

CARS GENERAL MEETING

June 16, 2005

Andy Thomas, NV6V, called the meeting to order. The meeting location had to be moved to the church of Christ building due to a mix-up at the Pizza Parlor. We ate and then moved to the new location. Andy said that the next two meetings would not be a problem. The September meeting is to be in Mountain Ranch at the home of Kit and Arturo. The December meeting is the Christmas party which will also be at the home of Kit and Arturo.

The minutes were read and a discussion followed regarding some of the items. Scott's antenna was not taken down. Andy and Jim regret this but it is probably too late now as Scott was moving. Lynn did purchase nametags for new members. The new members present received their nametags. Andy has ordered the hats and they will be finished next week. Artwork was given to the company doing the hats. Ken has made one contact on 60 meters to the Olympic Peninsula. A discussion followed on how to modify radios for 60-meter work. The minutes were accepted.

Lynn Bartschi, AC6CY gave the financial report. We have \$573.04 in the account but membership renewals are coming in. The financial report was accepted.

OLD BUSINESS

The old business was covered when the minutes were read.

NEW BUSINESS

Ken, AE6LA, will take over as net manager from Doug. Doug, WB6MFV, has much to do getting ready for his retirement and move to Oregon. Our October breakfast will be dedicated to Doug and give us all a chance to thank him for all he has done for the club and amateur radio in this area. Fred, WB6QVI, will be the chairman for this event. Tim, KD6NRB will see that Doug has transportation to the breakfast.

We will have another VE session this year. This has tentatively been set for November 19, 2005.

Preparations have been made for field day. The International Space Station may be on the air for field day. Our group will try to work it.

The rest of the meeting was spent discussing the direction we wanted the club to go. Andy told how his first impressions of the club were of its friendliness. He told of how Charlie Holt, WA6TPE now a SK, had taken him to his first meeting. He stressed that we should retain this friendliness. The need to be prepared for taking an active role in emergency communications when needed was discussed. We need this to insure keeping the repeater. Also many in the club expressed their personal desire to be used in this way. Many are in amateur radio for this purpose. We would like to furnish communications for community events for training purposes and for visibility. Andy may know of a group needing this kind of assistance. But, in order for us to be more active in this way more people must take leadership roles.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted,
Patsy Clark, KN6XW, Secretary.