

Calaveras Amateur Radio Society (CARS)

Minutes for Quarterly General Meeting, September 8th, 2022, 18:30

Meeting Location: Round Table Pizza, Angels Camp, CA

1) Meeting called to order

- a) Welcome by club president, Steve, W6RXK
- b) Pledge of allegiance and moment of silence for Queen Elizabeth led by Mark, N6IV
- c) Self-introductions by all

2) Reading of Minutes.

- a) Walt, K6WGY, and Mike, WA6ZTY, gave a report on the Death Ride which occurred July 16th
- b) A motion was made to accept the minutes of the July 14th Club Meeting which was seconded by approved.

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

- a) PayPal switched our account to a business account. Transaction fees are deducted from proceeds. Ken switched the account to a non-profit status to get a better rate. PayPal certified the account's non-profit status.
- b) Ken pointed out some of the expenses such as OOMA (telephone), trailer, and CARS banner.
- c) A certificate of insurance from the ARRL was provided to the City of Angels Camp as proof of coverage for the CARS/TCARES picnic

4) Monday Night Net Report by Mark, N6IV.

- a) Average member check-ins for July and Aug = 24, range= 23-30
- b) Average visitor check-ins= 11, range= 9-13
- c) Approximately 1/4th to 1/3rd of current members (about 68) check-in

5) Repeater Report presented by Ken, AE6LA. A question was raised whether EchoLink could be established on CARS repeaters. Andy, NV6V, expressed concerns about opening up the repeaters to the Internet which could cause problems. Andy is presently working on a hub to allow operation of different digital modes on the repeaters in addition to FM.

6) Breakfast Report presented by Donna, KN6LKU. A total of 10 people attended the breakfast which included 5 members and 5 visitors (3 were from Stockton and 2 were from Lodi). The next breakfast meeting is scheduled for October 1st at the Murphys Hotel.

7) Web Master's Report presented by Andy, NV6V. The website is a content management platform and Andy's primary task is to make sure it is running. Content is provided and updated by Mike, KB6USJ, Jack, W6JAK, and Ken, AE6LA. Andy works with Ken on roster updates which is in HTML format and also links to the club database. Other members are invited to manage the content.

8) Public Information Officer Report. By Mike, KB6USJ.

- a) Mike presented the new club banner to the members. It was produced by Gateway Press in Murphys and cost \$103.78.
- b) The Great California Shakeout will occur on October 20th. The objective is to report status on communities and Lodi will be participating on 2 Meters.

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9) ARES/RACES Report (see attached). The report was presented by Jack, W6JAK.

10) Old Business.

- a) Steve has the current registration and pink slip for the comms trailer which he keeps at home in a folder.
- b) The revised by-laws were sent out for review. Several people did not receive the by-laws. Ken, AE6LA, stated he will send them out.

11) New Business:

- a) Mike, KB6USJ, stated the grant application submitted to the ARRL was denied. There was a total of 120 applicants and there was not enough money for all the proposals. A second round will be opened for applicants. Submitted proposals should emphasize education and community outreach which is considered difficult for our small club can handle. Mark, N6ARQ, is now involved to revise the proposal. Ken, AE6LA, recommended Mike to send the proposal write-up to the membership for review and suggestions.
- b) Ken, AE6LA, stated a new VE Liaison is still needed. Jack, W6JAK, informed Ken that he obtained the VE certificate from the ARRL; however, he only has a General Class license whereas to be a VE Liaison requires an Extra Class license.
- c) Planning for the upcoming CARS/TCARES picnic on October 22nd was discussed. Discussions included what food to provide and whether or not to have a raffle. It was concluded that CARS will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, and condiments. TCARES will be asked to bring drinks and ice. Everyone should bring a side-dish, and there will not be a raffle.
- d) Nominations for the upcoming election for vice president and treasurer was discussed. Dee, KM6ELF, was nominated for VP and Ken, AE6LA, agreed to stay on as treasurer. Ken stated he would like an assistant in order to have backup on using Quicken for the club's accounting.
- e) There was more equipment donated to the club which included an HF radio, HF amplifier, and SWR meter.

12) Upcoming Events:

- a) The Stockton Delta Amateur Radio Club is offering a ham cram session on Saturday, October 8th, at the LDS Church in Lodi. For details, go to their website at www.w6sf.org.
- b) If you have an upcoming birthday to celebrate, contact Dee, KM6ELF.
- c) The San Andreas Masonic Temple is having their annual yard sale September 22nd through the 25th.
- d) The next club meeting is scheduled for November 10th at Round Table Pizza in Angles Camp.

13) Adjournment. A motion was made to adjourn the meeting which was approved at 2017 hours.

