

OSCAR Newsletter January 14, 2017

The next OSCAR meeting is Saturday February 11, 2017, the second Saturday of the month.

The meeting will be held at 9:00am at the back room of "The Kitchen" restaurant in downtown Owatonna, located at 329 Cedar Ave N.

January 14, 2017 Meeting Notes: The meeting was called to order at 9:03am by President Kris, KCOREO.

Attendees:

Barry	KY0GBZ
Bill	WA0FMG
Bonnie	N0BKJ
Brian	K0BDD
Dale	WB0PKG
Dan	KE0LOE ... and new call is: W0BDP
Gregg	KD0GVR
Jared	KE0FQM
Jeff K	KC0UOW
Kris	KCOREO
Len	KE0BPF
Lowell	KD0RGH
Mike	N0MDC
Ryan	KD0UVF
Tom	N0UW
Tony	N0TAD

Secretary's Report was summarized via the December Newsletter. Motion to approve by WB0PKG, seconded by K0BDD. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report was read by N0MDC. Motion to approve by N0BDD, seconded by KC0UOW. Motion carried.

Annual Club dues: \$15.00. They are per calendar year, so **due January 1, 2017**. Thanks. Extra donations for the Club repeater are welcome.

Skywarn Report: There was no formal report. The Tuesday meeting was relocated to the Steele County History Center. Check the website for updates and details. www.steelecountyskywarn.org

CERT: Report given by Bonnie, KE0IDR. There was a team building event with 19 participants, it included the 800 mgz radio operation. Next meeting is relocated to the Community Ed Building, also known as old Roosevelt School located on East McKinley. Check their website for details. <http://www.steelecountyemergency.com/cert>

Repeater Report: No formal report. No news is good news.

New Business:

NOBDD gave an update on the John Beargrease Race (**which is going on right now**). Best wishes to all involved and safe travel. KE0FQM and KE0FWN are up there as well as NOBDD and a host of others helping out. They mentioned they would try to make some contacts on 40 meters at 7.195. Give it a listen and see if we can connect with them.

www.beargreasearc.org

Welcome to a new ham in town, Dan, KE0LOE, who got his Tech and General last month!!!! (now W0BDP)

The Tech class is almost here, please encourage anyone you know to get involved!

Owatonna Steele County Amateur Radio is sponsoring a class for those that are interested in obtaining the entry level (NO CODE - Technician Class) operating license.

What is Required:

- Eight class sessions, about two hours each.
- *Ham Radio License Manual (3rd Edition)* Study guide.
- Discipline to read the study materials.
- License exam fee (\$15).
The exam fee is subject to change.
- Correctly answer 26 of 35 multiple choice questions, and you know what the questions may be.

Contact:

- Tom NØUW 507-444-9133

When:

- 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM
- Tuesday:
21-Feb, 28-Feb, 07-Mar, 14-Mar
- Thursday:
23-Feb, 02-Mar, 09-Mar, 16-Mar
- License exam will be given on 16-Mar

Where:

- **Community Ed Building - VERIFY**

Website: The site is continually being updated. Check often for the latest information. www.oscarmn.org

There was a motion to adjourn by N0MDC and seconded by K0GVR. Motion carried, meeting was adjourned at 9:14am.

Respectfully submitted by WA0FMG.

A round table discussion followed with good information, laughter, and various comments from the peanut gallery.