

Minutes
Pentagon Amateur Radio Club
October 5, 2005

1. Dr. Kaiser, president PARC, called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM.

The 11 club members present were: Uldis Adamson-N4TE, Tejis Daya, Doug Donnell-KD4MD, Neil Friedman-N3DF, Claude Hennessey-KG4TV, Eugene Kaiser-KI4BUI, Hugh Katz-K3HU, Rick Low-N6CY, Russ Spaulding-N3UVA, Troy Warshel-KG6MG, and Terence Wise.

2. Eleven persons attended, two of whom were new members:

Russ Spaulding, N3VUA, Retired Navy
Troy Warshel, KG6MGE, USMC

3. Claude Hennessey, PARC's Special 9/11 Station Event chairman for 2005, reported on the results of our event.

Similar to last year, communications were difficult due to high sun spot activity. Some 390 contacts were made. A computer log was maintained. Tejis Daya and Gene Kaiser will provide the printed envelopes and labels for the QSL cards. Claude will provide photographs of the event along with a list of contacts to be hosted on the Club's Web site.

Diana Lutz, who organized the first Special 9/11 Event from the Pentagon in 2003, attended this year along with her husband, Art. Last year Diana and Art made some 200 contacts. A special note of thanks is also due Diana, a graphics artist, for assisting Doug Donnell, PARC's Web Master, with custom artwork for the Club's new Web site.

4. Rick Low reviewed the status of PARC's Army MARS membership efforts. Before membership is granted there must be three Army registered MARS operators in the Club and certain radio station capability, including HF, VHF, and UHF packet radio. Rick is continuing efforts to bring the Club's station into compliance.

5. Antennas: One of the two abandoned Baird none-penetrating mounts was relocated to over room 5B272 in time for the Club's Special 9/11 Station Event. It was used to support one end of a G5RV dipole antenna reinstalled by Rick Low.

6. Update: Parts for field repairing the Club's FT-1000 arrived. Mr. Curry will make the repairs. Yeasu has warranted the repair parts for 90 days.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, 2 November 2005, at Noon in the OSD Conference Center, 2C554.

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