April 11, 2018 **Maui Amateur Radio Club** Meeting Minutes Located in the Maui County EOC Trip, WH6FAM opened the meeting at 7:05 pm

Minutes of the March, 2018 meeting were distributed and formally approved. The Treasurer's report was distributed and formally approved.

Talk-Around:

Mark, WH7ZK: lives on the big island (BI) and on Maui for work.

Rob, WH6DXW: Has a new radio – FTDX3000. He upgraded to Extra a year ago.

Jim, K6JAT: New ARRL Pacific Division director. Operated in WPX SSB with 550 QSOs

Kent, KH6CJJ: Longest member of MARC (?)

Bob, **N0DQD**: Built an IC tester based on an existing design, and got really cheap PCBs from China. Dave, **W7VKC**: on vacation from Seattle, WA

Ron, **KH6AH**: Neighbor's grow lights now off so QRN is gone. However leaving for mainland soon. Jim, **KH6HTV**: Did a vacation cruise around Asia. Noticed more PSK activity now.

Tom, **NH6Y**: Listened to WPX, Worked new countries EME & FT8. Noted that Brandon Island Dxpedition is QRV (3B7A). Brought an oscilloscope & box of resistors to give away.

Mel, KH6H: Reminded all to check into the Siren net every 1st Monday at 11:45 am.

Everett, WH7EZ: Busy, but not on the air.

Riley, NH7O: not active this month.

John, K6GSS: Loved that Tesla SUV that he saw on O'ahu.

Dave, **AH6EE**: Finished 40 and 20 meter loop antennas but not tested yet. Got on for afternoon net. Shawn, **KH6RSB**: has a new (used) radio.

Alan, AD6E: Broke tower again .. getting it fixed with help from Kent. Did WPX as AD6E/AH6.

Robyn, NH7U: Busy with non-ham stuff, FT8 sort of works through the S9 solar panel noise.

Cherie, **WH6FQL**: New ham in Lahaina. Emcomm interest and looking for portable equipment. Jim, **K6SV**: Visiting from the bay area.

Joe, AH6CU: will give talk on AUXCOMM (below)

Anita, AH6AH: Will be giving a "ham cram" class at LDS church on Sat (4/14) with Joe.

New business:

- Interest from someone on Moloka'i about taking ham exam there.
- KH6BFD on the BI is looking for a Maui repeater to link with others using RF.
- Rookie Roundup SSB will be April 15 lots of fun!
- There is supposed to be a new ARES net on 40 SSB but it doesn't seem to be happening.
- New club member: WH6FQL
- Renewed club member: WH6DXW

Joe, AH6CU then gave a talk about his and Anita's AUXCOMM training on O'ahu which dealt with how ham radio can be used as an overlay to FEMA communications. If we can get 10 local hams, we can then get that training here. Requirement is FEMA 100, 200, 700, and 800.

Short Field Day discussion: Should we do 2A or 3A? Maybe 3A if one is dedicated to FT8.

Ron, AH6AH then gave a discussion on how to build remote station for use anywhere there is internet connectivity. Several examples. Info at KY6N.com

Trip adjourned the meeting at 9:35 pm.