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Secretary	Bill Thompson (W6PMV)	E2/6062	67093
Treasurer	Bill Dews (K6AWO)	R5/2230	64685
Activity Manager	Doug Freeman (WA6AZW)	M4/2243	53126
Trustee	Carl Rothrock (W6MYC)	S/389	69663

JANUARY MEETING

When: Wednesday, January 28, 1970, 12 noon
Where: R2/1055
What: SWANS III
Who: Herb Johnson, SWAN Electronics

THE PREZ SEZ

By Ed Thornley

Your new executive board takes its first faltering steps this month. Fortunately, we carried over some old timers from last year's board and our course has been well charted by our worthy predecessors.

Review of the election returns as reported by Secretary Bill Thompson, indicated a landslide for all nominees without a single opposing vote! We hope we can fulfill the trust placed in our hands and thank all of you for your confidence.

Please try to make it to the January meeting. Herb Johnson of SWAN Electronics will help to start our new year out with a bang.

WB6WPO is back on the air - see details inside. See you all Wednesday!

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Ed

SECRETARY'S REPORT

TRW/ARC Executive Board Meeting

January 9, 1970

The monthly meeting of the TRW Systems Amateur Radio Club Executive Board was called to order at 12:10 p.m. on Friday, January 9, 1970 in R6/1553. Those present included Ed Thornley, George Campbell, Bill Thompson, Bill Dews, Doug Freeman, Carl Rothrock, Frank Halligan, Herb Gleed, and Don Battell.

OLD BUSINESS

ACTION
REED

1. Bill Thompson advised that the Company Public Affairs office has agreed to cover the new QSL cards cost (less individual imprinting). Fred Reed is proceeding with negotiations for procurement. These cards will feature a new photo of the LM Descent Engine landing on the moon.
2. Ed Thornley and Doug Freeman reported on current Club station activity. A special "beam-raising" work party was scheduled for January 10. A motion was made (Campbell) and seconded (Dews) to purchase a coffee pot for the Club station. This motion failed to pass, as Doug Freeman offered an indefinite loan of an electric coffee pot at no cost.
3. Bill Thompson reported results of the December election of Club officers. Thirty ballots were received, all unanimous for the nominees. The Executive Board declared the new officers to be duly elected:

President	- Ed Thornley, WA6JHD
Vice President	- George Campbell, W6FXZ
Secretary	- Bill Thompson, W6PMV
Treasurer	- Bill Dews, K6AWO
Activity Mgr.	- Doug Freeman, WA6AZW
Trustee	- Carl Rothrock, W6MYC

ACTION
FREEMAN

4. The Scuba Club's request for a communications link for their activities has yet to be worked with Phil Siebold. Responsibility was re-assigned to the new Activity Manager, Doug Freeman.

ACTION
ROTHROCK

5. Herb Gleed reported no further action regarding obtaining W6TRW call for the Club station. Ex-W6TRW was identified as Dossie B. Haas, 33950 Pacific Coast Highway, Malibu. Carl Rothrock agreed to contact Mr. Dossie Haas before the February Executive meeting.

ACTION
FREEMAN

6. Ed Thornley reported that five members with mobile equipment have now responded to a plan to provide communications to TRW during emergencies. Further liaison with Health & Safety will

Old Business (Continued)

be handled by Doug Freeman. A "final appeal" in Crosstalk will solicit additional interest.

ACTION
HEYDON

7. An open item of old business still exists regarding an investigation into insurance for the Club's station equipment.

ACTION
CAMPBELL

8. An open item of old business still exists regarding a proposed questionnaire to evaluate members' participation in Club activities. George Campbell is developing a revised second draft to be reviewed by Bill Thompson with Frank Jasinski (I.R.)

ACTION
CAMPBELL

9. It was moved (Campbell), seconded (Dews) and voted to investigate purchase of an SWR bridge for the Club station at a price not to exceed \$20.00. It was also moved (Campbell), seconded (Dews) and voted to purchase phones, a phone patch, and a CW keyer. George Campbell will investigate these items.

ACTION
ROTHROCK

10. Carl Rothrock agreed to complete the checkout of Club-owned VHF transceivers prior to the next Board Meeting.

ACTION
DEWS

11. Ed Thornley appointed Bill Dews as Club Librarian. It was moved (Freeman), seconded (Dews) and voted to authorize the Librarian to renew Club subscriptions to QST, 73, CQ, and Ham Radio.

NEW BUSINESS

1. George Campbell announced the next club meeting on Wednesday January 28 at 12 Noon in R2/1055. Herb Johnson of Swan Electronics will demonstrate and discuss the latest Swan equipment.

ACTION
THORNLEY
ROTHROCK

2. The question was raised as to the Club assuming a project to cover communications for the May Ensenada Yacht Race. Messrs. Thornley and Rothrock will discuss our interest with the Newport Ocean Racing Association.

ACTION
HALLIGAN

3. Frank Halligan was appointed to represent the Club on the TRW/SEA Council. The quarterly report will be presented to the January 12 Council meeting by Frank.

4. Ed Thornley announced that the ARRL film "The Ham's Wide World" will be presented on Channel 2, Sunday, January 18 at 2:30 p.m.

ACTION
THORNLEY
DEWS

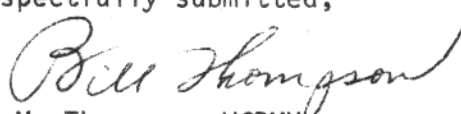
5. The Treasurer reported that the Clubs' ARRL members now amount to over 51%. Ed Thornley and Bill Dews will prepare an application for Club ARRL affiliation.

