

Calaveras Amateur Radio Society (CARS)

November 14, 2019 6:30PM

Meeting Minutes

Called to order 18:30

Welcome Chuck, W6AJW

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Self-Introductions All

Reading of Minutes from Last Mtg Andy, NV6V

Approved as read.

Treasurers Report Ken, AE6LA

Attached

Old Business

Motion: Continuing Resolution for payment of bills

Passed

Net Report Mike, N6AXQ

Sep: High:27 Avg:24 Visitor High:10 Visitor Avg:~9

Oct*: High:27 Avg:22 Visitor High:10 Visitor Avg:~7

***Last Monday power outage: 13 simplex check-ins**

Note: For simplex situations, stations should tune to 145.170 simplex, no PL. Squelch down as low as possible

AE6LA pointed out that this situation shows how valuable a functioning repeater is.

N6IV has been passing along net roll call to all members each month. Was it useful? Consensus was yes.

Breakfast Report Chuck, W6AJW

Four attended, but it was a good time!

1st Saturday of every month at the Murphys Hotel ~9:00 AM.

N6IV suggested the December 7 breakfast becomes a Christmas party breakfast.

ARES/RACES Report Chuck, W6AJW

Attached

Repeater Report Ken, AE6LA

Read a note from John Davenport.

From KM6UXP: asked about Ken's GMRs repeater in Arnold. AE6LA shared that the club's portable 145.170 repeater may operate from that area for a test soon.

Please add a 145.170 w/ 127 PL channel to your radios(s).

A power-outage conversation with Knox LaRue was presented.

There has been no progress on LaRue fulfilling his promises.

AE6LA shared photos of various projects and situations at the repeater site.

AE6LA spent \$440.00 for parts for the repeater. He can be reimbursed by CARS or if not, he can keep the parts for himself.

W6AJW asked WA6ZTY to call a repeater committee to discuss this and other issues.

Presentation on Repeater plans Ken, AE6LA

Letter from Lodi Amateur Radio Club, Chuck

CARS received a nice thank-you note from the Lodi club for our donation to thank them for sharing their repeater on Monday nights.

Repeater Committee Mike Fahmie,

WA6ZTY

Mike spoke about battery backup systems.

New Business

Election of CARS Officers – 2020

President: W6AJW

Secretary: W6JAK

PIO: KB6USJ

A white ballot was passed to elect the slate.

Disposition of CARS spare repeater Ken, AE6LA
Discussion of the PGE PSPS outages Chuck, W6AJW
2019 Club Events Calendar Mark, N6IV
December Breakfast

Other Discussion:
W6RXK is actively exploring alternate repeater sites.

WTWW Radio (<http://www.wtww.us/>) in Tennessee features music from the 50's, 60's and 70's with ham radio commercials. 5.085 MHz or streaming.

Adjournment Chuck, W6AJW
20:06

Calaveras Amateur Radio Society, Inc.

Banking Summary

9/9/2019 through 11/9/2019

Category	9/9/2019- 11/9/2019
INCOME	
Membership Dues	396.31
TOTAL INCOME	396.31
EXPENSES	
Charity - Lodi Club	50.00
Communications Trailer	
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TOTAL Communications Trailer	116.00
Ham Repeater Service Fee	300.00
Member Badges	32.18
Repeater Expenses	14.29
TOTAL EXPENSES	512.47
OVERALL TOTAL	116.16

