

Minutes of the Fall 2018 CCARC General Members Meeting
Parker Library, October 27, 2018

Chairman Doug Nielsen, N7LEM called the meeting to order at 1315 hours Mountain.

Introductions

After introductions, it was noted that the Secretary Emit Hurdelbrink, W0UAW, is not in attendance due to the unexpected passing of his son, John Hurdelbrink, N2MED. A sympathy card is being circulated. Doug Sharp, K2AD will be filling-in as Secretary.

Secretary Report

Minutes were read (displayed on screen).

Correction is proper spelling of Doug Nielsen. Motion by KORM, Second KD0KQL. Passed.

Treasurer Report

Report by Treasurer, Wayne Heinen. No questions or comments. Report accepted.

CCARC Treasurer's Report – October 27, 2018

Beginning balance from Fall Meeting Report Dated April 21, 2018 **\$7,662.86**

INCOME

Date	From	For	Amount
04/21/2018	Colorado Traffic League	Dues	\$5.00
04/21/2018	Cheyenne Mountain Rptr Group	Dues	\$25.00
04/21/2018	Montrose ARC	Dues	\$12.00

Total Income **\$42.00**

EXPENSES

Date	To	For	Amount
12/07/2017	Peak Printing	2017 FC Update Mailing	\$245.50
04/21/2018	PPRAA - COQP	10 Plaques	\$450.00
04/21/2018	RM Ham	Spring 2018 Meeting	\$35.00
07/01/2018	Wayne Heinen	Treasurer's Expenses	\$73.83
07/25/2018	Wayne Heinen	Visual Form Builder for Website	\$69.00

Total Expenses **627.83**

Ending Balance¹ **\$7,077.03**

¹ Less Allocated funds: Repeater Maps \$318.27 =

Available Balance **\$6,758.76**

Prepared by Wayne Heinen NØPOH Treasurer

Frequency Coordinator Report

Jeff Carrier, K0JSC, CCARC Frequency Coordinator, was unable to attend the meeting. His written summary of activities was presented by K2AD.

Frequency Coordination activities are moving forward. Our coordination database is being refreshed, and new coordination activities is on-going.

Our UHF Frequency Use Plan is being updated as approved at the Spring 2018 meeting. The updated FUP will be uploaded to the web site shortly. It was noted that the sub-band segment modified at the Spring 2018 meeting is appropriate spectrum for new and emerging technologies such as digital voice repeaters, data specific systems and multi-mode hot spots.

Interference was reported by AMSAT from an unknown digital system, believed to be located somewhere in Kansas/Colorado/Utah. Interference was reported to AMSAT satellites on 435.35 MHz. The delegates present had no knowledge of this interfering system. The Council does not recommend terrestrial operation on this frequency, and made the request for all amateurs to operate within the recommended spectrum allocations to avoid inference.

Overdue repeaters are being investigated as an on-going activity.

Old Business

Repeater maps – RCTK database back on-line will enable repeater maps. Hope to have maps soon. Willem AC0KQ is leading the recovery efforts of the old RCTK PHP7 software platform. Wayne Heinen NOPOH leading database cleanup.

Brief discussion of publishing database information in the public domain. We noted that we no longer provide information to the ARRL on an exclusive basis. Rfinder is very inaccurate. We deferred decision on the matter until the next meeting.

New Business

Nominating Committee – needed to present names for 2019 Election. Open positions will be Vice Chairman and Treasurer. Volunteers for the Nominating committee were sought but none identified. The Chairman will continue to look for volunteers willing to serve on a nominating committee. In addition nominations will be taken from the floor at the Spring 2019 meeting.

Colorado Section Manager Report

Jack Ciaccia, WM0G presented the ARRL Colorado Section Report
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Next Meeting

The next meeting will be hosted by the Boulder Amateur Radio Club and be held in Boulder, CO. Interest was expressed in linking the Boulder meeting to a remote location in Montrose.

The meeting was adjourned at 1435 hours. Motion by W9INE seconded by WB0CDI. Passed.

