

SARA CLUB Meeting of 17 November 2013

There was no formal meeting of the club on 17 November. There were but 6 members present and one XYL, therefore no official business was conducted.

The meeting consisted of a general discussion of antennas, various radios, and operating experiences of the members present,

Ron Hill, N4FSU, gave an update on the status of the repeater systems.

The controller for the Glenville Repeater is back from then repair facility. Ron will try to get it operational this weekend. Cost of the repair was \$73.00. Ron showed the controller board and explained the functions of various components on the board.

The Cherry Blossom Intertie on 147.000 is up and functional. However, the UHF Hub radio is still in for repair.

The Twin City grounding system has been reconfigured and upgraded. All components have been grounded with heavy duty ground cables and lightning arrestors installed on all systems.

The SARA Club repeater on 146.715 will not transmit audio. Ron will check it out this weekend. He suspects a control or button was inadvertently pushed to take down the audio transmit function.

Please don't forget the 1st Saturday meeting on 7 December. This is a very important meeting in that new club officers are to be elected. I encourage all members to be present for this meeting. The club depends on participation of its members. Apathy and lack of participation dampens the spirit and takes away from the overall purpose of the club - fellowship, camaraderie, assistance to ham radio operators, learning and teaching about our hobby, keeping abreast of amateur radio in general, and offering VEC licensing sessions.

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