

## Calaveras Amateur Radio Society (CARS)

### Minutes for Quarterly General Meeting, July 10th, 2025, 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 led by Mike, N6AXQ;
  - c) Self-introductions by all.
- 2) **Reading of Minutes by Mike, KB6USJ.** The minutes were approved as read with a motion by Mark, N6IV.
- 3) **Treasurer's Report** by Mark, N6ARP (see attached report):
  - a) A bump of income is expected with membership dues coming in;
  - b) A shortfall of income vs expenses exist, with a discussion of raising member dues. The discussion was held over for the next meeting.
- 4) **Monday Night Net Report** by Mark, N6IV:
  - a) Avg. member check-ins ranged between 33 and 38;
  - b) Avg. visitor check-ins was 9 with a range of 6-12.
- 5) **Repeater Report** presented by Walt, K6WGY:
  - a) Ken, AE6LA, delivered extra repeater equipment to Walt;
  - b) Fowler Peak repeater: the repeater is running well, but some issues exist and Walt is in discussions with Knox LaRue, the site owner, on resolving the problems;
  - c) Summit Level repeater: the solar batteries have been replaced;
  - d) Reba/Bear Valley repeater: a new filter has been installed.
- 6) **Breakfast Report** presented by Al, KF6OBM. A small group of six people attended the breakfast at the Murphys Hotel.
- 7) **Web Master's Report** presented by Mike, KB6USJ: Mike is working with Mark, N6ARP, and Andy, NV6V, on keeping the member roster up to date during the membership renewal time.
- 8) **Public Information Officer Report** presented by Mike, KB6USJ.
  - a) Band conditions have been noisy, making it difficult to copy stations on the 40 meter net;
  - b) Plans are in the works for a POTA activation in August at Big Trees in Arnold, Ca.
- 9) **ARES/RACES Report:** Mike, KB6USJ, read the report provided by Sam, WS6P (see attached).
- 10) **New Business:** Mike, N6AXQ, gave a report on the status of updating the Bylaws. Members are voting on approving the bylaws now, and he stated a lot of time has been devoted on updating and modernizing the Bylaws.

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### 11) **Old Business.**

- a) Al, KF6OBM, stated he is thinking of painting the exterior of the trailer white which will keep the interior cooler. Other work is still in progress;
- b) Steve W6RXK, has set the date for the next tri-county picnic on September 20th at Utica Park.

### 12) **Adjournment.** Barry, KO6FOV, motioned adjournment of the meeting which was approved at 1953 hours.

## List of Action Items

<b>Action Item</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Assigned To</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Date Closed</b>	<b>Comments</b>
The club will have to obtain another web hosting service and administer it	5/8/2025	Steve, W6RXK	Open		
Whoever takes over management of the repeaters either needs to have Ken's RC-10 license transferred or a new license must be obtained	5/8/2025	TBD	Open		
Document a procedure on how to maintain the member list on the website	5/8/2025	TBD	Open		
Contact the Vine and Branch church to inform we will not be needing their facility this year.	5/8/2025	Ken, AE6LA,	Open		
Develop a proposal for exhibiting the club trailer at the county fair.	5/8/2025	Mike, KB6USJ	Open		

**List of Attendees**

CARS MEETING 7/10/2025	
<u>NAME</u>	<u>CALLSIGN</u>
MARLIN BATES	NGMIV
Donna Farr	KN6LKL
CHUCK FARR	W6AJW
AL LAMOR	KF6OBM
NANCY LAMOR	K66AWT.
Barry Streets	K06FOV
MARK GODDOUT	NGIV (more hill)
WALT GYGER	V6WGY
Maya Gyger	—
MICHAEL GRACEVICH	KB6USJ
Mike Dugger	K6RAN
Kristen Dugger	K06SLN
MICHAEL AXIAL	NGAXQ
DEE RICHINA	KM6ELF
Bob Kehr	KA9MDP
Ed Allendorf	<u>KI6WJV</u>
Michelle Allendorf	

## Treasurer's Reports

### Calavers Amateur Radio Society Income Expense Statement Fiscal Year 2020-2025

	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
<b>REVENUES</b>					
Amazon Smile Income	\$36.46	\$26.39	\$41.62	\$0.00	\$0.00
Badge Income	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$35.00	\$15.00
Equipment Sales (Donated)	\$1,700.00	\$777.00	\$830.00	\$608.00	\$0.00
Event Sponsor Donations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$835.00	\$50.00	\$0.00
Hat Sales	\$0.00	\$40.00	\$158.91	\$55.00	\$19.31
Member Donations	\$200.00	\$30.00	\$120.00	\$736.42	\$225.00
Membership Dues	\$2,116.87	\$1,539.87	\$1,797.49	\$1,923.22	\$1,969.65
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$4,053.33</b>	<b>\$2,413.26</b>	<b>\$3,783.02</b>	<b>\$3,407.64</b>	<b>\$2,228.96</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>					
Charity	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Communications Trailer	\$0.00	\$405.00	\$125.00	\$409.52	\$141.71
Filing Fees	\$0.00	\$20.00	\$0.00	\$20.00	\$0.00
Ham Repeater Service Fee	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$800.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
Hat Purchase (Gateway)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$219.59	\$0.00	\$0.00
Liability Insurance	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Meeting Speaker Dinner	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$46.74
Member Badges	\$23.60	\$38.61	\$25.74	\$142.01	\$118.28
Post Office Box Fee	\$64.00	\$70.00	\$78.00	\$84.00	\$84.00
Printing and Reproduction	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$440.80	\$33.40	\$0.00
Reba Repeater	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,036.52	\$130.70
Repeater Expenses	\$528.65	\$427.15	\$417.39	\$447.69	\$105.06
TriCounty BBQ	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$212.96	\$401.84	\$457.86
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$2,066.25</b>	<b>\$2,360.76</b>	<b>\$2,619.48</b>	<b>\$4,974.98</b>	<b>\$2,484.35</b>
<b>Net Income/loss for Period</b>	<b>\$1,987.08</b>	<b>\$52.50</b>	<b>\$1,163.54</b>	<b>(\$1,567.34)</b>	<b>(\$255.39)</b>
Umqua Bank June 30, 2025	\$4,958.00				

## ARES/RACES Report

### ARES / RACES:

#### RACES

Everything is calm regarding the Calaveras RACES. I am still looking for Operators to check into the California Emergency Service Net. Anyone holding a General Class license can participate. Please get in touch with me so I can obtain approval from Calaveras OES and add you to the RACES team.

#### ARES

On June 14, the Blue Mountain Emergency Preparedness Committee held a wildfire safety event, which provided a lot of valuable information. XCA ARES set up an information table throughout the event to share helpful insights. We also organized a station for show and tell.

Jack and I had a good discussion about XCA ARES, and we are planning an ARES meeting from late September to early October in Mt. Ranch. We will review the ARRL ARES Task Book and also seek input from ARES members on future training and exercises. This meeting will be open to all interested in Emergency Communications.

Field Day for 2025 is in the books! West Point CERT and Calaveras ARES hosted Field Day in West Point, where we participated as a 3A. Contacts were made on two SSB stations and one Digital Station. There was also a GOTA station, but no contacts were made on it. Our tentative score was 1528, including the bonus points for operating on solar and batteries. The Whiskey River tri-tip was a very delicious dinner. There are just over 350 days before the next Field Day in 2026, so start making plans soon.

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

