



# Anoka County Radio Club

## General Meeting Minutes

March 7, 2008

### Members / Guests Present:

Al Schwarz AEØAL  
Andrew Turner KDØBEP  
Bob Cordell KBØGIP  
Brian Lakeman KCØZTW  
Dan Peitso NØPIY  
Dave Holter WØDAH  
Jeff Kline KCØNIB

Jeremiah Bohn KCØFUI  
Jeremy Amundson KDØBOC  
Mark Sandmann KBØWOM  
Mike Marshik KBØTZA  
Parry Brown KCØTWB  
Pat Barott KBØOLI  
Paul Bushouse NØTYE

Pete Alcock KBØKHZ  
R.J. Ochmann KDØCYG  
Ray Costello NØFY  
Shawn Rung KØSMR  
Shep Shepardson NØNMZ  
Terry Holman KAØTFJ

**Called to Order by the President at 7:05 p.m.**

**Pledge**

**Introductions**

### Announcements:

- There will be a Board Meeting on March 18<sup>th</sup> at the Blaine Baseball Complex, starting at 7:00 p.m.
- The annual ACRC Christmas party will be held this year on December 6<sup>th</sup> at the Blaine Baseball Complex. Price and menu are still to be determined.
- We are looking for members to "Sponsor" a month of repeater costs thru a \$50 donation. Please contact any board member if you can help us out or if you want more information.
- We are intending to increase the number of events throughout the year. Ideas are welcome – please contact a board member if you have an idea for a fun event! Some of the ideas have included fox hunting, geo caching with a ham twist, a summer picnic, Santa Net, etc.
- We would like to work actively to increase membership in our club. If you know of anyone who you feel would be interested in becoming a member, please invite them to attend a general meeting or meet with any of the board members. Remember – they don't have to be a ham to be a member of our club!

**Membership:** There are 42 members registered as of this meeting.

### Old Business:

- Bob Cordell KBØGIP informed the members that board members will be contacting members periodically to see what you are thinking about the club and to see if there are any questions that they can answer.
- Bob Cordell KBØGIP also encouraged the members to use the repeater. An active repeater is a sign of an active club.

**Motion by Ray Costello NØFY to have coffee and doughnuts and possibly door prizes at general meetings. Seconded by Al Schwarz AEØAL. Motion passed.**

**New Business:**

- Ray Costello NØFY Showed some information and an example of a DSP radio kit. He noted that they are easy and fun to build.
- Dan Peitso NØPIY, as representative of the Red Cross, asked members to be open to being available to help out with their operations during the Republican National Convention. Red cross has been asked to help out with a disaster relief operation. A communications problem may exist since no hotels will be available and they will need to open shelters and need hams for communications. The board has offered the club's assistance via our call tree. All members present had no issue with this arrangement. Contact Dan for more information.
- Bob Cordell KBØGIP informed everyone that most of our events are family events – please bring the kids and family!
- Greg Marx WFØGM donated \$75.00 to the club. *Thank you Greg, for your donation!*
- Dave Holter WØDAH has sponsored the repeater for March with a \$50.00 donation. *Thank you, Dave, for your donation!*
- Brian Lakeman KCØZTW has sponsored the repeater for April with a \$50.00 donation. *Thank you, Brian, for your donation!*
- Ray Costello NØFY donated \$5.00 to the repeater fund. *Thank you, Ray, for your donation!*

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:48 p.m.**