# **XEROX**

#### Amateur Radio NewsLetter

TO

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**SUBJECT** 

General Newsletter Note NEW MEETING TIME DATE

October 14, 1988

The next meeting of the Xerox Amateur radio club will be Sept 15,1988 at 1900 hours in building 337 conference room B. The business meeting will start promptly at 1900. No seminar is scheduled.

Minutes of last Meeting: (Sept)

Meeting called to order at 1900.

### **Treasurers Report:**

Year end report...We began this year with a previous balance of \$252.00. Our total income from dues donations etc this year was \$288.00 for a total of \$540.00. Monies spent this year include: hi freq station \$170.00, refreshments \$14.00, answering machine \$91.00 repeater repairs \$25.00 VHF/UHF links \$180.00 for a total of \$480.00 We begin this year with \$62.55 in checking and \$59.92 in savings.

#### Secretary's report:

Minutes of previous (Aug) meeting: Voted to be not read as they are included in every newsletter.

# Repeater Committee report:

No report

Long range planning committee report:

No report...

**HF Station report:** 

No report

#### Membership and Training:

No Report but we will have another novice training class.

Packet Report: -- no report

# **Special Events report:**

Xerox's 50<sup>th</sup>... Gene Parker sent cards to the various magazines outlining our up and coming activity schedule.

The special events station will be operated from 7PM to 7PM Sat to Sun. We plan to operate 3 to 5 transmitters. The lineup is as follows: Dick Germain to handle operators and set up crews. Rick LaDonna to write appropriate code for logging/checking and sorting. Lou Kohnen in charge of station and equipment. Mike Ishler is bringing in his trailer, stringing antennas, coax and running extension cords. Gene Faucz is in charge of QSL cards and designs, his wife Dorthy in charge of food and goodies along with Emerson Ironside. Bob Karz logging and records.

Our station is going to attempt to QSO other Xerox stations during this event.

\*\* ANY ELECTRONIC SNAILMAIL PERSON ON THIS DL IS INVITED TO DROP BY AND SEE WHAT IS HAPPENING... OUR STATION IS IN BUILD 337.\*\*

Also, the same night, (Oct22) the Webster High School Band is hosting the band competition at RL Thomas. They need people to provide comms as we have done in the past. This event starts at 7PM and will last until about 9 PM or so. The freqs will be 2 meters and 220 simplex..Check in with Pete Secrist about 6PM

#### **Old Business:**

Up dating club by-laws postponed

#### **New Business:**

Dues are due this month. After much discussion last month, a vote was taken to raise the dues for Xerox employees to \$10.00 per year. We also voted that non-Xerox supporting people will donate \$10.00. It should be noted that this is the first time in 9 years there has been a fees increase. If dues are not received by Dec meeting, you will be dropped off the roster, autopatch phone privileges and autodial memory slots will only be a distant memory.

Also note... if you are receiving this newsletter via hardcopy and are not a member of the Xerox Amateur Radio Club, this will be your last newsletter. Non members on the e snailmail are not to worry, you will not be dropped. There are too many people receiving the letter via hardcopy and I am not sure if they read it or throw it away as they never

come to the meetings or provide any feedback. It's taking too much time copying and sending out all these hardcopies.

Finally, it's time to nominate new club officers. Nominations will take place this meeting the election will take place in the Nov meeting. The new officers will take over Dec 1. The offices are: President, Treasurer Secretary and Repeater Trustee.

Meeting adjourned at 1815

Seminar:

None

**Seminar for Oct**: Ed Gable of Harris RF will speak on propagation. Ed got his first license 30 years ago while attending Hilton High School.

#### **Emergency Traffic**

It should be noted that last month during hurricane Gilbert, our club was asked by Xerox security to try and make contact with a Xerox employee's family living in Jammaca. Several of our members tried without success from our club station. Just not enough power for reliable direct contact into Jammaca, however our traffic was placed on the emergency net for delayed action. They were only taking medical information for inbound traffic and the only outbound traffic were requests for supplies, weather reports etc.... Outbound health and welfare traffic was delayed. Perhaps someday we will own a more powerful transmitter and a beam antenna. Xerox security was appreciative of our efforts and thanked the members for the attempt.

