

BNJARS Meeting Minutes

September 10, 2016.

President Harry Bryant opened the quarterly meeting at 1000 hours leading the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Harry asked if there were any visitors to the club and any upgrades to licenses for members. Hearing none, Harry remarked about the President's report. He stated he was in attendance.

Vice President report:

Rich spoke to the members about training for license upgrade being available. He spoke about declining membership of the BNJARS. Overall the membership is losing members due to age and lack of interest in the community. He asked for ideas to help increase the membership.

Recording Secretary report:

Jerry said that he had nothing additional at the moment.

Chief Engineer report - Dave Burgess, WA2TVS:

Dave began speaking about the System 75 telephone system aboard the ship. The power supply powering the unit died. He stated the use of a unit from the spare Infinity system. Steve Houston began reprogramming the phone numbers for the ship back into memory.

Allen is working on the windspeed unit that has broken gearing.

John Saracen is working on the TCS unit that saw brief service.

Vice President Rich is working on the OE82 satellite control for digitizing for remote control in the shack.

Dave mentioned that the Curator Jason mentioned BNJARS in the ships Newsletter. Jason asked about making a 50 caliber machine gun to simulate firing. Ski and Jim Nilon converted the triggering mechanism to simulate actual firing sounds.

It was mentioned that a newer UHF rig was delivered by TV Dave to the shack.

Dave stated the CEO of the alliance Mr. Phil Rowan said that monies were made available to the ship for refurbishing the lighting aboard ship for replacing the fluorescent tubes to led lighting. Teams will be trained to replace the units.

He stated that money has been made available for the replacement of additional teak decking. Hot water system aboard ship will also meet with mechanical upgrading. A system will be placed on the south pier.

Dave stated that the ATF was concerned that the gattling guns aboard ship were possibly operational. Ken Kersh is in contact with the ATF through the Department of the Navy that the guns were indeed not operational.

Directors report: none given

Treasurer report:

Lou stated that currently there is a balance of \$1835.00 and \$104 cash.

Scouting activity:

Merit Badge classes have been at a stand still due to the summer weather and possible will increase in the fall.

QSO report:

Margaret Burgess KB2BRR stated that during the period of May, June July and August there were only 18 contacts made by operators in the shack. Musuem Ships Weekend was an entirely different story with 900 contacts. 39,055 contacts on the total logbook. 6942 qsl cards have been sent to date. \$79.00 balance is in the postage fund.

John Saracen, technical supervisor, gave his report about on going repairs. He spoke about crystal mounts for the TCS unit used aboard ship. John had been struggling with a repair to a control shaft that was repaired by a less than technically apt individual.

Old business:

Chief Dave Burgess expressed he had remarks for correspondence. Dave stated that Randy (call unknown at this moment) sent a coffee mug with certificate received for Museum Ships Weekend on the mug along with Margaret KB2BRR call sign emblazoned.

Dave then spoke about the new fairgrounds for the annual Dayton Hamvention . The facilities should be equal be to the previous space used.

New business:

At the December 2016 meeting BNJARS will hold the biannual election of officers. Jim Nilon volunteered to gather names for the nominations of all officers. Jim will also head the election on December 10, 2016.

Margaret mentioned that Bob Westcott, plankowner of BB62 will be visiting the shack today.

Rich, vice president, asked if his volunteer hours matched by his companies dollar donations to Home Port Alliance would be earmarked to any particular line item for the ship. It was explained that the monies were on deposit for general budgeting.

President Bryant asked for a motion for adjournment at 1035 hours moved by acting recording Secretary Jerry Barnish WB2CAK. Seconded by Beth Barnish, KB2EAL. Motion to adjourn approved.

Submitted,
Jerry Barnish WB2CAK
Acting recording Secretary.