

NPARC REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING, ZOOM MEETING #37

Date: Monday, November 8, 2021. Time: 7:30- 8:45 PM Local Time. Zoom Coordinator: W2PTP

Attendees (20)

AE3A, K2AL, KC2DSH, W2EMC, K2EZR, N2FYE, AC2GL, K2GLS, W2IOC, KD2JRI, W2OKB, KC2OSR, W2PTP, WB2QOQ, N2TO, W2UDT, K2UI, KD2VZA, KC2WUF, K2YG.

Discussion Topics:

1. Club President, W2PTP, started the Zoom Business Meeting at 7:40 PM. Per K2AL, a quorum was present.

2. **Holiday Luncheon:** W2PTP stated that the Holiday Luncheon at Chimney Rock in Gillette is on Saturday, December 4th. Accommodations will be made for social distancing. Individuals will need to make a personal choice regarding attending relative to Covid risk.
Per Dave, K2YG, and members polled at the meeting at the time, there were 22 attendees so far. Chimney Rock is limiting it to 35 attendees.

3. **Club Officer Nomination Committee:** KD2EKN, is the Nominating Committee chair for 2022 Club officers. If interested in running for any office, contact Tim Farrell.
W2PTP and K2GLS will not be running for re-election as president and VP respectively. Elections were moved to the November 22 meeting.

4. **Face to Face Meetings:** New Providence has not yet opened town facilities for public meetings. The NP Senior Center suffered flood damage from Ida and is not available at this time. K2AL will investigate other options and will report back on any progress at the next meeting.

5. **General Interest/Show and Tell Topics:**
 - Heather, KD2VZA, stated her HF station is nearly ready to go QRV with the help of James, KB2FCV, and KC2OSR. Heather now has a 102' doublet at 50' fed with open wire and showed photos of the installation.
 - Heather's antenna led to a discussion on how to feed ladder line or open wire feedline into the shack. It also led to a discussion on baluns and antenna tuners led by N2TO.
 - K2YG discussed "contests for beginners".
 - K2AL's brief presentation on his effort in the previous weekend's ARRL CW Sweepstakes contest included showing a map of the 74 ARRL sections worked during the contest. The phone/SSB version of Sweepstakes is on November 20-22 (Third full weekend in November).
 - W2IOC talked about the CQWE (Western Electric) contest.

The Meeting was closed at 8:45 PM by W2PTP.

Recorded by: Al Hanzl Secretary, NPARC November 16, 2021