Program

A program followed the meeting with a presentation by Don N6JRL on "Peter 1 Island 3Y0X, The DXperience"

Meeting attendance:

2018	Organizatin	Delegate	Call	Alternate	Call	Voting	Proxy
Current	285 Techconnect Radio Club	Craig Wilson	WØLIC	Bill Leonard	NØCU		
Current	Arapahoe County ARES	Dan Meyer	NØPUF	Emit Hurdelbrink	WØUAW		
Current	Arkansas Valley ARC	Ken Niles	NØEMU	Sharon K Agun	KCØPBR		
Current	Aurora Repeater Assc	Wayne Heinen	NØPOH	Steve Cearley	KØIBM	POIT	
Current	Big Sandy ARC	Rich Johnson	WØRZK	Mike Gregory	KØMC		
Current	Boulder ARC	George Packer	WØCDI	Michael Derr	W3DIF	LOI	
Current	BCARES	Mark Huff	KØLRS	George Weber	KAØBSA		
Current	Castle Rock Repeater Group	Frank Ketter	WAØBBI	Jerri Zuber	KCØSCP		Todd Geist + N6 JJK
Current	Cherry Creek Young ARC	Bob Sterner	KBØBS				
Current	Cheyenne Mountain ARC	Mike Wisch	WØLG	Roger Johnson	KGØI		
Current	Cheyenne Mountain RG	David Novotny	WA6IFI	Dan Scott	WØRO	IFI	
Current	Colorado Amateur RN	Mike Wisch	WØLG	Roger Johnson	KGØI		
Current	Colorado Connection Rptrs	Paul Shackelford	WØQMR	John Thomson	WØIG		Poogy Sharp K 24 D
Current	Colorado Repeater Assc	Matt Sturtz	KBØKZR	Dave Maciorowski	WA1JHK		
Current	Colorado Traffic League	Dave Johnston	W8XAL	Willem Schreuder	ACØKQ	XAL	
Current	Delbert E. Noakes KCØVJD	Delbert E. Noakes	KCØVJD				
Current	Denver Radio Club	Gerry Villhauer	WØGV	Orlen Wolf	WWØLF	GV	
	Denver Radio League	Tim Armagost	WBØTUB				
	Donald Yowell KIØIS		KIØIS				
Current	Durango ARC	John Kastak	N9NLC	Paul Staby	WØEZN		
Current	Estes Valley ARC	Larry Olson	W9INE	David O'Farrell	WBØIXV	INE	
Current	Garden of the Gods ARC	David L Givan	KØIRP	Donald Yowell	KIØIS	IRP	
Current	Grand Mesa Contesters	Dan Norman	NØHF	Bill Brown	KØUK		
	Indian Peaks Radio Club	Mike Mussler	AIBZ	Dennis Whalen	KØDWW		
Current	Longmont Amateur RC	Ron Schwartz	K2RAS	Starr Aldrich	NOAES		
Current	Loveland Repeater Assc	Dennis Dyer	WØXYZ	Strieby	WØFT		
Current	Mill High DX Assc	Richard Williams	K8ZTT	Jonathan Woo			
Current	Montrose ARC	Chris Depuy	WBØITG	Larry Braden	W7LEV	LEV	
Current	Mountain ARC	Laird Johnson	KDØVNV	Bill Wallick	KCØFNV		
Current	Northern Colorado ARC	Wayne Hall	ADØKE	Joe Hawley	KDØTYU	KE	
	Park County RC	Connie Krajcirik	WØSNO	Dan Kern	WØDFU		
Current	Parker Radio Assc	Dan Grady	N2SRK	Joel Pogar	K1REF	SRK	
Current	Paul Deeth WA2YZT	Paul Deeth	WA2YZT	None			

2018	Organizatin	Delegate	Call	Alternate	Call	Voting	Proxy
Current	Pikes Peak FM Assc	Rob Roller	N7LV	Dennis Major	NOABC		
Current	Pikes Peak Radio Amateur Assc	Doug Nielson	N7LEM	Jim Bishop	KDØKQL	KQL	
Current	Pueblo Ham Club	Steve Worley	WBØSLW	Charles T Carmichael	W4CHZ		
Current	Pueblo West ARC	Randy Linnen	KEØGMS	Jim McConnell	NEØDA	GMS	
Current	Rocky Mountain Ham Radio	Jeff Ryan	KØRM	John Maxwell	WØVG	RM	
Current	Rocky Mountain RL	Joe Dickinson	WTØC	Dunnigan MacIlwaine	K1DUN		
Current	Royal Gorge ARC	Dennis Glowienka	WBØWDF	Philip Ott	WAØNLK		
Current	Ski Country ARC	Tony Ferris	NAØUS	Kevin Milner	KDØMA	US	
Current	Summit County ARC	Paul Shackelford	WBØQMR	Gary Peterson	KBØDEB		
Current	Tracy Helmhold		KIØHC			HC	
Current	Tri-Lakes Monument Radio Assoc	Paul Swanson	AAØK	Bob Witte	KØNR		
Current	Walter Zorn		WZØN				
Current	Weld Amateur Radio Society	Neil Temmer	KDØMRY	Steve Jackson	KDØUJK		
Current	Western Colorado ARC	John McElroy	KDØVDV	Brad Chestnut	AKØBC	VDV	

