

**NORTH FLORIDA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB**  
**January 10 2018 meeting**  
**Red Cross**

attending:

1. Jeff Capehart
2. Mike Shaffer (from Gilchrist County!)
3. Rosemary
4. Susan Halbert
5. Vann Chesney
6. Stan
7. Gene Culbreth
8. John Troupe
9. Cindy Grant
10. Art Grant
11. Chris Carr
12. Gordon Gibby
13. Mike Jaffee

1. Started out with Art giving his presentation explaining the PowerPole connections.  
Crimping technique two different types of crimpers  
bullet / spade / ring  
THHN versus RW (direct burial)  
Solar Power: AMAZON: AcoPower --- about \$230 for 100W panel with charge controller
2. Passed around signups for both the North Florida Amateur Radio Club and the EOC club
3. Discussion of WildFire Scenario:  
Fire in the NW side of the county. TV out, water out, grid can go down in sections  
Cellphones overwhelmed  
  
Requests for ARES to help for the incident command center and evacuation staging areas.  
Ham radio operators asked to help with damage assessment teams at three locations, take photos, send back, monitor fire channels, relay messages back to the EOC. By any means. Install a simplex repeater and maintain contact on a voice net. Standby to get detailed data to state officials Several nets available locally: (You can break into any net with emergency traffic).  
  
Being compatible with local officials: Incident Briefing ICS201  
Generic map sketch: Fire from the NW. "LaCrosse Fire"

Mike Sherrill: contact for Forestry  
 Possible to involve Alachua County Fire Rescrue  
 Core Capabilities –  
 Rosemary asks propagation --- who can reach whom? (on SSB)  
 Question: when will have ICS201 briefing?  
 Full Incident Action Plan:  
 Vann: possibly north florida digital net psk31 – 80 meters. Possibiliyt of passing files over  
 FLDIGI / FLMSG – copy and paste is one way or using FLMSG

Discussion-- limit the modes etc --- keep people on the same paage!  
 Susan points out that we are focusing more on HF this year.

4. BRIEF INTELUDE: Elected Officers and took membership for the EOC Club

5. Got the License Applications signed.

6. Report from Cindy on cleanup at the EOC --- much better utilization of space, shelves Jeff B has brought in additional equipment, to contact other EOC and Tallahassee. Possible weather monitoring equipment also. Plans for curtains --- John Shaw will take care of that.

EM group has always run the ESF4 function in the EM – round table room. Moving the “red phone “ into the radio room; also moving the AWOS system into the radio room. The radio room is becoming like a “mini server room” --- appears that we are considered reliable assistants. Important that the EOC is responsive to a system of communication to them. During a recent event they found out that the radio in that room wouldn't even get to the proper channel; this has been fixed.

7. Election of 2018 Officers for North Florida Amateur Radio Club

OFFICE	Nominees	Elected
President		Jeff
Vice President		Judith Jones
Treasurer		Susan
Secretary		Gordon

Motion that we keep the same officers; seconded; approved.

8. OddsNEnds brief discussions:  
 • Possible LabNLunch

- Making Microphone
- Assembling Bitx40 / uBitx
- Making SWR bridge
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- discussion of ALE --- demo of their web site and short explanation of their system

9 FEB 5: Beatty Trip

10. Additional Topics

Rosemary is going to the SKYWARN training.

Jeff explained the ARES Connect that ARRL is setting up to keep better track of the ARES groups.

Who has HF capabilities?

Jon truee

vann

susan

mike shaffer

gordon

chris carr

hurricane meeting?