## Loudoun Amateur Radio Group Regular Meeting Notes June 20, 2020

Venue: Due to the ongoing national health crisis, the meeting was held virtually using Google Meeting.

- 8:00-8:35 The Google Meeting connection was active for informal discussions.
- Pledge of Allegiance
- President welcome and meeting overview.

Doug K4AIU presented an overview of the meeting.

• Steve KN4HOZ presented the Treasurer's report.

Beginning balance was \$7,961.41
There was a deposit in the amount of \$178 during the past month Expenses were \$200
Ending balance: \$7,38.92

- Jim N4FAF reported that the minutes from the May meeting can be accessed via the club web site. A message is distributed using the club email reflector to allow club members to indicate their attendance of the virtual meeting. Reply directly to the message to register your attendance.
- Paulson KG4TIH reported on activities of the IT committee. There is a push to move all club records and resources from computers of club members to public resources. In particular, the web server for the club web site will be moved to a cloud-based server.
- Chris KT9N will be hosting virtual Monday lunch sessions via Zoom. Each session is scheduled from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM local time. A link to the Zoom session is distributed using the club email reflector.
- Rick N1RM presented a slide deck with narration to describe the changes to the rules for Field Day in 2020. The need for social distancing made gatherings very difficult. Many operators will operate from home this year as class D stations. In the past, class D stations could only contact other stations of a different class for points.

It was noted that individual logs from the event can be consolidated with other logs by specifying a club name in the log. The name must be specified exactly. The name to be used for our club is **Loudoun ARG**.

A review of the various station classes was presented. Class D is a home station using power from the mains. Other classes could be used for operation. Class E is a home station running on emergency power. This could include a generator running on fossil fuel. Class C is also an option where the operator and station are a mobile station. See

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the rules for Field Day on the ARRL web site (<u>www.arrl.org</u>) for a description of the station classes.

All bonus points are still available for this year's event. It was noted that a video presentation has been prepared by K8ZT to describe some details about this year's event.

- It was noted that the Reston Century has been cancelled this year. The Berryville hamfest also has been cancelled. As of the date of the virtual meeting, the Oktoberfest event in Lovettsville has not been cancelled.
- The meeting adjourned at 9:55 AM.
- Attendance

Bryan	KG4UPR
Steve	KN4HOZ
Paulson	KG4TIH
Doug	K4AIU
Steve	KS1G
Dave	KE4S
Carol	KF4TJJ
Denny	KF4TJI
John	NOJSD
Steve	N1ESD
Paul	N4PD
Chris	W4PMP
Val	KK4RNV
Jim	K4FW
Jim	N4FAF