

Calaveras Amateur Radio Society (CARS)

May 10, 2018

6:30pm

Meeting Minutes (taken by Mark, N6IV, PIO)

Welcome

Jerry

Called to order 18:31

Self-Introductions

Old Business

Reading of Minutes from last meeting

Mark (Andy Absent)

Accepted as read.

Treasurer's Report

Jerry (Eileen Absent)

\$4571.19 Current Balance

\$2005.00 Due July from dues

Accepted

Net Report

Mike N6AXQ

March: 35 High, ave = 31 , visitors=11 ,27% of members

April: 39 high, ave = 35, visitors = 14, 30% of members

Mike says that March and April check-ins have increased due to the Lodi linking.

Guests have checked in from Stockton, Tracy, Lodi, and Valley areas.

Breakfast Report

Mike K6AAN

Mike reported 16 attendees for April and 12 for May including some visitors

from Stockton who dropped by.

ARES/RACES Report

Sam WS6P & PT

Sam reports that there is bottleneck at ARRL in getting out IDs for section members and section reports from CARS not being published. Sam sent in his dismay to ARRL.

WIRES-X node operational in West Point. Node = 33432. There is a node in Avery also.

EVENTS:

Ride for Art: Successful using portable repeater (thanks Ken)

Mr. Frogs Wild Ride: Well received, but room for improvement.

Mud Run: Jack, W6JAK reports good turnout, but hopes for bigger event next year.

Sam feels we should have a NCS (Net Control Station) Class on How to do it.

Mike, KC0QID, moved out of area and Sam needs someone to volunteer as ARES rep for the Valley Springs area.

Animal Protective Services is requesting 4 ham ops to ride with them and provide communications while they pick up animals on June 9th. It will involve a SAG style set up in their vehicles and will take about 3-4 hours. Contact Sam, WS6P

Repeater Report

(Ken and Mike absent)

New Business

Repeater Project List and Costs

Jerry and Sam

The club authorized \$1500.00 for the following proposed projects

1. Linking West Point repeater to Fowler Peak CARS repeater
2. Purchase and install battery back-up at Fowler repeater
3. Remove and reinstall equipment in rack at Fowler Peak
4. Install Digipeater and APRS at Fowler Peak
5. Find a suitable location for a Valley Springs linked repeater

Expense estimates by Line Item

1. \$600.00
 2. \$300.00
 3. \$100.00
 4. \$100.00
 5. \$350.00
- Total \$1450.00

Program: Field Day

Cory KM6ELA

Cory confirmed Lode Star as this year's location as Mt. Reba did not respond.

Grid Squares will be part of the exchange.

Sign-up sheet passed around the meeting for attendees. Cory will mass e-mail the club members and Mark will post on web site to announce CARS Field Day.

Club authorized up to \$500.00 to cover expenses at Field Day.

2018 Club Events Calendar

Jerry

May 10 th	Club Meeting
June 24 & 25	Field Day
July 21	Ham Cram
Aug 25	Elmer Class
Sept (TBD)	Net Control Class
Nov (TBD)	GO-BOX: construction and use
Dec 8	Holiday Luncheon in Murphys

Jerry requests members to submit information regarding How to be a Net Control Operator to him.

Kathy, KI6OBE, made a motion to donate \$50.00 to the Lodi Amateur Radio Club as a token of our appreciation for the use of their repeater during the Monday night nets

Club approved this motion and Club Treasurer is directed to give a \$50.00 check to Mike, K6AAN, who has volunteered to deliver to Lodi at their next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 19:30

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- ATTENDANCE LIST -

CALL	NAME
NGIV	MARK Godbout
WAGAR	Jerry Tannhauser
K6AAN	Mike Dugger
WS6P	Sam Hernandez
K6BOBE	Kathy Hernandez
K66FEY	P.T. Brown
K6MAB	Miriam Brown
KM6ELA	Colt Wilson
KMGJWF	Denise Wilson
W6AJW	Chuck Fern & Donna Fern
W6JAR	JACK LUOMA
N6AXQ	MICHAEL A. AXIAK
K6DUY	Bill
AC6CY	Lynn