List of Action Items

Action Item	Date	Assigned To	Status	Date Closed	Comments
Review proposed By-Law changes	1/18/2022	W6RXK, KM6ELF, N6AXQ	Open		

List of Attendees

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Bi-Monthly General Meeting
Round Table Pizza, Angels Camp

Date: 9/8/2022

CALL	Name	Member?	QTH
W6JAK	Jack Luoma	Y	MOUNTAIN RANCH
K6LKK	Donna Farr	Y	San Andreas
W6AJW	Chuck Farr	Y	San Andreas
W6ZTY	Mike Fahme	Y	ARNOLD
K6BEE	Dee Richman	Y	Angels Camp
N6GV	ANDY THOMAS	Y	VALLEY SPRINGS
A6CRA	KE Scaless	Y	Arnold
N6ARP	MARK Price	YES	Camp Connell/Turlock
K6UST	MICHAEL GREENICH	YES	Supernova, CA's
N6IV	MARK CARBOIT	YES	MOCKUMNE HILL
W6DXX	Steen Aivola	Y	San Andreas
K6WGY	WALT GYGER	YES	ANGELS CAMP

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Treasurer's Reports

Calaveras Amateur Radio Society, Inc. - Report July 10, 2022 to Sept. 7, 2022

Banking Summary

7/10/2022 through 9/7/2022

Category	7/10/2022- 9/7/2022
INCOME	
Amazon Smile Income	5.60
HAT SALES	28.91
Membership Dues	269.50
TOTAL INCOME	304.01
EXPENSES	
Communications Trailer	125.00
Publicity	103.78
Repeater Expenses	11.08
TOTAL EXPENSES	239.86
OVERALL TOTAL	64.15

Transaction

7/10/2022 through 9/7/2022

Date	Num	Description	Memo	Category	Amount
BALANCE 7/9/2022					5,910.27
7/11/2022	ATM	Ooma		Repeater Expenses	5.54
7/14/2022	DEP/PP	WB6QVU & N6PGH - Kit BROWN & ARTURO SALIZAR		Membership Dues	33.29
7/14/2022	DEP/PP	George Fandli - KN6KQA		Membership Dues	28.46
7/14/2022	DEP/PP	Eugene Nesterenko - KM6BNU		Membership Dues	28.46
7/14/2022	DEP/PP	Pat Enright - KN6ORW		Membership Dues	28.46
7/22/2022	DEP/PP	David Arrich - AD6AE		Membership Dues	28.46
7/22/2022	EFT	DMV - 2FL4545		Communications Trailer	125.00
7/22/2022	DEP/ CK	Ed ALLENDORF - KI6WJV		Membership Dues	30.00
8/8/2022	DEP/PP	Brian Mathews - W6BRY		Membership Dues	28.46
8/9/2022	EFT	Ooma		Repeater Expenses	5.54
8/17/2022	DEP/ CK	KMGAXI, KMGAXF -Chuck Hillis-Donna		Membership Dues	35.00
8/18/2022	ATM	GATEWAY PRESS	PopUp Banner	Publicity	103.78
8/18/2022	DEP/PP	Ken Sanders \$30 Hat Money	Testing PayPal	HAT SALES	28.91
8/29/2022	DEP/PP	Cynthia Sudduth - KN6DAU		Membership Dues	28.91
9/1/2022	DEP	Amazon Smile		Amazon Smile Income	5.60
7/10/2022 - 9/7/2022					64.15
BALANCE 9/7/2022					5,974.42
TOTAL INFLOWS					304.01
TOTAL OUTFLOWS					239.86
NET TOTAL					64.15

Total Active Members: 79
ARRL Membership: 47
Club ARRL Percentage: 59%

68 Paid up. 11 have not yet renewed.

ARES/RACES Report

ARES / RACES:

RACES

Not too much going on with RACES, I still a monthly conference call with Calaveras OES. We are still representing Calaveras County on the California Emergency Service net, but can use a few more operators.

ARES

XCA ARES needs members, if anyone is interested in the ARES program please contact myself or Jack for more information.

The Section ARES 80-meter net on Sunday at 07:00 on 3935 KHz LSB, is open to all. Please let me know if your check in to these nets so I can report you time to the SEC.

With this extreme weather, Calaveras Health and Human Resources opened 6 cooling centers. Calaveras OES called to see if West Point CERT can help man as well as deliver the snacks stored in the cache. They did not have a need for ARES operators, but I think is would be a great deployment exercise. Currently we have 3 members in West Point, 1 in Mt. Ranch, 1 in Valley Springs and 1 in Copperopolis. We also have 2 members that live outside of the county, but can be use if needed. If all of the current ARES members were available, only 50% of the centers could have been covered, not a very good situation to be in.

73,
Sam – WS6P
Calaveras County Emergency Coordinator – ARES
Calaveras County RACES Radio Officer

