

## **February Minutes BNJARS February 11, 2017**

Meeting opened by Harry Bryant, President at 1005 hours.  
Harry reported he had nothing of importance to report.  
He asked the Club recording Secretary , Jerry Barnish for anything specific.

Jerry stated that all of the thank you letters for the previous donations to the club had been written and sent to all donors.

President Bryant stated that Vice President Rich is ill with a nasty cold and informed him that he was grateful that Rich would not be in attendance to share the cold. He wished him a speedy recovery.

Harry called on Chief Engineer Dave Burgess for a report.  
Dave reported that Nick England, K4NYW sent an envelope listing documents he has on file in his home of military gear and equipment. Nick also sent along a check for \$\*\* donation to the club. Nick has been a donor in the past. Dave stated he will send the needed thank you on behalf of the club directly to Nick.

Chief reported on the return of Big Eye binoculars donated to the ship . A second pair was donated by a group out west that were former Navy opticians. Repairs were made by using parts from the second pair and the binoculars were installed for the public to enjoy on the starboard weather deck.

Dave mentioned that in the spring with good weather the lights need to be taken down and the signal flags need to be installed. Date to be announced.

Dave stated that Rich , V.P. is working on the computer system for controlling the OA-82 antenna system. This would be use to track satellites by automatic means.

Harry reported on a couple of Boy Scout merit badge classes held during a weekday by Himself and Ken being available.

Harry reported that the date for Museum Ships Weekend is June 3-4, 2017. There are 8 additional new ships listed this year for participation. He is asking for members to sign up for rotation for operating the clubs station during the event.

President Harry stated that Margaret Burgess, KB2FRR was not available to report on the status of club qsl count. Chief Dave presented the totals in her stead. To date the club has made 39,203 qso's from the club stations.

Treasurer Lou Priestly stated that the balance of the clubs money was \$\*\*\* with a forward deposit at this meeting of \$\*\*\* while writing a check against it of \$99.90 for

reimbursing Club member Alan for materials used in on going projects. A check for \$ 126.00 was written to pay Chief Dave for expenses. Lou reported a balance of \$\*\*\*.

John Saracen reported on his ongoing projects. He was working on the display for the depth meter and should have a fathometer display of 66 feet for simulation for the public.

#### New Business

Chief Burgess opened discussion about the desire to return to Battleship New Jersey the barrels for the 16 inch guns from the Depot in Maryland. The Alliance has opened a Go Fund Me effort to raise the needed funds of \$250,000 dollars to transport the barrels to the area with needed lead paint abatement . He proposed a motion to discuss making a dollar specific amount to help with the funding . Motion was seconded. The president then entertained a motion for a specific amount. It was explained that the Alliance had on deposit funds donated to BNJARS for the amount of \$200.00. It was seconded and a favorable vote was cast for the amount of \$200 donation.

No further business advanced , Harry asked for a motion to adjourn at 1055 hours. It was moved and seconded. The date for the next club meeting is set for May 13, 2017.

Submitted,

Jerry Barnish, WB2CAK  
Recording Secretary.