

Victoria Amateur Radio Club
Monthly Meeting
March 20, 2025

The monthly meeting of the Victoria Amateur Radio Club (VARC) was called to order at 7:00 PM on February 21, 2025, by President Brenson (KF5VZ), at Detar Navarro MEDI Center Training room.

The Secretary read the minutes from the January 16, 2025 meeting and they were approved with a correction being that Harvey Babb was included in the Repeater Oversight Committee.

Treasurer's report was not available as the Treasurer was absent. Balance from last meeting was \$2,301.00.

Vice President Report – Gary announced that Harvy was still in Citizens Hospital.

Committee Reports -

- 1) HF To-Go kit design Project, chaired by Gary WT0B. Mario in Port Lavaca is also an associate member. Surveys during the weekly nets have given guidance that the kits should weigh between 10 and 20 pounds, radios be 100 watts, and batteries be separate. More questions will be asked in upcoming nets to have guidelines by the March meeting. Also noted that Houston Hamfest in Rosenberg is March 8 and this may be an opportunity to look at equipment.
- 2) Website Oversight, chaired by Brenson KF5VZ to include Darrell. Brenson asked everyone to review and see what needs updating. Hosting service Wix had made some changes which prevented updating for a while but appears to be functioning again.
- 3) Repeater Oversight, chaired by Gary WT0B to include Bob, Brenson, Gary, Harvey & Bryan. Mario in Port Lavaca is also an associate member. Gary created a shared directory with documentation including a repeater use guide. CCARC has disconnected from SADRC and is now connected to the W5DSC room. CCARC would like to use an analog connection to Victoria during their monthly meetings to allow analog only members to participate along with Victoria members. More testing will need to be done first to get audio levels adjusted.

Summer Field Day will be at the end of June. We will try to get the same location again as last year. Additional testing of the links will be necessary to see how they will work for Water Safari.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Bryan Haun, KG5AUZ

Secretary