CARS Meeting Agenda

Calaveras Amateur Radio Society, Inc.

Bi-Monthly Meeting Began at 6:30 PM

For Sale: K6PAR has a Halicrafters for sale.

- Welcome and Opening by President, Ken Sanders Pledge Agenda Changes?
- Reading of minutes by Secretary Andy Thomas, NV6V

Approved as read

- a. May 12, regular Bi-monthly meeting
- b. Secretary's report
 - c. Correspondence & etc.
- President & Repeater Operator Report Ken Sanders, AE6LA
- a. Fowler 5.17, 4.39, 4.31, remote base, EchoLink, phone patch, relocation.

Echolink computer dead and gone. We need somebody with a good signal to the repeater to volunteer.

Attach computer to a transceiver

Needs internet connection

WS6P: warranty for Ooma: \$40. Need to refresh Ooma account: \$60/year. Ooma is offering \$50 off new accounts.

b. Reba – 4.39, 441.0375 Operations

c. Appaloosa Fire outage

July 2: repeater off the air. Site was burned over and pretty messy. Antenna and coax on the ground.

Tues morning: Antenna put back up, coax attached, new power cable installed.

Wednesday: repeater back on the air.

Brandon (HSTAR) put Ooma back on the air. Autopatch is operational. We received lots of help from members and the community.

d. Blue Lake Springs Arnold UHF site going up on test pair 441.875

Very much active! UHF-VHF linked to Fowler.

• Repeater Committee – Mike Fahmie, WA6ZTY

Discussed how to approach Ron Mobley.

Drafting a letter.

WA6ZTY has tried to contact Mobley but has gotten no response.

K6DUY feels we should set a deadline and move on to other solutions is deadline is not met.

KK6VQY thought initial report of the fire was too hasty. He wants to know the cost to repair.

NV6V disagreed with that opinion and appreciates the reporting AE6LA did.

W6AJW commented that we're still waiting for cost of restoration.

K6CDK appreciated AE6LA's initial report of the damage.

Question from WA6AJW: who is single point of contact from repeater committee?

WB6QVU answered that WA6ZTY is that contact.

- Treasurer's Report Eileen Thomas, KK6GIX
- a. Financial Report

\$3,712.13 currently in the account.

b. Financial business - Membership update

AE6LA will make the annual tax report.

c. Dues Reminder, Correspondence & etc.

NV6V sent a reminder to all members in arrears. There was some response from those members.

- Vice President's Report Bill Holmes, K6DUY
- a. Bi-monthly meeting program schedule/suggestions

Nothing is set at this time.

b. Swap meet

\$465 has been raised from sales of equipment donated to CARS, Inc. over the years. Nothing majors is left to sell at this point.

• Breakfasts - Michael Dugger, K6AAN

June: 8 people July: 3 people

- Web Master Andy Thomas, NV6V
- ARES/OES Committee Report PT Brown, KG6FEY; Sam, WS6P; Kit, WB6QVU; Ken AE6LA; Mike, N6AXQ KG6FEY says things have been quiet. 3 activations, but no call for us.

CARS Communications Trailer - Chuck, W6AJW

\$1000.00 was advanced for this project. Current balance is \$554.13.

Work performed/equipment purchased: antennas, 3 vents, front jack repaired.

WA6AJW has personally donated power management equipment worth \$300.00.

Due due his physical condition and lack of volunteers, work has stopped. Should we continue? Discussion followed favoring to continue this project.

CESN - Monday 2000Hrs, Wednesday 1000 Hrs

We need volunteers with HF capability.

CCFA Oct. 8 Poker Run

KI6PRM reported that this event supports Firefighters. They need help with their budget.

Will feature motorcycles and some cars.

Local route.

Need comms. OK to use repeater from 9-2? All agreed this was a good idea.

Memorial Run – Aug. 27

Arnold. Foot race. Need volunteers.

WS6P mentioned that Lumberjack Days in West Point will be covered with volunteers.

• Monday night Net Manager - Mike Axiak, N6AXQ

Thank you for the opportunity!

First net, repeater was down-yikes! 3 relay stations were employed to help get 22 check-ins.

Suggested that an emergency training on simplex might be used once/month. Will be discussed at the next meeting. AE6LA requests that each member sets up a receiver on the repeater input frequency during each weekly net to map out simplex coverage.

• Field Day June 25-26, 2016 – Sam, WS6P

Site will be improved by next year.

Camp Lodestar likes having us there.

Less than \$150 + porta-potties in expenses.

N6AXQ won the chili cook-off.

3 TX stations + K6CDK on GOTA.

318 contacts.

Total points: 1,586.

Lots of fun!

N6AXO suggested a pre-Field Day meeting to load software, plan logistics, etc.

Thanks to WS6P and KI6OBE for a great job!

Picnic Committee – Date set - September 10, 2016
 AE6LA:

 Site is reserved.
 TCARES plans to be there.
 100% pot luck.

- VE Liaison Suzan Flanary, K6CDK **Report attached.**
- Old Business -
- New Business -

Nominations of Officers slate due at September meeting. – VP & Treasurer. PIO remains open.

- Event Calendar: HamCram Jul 23 in Arnold; Monthly Breakfast Saturday, Aug. 6 & Sept. 3, 2016, 9 AM, Murphys Hotel; Memorial Run Arnold Aug. 27; Bi-monthly business meeting Sept. 8, 2016, 6:30 at IOOF Hall in Angels, Picnic at Utica Park Sept. 10.
- Final Comments & Adjournment

WA6AJW: Local served agencies seem to need/desire our services less and less.

KG6FEY: We are still desired and included.

AE6LA: We should look for opportunities to train with them.

Meeting adjourned at 836 PM.

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VE Liaison Report July 2016

Exam Sessions Update

Since the last CARS VE Liaison report, the following exam sessions were held:

May 21, 2016 2 applicants passed exams: 1 Tech upgraded to General; 1 new Technician

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June 25, 2016 1 applicants passed exam: 1-General upgraded to Extra at ARRL Field Day in Wilseyville

The July session date may change due to potential additional Ham Cram offerings.

NOTE: THE NEW VERSION OF EXTRA CLASS EXAMS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AND IMPLEMENTED

Next Scheduled Exam

The next scheduled Exam Session will be held at the Ham Cram session in Arnold on July 23rd.

Respectfully submitted by:

Suzan Flanary, K6CDK

Remaining 2016 Exam dates and locations:

July 23, 2016 3 PM after Ham Cram session in Arnold by Ken Sanders, AE6LA

Chapel in the Pines 2286 Cedar Lane Arnold, CA 95223

September 10, 2016 9:30 AM

Utica Park prior to Tri-County Amateur Radio Club Picnic 1075 Utica Ln. Angels Camp, CA 95222

November 12, 2016 9:30AM

West Point Veteran's Memorial Building Hwy 26 West Point, CA 95255