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A NEWSLETTER OF THE  
RUNESTONE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, W0ALX

OCTOBER 2017

W0ALX RARC, 15125 160<sup>th</sup> Ave, Villard, Minnesota 56385-2350

[www.w0alx.org](http://www.w0alx.org)

Alexandria Rpt: 146.790- (146.2)

442.025+ (88.5)

Sauk Centre Rpt: 147.255+

## CALENDAR NOTES

**OCT 21: 8AM, COFFEE/BREAKFAST, BRASS LANTERN, ALEXANDRIA**

**OCT 21: 10AM, RARC CLUB MEETING, GLENWOOD STATE BANK, ALEXANDRIA**

**PROGRAM: GEORGE N0RCL WILL PRESENT: TUNERS**

## PRESIDENTIAL SPLATTER

Well folks, it's been an interesting and busy Fall so far. As some of you know Wayne WA0EBZ and I have been taking lots of ham radio equipment to events in Perham and Fargo. There have been many lookers and even a few buyers. We still have the following large items to move: FT 920, IC 756 Pro, FT 1000MP w/speaker and a Alpha 87A amp. Some real good buys in this collection. We also have several other smaller items available.

The contest season is heating up and I would draw your attention to the special event Jamboree On The Air, Oct 20-22. Check it out. There are many Special Events you may want to focus your interests on...we all would be interested in which events you are able to work. Bring your certificates to a club meeting, you do have bragging rights you know!!

That will do it for this month...and be sure to put the Christmas Party, Dec 15 on your personal calendar. We'll be sending out additional details over the W0ALX listserv and website. Till next time, 73 Bill KG0DX

## RUNESTONE ARC MEETING MINUTES, SEPTEMBER 16, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 10:00AM at Glenwood State Bank, in Alexandria, Minnesota by President Bill Klundt.

Attendance: Wayne Johnson (WB0KUG), Jim Horn (KB0INZ), Bill Klundt (KG0DX), Nick Pasche (N0QXM), Jake Saverynski (K9CRM). Wayne Johanson (WA0EBZ), Dave Bartlow (W0XPC), Mike Thomas (W0MKE), Roger Haffner (KD0UTA), David Hartman (N0JOG).

The minutes of the July meeting were accepted. WA0EBZ/N0JOG

The treasurer reported that the balance is \$3241.91

Trustee Report: We need to correct the qrz.com page for W0ALX. The tone for the 442.025 repeater should be 88.5.

Technical Report: The 2m repeater in Alexandria has a long reach, all the way to Sauk Centre.

Old Business:

Bearings have been purchased for the club's trailer wheels

A few weeks ago there was interference from somebody while a digital QSO was taking place. The members discussed having a fusion repeater for the 442.025Mz repeater, with this repeater to be used mainly for digital FM and the 146.790Mhz repeater to be used for analog FM. Motion was made and passed to buy a 70cm Yaesu Fusion repeater. N0QXM/WB0KUG

The "Radios at Kensington Park Event" was a good one. We may do this again sometime, perhaps for the 2018 summer picnic.

New Business: The Christmas party will be at Tutti Fruitti Restaurant on December 15, 2017. B.Y.O.B is allowed with setups available for a fee.

Adjourned - - - WA0EBZ/WB0KUG

Submitted by Jim Horn KB0INZ, RARC Secretary

### **NEWS FOR YOU:**

The new Yeasu 440 Fusion repeater has been ordered and is currently on backorder at Yeasu-America in CA. Our order was accepted and for now we are anxiously awaiting fulfillment/shipping of the order.

The annual RARC Christmas Party will be held in the same venue as last year...Tutti Fruitti in Sauk Centre. The date is Friday, December 15 beginning at 6pm. The price is \$15 per person. Set-ups are available for BYOB. The menu: don't yet have all the details—look for upcoming information.

New wheel bearings and races have been greased and installed in the club trailer by Jake KC9CRM and Jim KB0INZ so the trailer is good to go for hundreds of miles. Thanks guys.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Oct 21: 8am Coffee/Breakfast, Brass Lantern, Alexandria

Oct 21: 10am RARC Monthly Club Mtg, Glenwood State Bank, Alexandria

Nov 4: 8:30am Coffee/Breakfast, Truckers Inn, Sauk Centre

Nov 18: 8am Coffee/Breakfast, Brass Lantern, Alexandria

Nov 18: 10am RARC Monthly Club Mtg, glenwood State Bank, Alexandria

Dec 15: 6pm RARC Annual Christmas Party, Tutti Fruitti, Sauk Centre

### **2017 CLUB OFFICERS / DIRECTORS**

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