

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 5, 2018 MEETING

By Bob Buus, W2OD, Secretary

President Howard Suffill, W2HTS called the meeting to order at 7:31 pm. There were 19 members and one guest present. The guest was Ria Jairam, N2RJ, our guest speaker from Wantage, NJ. After the pledge to the flag, all present introduced themselves.

Hamfest

Art, N2AJ0 reported that everything looks good for the GSARA Hamfest coming up on September 22. No one has been able to locate the signs to put along the major roads leading to the Hamfest. Art, W2NAZ will check to see if OMARC has them. If not, we will get new ones made. Also, we have been unable to locate the admission tickets so new ones may have to be printed. Chris, W2NQB offered to help with the Public Address system. The volunteers helping to haul items from the Red Cross are asked to meet at the Red Cross at 6 am that day. All other volunteers are to meet at the MOESC site at 7 am.

Public Service

Howard, W2HTS reported that we need volunteers to help with communication needs for the Twin Lights Bike Tour on Sunday, September 30. About 6 sites need staffing (some requiring two people). An email will soon be sent to all members to solicit volunteers.

Announcements

Paul, AD7I donated three boxes of books to GSARA. Two boxes are for sale at the Hamfest and the third box may be suitable for adding to the GSARA Library.

Paul, AD7I announced that his article about a digital interface will be appearing in the October QST. Watch for it in the next few weeks.

Bob, W2OD announced that a new GSARA Roster will be distributed soon and will be on the members only web page.

Program

.Our program featured Ria Jairam, N2RJ who is running for Hudson Division Director against Mike, N2YBB. She pledges that she will help ARRL be more responsive to the members' needs. She thinks that the Parity Act has been watered down so it no longer has teeth and is not likely to pass Congress. She also wants to reach out to young people to get more of them interested in amateur radio. For more information, visit her web site at <http://n2rj.com> or her campaign site at <http://hudson.n2rj.com>. Ballots will be mailed out in late September and she asks us to vote for her.

Close

The door prize of \$19 was won by Greg Lyp, KD2PYO who donated it back to the club. Thank you, Greg! There being no further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting which was closed at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Buus, W2OD, Secretary