

Calaveras Amateur Radio Society (CARS)

Minutes for Quarterly General Meeting, November 11th, 2021, 18:30

Meeting Location: Round Table Pizza, Angels Camp, CA

Note: Regular meeting room was occupied. W6AJW making arrangements to reserve room for future meetings.

1) Meeting called to order

- a) Welcome by club president, Steve, W6RXK
- b) Pledge of allegiance said by all
- c) Self-introductions by all (guest visitor: Helen Yost, KM6ELE)
- d) Mark, N6IV, volunteered to take meeting minutes in Jacks absence.

2) Reading of Minutes from last meeting by Steve, W6RXK. Minutes were approved as read.

3) Treasurer's Report by Ken, AE6LA, (see attached reports)

Summary: We have \$5,000+ in our account, we are doing well

Membership ~~as-is~~ now at 71, down from 98. Some members have moved away, others have decided not to rejoin (see current list on website).

4) Net Report by Mark, N6IV. ~~None at meeting.~~ Here are post meeting stats:

- a) The average number of club member check-ins for Sept. and Oct. was 25, with a range of 22 to 31.
- b) Regular visitor check-ins averaged 12 per week, with a range of 8 to 14.

5) Repeater Report presented by Ken, AE6LA

- a) Ken and Mike, WA6ZTY, visited Fowler site with a spectrum analyzer and retuned the duplexers. Resulting in much improved repeater performance.
- b) Fowler repeater is commercial quality and is about 2 years old. Life expectancy is about 10-20 years. A high gain vertical favoring our direction was installed by club member, James Bishop, KM6AXN.
- c) Fowler site has a back-up generator (not known if working at the moment). The summit level repeater is solar powered and also has a back-up. The club also has a back-up repeater at Ken's house. The club has 3 repeater sites; Fowler VHF, Summit Level UHF, and Reba UHF.

6) Breakfast Report. Dee, KM6ELF encouraged members to continue to attend the club breakfasts and encourages club officers to attend if possible. The CARS Christmas breakfast will be held at the Murphy's Hotel Dec. 4, at 10am Saturday morning. Everyone is invited and many members did a show of hands to express their desire to attend.

7) Web Master's Report. There was not a report given since Andy, NV6V, was not present.

8) Public Information Officer Report by Mike, WB6USJ.

Mike reported that the Great California Shake Out held Oct 12, 2021 was a success. Many counties

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checked in reporting their simulated emergencies that arose from an earthquake.

9) ARES/RACES Report: A report from Sam, W6SP, Calaveras County EC, was submitted (see attached).

10) Old Business. Chuck, W6AJW, and Al, KF6OBM, reported on the Emergency Trailer. They have been working on it as weather permits. New elastomeric coating to roof was applied and interior work continues. Club members are invited to join in their effort.

11) New Business.

- a) Elections for President, Secretary, and Public Information Officer were completed. Steve, W6RXK, for President; Jack, W6JAK, for Secretary; and Mike, KB6USJ, for Public Information Officer were all elected and sworn into office.
- b) Mike, N6AXQ, brought up discrepancies in the CARS By-Laws. Noting that the term "Quarterly meetings" which appear throughout the document is not being followed. The annual dues clause needs to be expanded to define grace periods for payment and deadlines. The topic of club insurance policies being in effect and coverage concerns were also mentioned.
- c) A vote was taken to establish a By-Laws committee. Dee, KM6ELF, Chuck, W6AWJ, Steve, W6RXK, and Mike, ~~KB6USJ~~-N6AXQ volunteered to be on the committee which will review changes if needed and present them to the club. This will occur after Jan 1, 2022.
- d) The Ride and Walk 4 Art will be held again in 2022 and several members showed willingness to help out during the event.

12) Adjournment by Steve, W6RXK, at 19:48.

List of Action Items

Action Item	Date	Assigned To	Status	Date Closed	Comments
Review trailer project	1/14/2021	Steve, W6RXK Mark, N6IV	Open		
Request ARES/RACES reports prior to club meetings	7/8/2021	Jack, W6JAK	Open		
Review club bylaws for necessary updates	9/9/2021	Mike, N6AXQ	Closed	11/11/2021	Mike presented his case.
By-Laws Committee formed	11/11/2021	W6AJW, KB6USJ, W6RXK, KM6ELF	Open		

List of Attendees

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NAME	CALL	QTH
MARK GADBOULT	NGIV	Mokehill
MICHAEL GAGSWICK	KBLUST	Coppertopolis
Lynn Bartschi	ACBCY	Vallecito
Dee Richards	KMGELF	Angels Camp
MIKE AXIAL	NGAXQ	Coppertopolis
CHUCK FARR	WBAJW	San Andreas
Donna Farr	KBLKLL	San Andreas
Nancy Lamore	KGBAUT	San Andreas
Alvin Lamore	KFGBN	San Andreas
MIKE FARR	WAGZTY	Arnold
Nelan Yost	KMGLE	Vallecito
Ker Sanders	AKGLA	Arnold
WALT GYGER	KBLGY	Angels Camp

