

# Hassayampa Amateur Radio Klub

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## MINUTES: January 8, 2013 Meeting

Attendance: See Roll Call/Sign-In Sheet

Meeting was called to order by President Doug Jarmuth - NODAJ at 6:30 p.m.

Guests and Visitors - Harvey Lister and Izzy Bruch

**Announcements:** Update on Ron James - KI7RJ. Donna Francis - KD7ZIJ relayed reports on Ron. He has been moved to a facility closer to Wickenburg and he is progressing, but he is still in very serious condition and has a long way to go toward recovery.

### **Reports:**

Past-President: Larry Francis - KW7I thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve the group as president and looks forward to supporting the new president with projects for the club.

Past-Secretary: Donna Francis - KD7ZIJ welcomed our two new members from last month, Don Varner - W9HHZ and Louis Gilbert. A motion was made by Charles Carter - AA0RI to accept Donna's minutes for the last meeting. Second by Warren Ullberg - W7WRU. Motion passed.

Vice President: Charles Carter - AA0RI reported that he had checked on Ron's motor home. The house batteries are doing well, but the truck batteries have been removed.

Secretary: Larry Francis - KW7I had nothing to report at this time..

Treasurer: Ed Wade - N5IXT reports a beginning balance, as of 12/11/12, in the amount of \$557.49, with \$2.00 from ARRL Renewals, \$110.00 from Used Equipment Sale and \$5.11 from Donations as income and no disbursements; leaving an ending balance of \$674.60.

VE Sessions: Charles Carter - AA0RI reported that he had been contacted by the Wickenburg newspaper to see if our announcements on the Community Calendar should be continued. And he confirmed that they should.

Education: Art Bross - KC7GF is absent due to illness.

ARES/RACES: Doug Jarmuth - NODAJ announced his appointment to the positions of ARES Emergency Coordinator and Assistant RACES Radio Officer for South Yavapai County. He also discussed the December 23<sup>rd</sup> incident in which all telephone service, including cellular and data transmissions, were down for several hours. The incident was result of a construction accident that broke into the main trunk lines for Wickenburg. The hospital staff setup their radio station, but there were no operators on site. Our ARES organization received no notification of the incident until it was resolved. This brought up the questions... What should happen when all of the phone services go down? And how should our ARES group be notified? A Wickenburg Emergency Coordination meeting is scheduled for January 24th.

Southern Yavapai County Search & Rescue Team: Pat Brown - N7FHB was ill when he returned from the Seligman search and rescue call-out, Ed Wade - N5IXT provided the report... Ed reported that he got the called and he and along with Pat Brown headed out at 3:00am Sunday morning for Seligman to join with other Search and Rescue organization in the search for the missing seven year old that had been reported on the news. They were assigned an area and had completed their sweep when the report came in the boy had been found. He was autistic and there was fear he might be hiding from

the searchers, but when he was found, he came to them when his name was called.... A happy ending.

Club Badges: Joyce Linnerud - KE7UUV reported that new badges with corrections are on their way for several recent badges. One new badge was given out and badges are still only \$5.00 each.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Donated HAM Gear - Larry Francis reported that after last month's silent auction we still have the ICOM IC-22S VHS Transceiver, the Kenwood TR2600H handheld transceiver, the Radio Shack Speaker and the PakRatt 232 Model PK-232MBX. At the moment Doug is evaluating the PakRatt. Anything left over by the time Donna and I go to the Quartzfest will go to the tail gate sale January 19<sup>th</sup>. And our sale took in \$110.00.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Committees: VE Sessions - Charles Carter & Roy Shelso  
Interference - No Appointment  
Training - Charles Carter, Larry Francis and Art Bross  
HARK Web Master - Brent Haberer

Suggestions: Doug Jarmuth put the question, "What do you want from the club?" to the membership and ask for some thought on the question for next month. Mary DeGoso offered that she was interested kit building to learn how things work. And Donna Francis asked about mentors, aka Elmers, for newbies.

Activities: Poker Run - This event is sponsored by the Congress Fire Department. It will take place on March 9<sup>th</sup> and the activities will run from 8:00am to 4:00pm. It was suggested that our club might volunteer to be gatekeepers as the event will make a 35 mile loop before returning to Congress. A sign-up sheet was passed around. There will be a meeting January 16<sup>th</sup> at the Fire Department for volunteers.

LaFiesta Parade will be March at North Ranch. Donna Francis has volunteered to be our liaison with this event. She says there will be 8 or 9 positions to regulate and direct traffic.

HARK Web Site: Brent Haberer - KBOZCO announced revision to the HARK website. There is now a tab for Members Only and here you can create a login and submit yourself for inclusion the HARK Membership roster.

In as much as Brent has developed this club membership program as a commercial venture, he was asked what it would cost and he suggested for us it would be \$25.00 annually and include support and maintenance. A motion was made by Warren Ullberg and seconded by Davis Coughanour to accept the offer. The motion passed.

Membership: Doug announced for the non-members in attendance that there are no special requirements for membership, no dues, just fill out the membership application and you become a member. You do not have to be licensed, only an interest in radio. And one visitor signed up - Harvey Lister.

Motion by Warren Ullberg to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m., second by Charles Carter. Motion passed.

Submitted by: Larry Francis - KW7I, Secretary

Next meeting - February 12, 2013 at 6:30pm in the North Ranch Activity Center

#### **Show & Tell:**

Pat Brown was ill so his a demonstration of the SPOT Emergency Locator Device will be presented at a later date.

Show & Tell for tonight consisted of Brent Haberer's Elecraft KX-3 transceiver and Davis Conghanour's MP1 SuperStick Multi-Band Antenna. Both items are quite small and design for highly portable use.