## MINI MONITOR FLASH

Hi RCARA Hams

#9 February, 2022

## JANUARY WAS A BUSY MONTH BUT YOU CAN STILL **RENEW** YOUR RCARA MEMBERSHIP

On the club website, **W6TJ.org**, you will see the 2022 application form choices and you will also have the choice of paying the \$25 by check or by **Paypal**.

Our Vice President, John W7RSO, is planning programs for our 2022 meetings. In 2021, we **ZOOMED** some and did some meetings at the church. We are **hoping** that our **Thursday, February 10 meeting**, will be the last time we have to **Zoom** because John is eager to have some hands-on meetings. John is working to get a presentation from Bridge.com about DMR radios for the March meeting, a demonstration about antenna tuning with the NANO VNA for April, and a possible presentation by Ed Fong about building antennas for May. **Make a list** of what you would like to learn or demo and **Zoom** with us Thursday. Do you want to do a POTA (Parks on the Air) at Citrus Park or a SOTA (Summits on the Air) at Box Springs Park? The club wants to support your interest in Ham radio so we're eager to hear your ideas!!

In January, several members did various contests, some with CW, some with FT8. Some members have been experimenting with building their own antennas with simple materials. What have you been up to? Did you make contact with far away places or did you contact some special event or special memorial occasion here in the US? There are many interesting Call Signs on QRZ. Did you receive any interesting QSL cards?

## General Meeting Thursday, February 10, 2022 7pm by ZOOM

Club President, Alan KM6KPW emailed the link but if it's not in your Inbox, contact him at <a href="mailto:KM6KPW@scrnet.com">KM6KPW@scrnet.com</a> for the link.

Don't forget the 2Meter Net on Monday nights and the 10Meter Net of Tuesday nights. One Monday night, some of us reported in using battery power instead of ac or from outside instead of inside to replicate emergency circumstances. The 10Meter net has new frequency information on the website so take a look at that. Have you thought about checking in for the 10Meter but don't have an antenna for that? Ask for suggestions from other members.

**Zoom** with us Thursday! 73

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