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Next TAARS Meeting

Our **April 2017** TAARS meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 20th, 2017, 7:30 PM at the COA Building “c” C109. Our dinner location is the Golden Coral at 6:00 PM.

Minutes

The club president, Al, K4VHV, called the March meeting to order, approx. 7:40 PM.

The Treasurers Report and Meeting Minutes were both read and approved.

Thirteen (13) Amateur Radio Operators were present for the meeting.

Old Business

- ❖ Tarwheel Century Bike Race coming up on Saturday, April 22nd and volunteers needed. Those who wish to help out can sign up with Herman, NO4Y.

New Business

- ❖ The club will have a table setup at Kerry’s Micro Maker fair at Southgate Mall. We will have the banner and some ARRL sponsored Amateur Radio flyers on hand to give out to the public.
- ❖ We have some basic equipment maintenance that needs to be performed prior to Field Day this year involving antennas.

Attendance

Kerry Krauss, KD4CEB; Albert Onley, K4VHV; Ron Thomas, N4WYR; Steve Bontempo, KU4BY; Coleman Motes, KG4FSE; William Burden, WB4YNF; Charlie Pencinger, KA2GXJ; Ronnie Phippen, K4VRI; Herman Cox, NO4Y; Ron Thomas, N4WYR; Doug Stoddart; Scruff Harrison, K4SDL, Joe Wallace, K4EIT.

After the conclusion of the official portion of the meeting, a video was shown on County Hunting by WY7LL, Leo and the MARAC (Mobile Amateur Radio Awards Club). If you missed the meeting and would like to view this video, you can find it online here:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HcR1i9hj2ho>

After the video, Mike, KB4TOH gave a presentation on his homebrew Local Time/Universal Coordinated Time clock that he uses featuring an extra red “hand” fabricated from a Coke can.



The informal portion of the meeting concluded approx. 8:43 PM.

Upcoming Events

- ❖ Our next testing session is scheduled for 9am April 22nd at COA. Contact Herman, NO4Y for more information.
- ❖ The Tarwheel Century Bicycle Race also on April 22nd. http://rivercitycyclingclub.com/tarwheel_century.html
- ❖ ARRL Field Day – June 24th/25th 2017.

If you have an idea for the newsletter or would like to submit your own article, send an email to ku4by@arrl.net.