# Adgenda for Sept

#### **XARC October 20th Agenda**

#### **NOTE MEETING TIME IS 7:00 PM**

#### Old Business:

• Treasurer's report: Pete Secrist (WB2SUN)

Minutes ( secrestary): Jim Lannom ( WA2IRT)

- Introductions of New Members/ New Calls, or Guests:
- Standing committees
  - Refreshments Coordinator: Emerson Ironsides (N2GZ)

(comment: We would like to make the coffee fund self supporting. Please contribute to the "goodies" fund from time to time to cover our expenses.)

•Repeater: Pete Secrist (WB2SUN)

•337 HF Station: Lou Kohnen (K2ANC)

●Membership and Training: Dick Germain (WB2QCV)

Plan & Organize for fall license examination classes

How many? One or two classes?
When? time /days
Who?
Upgrades? Novice, Tech, General,

- Packet Radio: Norm Peers (N2CMF)
- Program Chairman (announcements): Mike Poleshuk (KA2KDA)
- Long Range Planning: Frank Erhart/ (KC2EX) or Ed McKenna / (N2FXM)

Discuss XARC club goals and priorities regarding:

- 1) Repeater committee proposals for:
  - (a) use / upgrade of 220/440 repeater
  - (b) addition of a 2 meter repeater

#### (c) 2 meter packet station.

2) HF Committee proposals for upgrading Bldg 337 HF facilities.

• Other: (discussion run by President)

• Plan & organize for October 22, special events station operation.

Lou Kohnen (K2ANC): Number and disposition of transmitters

Dick Germain (WB2QCV): Operators/ duty roster

Mike Ishler(KB2FSA): antennas, skyhooks, co-ax

Gene Faucz (KB2FNN)): QSL cards/ certificates

Bob Karz (K2OID): Logging/records

Emerson Ironsides (N2GZ): refreshments/food

Mailing

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#### **New Business:**

- bids for club tower.
- Public service: Oct. 22nd, Webster Band Concert / Pete Secrist (WB2SUN)
- Discuss proposed update/ changes in the Club's bylaws
- 1988-89 dues are payable now (September)

should they be increased?

Should repeater users be charged different?

• Election of new officers (Take office October/ Novmber?)

As most of you probably know, the club will be operating a special event station commemorating the 50th anniversary of the invention of Xerography. The event will take place the weekend of October 22, beginning on Friday the 21 at 7:00 PM, and ending on Saturday the 22 at 7:00 PM. Gene Parker has ask me to

organize the operators for this Special Event. We will be operating several rigs (both CW and Phone) over a 24 hour period, so we will need plenty of operators to run the rigs. In addition, we would love to have any unlicensed volunteers, such as family members or friends, that would be willing to help with non-operational tasks such as logging. Including family and friends in our hobby can be very enjoyable for all as we discovered on Field Day. If any of you and/or your friends or family can help out for some period of time (even if only for an hour or two) during the event, please contact one of the following people as soon as possible. You will also be able to sign-up at the October XARC meeting.

Dick Germain \*28918 Gene Parker \*22245 Jim Lannom \*22603

We can make this Special Event something that both Xerox and the club can be proud of. So if you can help, please sign-up as soon as possible so that we can start planning the operator schedule.

Thanks and 73, Dick Germain KA2QCV

#### **WANT ADS**

# **DISCLAIMER**;

If you have something to add to this newsletter, something to sell, complaints or flames, call me at 22603, or send me a note to 114-20D, or send me an electronic note to Jim Lannom: Wbst128: Xerox on the NS or to Lannom. Wbst on the grapevine.

73

Jim WA2IRT