KM5OG



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June 29, 2011

Minutes of the May 2011 Meeting of the Stephen F. Austin Radio Club

The May 25, 2011, meeting of the Stephen F. Austin Radio Club was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by President Ben Worrell, who asked for a reading of the Minutes of the previous meeting and the Treasurer's Report by Kathy Croker. Dan White made a Motion to accept the reports as read, which was seconded by David Jenkins. The Motion carried.

Ben then welcomed guests present and those who were to participate in the Test Session that would immediately follow the Club's business meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Dan and Linda White reported that Carl Pleasant was still not at home from the rehabilitation facility. Linda Pleasant has requested an extended leave until the end of August to be with him and to work at remodeling their home for easier access for Carl once he returns. He is still experiencing a few problems moving his arm.

Kathy Croker reported that her computer had crashed and she is working to restore the files to send to Cameron for inclusion on the Club's website.

Cameron Mitchell reported that Field Day's official start is 1800 Zulu. The Club will operate a contest station from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. with a test session scheduled for 3:00 p.m. Ray Chislett mentioned he has funding available and Dan White suggested he buy two cheap computers so the Club members can operate on several frequencies during the contest.

NEW BUSINESS

Elections will be held during the June 2011 meeting and Ben Worrell opened the floor to nominations for the upcoming term. Robert Croker made a motion to keep the current officers in place, seconded by Ron

Beauregard. The motion carried. Bruce Mitchell then made a motion that all nominations cease, which was seconded by Ron Beauregard. The motion carried. Current nominees are: Ben Worrell, President; Cameron Mitchell, Vice-President; and Kathy Croker, Secretary/Treasurer.

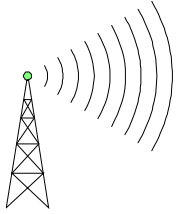
Robert Croker then made a motion to adjourn the meeting. This was seconded by Bruce Mitchell. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Croker
KB5ITB
Secretary/Treasurer

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Kathy Croker, KB5ITB
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Bruce Mitchell, KM5OG
Agnes Beauregard, Guest
Ron Beauregard, K1PEC
Cameron Mitchell, K5CAM
Dan White, W5AOV
Pam O'Brian, KF5KXL
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Dave Jenkins, K5KX
Joy Jenkins, Guest
Phillip Stephenson, KF5FWH
Glenn Geick, WA5OSA



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July 27, 2011

Minutes of the June 2011 Meeting of the Stephen F. Austin Radio Club

The June 29, 2011, meeting of the Stephen F. Austin Radio Club was called to order at 7:09 p.m. by President Ben Worrell, who asked for a reading of the Minutes of the previous meeting and the Treasurer's Report by Kathy Croker. The Minutes were approved as read. Robert Croker made a Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as read, which was seconded by David Jenkins. The Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Dan and Linda White reported that Carl Pleasant was still not at home and Linda and he were debating lengthening his stay at the facility past June. They are still working on the house.

Ben Worrell called for additional nominees for officers to serve the 2011-2012 term. The slate included Ben Worrell, President; Cameron Mitchell, Vice President; and Kathy Croker, Secretary/Treasurer, and no other nominees were added. Robert Croker made a Motion to accept the current nominees by acclamation, which was seconded by Bruce Mitchell. The Motion carried.

Cameron Mitchell reported on the Field Day activities. Someone destroyed the roof antenna, which had to be fixed prior to the start of operations. Four license tests were given and club members Pam O'brian and Tom Stephenson both upgraded to General Class licenses. A brief discussion as then held regarding venue for the 2012 Field Day exhibition with suggestions that the Club conduct operations at a larger public venue so as to draw a larger and more diverse crowd.

NEW BUSINESS

Dan White reported the Columbus repeater had problems and when he entered the building to check the equipment, discovered the air conditioning unit was down. He powered our equipment down. The A/C was

fixed by the following Monday. Dan said the repeater is now up and running, but that we do need to replace the batteries for the UPS, which he believes will cost about \$80.00. He will check pricing.

A brief discussion was held to determine the password needed to access the expanded Membership Roster on the Club website. Please contact Ben Worrell, Cameron Mitchell or Dan White if you need the password.

Bob Smothers generously donated to the Club treasury his portion of the test session fees, received during our co-test session wherein he acted as coordinator.

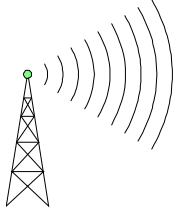
Robert Croker then made a motion to adjourn the meeting. This was seconded by Dave Jenkins. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Croker
KB5ITB
Secretary/Treasurer

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August 31, 2011

Minutes of the July 2011 Meeting of the Stephen F. Austin Radio Club

The July 27, 2011, meeting of the Stephen F. Austin Radio Club was called to order at 7:17 p.m. by Vice President Cameron Mitchell, who asked for a reading of the Minutes of the previous meeting by Kathy Croker. The Minutes were approved as read. Absent the register, a Treasurer's Report was unavailable.

OLD BUSINESS

Dan white reported that he ordered two sets of batteries for the Cat Spring and Columbus repeater sites. He will send an invoice to Kathy Croker and she will issue a check to reimburse him for the expense. He also reported that he redid the connection at the VHF antenna at the Cat Spring site. It is still having the time-out issue.

NEW BUSINESS

Dan informed everyone that Linda has suffered a pulmonary embolism July 3. He explained the event and said that she is still recovering, has gone back to work on a light schedule, and it would take quite a few months to achieve a full recovery. Members present expressed their concern for her and wishes for a return to normalcy.

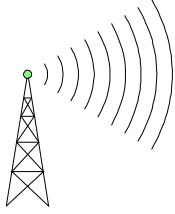
Bruce Mitchell then made a motion to adjourn the meeting. This was seconded by Ron Beauregard. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Croker
KB5ITB
Secretary/Treasurer

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Kathy Croker, KB5ITB
Beth Franke, KD5KAD
Gil Franke, WB5RFQ
Bruce Mitchell, KM5OG
Ron Beauregard, K1PEC
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Ray Ethridge, Guest
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Glenn Geick, WA5OSA
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September 28, 2011

Minutes of the August 2011 Meeting of the Stephen F. Austin Radio Club

The August 31, 2011, meeting of the Stephen F. Austin Radio Club was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by President Ben Worrell, who asked for a reading of the Minutes of the previous meeting by Kathy Croker. The Minutes were approved as read. The Treasurer's Report was read and a Motion to accept as read was made by Bruce Mitchell and seconded by Dan White. The Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Kathy Croker asked Dan White for a receipt for recent purchases of the new batteries, which he said he would email to her. She will issue a check to him for reimbursement of his expense. Dan also reported that there were still some time-out issues with the repeater.

Linda Pleasant was welcomed back after her absence and she reported that Carl was making steady progress.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business was brought before the Club members. Robert Croker made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Dave Jenkins. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Croker
KB5ITB
Secretary/Treasurer

ATTENDEES:

Kathy Croker, KB5ITB

Robert Croker, AD5ME

Mike Cox, Guest

Bruce Mitchell, KM50G

Ben Worrell, NE5B

Pam O'Brian, KF5KXL

Linda White, Guest

Dan White, W5AOV

Dave Jenkins, K5KX

Agnes Beauregard, Guest

Ron Beauregard, K1PEC

Cameron Mitchell, K5CAM