

Riverside County Amateur Radio Association
La Sierra University Church Educational Building
Riverside, CA
NOVEMBER 14, 2017

Board Meeting

Present

Mike Anderson W6OSO – President
Alan Serl KM6KPW – Vice President
Jim Wiley AG6EA - Treasurer
Ron Braley KE6RYX – Director of Communications
Marlene KK6CTX – Membership Chair

Absent

Margaret Albanese KC6UDH – Secretary
Don Williams KD6UVT – W6TJ Trustee

Meeting was called to order at 6:20 pm

Treasurer's report: Checking \$3,187.84; Savings \$3,208.00

Membership report: 52 paid members in 2019

Upcoming ideas for Club activities:

- Mike asked if the club was interested in a field trip to Hollywood to see the filming of "Last Man Standing" - he can get free tickets.
- Ron brought a T-hunt transmitter and explained how it works. He will conduct a mini-T-hunt with the club members during the general meeting
- Mike will ask Glen Toby to be a guest speaker in January to talk about T-Hunts.
- February or March is planned for an Ed Fong antenna build. Jim will follow up.
- Discussion of adding a repeater to the Grove Community Church will be put on hold until January.
- Ron will be talking with Riverside County about connecting into the Jobs Peak Repeater.
- The Board recommends offering a DMR radio package as a door prize at the Christmas Party. The membership will be asked to support the recommendation to spend up to \$325 for the radio package.

Alan motioned to adjourn @ 7:00, seconded by Marlene.

General Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM

- Self-introductions
- 50/50 raffle
- Treasurer's report: Checking \$3,187.84; Savings \$3,208.00
- Membership report: 52 paid members for 2019
- 2020 Memberships are due. Applications are available on the web site and will be accepted along with payment at the Christmas Party.
- Members voted to spend up to \$325 for a DMR radio package for a raffle at the Christmas party. Only licensed ham operators will be eligible to participate in the raffle. Jim AG6EA will make the purchase.

General Discussion

- Ron announced a RACES statewide hospital net event on November 21 and asked for volunteers. It will be held on the w6tj repeater.
- Ron – talked about the T-hunt and demonstrated how it works. He then conducted a mini exercise within the building. John KM6YLK was the winner.
- John KM6YLK shared an antenna he constructed for the hunt he recently participated in on 6 meters.
- James K6ZEQ showed the group a vintage T-hunt transmitter his father built back in the 60's which was made with tubes.

Club Activities

- Mike W6OSO will ask Glen Toby to be a guest speaker in January to talk about Fox Hunts.
- February or March for an antenna build.
- Please let us know if you have any ideas for presentation or activities you would like the club to do

Board Member Elections

Elections were held and the new officers for 2020 are:

- President: Alan Serl KM6KPW
- Vice President: Mike Yasmer KM6LOR
- Secretary: Margaret Albanese KC6UDH
- Treasurer: Jim Wiley AG6EA
- Membership Chair: Marlene KK6CTX
- Director of Communications: Ron Braley KE6RYX

Congratulations to the new Board members for 2020

Appointed Positions:

- Photographer: Rick Schirmer KK6CTT
Backup: Shane Thompson K6RUT
- Sunshine Chair: Art Sutorus AA6CA
- Web Master: Alan Serl KM6KPW
- W6TJ Trustee: Don Williams KD6UVT

Thank you all for agreeing to take on these responsibilities

The annual RCARA Christmas Party will be held Friday, December 13, 2019. There is an optional \$20.00 gift exchange (no gag gifts). See the web site for details. Please RSVP your attendance plans to Marlene at xmadamxx@aol.com or Ron at (951) 369-5149 by December 7.

New officers for 2020 will be installed at the party. Upcoming annual awards will be presented as well.

- **The Crawford Award** recognizes a member who has displayed outstanding and exemplary service to the amateur radio community throughout the year.
- **The LEJO Perpetual Award** is presented every year for exceptional, dedicated and/or accidental service to the amateur community. The hand-crafted 10-pound iron keyer was the original idea of Lee Owens, WD6DGI. Criteria for the award includes: being an active member in the association; activity must have been unusual, unique or unpredictable; recipient must agree to return this key to the club at year's end and to be a member of the selection committee for the next recipient.

License tests were held. Thanks to Jim AG6EA for administrating the tests and to the VEs Phil KJ6KE and Rich KJ6HJ. Congratulations to the new Technician Jerry Fonseca and the new Extra Steve Delong. Another testing session will be held on January 9, 2020.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm

Respectfully submitted by Marlene KK6CTX