

Please note: due to a technical issue, the audio from the meeting did not get saved to my iCloud account. The following is totally from memory. My apologies.

Minutes of the August 2023 meeting of The Alliance Amateur Radio club (AARC)

The AARC met on Wednesday, September 13th, 2023, at Alliance Community Hospital (200 E. State St, Alliance).

The meeting was called to order at 7:32PM, by President Ron Rittenhouse, KE8HCY.

Ron started with a moment of silence for the victims of 9/11, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Andy Magda, AC8JR.

A roll call was taken of members & guests, by going around the room with everyone giving their names, callsigns, and town. We had 22 members, and 3 guests in attendance.

Birthdays

The following birthdays were acknowledged:

Barry, AB8YE

Karen, WD8BIW

Shawn, KD8ZEZ

James, KD8VT

Secretary & Treasurer Reports:

The Treasurers report was sent out to the all members who are signed up on the mailing list

The treasurers report was given by John, WG8X, and was approved on a voice vote

Secretary report

Not sure why, but the Secretary report was again given by Ron, KE8HCY. The minutes have been posted online.

Ron asked for approval, and they were approved on a voice vote.

Officers Reports:

President (KE8HCY) skipped the officers reports

Programs

- Dwight, KD8YFV gave a program on kit-building

Committee Reports

- **Two Meter Net** Tomas, KC8ZEH
 - Tomas gave a detailed accounting of the net sessions for the previous month.
- **10 Meter SSB Net** John (wg8x)
 - John gave a general report on the net.
- **Homeland Security Net** James(kd8vt)
 - James gave a brief report on the net
- **Digital net**
 - Steve, KB8RFE talked about the weekly AARC Digital Net. It uses the Olivia 8/500 mode. The net will be on 28.122MHz, and begin at 7:30 PM
Steve is available for setup help using FLDigi
 - He also covered the 6M digital net which started on Tuesday, September 5th @ 50.29225 Using Olivia 8/500 (1500hz)
- **Repeaters (2M/440)**
 - No report
- **UMU Radio Club**
 - Ron gave a report on the Radio club that is forming at University of Mt. Union.
- **Carnation Parade**
 - Ron gave a report on the Carnation parade communications
- **Castle 5K Run for Hope**
 - John gave a report on this Labor Day event.
- **Signs, Signals & Codes**
 - Member of all local Amateur Radio clubs are assisting at Camp Tuscazoar on October 21st, as several local scouts work towards their merit badge. Contact Heath Urban for more information, or to volunteer

New Business

- **Classes** – Tech classes are starting at the hospital on sept 20, from 6-8pm
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Announcements

- October meeting October 11th 7:30 PM at the Hospital; dinner beforehand at Don Panchos at 6 PM
- Upcoming Hamfest info was given
- Lastly, Ron went around the room asking for comments from everyone.

After adjourning the meeting, the winner of the 50/50 was drawn. The 50/50 was \$30, won by John, WG8X.

Minutes submitted Sept 17th by John, WG8X, secretary / treasurer, AARC