

# Bald Eagle Repeater Association

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## Minutes of Meeting

March 29, 1994

A regular meeting of the Bald Eagle Repeater Association was held on Tuesday evening, March 29, 1994.

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 P.M. by the President, Melvin Bennett.

Oct. 28, 1993 The minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary and were approved as read.

A Treasurer report was given by the Treasurer, Jan Hall and reported: A New Balance of \$582.72. Totals bill paid to date \$46.01 Bell Telephone, & \$48.27 to P P & L, Jan also reported total expenses for 1993 were:

P P & L, \$126.49, 129.50 Bell Telephone  
\$50.00 Repeater rental, \$53.00 Postage,  
\$38.50 picnic, total expenses \$397.51

for the year. Miscellaneous expenses amounted to \$277.90 for <sup>2 year</sup> renewal of Repeater Coordinating and for a new Controller.

Total operating expenses on the average for one year are estimated at \$400.00 a year at the present time.

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Melvin reported that a battery was purchased a deep cycle 115 Amp in lieu of using used batteries and that it was put in line at the repeater site and was operational. The cost for the battery was \$66.63 and was purchased at Wal-Mart.

Bob Shearer reported that a Guy Wire was broken at the tower which will have to be repaired and the <sup>front</sup> door on the repeater shack has to be replaced. Bob also stated the duplexers will be taken off line at the repeater site on <sup>Sat.</sup> April 2 and will be sent to the factory for tuning & alignment adjustments. Bob stated the approximate cost would be \$80.00

Jan. Hill reported that with the changes coming at the Commonwealth Bank that it may become too expensive for the Club to maintain a checking account at this bank and to find a ~~cheaper~~ <sup>less</sup> expensive bank for our checking account.

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The Muncy Bank & Trust Company was suggested as a good alternative and would also be convenient. Joe said he would inquire on this option.

Under New Business Ken Leah reported that interest is growing for the need of a County wide Committee being formed to establish a set up an effective R.A.C.E.S. net work for the County.

Ken asked if the club would have interest in forming a R.A.C.E.S. Committee. All present showed interest and the general consensus was that more needed to be done. Les Gruner explained in detail on how the R.A.C.E.S. network should be set up and ~~what~~ <sup>what</sup> all will be required to make R.A.C.E.S. more effective and operational.

On a ~~motion~~ <sup>resolution</sup> by Ken Leah to set up a R.A.C.E.S. Committee was seconded by Bob Shearer. And the motion was carried.

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Members that volunteered for the Committee were:

Jan Hall, President of the Committee  
John & Joyce Dover, Ken Yeak, Gary Burkart,  
Matt McBride, Bob Shearer, Melvin Bennett,  
and Ken Frey. Ken stated that a  
meeting of the <sup>RACES</sup> groups from West Branch  
& Bald Eagle would be held on Wednesday  
April 20th 1994 at 7:00 P.M. at the  
County Court House.

This ended all regular Club  
business and a call for adjournment  
by Bob Shearer was seconded by  
Mich McBride at 8:30 P.M. -

Coffee and cake was served, and  
the Club again wishes to thank Bob & Peg  
Shearer for the use of their home to  
conduct tonight's meeting.

Members Present were: Ken Frey, Jan Hall,  
Mich & Matt McBride, Ken Yeak, Garry Forrester,  
Bob Shearer, Les Gruner, Gary Burkhart,  
Melvin Bennett or Visitors Present

Ken Horn, K.E.B.L.M. Respectfully Submitted by  
Ken Frey, WB3Hoi  
Recording Secretary, B.E.R.A.