

ORO VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC.
an Arizona Non-Profit Corporation

Minutes of Members Meeting

October 18, 2013

A Regular meeting of the Membership of the Oro Valley Amateur Radio Club, Inc., was held on October 18, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. at the Resurrection Lutheran Church, 11575 N 1st Ave., Oro Valley, Arizona.

In attendance at said meeting were the following Board Officers and Directors:

Bob Molczan, KA7VPR -- President
Gary Pierce, AE7GP -- Vice President
David Beauchesne, AK2L -- Treasurer
Howard Chorost, KC7AC -- Secretary
Dave Coccio, N7AKC
Tim Brown, KF7SYU

47 Members present per the Roster

2 Visitors or persons who did not sign the Roster; with a total of 49 persons present.

The Meeting was called to Order by President Bob Molczan KA7VPR

New Members were introduced. Guests introduced.

The Board and Officers were introduced.

Prizes explained by AK2L

Presentation - HF Contest Antennas- DX or Domestic - What's your pleasure? - Presented by Dean Straw, N6BV (ARRL Retired). Dean Straw, N6BV retired from ARRL as a Senior Assistant Technical Editor. He will explore in detail the range of elevation angles you need for effective contesting and DXing at all points in the Solar Cycle.

Dean was initially licensed in 1959 as WH6DKD and has since held 6 calls over the past 54 years as a licensed Amateur Operator. After attending Yale University for Electronics Engineering, Dean was hired by National Radio Company where he designed SSB and VHF radios. He was in the marine electronics industry for 25 years and eventually moved in to technical marketing.

For the last 15 years, Dean has worked at ARRL Headquarters specializing in antennas, transmission lines and propagation. He was the editor of The ARRL Antenna Book and

other books dealing with antennas. As Dean retired in 2008 he noted "Few folks are so blessed by the Good Lord to have combined their work and their hobby together!"

Break -- Raffle Ticket Sales

KG7ADX Moved to waive the reading of the Minutes, which Motion was seconded by AE7GP and approved without objection.

Officers Reports -

Vice President Gary Pierce, AE7GP - ARCA will not be participating in the Hamfest this year. We were behind in getting the Hamfest date to ARCA due to the problems we were having in finding an affordable location for the Hamfest.

We are looking for items for donation to the Club so we can sell things at the Hamfest.

We need more volunteers for Hamfest positions.

We will have a Hamfest Planning Meeting tomorrow at 9:00 at the EOC.

President - KA7VPR commented on how Gary has repaired certain equipment for the Club so we can sell it at the Hamfest.

Treasurer Report -- \$671.00 in checking; \$1,305.00 in savings.

Secretary -- Minutes are on the web site. Raffle tickets are still on sale.

Board Member Reports – None.

New Business

Hamfest Meeting Tomorrow – 9:00 AM at the EOC. The Hamfest is on November 9.

Volunteers needed!

Final Volunteer Assignments to come out next Friday. We will talk about this on the Net on Sunday as well.

Move from Group Spaces to Yahoo Reminder.

Possible First Meeting at New Location in January to the Ascension Lutheran Church Magee & LaCanada? We plan on doing the move as soon as possible. KA7VPR will be working to finalize this soon.

OVARC Shirt Sales – Interested Parties? Many of the Members were interested in purchasing shirts.

OVARC Sunday NET – New Manager Needed? Bob is looking for someone to take over that position from him.

Old Business:

Golder Ranch Repeater -- 440.400. Not linked to the rest of the system at this time. KC0LL got a temporary repeater back on the air on 400. As soon as David can get the repeater up to Golder Ranch, the repeater should be back up and linked into the rest of the OVARC System.

Reminders – Breakfast, VE Session, Sunday NET. Get in touch with Jim, WA1KFI, if you want to test. Next VE Session on November 2. There will also be a VE Session at the Hamfest.

Holiday Potluck Party – December 15, Ascension Lutheran Church Magee & LaCanada 3-6 PM. Volunteers needed for set-up & teardown. Food sign-up survey & sheet to come.

Open Floor to Member Announcements

KD7UIZ Sunday -- Reid Park, Ramada 15, 12:00 Noon to 6:00 PM. Talk in on 146.520.

This Saturday, Jamboree on the Air at Ft. Lowell Park 10:00 to 6:00 P.M. W8TK to run HF.

Raffle Drawing

Meeting Close

There being no further business for the Membership, upon by Motion duly made by N7AZT and seconded by N7CRS, and carried-- and without objections, the Meeting was adjourned.

Approved:

Bob Molczan, KA7VPR
President

Attest:

Howard A. Chorost, KC7AC
Secretary