Transactions

9/9/2019 through 11/9/2019

Date	Account	Num	Description	Memo	Category	Amount
BALANCE 9/8/2019						3,876.59
9/9/2019	Checking	EFT	Ooma		Repeater Expenses	4.77
9/16/2019	Checking		1164 DMV Renewal	Minutes 9/12/2019	Communications Trailer:f	116.00
9/16/2019	Checking	DEP/PP	Thomas Farr - W6IJ	Paid at PP 8/8 - \$57.66	Membership Dues	28.83
9/16/2019	Checking	DEP/PP	Bailey Wilkes - KM6UXP	Paid at PP m8/8 - \$57.66	Membership Dues	28.83
9/17/2019	Checking	ATM	GATEWAY PRESS	W6JAK, KM6PDF, KM6SIO	Member Badges	32.18
9/19/2019	Checking		1165 Lodi Amateur Radio Club	Minutes 9/12/2019	Charity	50.00
9/24/2019	Checking	DEP	BERNSTEIN - N6ZEN	CkDate 9/6	Membership Dues	30.00
9/25/2019	Checking	DEP	KK6AGD (Joanna) & KK6AGU (Mar	Paid thru June 30,2012-CK#4	Membership Dues	35.00
10/4/2019	Checking		1166 La Rue Communications	4th Quarter	Ham Repeater Service Fe	300.00
10/9/2019	Checking	EFT	Ooma		Repeater Expenses	4.76
10/13/2019	Checking	DEP/PP	Terry & Jeffrey Stone - KK6FDW & KJ6WHS		Membership Dues	33.68
10/13/2019	Checking	DEP/PP	KK6AFY - Rolan DILLARD		Membership Dues	28.63
10/13/2019	Checking	DEP/PP	James Bishop - KM6AXN	Above 3, \$91.34	Membership Dues	28.83
10/30/2019	Checking	DEP/ CK	John Davenport - KI6ART		Membership Dues	30.00
10/30/2019	Checking	DEP/ CK	Chris Wangsgard - KI6LZG		Membership Dues	30.00
10/30/2019	Checking	DEP/ CK	Bill Holmes - K7DUY		Membership Dues	60.00
10/30/2019	Checking	DEP/PP	James Merton Perry - KN6EYF & KN6EYG		Membership Dues	33.68
11/8/2019	Checking	DEP/PP	Ed ALLENDORF - KI6WJV		Membership Dues	28.83
11/8/2019	Checking	EFT	Ooma		Repeater Expenses	4.76
9/9/2019 - 11/9/2019						116.16
BALANCE 11/9/2019						3,760.43
TOTAL INFLOWS						396.31
TOTAL OUTFLOWS						512.47
NET TOTAL						116.16

Total Active Members: 89

ARRL Membership: 85

Club ARRL Percentage: 96%

Paid through 6/30/2020 or beyond: 89

ARES / RACES:

RACES

With the PG&E's PSPS it was a busy month, RACES was not active by OES. Speaking of OES, Chad Cossey resigned as OES coordinator, he was our main contact into OES. I wish him good luck on his new assignment. We are looking for some operators that can do the California Emergency Services Net. The net is Monday nights and Wednesday mornings, if you are interested in this please contact me.

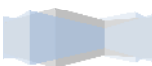
ARES

We had 4 Public Safety Power Shutdowns in October. We had approximately 288 hours without power in the county. I used ARES Connect to pass on information to all ARES members as well to the SJV Section EC and Asst. EC. During these PSPS I found some vulnerability's in the W6WPT repeater in West Point. With the Cooperation from West Point Fire CERT those issues we resolved within a week of their discovery. The N6FRG repeater also showed some vulnerability, it was down during the PSPS. Being the main repeater for the county this is a major issue. I hope that the CARS repeater committee will look into these vulnerabilities.

I would also encourage everyone to program their radio to include using the repeater output as a simplex channel. Setting 145.170 MHz without an offset or a tone will work.

Mike, N6AXQ, along with others did a great job doing a simplex net on 10/28, as the repeater was offline due to the PSPS. PSPS looks to be the norm going forward according to the PG&E personnel that I spoke to during the PSPS. I would strongly suggest that every ARES as well as CARS member's look into having a battery backup base station, so you can be in contact with other during these PSPS.

During a PSPS please monitor the N6FRG and/or the W6WPT repeater; this can be the best way to get info. Also please keep your radio go bag ready, as we may be needed to deploy very quickly.



CARS

11-14-19

CALL	NAME	MEMBER	QTH
NU6V	ANDY	Y	V. S.
K66HV	Jim	Y	Arnold
K16XW	Patsy	Y	Arnold
W6JAK	JACK	Y	MT. RANCHO
KM6PDF	TOM	Y	WEST POINT
KM6SIO	SANDY	Y	WEST POINT
NGDAO	DAVE	Y	ARNOLD
AEGLA	Ken	Y	Arnold
W6ZTY	Mike	Y	ARNOLD
W6AJW	Chuck	Y	San Andreas
N6IV	Mark	Y	McLunne Hill
W6ASW-XYL	Donna	Y	San Andreas
K7DUY	Bill	Y	GARDINERVILLE, NV.
KM6UXN	STAN	Y	Copper.
K6LT	LAUREN	Y	ARNOLD
KM6EIF	Dee	Y	Angels Camp.
K66AWT	Nancy	Y	S.A.
K66OBM	ALAMORO	Y	S.A.
NGAXQ	MICHAEL AXIAL	Y	COPPER.
W6RXK	Steve Arch		San Anthe
AC6CY	Lynas		Angels