Richmond County Amateur Radio Club

June 14, 2025   Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order by President Mark Dawkins, N4CMD at 9:20AM at the RCEM training room.
 May 10, 2025 minutes were read and Treasury Report given by James Bullard, KC4ZIE.

Old Business:

Mark Gibson, N4MQU, talked about the club operating as Class A for the upcoming Field Day 2025 and stated that he would be using paper logs to keep contacts and QSOs made. Mark talked about how he had listed and advertised the event and that everyone is invited to come and make some contacts.

New Business:

President Mark Dawkins, N4CMD, asked all that were present to think about what plans they might have for Christmas 2025 this year. More discussion about those plans to follow. Coy Hilton, AC0Y, made a motion that this years Christmas Dinner be held on December 6, 2025. Vote was taken and all approved.

Mark Dawkins confirmed that he talked with the operators of the Laurinburg repeater and they agreed to have mutual support for the Richmond County repeater and vise versa in case of extended maint. Issues might have either repeater offline.

Coy Hilton asked if we could position the old backup repeater at the tower site in case we needed to put it on the air.

Mark Gibson stated that the next testing session will be held on June 21, 2025 at the RCEM training room. Marked asked that he have enough vol. Examiners present to conduct the session.

Mark Dawkins reminded all present about the 250th Birthday celebration for the U.S. Army and the military parade.

Mark Gibson gave a brief talk about his recent POTA activations and how he was able to optimize his end-fed antenna to get it resonate on 4 bands without needing a tuner.

Being no further business, President Mark Dawkins adjourned the meeting at 9:50am. Motion was made by Pete Britt, W4JVB and seconded by Coy Hilton, all in favor.

Everyone is encouraged to invite anyone interested in radio to join us at the meetings and any club function.

There were 11 people present

Meeting was followed by an informal ragchew session.