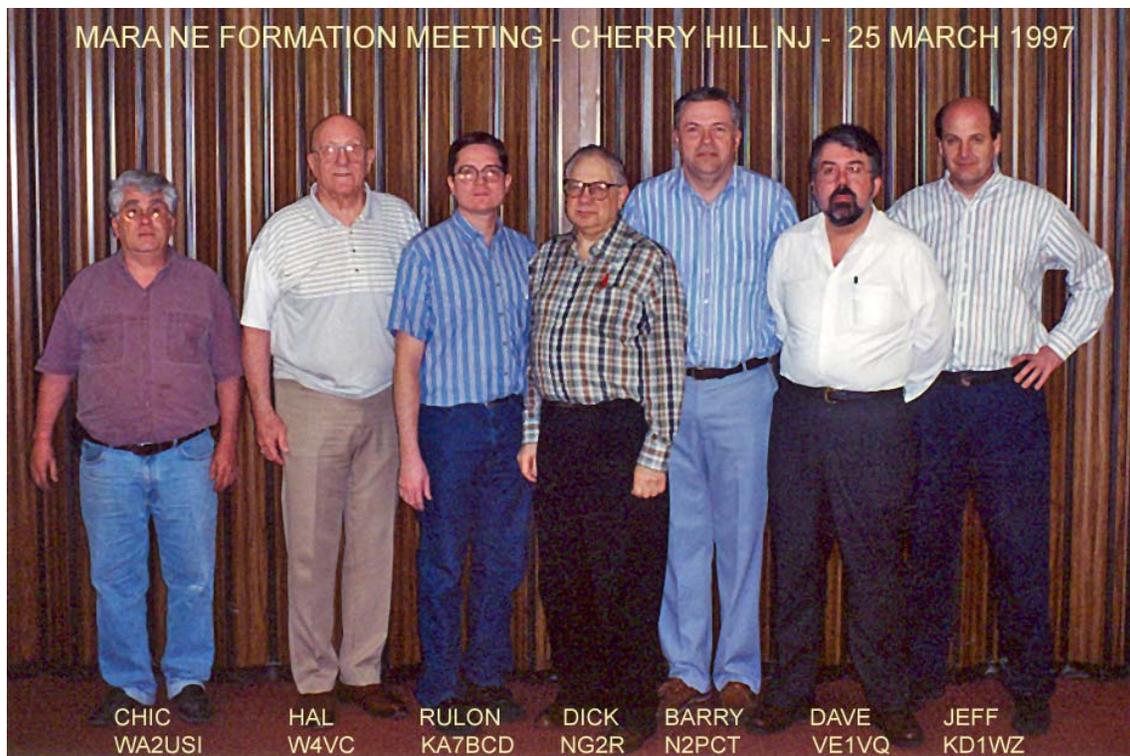


CHERRY HILL, NJ – 1997

FORMATION MEETING

The meeting to formally organize the **Mercury Amateur Radio Association – North East** began at approximately 11:15 a.m. on Saturday, the 25th of March, 1997 at the Cherry Hill LDS Chapel in Cherry Hill, N.J.

Those present were Chic WA2USI, Jeff KD1WZ, Hal W4VC, Rulon KA7BCD, Barry N2PCT, Dick NG2R and Dave VE1VQ.



CONSTITUTION

It was agreed to move directly into the discussion of the constitution. Various versions of constitutions were tabled. It was decided to use the copy, Dick, NG2R, had compiled from various other constitutions for working purposes. The paragraphs were each read and discussion followed, with some being accepted as read and others generating considerable discussion and change. In the end, all present voted to accept the version as tabled by Dick with the changes as agreed upon.

CHOOSING THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The previously agreed upon constitution allows for six Directors elected for a six year term. For the initial selection, the constitution decrees that two shall be elected for a two year term, two for a four year term and two for a six year term.

Since there were seven eligible amateurs present, it was decided to place marked pieces of paper in a cup. Two pieces were marked with the number "2", two with the number "4", two with the number "6" and one with the number "0". The numbers would equal the years the person drawing the slip would serve as a Director.

The cup was passed to each person with the following results: Those drawing the six year term are Jeff, KD1WZ and Hal, W4VC. Those drawing the four year term are Chic, WA2USI and Rulon, KA7BCD and those with two year terms are Barry, N2PCT and Dave, VE1VQ. Dick, NG2R drew the "0" and was eliminated from the Director's draw.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Dick, NG2R, was excused from the meeting.

Nominations for President

1. Dick NG2R
2. Mike KN4EE
3. Dan AA3LS

Chick moved that nominations cease. Seconded by Rulon. Voting by a show of hands chose Dick, NG2R, as President.

Nominations for Vice-President

1. Dan AA3LS
2. Hal W4VC (withdrawn by Hal)
3. Barry N2PCT (Barry asked that Dan be asked to serve but agreed to accept should Dan decline)

Chick moved that nominations cease. Seconded by Barry. Dan has been contacted and has agreed to serve.

Nominations for Secretary-Treasurer

1. Dave VE1VQ

No other names were proposed so Dave was declared elected.

OTHER BUSINESS

Dick was asked by the Board to appoint a Net Manager.

Jeff was asked to continue as the Newsletter Editor to which he agreed. He asked for assistance in getting material for publishing and for member addresses.

Dave as Secretary-Treasurer will modify the Internet Membership web page to make it easier for Jeff to use the information for address labels.

SETTING OF DUES FOR 1997

It was decided to set the dues for the 1997 year at \$10.00.
Moved by Chick and seconded by Rulon. Carried.

Adjournment moved by Chick.

PRESENTATION AFTER THE FORMAL MEETINGS

Hal, W4VC, gave a presentation about LDS Church communications.

Respectfully submitted - Dave VE1VQ (Secretary-Treasurer)