

COCHISE AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION
P.O. BOX 1855, SIERRA VISTA. AZ. 85636
Minutes of the 6 October 2008 Meeting

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 1900 hrs. 6 October 2008 by Dale Chidester NJ7C. In attendance were 32 members and visitors.

SECRETARY's Report: Don Savill KE7JNB.

A motion was made by Pat Thies and seconded by Randy Powers to accept the minutes of the September 2008 meeting as printed in the SMOKE. The motion carried on a voice vote.

TREASURER's Report: Paul Angelo KD7TDL

CURRENT BALANCES:

CHECKING	\$8,541.07
SAVINGS	\$4,124.30
CDs	\$8,274.05
TOTAL	\$20,939.42
LESS ANTENNA FUND	-\$3,654.09
LESS LIFE MEMBER FUND	-\$2,620.00
LESS EMCOM FUND	-\$1,772.12
CURRENT OPERATING BALANCE	\$12,893.21

VICE PRESIDENT's Report: Mike McNeill AD7HZ

MATERIAL DIRECTOR's Report: Mike McNeill AD7HZ

Donations from the estate of Frank McLaughlin (SK) W7IKF have been inventoried and are available for purchase. Donations for the Junque Sale are being accepted and encouraged.

PRESIDENT's Report: Dale Chidester NJ7C

Club took First Place in AZ Sweepstakes in 2007 Certificate has been received, framed and will be displayed in Larson Hall – Only a year later.

Frank Ivey – A Donation Certificate for his generous gift of his ICOM IC 756 Transceiver has been mailed. The radio was used at Paradise to good effect.

Swapfest – Saturday Morning, 1 November 2008 0800-1200. Spaces: \$10 indoor, \$5 outdoor. Junque Sale, no food service, VE testing 0900-1200.

Fox Hunt – Saturday Afternoon, 1 November 2008, 1300 (1:00 PM)

Work Projects – Paint-Shed needs demolition, Grass (always?)

Water – County has asked it to be turned off when the site is not in use.

Safety Vests – Charles K4AFN will have them available A Signup Sheet was passed around and 19 ordered. Cost to be a maximum of \$22 (with imprinting of RACES seal, name and callsign).

PROGRAM: "NTS Traffic System," Grant Hays WB6OTS

A PowerPoint talk on the NTS traffic system was given. The organization of NTS and how to format traffic was presented. Information on local nets was also included. The presentation will be posted on the CARA website.

MEMBER AT LARGE Report: Lee Ilse KD7OED.

Lee was away on TDY.

ARCA Report: Randy Powers KC8TUG

ARRL Report: Grant Hays WB6OTS

RACES Report: Bob Hollister N7INK

Training went well at Cochise Stronhold. BAT was erected. The Ft. Bowie rescue mission turned out to be a bit of a fiasco. Looking for volunteers for St David school career day (5 Nov.) and Ft. Huachuca Safety Day (13 Nov.)

Perimeter Bike Race: RB Rice K7HVV

RB is still looking for volunteers for the Perimeter bike Race to be held 11 November.

TECHNICAL Report: Rich Hotchkiss KB7RDG.

100 Hz PL tone now on both 440 repeaters. (AZ Standard.)

WEBMASTER Report: Ken Carpenter WA7UIM

It's still there. Lots of good information.

CARA Net Report: Charles Campbell K4AFN

Charles was out of town.

Old Business

New Business

In view of BLM's attitude towards water, it was suggested a waterless urinal be obtained for the men's restroom. General consensus seemed to be it's cost wouldn't be justifiable considering how little use the men's room gets.

Etc.

Chuch Morris N7DQS pointed out that the Health Department now requires ALL people working in food handling to be licensed. This will need to be kept in mind for the Larry Warren Hamfest.

It was suggested that the pole lights be turned on since it is now getting dark before meeting time and the site is difficult to find at night. It was also mentioned that the sign is overgrown with weeds and not very visible.

50/50 Drawing:

The 50/50 of \$21.50 was won by Rich Hotchkiss WB7RDG. He kept his \$2 and donated \$19.50 back to the club. Thanks Rich.

NEXT CLUB MEETING: Monday, 3 November at 7:00 PM (19:00).

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