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**President's Corner**

By: Steven J. Airola W6RXX

I hope this message finds you in good health and high spirits. It's an exciting time for our Club as we continue to grow and thrive in our shared passion for amateur radio. I wanted to take a moment to update you on the latest happenings.

- Welcome new members: I am pleased to welcome our newest members who have joined our club in the past several months. Our club is all about fostering a welcome and inclusive community, so please make an effort to say hello and introduce yourself to these new members during our next meeting or Monday night net.
- We are still awaiting the completion of the new tower and antenna that will host our club repeater. The eighty (80) foot tower I have been assured will be completed in the next thirty (30) days. We are looking forward to much greater coverage for our club repeater.
- A big thank you for all of those who participated in the ride and walk 4 Art that was held on March 17, 2024. Those who participated worked together to strengthen our bonds and promote the spirit of Amateur Radio. The comments from event coordinators each year indicate that, without our assistance it would make their event harder to manage. I encourage new members to jump in and sign up for one or more of our events. It's a great way to get to know other club members.
- A special Committee which was formed approximately two (2) years ago will be submitting proposed updates and changes to the current Bylaws of the club. The new proposals will be posted on our club website and sent to each member. We will be voting on these changes at an upcoming meeting.

If anyone is planning on attending the Dayton Hamvention May 17, 2024 to May 19, 2024, please let me know so I can get a full report from you for our club.



Don't forget our Monday Night Net starts at 7:30 p.m. If you would like to be a Net Control Operator please let Mark Godbout N6IV know. Don't forget to use the repeater during the week and to take time to say hello and check in with someone on your repeater.

Many non-ham people ask me "What does the Calaveras Amateur Radio Society do?" There are many answers I can give, but the most important answer is that we provide service to the community. Our list of Community Service Events keeps growing. Please consider other ways that we can serve our community.

Our next meeting is scheduled for May 9, 2024, at Round Table Pizza in Angels Camp. Our meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. However, be there early to have some fellowship time with other club members. We are looking forward to having Mark N6ARP as our special speaker. He will be discussing linked repeaters and will be identifying some of the larger linked repeater systems that touch the central valley. Please plan to attend the meeting and support Mark.

Until next time, keep those antennas tuned and those radios crackling!

73, Steve W6RXX