American Legion Radio Club Gary Eschelmann KEØRHZ
MONTROSE COLORADO post 731

Paul Brown ACAS PRA

Terry Chantos WB3EVZ Parker Radio Assoc

Ray Strickoff NØKEC PRA

John Welton N4SSW PRA

DON DUBON N6JRL/3Y0X PPRAA, DARR, SWDXA

Cliff McKelton NØZUQ PPRAA

Mike Kinko KIØGO RMRC



Colorado Section Manager CCARC Report Fall 2018 Meeting

ARRL Membership

- B. ARRL members in Colorado = 3,561
- C. ARRL members in Rocky Mountain Division = 7,267
- D. ARRL members in USA = 157,218
- E. Licensed Amateurs in Colorado = 17,662

Colorado	Technician-9415	General-3985	Advanced-860	Extra-3402	Total-17662
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ARRL Membership in Colorado

As of September 2018, the ARRL Colorado Section has shown a -1.2% total net loss in our overall ARRL Membership over the preceding year ending August 2018. Colorado ARRL members presently are a net total of 3,561 ARRL members out of the 7,267 current members in the entire Rocky Mountain Division (CO, UT, WY, and NM). Last year at this same time there were 3,606 ARRL members in Colorado. Colorado ARRL affiliated hams make up 49% of the Rocky Mountain Division's total ARRL membership.

The ARRL Colorado Section reflects the losses of the total number of hams and similar net losses in ARRL membership/month and yet, is showing less losses than most ARRL Sections in the USA. The Rocky Mountain Division ARRL membership has declined at a -0.1% rate during the same time period. The overall losses of the ARRL in the USA and its entities declined at a -0.9% rate over the same time period. There are approximately 157,218 ARRL members in the USA as of September 2018. Colorado's ARRL membership is approximately 2.3% of the total ARRL membership in the USA.

According to the FCC ULS database; as of September 2018, there is a total of 17,662 ACTIVE ham licensees in Colorado. Of which, 3,402 are Extra Class; 860 are Advanced Class; 3985 are General Class; and 9,415 are Technician Class. So, doing the math once again, 20.2% of all the hams in Colorado are currently ARRL members. C'mon guys and gals... I'm sure we can do better than that! You Club Presidents need to recruit more of your current members to join the ARRL. You new hams need to join one of the ARRL affiliated Ham Radio Clubs in Colorado and join the ARRL as a member and reap the many benefits ARRL membership has to offer.

Upcoming Hamfests and Conventions:

- 11/03/2018 Fall Techfest, Bridge Church at Bear Creek, Lakewood, CO
- 1/19/2019 NCARC Winter Hamfest, The Ranch, Loveland, CO

ARRL Affiliated Clubs:

Number of ARRL Affiliated clubs in Colorado as of this meeting = 25

Club Name

1. 285 Techconnect Radio Club
2. Arkansas Valley ARC
3. Arvada Radio Group
4. Aurora Repeater Assn
5. Colorado QRP Club
6. Colorado Traffic League
7. Denver Radio Club
8. Denver Radio League
9. Disaster Emerg Response Assn SAR
10. Estes Valley ARC
11. Grand Mesa Contesters of Colorado
12. Indian Peaks Radio Club
13. MARAC
14. Montrose ARC
15. Park Country Radio Club
16. Parker Radio Assn
17. Pikes Peak FM Assn
18. Pikes Peak Radio Amateur Assn
19. Pueblo Ham Club
20. Pueblo West ARC
21. Rocky Mountain Ham Radio
22. Royal Gorge ARC
23. Ski Country ARC
24. Tri-Lakes Monument Radio Assn
25. Weld Amateur Radio Society

Clubs Not Recently ARRL Affiliated

1. BARC Junior
2. Big Sandy ARC
3. Boulder ARC
4. Castle Rock Repeater Group
5. Chaffee Lake Amateur Repeater Assn
6. Cherry Creek Young ARC
7. Colorado Council of Amateur Radio Clubs
8. Colorado School of Mines ARC
9. Colorado State University ARC
10. Cortez Radio Club
11. Denver Area Council of Boys Scouts ARC
12. Grand Mesa Repeater Assn
13. HamCon Colorado
14. Longmont ARC

