# Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Station (BNJARS) Minutes of the General Membership Meeting of December 11, 2010

The meeting was conducted in the CPO Mess. on the Battleship New Jersey. The meeting was called to order at 1000 hours with the pledge of Allegiance. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved. (Listed on the Web).

## **Officers/Directors:**

President: Harry Bryant, AA2WN Vice President: Ed Clark, W2KP Secretary: Ron Cohen, K3ZKO Treasurer: Lou Priestly, N2HQL Chief Engineer: Dave Burgess, WA2TVS

## Directors:

Margaret Burgess, KB2BRR Bill Bacon, KE2XC – not present Beth Barnish, KB2EAL- not present

Presidents Report: Nothing new to report.

Guest: - John Braun, KA3ZRP and Jim Campbell, KB3PZN

Vice President Report: Nothing to report

Secretary Report: Several new applicants reporting aboard.

Treasurers Report: - Lou, N2HQL, reported a Treasury balance of \$896.47.

<u>Chief Engineers Report</u>: If you have been Falcon-1 you have seen the four R390 receivers along with a pair of the dual rack mounted speakers donated by Fort Monmouth which is in the process of shutting down forever and moving to Virginia and the MARS station is gone. In the shack there has been a little sloppiness with the log book, sign in for the equipment that you are using and when finished please sign out. All I'm asking is that if you are using a rig please follow the rules. Make sure you disconnect the antennas and leave the computers on. On Saturdays leave the computers on so we can get the totals at the end of the day. We have lots of stuff for people to work on. In the Transmitter compartment the T368 transmitter is close to working, just need a TR relay, a substitute has been located. The TCK transmitter has had the high voltage applied with good results and has been on the air using the exciter giving us about 25 watts. The WRT-2 work is in limbo right now. Nothing has been done lately in the WW2 shack. The TV studio has been used extensively by the Scout encampments. Restoration projects have been going great.

**Directors:** Margaret, KB2BRR says that the ship will be going into their winter close down mode for all tours which starts January 3, 2011 which means no food, this runs to February 5, 2011 when the ship reopens on Saturdays and Sundays only. In March the ship will open for the longer hours. During December the chow line will be open only on Saturday and Sundays from 1130 hours to 1330 hours, only exception will be between Christmas and New Years the chow line will be open all week.

## Permanent Committee Reports:

**Education/Scouting**: Doug, WA2NPD told us that anyone dealing with the scouts must take the Youth Protection course online, <u>www.scouting.org/youthprotection</u>. You may have to register first at <u>www.myscouting.org</u>. This certification will only be required for our instructors that sign off on the Merit Badge cards. We now have a list of phone numbers to enable us to double check that the Merit Badge tests have not been cancelled thus saving unnecessary travel time to the ship. Our web page calendar now has the Merit Badge schedule listed. On the second Saturday in January is when the South Jersey guys run their College Merit Badge program at the Sarnoff Library, they normally run thru about 60 scouts so if anyone would like to lend a hand I'll send out an email after we know the date and time.

**Emergency Communications:** - The MS-150 is coming up so we will need operators but if you don't want to do radio they are looking for truck drivers to help out with transportation.

#### **Standing Committee Reports:**

**QSL Committee:** Margaret, KB2BRR reports 95 contacts the last quarter giving us a new total of 29,369. Most of these have been uploaded to Logbook of the World thru 2009, In January I will be adding the first six months of 2010. We have received and answered about 6,000 cards through August 2010. Our postage balance is \$39.92. I am finishing up the museum ships certificates.

#### AD Hoc Committees:

**<u>Restoration</u>**: John Saracen, WB2DFB, we have two R390s, one is repaired and cleaned up, now waiting for calibration, the second R390 is having the field modifications done to it and it should be done soon. The Heathkit SB-110 is done. The Hammerlund SP600 is being worked on now.

**<u>Public Events</u>**: There is a 10 meter contest this weekend. There will be new ships available for the museum ships weekend June 4 and 5.

#### Elections: Officers Elected for the next two years:

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Old Business: none

<u>New Business</u>: Dayton: This year the rules for a complementary booth have changed with the requirement that a people ticket must be purchased for each person working the booth. The membership voted that these tickets will be paid for by the club.

#### Good of the Order:

This December 11, 2010 meeting was attended by 26 people.

Next meeting: will be Saturday, February 12, 2011 at 1000 hours.

Meeting was adjourned at 1045 hours

Submitted by Ronald Cohen, K3ZKO Secretary