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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Our Rock River Radio Club Christmas party has arrived and I hope many can make it on Sunday to Bayside supper club. I called in a final total this past Tuesday and they assured me that there was plenty of food for extras. Since then, we have added four and have just fewer than 30 attending. As seems to be the way with the Christmas Party, snow is in the forecast, maybe several inches. Please keep an eye on the weather. It should make it "feel" like Christmas a bit. The gift cards are purchased and ready to share for the gift exchange.

At our November meeting, we elected our officers for 2017. I am pleased to report that all of our current officer's stated their intent to continue in the respective capacity. All officers have been re-elected and will continue to serve on our board for another year. We are very fortunate to have a dedicated group committed to continued movement of RRRC in the right direction. I truly appreciate all of the efforts they put forth. Kevin, KC9YPK, was elected as our program director for 2017. Programs are always a challenge. Please relay any ideas to Kevin to assist in bring quality programs to our 2017 meeting schedule.

I was fortunate in November to find some time to play radio. The bands have been very poor at best a lot of the time with strong solar winds and a lot of low sunspot numbers. During these times, it's nice to be part of a team from large stations. I was invited again to participate in the CQWW DX contest, both SSB and CW at the end of October and the weekend after Thanksgiving. Our scores were way down but it was great to share the team spirit with others. We had a great time down at K9CT!

I also took part this year in a serious single operator effort in the ARRL Sweepstakes SSB. This was my first serious effort single operator since setting the central division record in my category in this contest in 2013. Chad, WE9V near Kenosha opened his great station to me and I was able to rack up just under 1,600 QSO in 24

hours. In this contest, you only work each station once, so each station in the log is a "unique" station. It was a grind under general up and down conditions but nice to spend some time in a serious single operator effort.

I have a few busy weeks with work coming up including a trip to Tampa for a week. Not really the place to be right before Christmas however I could not pass up 70's in December and we have a good group of co-workers flying down. These activities will really limit radio time this month. I took part in a conference call today with NWS Sullivan which continued work toward social media goals for the Sullivan weather program. I will have more to come on that in the next few months.

The Christmas tree is up here, the "Elf on a Shelf" flew back recently and the Christmas decorations are up. Having two young boys in the house and watching their excitement really enhances the holiday spirit here. One of the things we really enjoy doing for several years is the WBEV/WXRO stocking stuffer program. This program focuses on buying and donating gifts for those not as fortunate as some of us. We spend some time talking about this with the kids and they really enjoy picking out toys to donate for others. We try to pass on to our kids the importance of thinking of others at these special times.

Out of the many "roads" that this hobby has taken me down over the last 20 years, one thing that remains very true to my heart is the RRRC. I am very proud of our group and the ability to be a leader within it. We have a great group of individuals with a likeminded hobby. You are all in our thoughts this holiday season. I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe, healthy and prosperous New Year!

73,
Ryan KB9OWD
RRRC President

President

Ryan Klavekoske KB9OWD 920-356-8757

Vice President

Dave DePover K9MKP 920-885-3785

Secretary

Dennis Weigel KC9ICA 920-344-6378

Treasurer

Judy Mullen KB9MKK 920-887-8781

Club Historian

Gary Pedersen KA9BAE 920-386-4666

2016 Officers



Program Director

Mark Mullen W9MIM 920-887-8781

Emergency Coordinator

Dale Marks WB9ADB 920-485-4234

Assistant Emergency Coordinator

Open Position

Repeater Directors

Dale Marks WB9ADB 920-485-4234 (Trustee)

Dennis Druceke K9DLD 920-386-0381

Dave DePover K9MKP 920-885-3785



November 2016 RRRRC Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Rock River Radio Club was called to order on Tuesday, November 1, 2016, by RRRRC President Ryan Klavekoske, KB9OWD, at 7:08 PM.

**** Committee Reports ****

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report was presented by RRRRC Treasurer Judy Mullen, KB9MKK. All incoming and outgoing transactions were discussed. There were no additions or corrections. A motion to accept the report as presented was made by Ralph Hasler, N9WBL, with second by Connie DePover, K9CID. A vote was taken and the motion was passed.

Secretary's Report: RRRRC Secretary presented the minutes for the October meeting as they were published in the November Newsletter. There were no additions or corrections. A motion to accept the minutes as published was made by Mark Mullen, W9MIM, and seconded by Gary Pedersen, KA9BAE. A vote was taken and the motion was passed.

2017 Field Day: Dale Marks, WB9ADB, reported that he has many camp sites available that are reserved for us at Derge County Park. The normal cost is now \$22 per night for 2 nights. The Club pays one half, reducing the member cost to \$22 for both nights. Anyone wishing to obtain their camping slips can obtain them by contacting Dale. We have sold out of our reserved sites for the last couple of years, so by getting them early, we have time to reserve more sites if needed.

Trailer Committee: Dave DePover, K9MKP, reported that he had nothing new to report except that the trailer performed well for the RRRRC special event station on October 15th at the Visitor Center to promote the National Wildlife Refuge Week. The trailer is set for winter storage, but is available to be activated quickly if needed.

**** Old Business ****

RRRC Annual Auction: The Club auction went very well with Jack, K9WC, as our auctioneer. We had an excellent turnout with 20 people in attendance. Jack always does a great job and everyone there had a great time.

RRRC Winter Banquet: Everything is all finalized for the Club Dinner at Bayside Supper Club. Ryan, KB9OWD, said he will call in our final numbers on the Tuesday before the event. Everything else is good to go.

