

Meeting Minutes 2017-11-30

Club President Marcus greeted everyone.

Vice President Report

1. Michael – looking for presentations for upcoming meetings.
2. Went over holiday party, see notes below.

Secretary Report

1. Mentioned social media and email list.
2. Robert needs to add 146.320 freq to the website.
3. Mentioned bhamdinner.com. When there is a 5th Thursday or otherwise no meeting for a time slot, some ham's from the Birmingham and Shelby County clubs get together for dinner. If you want to get email notification for when these dinners will occur and where, just go to <http://bhamdinner.com> and sign up.

Treasurers Report

1. No report, our treasurer Jim, W4XWA, was absent this meeting.

Winter Field Day

Winter field day is 27/28 of January. Robert/N4IXT said we will be using the N3FJP Winter Field Day software. We are trying to get the amphitheater for the location. At the first meeting in January we will have a full demonstration of the logging software, along with a full report on Winter Field Day.

Christmas Party

Our Christmas part is Dec 14th! Below is the list of people who have volunteered to bring specific items. For other club members please bring a covered dish or dessert. Full information on the party can be found on our website, <http://w4shl.com>

- Bob – Table clothes, green beans
- Marcus – Plates and cups
- Michael – Fried turkey
- William – Ham
- Geno – Coffee machine

One of our long-time members, Mike Lamb and his wife, has had four new blessings this year as their grandkids have come to live with them. Please help celebrate by bringing a small gift for the kids. Their names and ages are: Marshal, 2 year old boy; Dakota, 5 year old boy; Marla, 10 year old girl; Austin, 11 year old boy.

We will be playing “Dirty Santa” again this year. Please see our website <http://w4shl.com> for the rules and guidelines on gifts if you want to participate.

Presentation

Michael gave a presentation on “Poor Man’s Hardline”. Cable companies use 75 ohm aluminum wire that is becoming widely available. The presentation was on how to convert it to 50 ohm.

The software Michael used, SimSmith, is available at http://ae6ty.com/smith_charts.html

Meeting adjourned.

Calendar for the next few months

Dec 14th – Annual Holiday Party

Dec 28th – No official meeting due to Christmas. However some members may gather for an informal “buy your own” dinner. If you’d like to be on the email list for information please sign up at <http://bhamdinner.com>

Jan 11th – Normal meeting schedule resumes, business meeting at 6:30, Regular meeting at 7