

Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Service Meeting minutes, December 14, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 1000 hours.

The members present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes from the previous meeting were not read since they are available on the website for all to see. There were no modifications or additions.

Three visitors from Germany were recognized. Claus Lorenzen (DL1HBL) editor of the German magazine MFQTC, his wife Dianna (DO5DL) and Dianna's Mother Kay Surgner.

President's/VP Report:

- OE82 project is progressing. CW signals were stronger than synchro signals so Rich built a filter.

Chief Engineer's Report:

- We need to replace the monitors in CEC. We need 14" VGA monitors which are getting hard to find. If anyone has 14" monitors they no longer need they would be appreciated.

- The ship purchased 2000 feet of ½" poly line for the signal bridge

- The 49 radar project is coming along nicely. Phil would like it rotating by Veteran's day, but the 4th of July 2020 is a more realistic target.

- WWII radio is being worked on three days per week and is approaching proper configuration.

- NJ2BB is now on the QTH website. The transition is seamless.

- The ship is purchasing an electric windlass for the missile deck

Treasurer's Report:

- Lou reported that we have \$3373.52 in the treasury with another \$237 to deposit. He has written a check for \$59.40 for the club's new website.

QSL Report:

- Margaret is working on Museum Ships weekend. She is having some difficulty matching contacts because of misuse/misinterpretation of UTC

-QSO stats:	Total previous	43259
	Sept 2019	36
	Oct 2019	65
	Nov 2019	258
	Subtotal	359
	NJ2BB total	43618

- We have received and answered 12 QSL cards since last report for a total of 7530 QSL cards sent since 2001

-Money received from QSL's	
(prev balance)	\$86.50
Postage spent	\$2.00
Donations Museum Ships	\$237.00
Given to treasurer	\$237.00
Balance as of 11/30/2019:	\$84.50

Scouting Report:

- The club is no longer conducting classes for the merit badge. We will continue to support the on air contact portion of the merit badge.

ATV Report:

- Three racks of CCTV equipment were procured from the USS Kennedy decommissioning. The racks are currently in SSES. They provide 16 channels
- We may provide an additional antenna for New York.
- Dave is constantly improving the system.
- HAM4 is set up for SSTV.

Stations Operations:

- HAM2 is set for PSK
- HAM3 is partially configured for digital modes.
- In order to do FT8 and FT4, we need live internet access in the shack for time synchronization. Limited access may be available in the near future for some operations.
- Museum ships weekend for 2020 is the first full weekend in June.

Old Business:

- None

New Business:

- Someone at the Gloucester club has a Yaesu 847 for sale for \$600 plus shipping if the club is interested.
- Joe Arrico has a number of ham related items he is willing to auction off for the benefit of the club.
- The club can remain active as an ARRL affiliate if at least half of the active members are ARRL members. The club does meet that criteria.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 1048 hours

Total members present: 10 plus three visitors.

Respectfully submitted: Ron Schaffer W2RES