

CARS Meeting Minutes  
Calaveras Amateur Radio Society, Inc.  
Bi-Monthly Meeting  
Sept. 12th, 2013 - 6:30

The CARS Business Meeting was called to order by CARS President Ken Sanders at 18:30, and started off with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Steve Airola, W6RXK, introduced this evening program which was presented by Denise McCord, AC6WP. Denise spoke of his many assignments in the radio world and especially MARS. His presentation was well received, thank you Steve and Denise.

Secretary Report: Tim Cody KD6NRB, standing in for Secretary Rob Sullivan, WB5FTF, read the minutes of the last meeting, and there was a motion to accept them as read. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Treasurer's Report: Bill Holmes K6DUY reported a current balance in our CARS account of \$3479.30, and he enumerated transactions and income since the last meeting. As we all know John Davenport, KI6ART, has moved to Monterey, CA. Bill, Ken and others presented John with a radio costing \$30.00 as a token of appreciation for his many years of service to our club. The expense had been absorbed by Bill. A motion was made and passed that the club reimburse Bill for the radio. Therefore the total moneys as of 9/12/2013 stands at \$3449.30

President's Report & Repeater Report: Ken Sanders, AE6LA, reported he had visited Fowler this past week and took one of the backup batteries offline. He also mentioned he got the remote base to Reba back up and running.

PIO, Grants, Breakfast, VE committee, Reports: In the absence of John, no reports were given. There was a VE Session on August 17th in Murphys. Suzan LaDuke was voted in as our new VE Committee liaison.

Web Master Andy Thomas, NV6V volunteered to revitalize the old club newsletter and add it to the Webpage. He also will look into adding it to Facebook and possibly integrating a live feed link. This is a replacement for the old printed C.A.R.S Newsletter. This should help keep our members informed, some of which don't attend meetings or participate in our Monday night Net.

Note that the club can provide email forwarding for any member, ie. [\\_your-call-sign@CalaverasARS.com](mailto:_your-call-sign@CalaverasARS.com) (mailto:your-call-sign@CalaverasARS.com) can be automatically forwarded to an email address of your choice, just like Andy's [\\_NV6V@CalaverasARS.org](mailto:_NV6V@CalaverasARS.org) (mailto:NV6V@CalaverasARS.org). Email Andy if you'd like to have that.

ARES/OES Committee Report: PT Brown, KG6FEY, thanked all who participated in the Rim Fire emergency. A lengthy debriefing followed of the experiences of those who participated.

Net Manager & NBEMS Report: Sam WS6P was absent. Members reported the

Monday night net has been working well and the Net Control operators are doing a great job.

Field Day : No Activity

Tri-Club Picnic: Tim, KD6NRB, reported the picnic went off well this year with 62 members attending. He also has scheduled the 2014 picnic for September 6th next year. On the recommendation of City Staff, he accepted their suggestion to automatically assign the club for the first weekend after Labor Day in future years.

Repeater Committee:

Rob and Ken have been working on the new repeater and hope to have it in place in the near future.

Old Business:

Nominations for President, PIO, and Secretary were announced at our last meeting and weekly. There was some confusion as to when nominations were to close and the elections begin. It was decided to close nominations by the third week in October and the electronic balloting concluding by November 15th. Rob Sullivan and Steve Dexter were nominated for Secretary, Ken Sanders for President, no nominations for PIO yet. Nominations will remain open until October 21 with electronic balloting concluding November 15. Additional names are being sought for the open election of officers.

New Business:

After much discussion it was decided that the Club Bylaws need to be updated to reflect the Nomination process cutoff dates for future elections.

Upcoming Calendar / Events:

Monthly Breakfast Saturday, Oct.5th, 2013, 9 AM, Murphys Hotel

VE Session Oct. 19th in Murphys.

Bi-monthly business meeting November 14, 2013, 6:30 at IOOF Hall in Angels Camp

Christmas Party at AE6LS's December 8th 2013

The Meeting was adjourned by Ken at 9:05pm.

Respectfully submitted by Tim Cody for Rob Sullivan, WB5FTF  
Secretary - Calaveras Amateur Radio Society