New Business (Continued)

ACTION 6. George Campbell urged early activation of code classes.
CAMPBELL Ed Thornley requested George to prepare a plan for action.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



W. M. Thompson, W6PMV
Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

By Bill Dews (K6AW0)

Balance on Hand 1 December 1969 \$204.42

<u>Receipts</u>	
Dues	\$30.00
Tickets	3.50
Party	21.00
	<u>\$54.50</u>

<u>Expenses</u>	
C.U. Loan	\$20.00
Trophy	3.15
Party	45.00
	<u>\$68.15</u>

Balance on Hand 31 December 1969 \$190.77

NEWS FLASHES

WB6WPO Back on the air!

Yes, it's true, WB6WPO is back on the air with a real live beam and a rotator to turn it. On Saturday, January 10, a working party turned out and installed our TH6-DX Beam and HAM-M Rotator on the 60' Tower at Bldg 65. Fred Reed and Bruce Wade carried out the tough part of that job, they spent over three hours on top of that tower and deserve our special thanks. These two dare-devils were ably assisted by a ground crew consisting of Dews, Kohó, Campbell, Halligan, Gleed, Fisher, Wikstrom and Thornley.

The background noise level is high in Bldg 65, but George Campbell is working with Southern California Edison to see if we can reduce it. QSO's are being logged anyway, so avail yourself of the chance to operate the club SWAN 500 on 20, 15 and 10 meters with the Beam.

For those of you who haven't made it to the Club Shack, it is located in the mezzanine area of Bldg 65 on Rosecrans Blvd. Check the receptionist or Security Guard on duty in the lobby for the shack key. Be sure you have your club membership card and your original operator ticket for entry into the shack and legal operation of the station. If you are unfamiliar with the SWAN 500, the instruction manual is there to read. Don't forget to log all transmissions and sign your name and call in the log book.

The next big project will be VHF equipment to get us back on 2 and 6 meters.

Halligan Accepts Appointment

Frank Halligan, WB6GBC, has accepted appointment as the Club's representative to the SEA Club Council. The council meets once a month and is the coordinating organization for all SEA sponsored clubs. Frank, thanks for your help in this important function.

New QSL Cards

Fred Reed, W6UMC, reports that the new club QSL cards will be available in February. Art work is complete and TRW Public Relations department is paying the costs of the basic card. Overprinting costs for individual members will be published in the next CROSS TALK along with an order blank. The new card will feature the Lunar Module approaching the moon and will be an outstanding QSL.

Club Certificate

As most members know, the Club issues a recognition award to any Amateur who makes two-way contact with any five TRW Club Member Stations. This certificate is available to members and nonmembers alike. As you work other stations, remind them of this certificate. To apply for the certificate, submit log data identifying station, date, operator and band to Fred Reed, W6UMC, R6/2174. Fred will be happy to issue the certificate.

New Member

Don Battell, WA6FYC is our newest member. Don has his advanced class ticket and is an application Engineer in the ESD Components department.

Minutes of December Meeting

The December meeting was held at the Anza Inn, Wednesday evening, 17 December. This was a social evening and all who turned out had a good evening of suds, pizza and small talk. One item of official business was presentation to outgoing President Doug Heydon, WB6WDS, of a suitably engraved plate to attach to his "wet noddle" trophy. This plate updated the trophy to show Doug's presidency for the years 1968 and 1969.

QSL Bureau Moves

The QSL Bureau for the 6th call area is now located in San Pablo, California and is operated by the Northern California DX Club. Following is a communication from them with all the details.

Gentlemen:

Follows some rules and requests for the W6 portion of the Bureau:

You may correspond directly via:

1304 Manor Drive
San Pablo, California 94806

Please use envelopes size 5" x 7-1/2". You must put your call on upper left. If you send stamps - only put one on the envelope - the rest attach or put inside. We will return unused stamps.

We will accept money but you must send self-addressed envelopes as above. Envelopes will be sent out once each month. If you don't get an envelope - you had no cards.

Please keep up with your envelopes - always keep one or more on hand.

Tell your W6 friends to send an envelope. We have many cards - and no envelopes. We are glad to serve you - we are DX'ers also - help us get your cards to you quickly by following the above.

Thanks and 73,

W6Bureau - NCDXC

ACTIVITY REPORT

By Doug Freeman (WA6AZW)

Now that the WB6WPO Beam is up, and the Club Station back on the air, your activity manager is thinking of other plans for 1970. We have a request from the TRW Scuba Club for some communication assistance in their kelp bed diving operation off Pt Vincente, which Ollie Saunders has consented to organize.

Also in the planning stage is a communications assistance team to work with TRW Health and Safety for emergency communications at Space Park. This has been mentioned before in the activity report with requests for volunteers, with or without mobiles to assist in this program. So far, the response to assist in this program has been minimal, so one more time, if you would be willing to participate in this type of operation, assuming it can be well organized, please let me know on 53126.

Of course, field day is now 6 months away, and plans are being made to continue our performance there. We have high hopes of taking all the

marbles this year, probably again in class 6A. Vice-President Campbell is in charge of the Antenna work, Ollie Saunders has agreed to do a repeat performance of his outstanding culinary efforts of last year (as noted in November QST), Bill Dews will provide tents and other physical comforts. There is much work to be done and any volunteers for this would be appreciated also.

Since the club station is on the air with a big signal now, the next question is what do we use it for. Of course, any licensed club member is welcome to use it on a casual basis, but I have in mind a regular scheduled activity, hopefully to handle phone patches into the L.A. Area from overseas servicemen.

I hope that some of these planned activities will be of interest to the club members. I feel we have had a good response to Field Day the last two years and I would hope that this will continue and also extend to other things as well. If you don't see anything here that follows your interest in amateur radio, let me know and we will try to do something about it.