

Bald Eagle Repeater Association

March 21, 2001

A meeting of the Bald Eagle Repeater Association was held on Wednesday evening, March 21, 2001 at the home of Bill, N3JIX and Tina Barnes in Montgomery.

The meeting was called to order by the Vice-President, Keith Bair, KB3FCK at 7:05pm. Keith was filling in for Jim Boose, KB3ETE, the Club President who was on vacation.

The meeting opened with introduction of members present at the meeting!

The minutes of the meeting held on January 17th were read by the secretary, Ken Frey, WB3HOI and they were approved as read on a motion by Bill Barnes, N3JIX and seconded by John Waide, KB3EIB.

The Treasurer report was given by Ken Frey, WB3HOI in the absence of the club Treasurer, Peg Shearer, N3PFE.

The Treasurer report was as follows:

Balance on September, 2000-----	309.02
Money Received-----	589.00
Balance-----	898.02

Paid Outs:

Verizon, Phone Bill for Oct, 2000 through March, 2001 (6 months)-----	85.53
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PPL, Electricity bill for Oct, 2000 through March, 2001 (6 Months)-----	91.23
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Commonwealth of Penna-----	50.00
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Total Paid Outs-----	226.76
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Balance on hand 3/21/01-----	671.26
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On a motion by Fran Burke, N3ZHC to accept the treasurer report was seconded by Ryan Gross, N3SSL the report was approved.

New Members that have joined the Club since the first of the year were introduced:

Fran Burke, N3ZHC, Bob Montgomery, K3BM, Rob Paulhamus, KB3FIC, Jim Bonnell, KB3FZL, Bobby Paulhamus, KB3FTA, Charles Chandler, KB3FSX.

Ryan Gross reported that there was a power outage on the mountain over the weekend of March 17th and 18th and that both the VHF and UHF Repeaters were operating on Emergency Battery.

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Bill N3JIX and Keith KA3RZE will make a check of the repeater when weather and time permits.

Bill Barnes, N3JIX reported on the Club Repeater and stated that all seems to be working well. Bill explained to the members about the 3 second delay when bringing up the Repeater and also to please not use the 10 codes when talking on the repeater that this is not good Ham Radio practice.

Ryan Gross, N3SSL reported that the access road, Sky Line Drive has been closed. He stated that he had a key for the gate and that others will be made for the trustees.

Fran Burke, N3ZHC reported that a Bunny Hunt would be organized if there is interest at the next meeting in May.

A Work Day to paint the Windmill Tower will be discussed at the next meeting in May.

New Business:

Ryan Gross, N3SSL reported that the City of Williamsport is installing a new VHF Repeater system and is located at the CAP site which is close to the Club Repeater site. The possibility of interference was discussed. It's expected that the new system will be operational by the end of April.

The next regular Club meeting will be held on May 16th, 2001 at the home of Bob, N3AFX and Peg, N3PFE Shearer in Montoursville.

Members present at tonight's meeting were:


Keith Bair, KB3FCK, Bill Barnes, N3JIX, Keith Brown, KA3RZE, Fran Burke, N3ZHC, Ken Frey, WB3HOI, Ryan Gross, N3SSL, Ken Horn, KE3LM, Ken Swinn, N3ZCJ, John Waide, KB3EIB, Jim Bonnell, KB3FZL, Bobby Paulhamus, KB3FTA, Chuck Chandler, KB3FSX. There were three guests present, Mike Puderbaugh, Howard Walburn, KB3GGG and Mrs. Keith Bair.

This ending all regular Club business on a motion to adjourn by Fran Burke, N3ZHC was seconded by Keith Brown, KA3RZE and the meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

A Fifty/Fifty drawing was held with 26.00 taken in. Fran Burke, N3ZHC won the drawing. Fran accepted \$3.00 and donated \$10.00 to the Club. The Club received \$23.00. The Club wishes to thank Fran for his generous contribution.

The Club wishes to Thank Bill and Tina Barnes for the use of their home for the past months to hold our meetings. Coffee and sticky buns were served and a nice social hour was enjoyed by the all the members present.

Respectfully submitted,


Ken Frey, secretary, B.E.R.A.