

Cary Amateur Radio Club – Meeting Notes – February 27, 2020

- Treasurer's Report revealed a balance in the Club's account of \$7,609.51
- The Charlotte Fest was enjoyed by President Larry, who noted a good turnout and flea market, but with a smaller number of vendors than in previous years
- The RARS Fest will be held at its usual location in the Jim Graham building at the State Fair Grounds on April 11. CARC has rented two tables, so members were reminded to bring their items for sale. The tables would be available as a good place to visit, rest and display hardware. Tickets at the presale price of \$11.00 were offered to anyone desiring them.

President Larry briefly reviewed the new Club Constitution and advised that a vote for adoption would be held at the CARC March Meeting.

- Field Day plans, normally for June 20 – 21, were indefinite, awaiting pandemic restrictions that might be in place at that time.
- The CARC 2020 Swapfest, projected for July 17th, was also put on hold awaiting rules for gatherings that might prohibit crowds in Ritter Park in Cary.
- After a short break, Dennis Had presented an excellent program, his "Ace Is the Place CW Paddle Project." He retraced his process of finding components for a sideswiper key in his neighborhood Ace Hardware store and distributed plans and parts lists that would allow any member to do the same.

Drawings were held for an assembled "Ace Hardware" key and a kit for a 30/17 meter antenna that Dennis had also constructed. Don Hurlbert was the lucky winner of the key and Tom Schwartz the proud possessor of the antenna.

There being no further business, the February, 2020 meeting of the CARC was adjourned.