

CONTOOCCOOK VALLEY RADIO CLUB  
GENERAL MEETING 5/12/15

1. The meeting began at 7:32 pm.
2. 30 people were present.
3. Our guest presenters were Bud Valcourt, NY1Z, and Carl Achin, WA1ZCQ.
4. Carl talked about how to get the best out of a really weak signal.
5. When they used President Larry Beagle's loop antenna, from inside our meeting room, they contacted a North Carolina station on cw, using 5 watts.
6. The presentation was well received by those present.
7. Steve and Mickie gave the Secretaries and Treasurers report.
8. A motion was made, seconded, voted and approved to pass the reports.
9. Bud mentioned NEQRP or NEQRP.org on the internet. Also one can check QRPME.com. They sell 20 or 30 different QRP kits (W1REX).
10. Larry talked about his Tech. class currently running at Concord Hospital.
11. Dale Clement, AF1T, has started the Extra Class group. He noted that many people wanted to join the class, but had to be turned away due to limited space. The cutoff was 11 or 12 people.
12. Noted that there are many volunteers still needed for Field Day. We still need a 40 meter Band Captain, people to run the GOTA station, and a large group to help set up antennas and stations for the various bands. We plan to operate 4A again.
13. The next Executive Board mtg. will be on May 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at Dale's house.
14. Pat Hart showed his portable station setup, including a solar panel, antenna tuner and other accessories.
15. Ken Wilkens will bring cookies and Don Curtis will bring drinks for the next general meeting.
16. There was a motion to adjourn at 9:44 pm. It was seconded, voted and passed.
17. There was informal questions about the call, KB1MNF. [Editorial Note: It was later determined that this was a call granted to CVRC before we were able to use K1DFQ (for the GOTA station at Field Day) which was from an SK member of our club.]

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Jones, Secretary, N1JHJ