

Hassayampa Amateur Radio Klub

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MINUTES: January 11, 2011 Meeting

Attendance: See Roll Call/Sign-In Sheet

Meeting was called to order by President Larry Francis - KW7I at 6:30 p.m.

Guests and Visitors - Richard Reeve - KB0WWA, Bob Bell - W8LIA, & Chuck Partee - KF7NBS

Announcements: Congratulations to Mary DeGeoso on passing her technician test.

Reports:

President: Larry Francis - KW7I said that the club is looking for additional activities & projects for the upcoming year. Requested input from all members.

Vice President: Ron James - KI6UCP reported hearing rumblings of HAMS creating interference on the PBS & CBS television stations. Following a brief discussion by people who have been experiencing the same symptoms and the lack of a direct complaint, it was decided no action is required at this time.

Secretary: Donna Francis - KD7ZIJ reported one correction, next meeting date, to the posted minutes. Motion to accept the minutes as corrected was made by Joyce Linnerud and second by Charles Carter. Motion passed.

Treasurer: Joyce Linnerud - KE7UUV reported a balance of \$292.70 after receiving \$2.00 ARRL renewal & a \$8.00 donation. Motion by Ron James and second by Doug Jarmuth to accepted Treasurer's report. Motion passed.

VE Sessions: Charles Carter - AA0RI stated that he is prepared to continue the testing sessions on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Roy Shelso - W6RT continues to work with the Wickenburg Sun to get the testing announcements included in the Community Activities on an automatic basis. Both Charles & Roy have agreed to continue as chairpersons of this committee.

Education: No Report. Art Bross - KC7GF has agreed to continue as chairman of this committee.

Interference: Doug Jarmuth - N0DAJ reported a strong carrier, that seemed to be coming from somewhere within North Ranch, on one of his GMRS preprogrammed frequencies. The carrier ceased when he reached the South boundary of the park. Charles Carter - has made an attempt to contact Channel 8 (PBS) without success. He stated that if he turns his television off & then back on the problem goes away. Possible his tv is re-setting itself. Bob Bell - W8LIA (retired from broadcasting industry) shared information regarding how the FCC allocated frequencies and the fact that some low power stations retained their frequency positions.

OLD BUSINESS

A meeting of the old & new officers was held. It was decided that there would be some changes made in the club direction with emphasis on more amateur radio projects. ARES/RACES will be a separate meeting, perhaps following the HARK meeting.

Membership: Larry Francis reported that Brent Haberer has updated & reformatted our member database.

Badges: Joyce Linnerud has badges for distribution & is taking orders for new ones. Badges are still \$6.00.

NEW BUSINESS

ARES/RACES Liaison: Doug Jarmuth would like to have a meeting between now & end of the month. He was reminded about the Quartzfest at mile post 99 dates and may have to move the ARES meeting into February.

Southern Yavapai County Search & Rescue: Pat Brown - N7FHB reports no call outs this past month. On Saturday, Jan 15, @ 9:00 a.m., there will be a GPS qualifying class at the corner of Constellation & Blue Tank roads.

ARRL Renewals: Everyone was reminded to renew their ARRL memberships through the club so that we can get the \$2.00 credit for renewals. And we do get \$15.00 for NEW ARRL members.

LaFiesta Celebration: HARK has been asked to provide parade support. We will once again conduct a mini-field day during this event. More discussion next month.

Club Direction: Per Doug Jarmuth, the SYC Search & Rescue will present a demonstration of APRS following the February HARK meeting. And in March Ron James will do a PSK demonstration.

Proposal: From the floor - Anyone passing the Technician test at a HARK administered VE session and who would like to join HARK will be given their club badge. Motion by Ron James & second by Joyce Linnerud. Motion passed.

Miscellaneous: Al Hintz asked if the club had given any thought to sponsoring a Amateur Radio Club at any of the local schools. He will check with his principal to see if there is any interest. Al works for the school district.

Charlie Eaton asked if we would send a get well card to a ham from Montana who is in the hospital in Sun City. He will provide name & mailing address.

Quartzfest 2011 will be held January 22 thru 29th at mile marker 99 on US Hwy 95 south of Quartzsite.

Motion by Doug Jarmuth to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m., second by Roy Shelso. Motion passed.

Submitted by: Donna Francis - KD7ZIJ

Next meeting - February 8th, 2011 at 6:30pm.