

BALD EAGLE REPEATER ASSOCIATION

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April 2, 1984

A regular meeting of the Bald Eagle Repeater Association was held on Monday evening, April 2, 1984 at the home of Bob Shearer in RD Montoursville, PA.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 pm by the President Melvin Bennett members present were: Bob Shearer N3AFX, John Cooper, WB3JFV, Melvin Bennett, KC3EH, Ken Frey, WB3HOI, Alan Wheal, N3CUB, Lou Jones, KA3EEZ, Ruth Jones, KA3EHB, Mick McBride, W3ILG, Matt McBride KC3MY, Jack Shaffer, W3TO, Marshall Welch, W3JBJ, Lou Paulauski KC3FO. Guests present was Jason McBride.

The drawing for the ticket raffle sale was made with Jason McBride doing the drawings. The winners of the six cash prizes were:

First Prize - \$50.00 - Sandy Coleman, 720 Lincoln Ave. Williamsport, PA  
Second Prize - \$25.00 - Janet Oranet, 378 Broad St. Montoursville, PA  
Third Prize - \$10.00 - Bill McErn 2123 Mosser Ave. Williamsport, PA  
Fourth Prize - \$ 5.00 - Pam Webster, Hughesville, PA  
Fifth Prize - \$ 5.00 - Clarence Wheal, Hughesville, PA  
Sixth Prize - \$ 5.00 - Peg Shearer, Montoursville, PA

The Treasurer report was given by John Cooper and reported money taken in from ticket raffle \$327.00. Prize money paid out \$100.00, for a net profit of \$227.00. The New Balance in Treasuary \$735.67. Dues collected from Jim Thomas, WB2TGW and Melvin Bennett, KC3EH. John reported that the expense for one year to keep the Repeater operating is now approximately \$620.00. The phone bill having increased is now about \$42.00 a month. A discussion on how to curb the phone bill expense was discussed. Bob Shearer said he would look into the matter with possibly having the phone charge in his name instead of the organization. Being classified as a commercial rental is being the main reason for the large rental fee.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read by Ken Frey and were approved on a motion by Alan Wheal to accept the Treasurer and Secretary reports was seconded by Jack Shaffer and they were approved.

There was no Old Business brought up.

Under New Business it was discussed to whether or not purchase a battery for Emergency purposes for the repeater. Having lost power at the repeater site during a heavy snow storm on March 29th it was generally agreed that something should be done - on a motion by Lou Jones to purchase a battery from the Treasuary if no other source is available was seconded by Alan Wheal and the motion was carried. It was felt that if a battery is not donated or some other means of getting one is not available by May 7th, 1984, the club should go ahead and purchase a new battery ~~for~~ this purpose.

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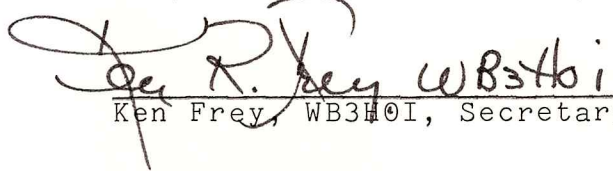
Lou Paulauski gave an update on the (3) ARES County repeaters that will be operational sometime this year. Several queries were made from the floor to Lou on this new emergency set up. Lou also mentioned that a storm watch program being held on April 13th at the Court House at 6:30 was being taught by Mr. McGee of the WX Station in Montoursville.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:03 pm on a motion by Mick McBride.

A Video Tape on the Owen Garriott Space Flight was brought in by Mick McBride and was shown to the group. A very interesting and enjoyable tape of the space mission which was donated by the ARRL.

Mrs. Sheater provided coffee and popcorn for the group and the group thanks Bob and his XYL for the very nice evening.

Respectfully Submitted by

Ken Frey, WB3H0I

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