

Minutes of SARA club mtg 4 Feb 12

President Jim called the meeting to order at 0900 at Bevricks where we enjoyed breakfast.

Minutes of 19 Jan 12 meeting at Emanuel County Hospital were reviewed and approved. That meeting was a Skywarn presentation by Berry Gooden of NWS. Certificate of completion was available on internet at:

[http://www.srh.noaa.gov/images/fffc/pdf/spotter cert web.pdf](http://www.srh.noaa.gov/images/fffc/pdf/spotter_cert_web.pdf)

Treasurer John, KJ4YEK reported bank balance of \$431.35.

Hamfest plans to be held 25 August at 4-H center in Swainsboro were underway. Flyers and letters have been sent by Ron, N4SFU to 41 vendors inviting their attendance. Personal contact with some vendors at the Orlando Hamcation with invitations to attend our hamfest were encouraged. Radio Works.com and W8AFX, the maker of Eagle One antennas in particular will be personally contacted by Leon next week in Orlando.

Expenses incurred in sponsoring the hamfest were discussed. It was decided that we would solicit donations from members each meeting to defray the club's costs. The money will be deposited in the general club account, but records of donations will be maintained as well, so that we can track donations separately.

Ron discussed the need for equipment insurance for protection against lightning and other damages. The club approved that expenditure out of club funds.

We have new members in the SARA club. They are:

KB2YBS, John Corley, Augusta, Ft. Gordon
KJ4GTI, Steve, Statesboro, GA
WA4YJD, from Martinez, GA
AA4RI, Eddie Connelly

Also, we had visiting Keith Anderson from Waynesboro, an interested potential member, presently unlicensed.

Other activities of the club this year are planned, including Pinetree Festival, Field Day, Family Fun Day at Oasis, and visitation to other ham clubs meetings to advertise and encourage participation in our hamfest 25 August in Swainsboro.

Respectfully submitted,

Leon E. Curry, M.D., W4TYM