

NPARC ZOOM MEETING #20

Date: Monday, February 22, 2021. Time: 7:30- 8:30 PM Local Time

Zoom Meeting Coordinator: W2PTP

Attendees (21)

K2AL, K2CMW, K2DAM, KC2DSH, K2EZR, AC2GL, K2GLS, KC2HLA, W2IOC/1, K2JAO, KD2JRI, KD2ONY, KC2OSR, W2PTP, WB2QOQ, W2UDT, K2UI, K2YG, KC2WUF, W7HU (Guest Speaker), Heather Speas (Guest).

Discussion Topics:

1. Club President W2PTP opened the Zoom meeting at 7:30 P.M.
2. W2PTP **has posted a link on the NPARC Reflector to part of the previous Zoom talk on "VHF/UHF Roaming"** by Andrea, K2EZ, that was not shown during the meeting.
3. W2PTP welcomed **guest** Heather Speas, who is studying for her Technician license and is interested in emergency communications. She asked for recommendations for a reasonably priced HT and Sam, KC2OSR, offered to lend her an HT. Heather also asked about local VE test sessions. Anyone with that information please send Heather an email.
4. KD2ONY, Eric, mentioned an upcoming **Technician study class** that will be offered in Fairfield. Eric will obtain details and post on the NPARC Reflector.
5. Sam, KC2OSR, informed us that K2YG will make making a **presentation on contesting basics** at the next Zoom meeting on **March 8**. Sam also asked that anyone interested in giving a club presentation should contact him. Sam stated that due to extremely high demand, it is becoming more difficult to obtain virtual outside speakers.
6. **Our guest speaker, Alex, W7HU**, in Florida, presented a talk and slide presentation on his YouTube channel where he live-streams while on the air which gives the opportunity for those in QSO with him to hear their signal "live". Alex also spoke about his harrowing boat trips from Cuba to America and made an appeal for AB8PR, a Michigan ham in need of a kidney transplant. See the W7HU QRZ page for details on how to help and a link to his YouTube channel. (Thanks to Sam. KC2OSR, for arranging this talk.)
7. After a Q&A session with W7HU, the meeting was closed at 8:30 PM by W2PTP.
8. **The next Club Zoom meeting will be held on Monday, March 8, 2021 at 7:30 PM.** The presentation will be "Contesting Basics" by club member Dave, K2YG, who has won many contests, many operating QRP (5 watts).
 - **Summary of NPARC Nets**
 - The Phone Net** is on Sunday nights at 9 PM on the W2LI repeater (147.255/147.855 and 449.975/444.975, PL 141.3 HZ). K2AL net control.
 - The Digital Net** is held on Mondays at 9PM or 15 minutes after the Zoom meeting whichever is later, PSK-31, 28.085 MHz, plus 1000 Hz audio frequency.
 - The CW Net/CW Training Net** is held on Thursdays, 9 PM local (0100 UTC), 28.050 MHz.
 - **REMINDER-NPARC 2021 DUES:** Annual Membership dues are still \$20 and \$10 for students. Please mail checks (payable to **NPARC**) directly to **Dave Barr K2YG, 29 Montrose Ave., Summit, NJ 07901**. Please make sure your name and call sign are written on the check.

K2AL

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Secretary, NPARC

