

Northeast Iowa Radio Amateur Association
WØMG MEETING MINUTES; 13 JULY 2013

The July meeting of the Northeast Iowa Radio Amateur Association (NIRAA) was held at 7:00 pm at the American Red Cross building in Waterloo on July 13, 2013.

President Dave Knittel (KØCQH) called the meeting to order and passed a sign-up sheet around.

Minutes of the previous meeting we attached to the meeting notice for this meeting and were approved as circulated.

As a result of a treasurer vacancy created by Dave Berry's (WØDDW/SK) recent passing, an elections was held to fill it for the balance of this year. Scott Lowe (WAØTPN), currently the club secretary, was elected to fill the treasurer's position and Dick Nelson (WØHHF) was elected to fill the secretary's position.

Since I have misplaced my notes from the evening, I am writing this from memory, so please forgive me. I will send a revised version when, and if, I locate them. I promise to do better in the future.

A report was given on the success of this year's field day activities. It was decided to reserve the shelter house again for next year. Dave Knittel will take care of doing so.

Dave also will look into our possibly holding this year's Christmas party at the Cedar Falls HyVee in College Square.

Chris Conklin announced a VEC exam session will be held on October 12th at the Red Cross Center. People interested should sign up on the club website, WØMG.net. Time will be 5 PM. If you sign up, PLEASE attend as this may be our last if too many people sign up and not show!

Stan Johnson (WØSJ) and Dave Knittel (KØCQH) will be going through Dave Berry's radio gear, checking it out, and setting a fair market value on it with the intention of selling it at the Cedar Rapids Hamfest on 04 August.

Next month's meeting will be held on 10 August, at 6 PM, at Lookout Park (note the change in usual time and location). We will explore the extensive capabilities and operation of the Elecraft KX3 transceiver in the field using a homemade buddipole and buddistick and operating on battery power. Bring your own lawnchair, and any food and/or beverage you may want. Scott Lowe will be sending out a separate email to discuss this meeting in greater detail. GUESTS ARE WELCOME!

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

A program on HF Digital Communications was presented by Don Russell (W9DRR).

Respectfully submitted by:
Richard Nelson, Secretary