**** New Business ****

RRRC Winter Banquet Door Prizes: It was decided to do the drawing for the door prizes again this year. Everyone present puts their name in a hat and a name is drawn for each of the \$10 gift cards purchased for the prizes. Ryan, KB9OWD, volunteered to purchase the 10 gift cards from local businesses and be reimbursed by the Club. Ralph Hasler, N9WBL, moved to approve spending \$100 for this purpose. The motion was seconded by Connie DePover, K9CID. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Election of RRRRC Officers: Our Nominating Committee members, Mark Mullen, W9MIM, and Ralph Hasler, N9WBL, reported that they had received no nominations for any office prior to the start of the election. Nominations from the floor for each office will be opened one at a time by current RRRRC President Ryan Klavekoske, KB9OWD. Nominees will be recorded and if more than one is heard for each office, voting will be done by secret ballot.

Nominations from the floor were as follows:

President: Ryan Klavekoske, KB9OWD Nominated by: Ralph Hasler, N9WBL Motion to Close by: Mark Mullen, W9MIM Second by: Ralph Hasler, N9WBL

Vice President: Dave DePover, K9MKP Nominated by: Ralph Hasler, N9WBL Motion to Close by: Ralph Hasler, N9WBL Second by: Mark Mullen

Treasurer: Judy Mullen, K9MKK Nominated by: Ralph Hasler, N9WBL Motion to Close by: Ralph Hasler, N9WBL Second by: Gary Pedersen, KA9BAE

Secretary: Dennis Weigel, KC9ICA Nominated by: Ralph Hasler, N9WBL Motion to Close by: Ralph Hasler, N9WBL Second by Mark Mullen, W9MIM

Club Historian: Gary Pedersen, KA9BAE Nominated by Dennis Weigel, KC9ICA Motion to Close by: Ralph Hasler, N9WBL Second by Mark Mullen, W9MIM

Program Director: Kevin Green, KC9YPK Nominated by Mark Mullen, W9MIM Motion to Close by: Dave DePover, K9MKP Second by: Ralph Hasler, N9WBL

A unanimous ballot was cast in favor of all unopposed nominees.

A secret ballot was cast by every member present to select the 2016 RRRRC Ham of the Year Award. The ballots were counted and the results recorded. Ryan, KB9OWD, will order the plaque to be engraved. The award will be presented when the winner is announced at the RRRRC Winter Banquet at Bayside Supper Club on Sunday, December 4th.

The monthly RRRRC breakfast will be held as usual at the Village Garden Restaurant in Juneau on Saturday, November 5th, at 8:00 AM.

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Business was concluded and a motion to adjourn was made by Mark Mullen, W9MIM, and seconded by Ralph Hasler, N9WBL. The motion was passed and the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Dennis Weigel, KC9ICA
Secretary, Rock River Radio Club**

RRRC NOVEMBER 2016 MEETING ATTENDANCE

Dennis Weigel	KC9ICA	Burnett
Judy Mullen	KB9MKK	Beaver Dam
Ryan Klavekoske	KB9OWD	Beaver Dam
Connie DePover	K9CID	Juneau
Dave DePover	K9MKP	Juneau
Ralph Hasler	N9WBL	Oconomowoc
Mark Mullen	W9MIM	Beaver Dam
Gary Pedersen	KA9BAE	Juneau
Nyles Priest	W9KUW	Beaver Dam
Kevin Green	KC9YPK	Mayville
Dale Marks	WB9ADB	Burnett

**Rock River Radio Club Mailing Addresses
Club Dues / Bills / Club Business**

R.R.R.C.

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Newsletter Related Items:

Dennis Weigel

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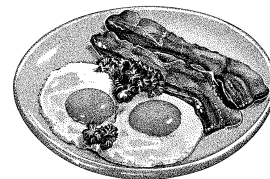
Burnett, WI 53922

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The monthly RRRRC breakfast get-together will be on Saturday, December 10th, at the Village Garden Restaurant in Juneau. All are welcome, so join us at around 8:00 AM for a pleasant informal gathering.

RRRC Weekly Nets

Mon. ARES 146.64 MHz 7:30 PM

A.R.E.S. Net Control Stations

Dec 04 Dennis, KC9ICA

Dec 12 Bill, KA9OTV

Dec 19 Dennis, K9DLD

Dec 26 Ryan, KB9OWD

Sat. 3.947 MHz 10:00 AM

Wed. 1.908 MHz 7:30 PM

Repeater Backup 147.585 MHz Simplex



**THE SUBMISSION DEAD-
LINE FOR ITEMS FOR THE
JANUARY 2017 ISSUE OF THE
RRRC NEWSLETTER IS
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27th.**

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Dave DePover, K9MKP

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Dennis Weigel, KC9ICA

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Dennis Druecke, K9DLD

Dave DePover, K9MKP

Emergency Coordinator:

Dale Marks, WB9ADB

Assistant Emergency Coordinator:

Open Position

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Kevin Green, KC9YPK

Club Historian

Gary Pedersen, KA9BAE

**THE NEXT REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF
THE ROCK RIVER RADIO CLUB WILL BE HELD
ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6th AT 7:00 PM IN
ROOMS 1H AND 1I OF THE DODGE COUNTY AD-
MINISTRATION BUILDING IN JUNEAU. EVERY-
ONE IS WELCOME; SEE YOU THERE!**

Annual Membership Dues
Rock River Radio Club of Wisconsin
PO Box 26, Juneau WI 53039-0026



Last Name: _____

First Name(s): _____

Call(s): _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Email: _____

ARRL: YES NO

State: _____ Zip: _____

Description	\$ Each	Quantity	Total
RRRC 2017 Membership - Family	\$25.00		
RRRC 2017 Membership - Individual Regular	\$20.00		
RRRC 2017 Membership - Individual Associate	\$10.00		
RRRC Badge	\$15.50		
A.R.E.S. Communication Trailer Fund Contribution			
GRAND TOTAL:			

Send to: Judy Mullen, KB9MKK
 RRRC Treasurer
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