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Treasurer's Reports

Calaveras Amateur Radio Society, Inc. - Report July1, 2021 to October 31, 2021

Banking Summary

7/1/2021 through 10/31/2021

Category	7/1/2021- 10/31/2021
INCOME	
Amazon Smile Income	8.83
EQUIPMENT SALE (Donated)	97.00
Member Donations	30.00
Membership Dues	587.93
TOTAL INCOME	723.78
EXPENSES	
Filing Fees	20.00
Ham Repeater Service Fee	600.00
Repeater Expenses	16.02
TOTAL EXPENSES	636.02
OVERALL TOTAL	87.76

Transaction

7/1/2021 through 10/31/2021

Date	Num	Description	Memo	Category	Amount
BALANCE 6/30/2021					3,668.47
7/1/2021	ATM	La Rue Communications	July, Aug, Sept.	Ham Repeater Service Fee	300.00
7/1/2021	DEP/PP	Mary Agatha - K1GWH		Membership Dues	28.83
7/9/2021	EFT	Ooma		Repeater Expenses	5.34
7/10/2021	DEP/PP	KK6AGU- Martin & KK6AGD- JOANNA TEDDER		Membership Dues	33.68
7/10/2021	DEP/PP	Eugene Nesterenko - K1M6BNJ		Membership Dues	28.83
7/10/2021	DEP/PP	David Sanderson - KK6ZHP		Membership Dues	28.83
7/10/2021	DEP/PP	Joe Maddux - W5WBT		Membership Dues	28.83
7/10/2021	DEP/PP	Mike And Teri Fahmie - WA6ZTY & K1G6FN		Membership Dues	33.68
7/10/2021	DEP/CK	Steve Grumer - K1N6ZD		-Split-	60.00
7/10/2021	DEP/CK	John Stettler - K1G6WP		Membership Dues	30.00
7/10/2021	DEP/CK	Ken Sanders	Converted cash sales fr	EQUIPMENT SALE (Donated)	77.00
7/17/2021	DEP/CK	John Devenport - K1GART		Membership Dues	30.00
7/17/2021	DEP/CK	Ed ALLENDORF - K1G6WJ	ALLENDORF - K1G6WJ	Membership Dues	30.00
8/9/2021	EFT	Ooma		Repeater Expenses	5.34
8/10/2021	DEP/CK	AC6CY-Lynn / KE6PSH- Loren / K Family dues + \$3		Membership Dues	40.00
8/11/2021	DEP/PP	Walt Gyger - K1BWW		Membership Dues	28.46
8/18/2021	EFT	Secretary Of State, California	TAX-EXEMPT Status	Filing Fees	20.00
8/20/2021	DEP	Amazon Smile		Amazon Smile Income	8.83
8/26/2021	DEP/PP	WB6QVU & N6PGH - Kit BROWN Pd 8/19/21		Membership Dues	33.29
8/26/2021	DEP/PP	Chris Wangsgard - K1G6ZG		Membership Dues	28.46
9/7/2021	DEP/PP	N6JMT - Jeffrey TOLHURST + K1G6NZO + K1G6NZP		Membership Dues	33.29
9/9/2021	EFT	Ooma		Repeater Expenses	5.34
9/23/2021	DEP/CK	Steve Vargas - W6CTF		Membership Dues	30.00
10/1/2021	EFT	La Rue Communications	OCT, NOV, DEC	Ham Repeater Service Fee	300.00
10/26/2021	DEP/CK	Bill Holmes - K7DUY		Membership Dues	30.00
10/28/2021	DEP/PP	James Bishop - K1M6AXN		Membership Dues	28.46
10/28/2021	DEP/PP	Josh & Cindy Heller K1M6AXU & K1M6YMA		Membership Dues	33.29
10/2/2021	Cash	Steven Airola		EQUIPMENT SALE (Donated)	20.00
7/1/2021 - 10/31/2021					87.76
BALANCE 10/31/2021					3,756.23
TOTAL INFLOWS					723.78
TOTAL OUTFLOWS					636.02
NET TOTAL					87.76

Prepared by Ken Sanders, AE6LA, Treasurer

ARES/RACES Report

ARES / RACES:

RACES

I would like to thank Jack – W6JAK and Ken – AE6LA for their support of the California Emergency Service Net. I am still looking for some more operators for this net, please consider helping out. The net is held on Monday nights at 8p on 80 meters and on Wednesday mornings at 10am on 40 meters, you can contact Ken, Jack or me for more info on the net.

ARES

XCA ARES has been quiet, Knock on Wood, I am still attending the Bi-Weekly Zoom meeting with Calaveras OES. They know that we are prepared and ready to be deployed for emergency communications.

As I mentioned in my last report; ARES Connect is DOA and I ask each XCA ARES members to resubmit a FSD98 to me as all of your information was lost. As of Nov 1 I have receive 5 updated forms. On Dec 17, 2022 I will submit all the forms that I received to our section EC and then update the mail list that I have.

I have been sending out information on some Zoom meetings that are of interest to emergency communication operators. A lot of these meetings are on Wednesday nights and I hope that ARES members can take advantage of these meetings.

There is also a Section ARES net on Sunday morning at 7am on 80 meters, it is open to all. If you are a XCA ARES member, please let me know if you checked into this net so I add your time to the Monthly report to our Section EC.

This is all for now, be safe and keep those HT charged.

73,

Sam – WS6P

Calaveras County Emergency Coordinator – ARES

Calaveras County RACES Radio Officer