15. Loveland Repeater Assn
16. Mile High DX Assn
17. North Jeffco Amateur Radio League
18. Northern Colorado ARC
19. Rocky Mountain Radio League
20. Western Colorado ARC
21. Wyoming/Colorado ARC

Rocky Mountain Division Director:

In a letter to ARRL President Rick Roderick, K5UR, on Friday, October 19th, Dwayne Allen, WY7FD, resigned as Director of the Rocky Mountain Division after serving 14 years in various ARRL capacities in Wyoming and the Division due to time constraints and competing duties with work and family. As such, the Secretary of the Corporation declared the position vacant. In accordance with Article 7 of the Articles of Association, Vice Director Jeff Ryan, K0RM will, and has, assumed the Director position.

Changing of the Guard at ARRL HQ:

The ARRL Board of Directors has elected Howard E. Michel, WB2ITX, of Dartmouth, Massachusetts, to be ARRL's new Chief Executive Officer. He started on October 15th. Howard said that "One of my top priorities as CEO will be to develop new products and services so all licensed hams, whatever their license class or interest, find value in League membership."

Changes Coming to the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES®)

The Amateur Radio Emergency Service® (ARES) has been the public service communications program of the ARRL since 1935. Over the program's eight decades it has occasionally undergone updates to make sure it meets the needs of partners at all levels, adjusts to changes in the Amateur Radio Service, and incorporate lessons learned from emergency and disaster activations. However, the last major update to ARES occurred more than 40 years ago, and it is quite clear that a lot has changed since then.

So, two years ago, the ARRL board of directors created the Public Service Enhancement Working Group to study the ARRL's public service offerings and recommend changes and improvements. The working group focused on many areas including training, volunteer management, field organization positions, and mission – all areas of concern brought to the board and staff's attention from those in the field. The recommendations were vetted through a peer review group of field organization volunteers and readied for implementation.

In the months ahead, you will receive information on enhancements coming to the ARES program, including:

- A new national mission statement for ARES
- New national training requirements and local training resources for ARES
- Updated field organization job descriptions
- Improved ARES operating guidelines
- New ARES group benefits
- A new volunteer management system – *ARES Connect*

The first step in the next evolution of ARES is group identification. Currently there is no way to identify ARES groups or their associated volunteers with a searchable unique designator, which makes reporting and accountability difficult. Beginning January 1, 2019 ARES groups will need to sign up for their unique ARES identification number. This number will be utilized by

the *ARES Connect* system and provide ARES groups with unique benefits (think club affiliation, but for ARES!).

Once ARES groups receive their identification numbers they will be eligible for benefits including:

- ARES book sets (great for the EOC or Red Cross radio room)
- New ham referral
- Early access to the annual ARES Report
- Email forwarding, which will provide ARES groups that have a club callsign with a uniform "call sign@arrl.net"
- More to come!

Groups that will need an ARES identification number include local level (city/county/district) and section level. Information about the ARES identification application process will be sent out the week before the application system opens.

Amateur Radio Parity Act:

The Parity Act is still active in Congress as part of the House-passed version of the Financial Services and General Government (FSGG) Authorization Act. The Bill is now before a House and Senate Committee of Conference to resolved differences between the respective passed versions of the FSGG. The ARRL is also laying the groundwork for pursuing administrative implementation of the provisions of the Bill should that become the best procedural route before the end of this year.

Volunteer Monitor Program:

The ARRL is awaiting for final approval from the FCC of the new Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the Amateur Auxiliary. Discussions are underway with key players for planning the roll out and implementation of the VM program.

Non-Certified Radios:

The FCC has not yet replied to the ARRL's concerns about the recent FCC advisory (No. 2018-3, DA-18-980) on the importation and use of non-certified radios and the marketing of them to the general public. ARRL HQ personnel recently participated in a teleconference with FCC officials about the order and expressed concerns about the portion of the notice that calls on radio amateurs who possess such radios should not to use them. ARRL is of the view that there is no valid legal basis for this portion of the Notice. A white paper on the ARRL's position on this issue to be used to inform members in response to inquiries.

Other FCC Issues:

During a meeting with the Chief and staff of the FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, the ARRL urged more rapid Commission resolution of a series of long-pending rulemaking proceedings now before the Bureau. Most urgent among these are the long-delayed Symbol Rate petition (Docket No. 16-239) and the ARRL Entry Level License Enhancement petition (which has not yet been placed on Public Notice since its filing in February).

Respectfully Submitted,



Jack Ciaccia, WMØG
ARRL Colorado Section Manager