



COCHISE AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION
P.O. Box 1855, Sierra Vista, AZ 85636



June 1st, 2015

President KX6X called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Vice-President KG7RFX, Treasurer NJ7C, and Secretary KD7OED were also present. Member at Large KF7PDV and Past President WB6OTS were absent.

Program: No program was presented this month.

President's report: KX6X provided an overview of tonight's board of directors meeting:

- a. The pulley has been re-installed on the center tower – also many thanks to NJ7C and AA7RH for their work installing the V-Beam that is now ready for Field Day.
- b. Field Day is an excellent opportunity to expose the public to Amateur Radio – we'll do Field Day at Green Acres this year – so encourage your friends and their kids to attend. June 13th will be a dry run of Field Day setup – please try to attend.
- c. Dale/NJ7C has volunteered to be this year's Paradise Coordinator.
- d. We plan to run CW in the new operating station in Jeanne's Shed. If anyone has a spare air conditioning unit to donate that would make things much more comfortable and the club would very much appreciate it.

Vice-President's Report: N5OV said thanks to all for their help in making the 2015 Field Day a success. He learned a lot from this year's activity that can be applied to make next year's event even better.

Technical Report: AA7RH reported that the installation of the new antenna for the 146.76 repeater was delayed because of high winds on Mule Mountain. The new installation date is tentatively set for 22 JUN.

Secretary's Report: KD7OED reviewed the minutes from the April and May meetings that are posted in the back of the hall. Motion from KB7RM

seconded by N7INK to accept the minutes as published – the motion passed on a voice vote. KD7OED also reported he has membership badges for those who ordered them, and another order for folks who joined or renewed during the hamfest will be ready soon. Finally, he will place a sign-up sheet on the CARA web page for folks to volunteer to fill in for Field Day operating positions, but the web page update is on hold for a few days due to a computer hardware failure.

Treasurer's Report: NJ7C reported that a copy of the current treasurer's report is posted on the Larson Hall bulletin board for review, and provided a brief summary of recent activity. The total profit from Field Day was \$1401.96, of which 10% will go to ARCA for their sponsorship.

Member at Large Report: KF7PDV was absent, so no report was given.

Past President's Report: WB6OTS was absent, so no report was given.

Public Service Report: N7INK reported on upcoming RACES/ARES activity:

- a. **9 JUN:** Bisbee 4th of July Coaster Race Final Planning Meeting.
- b. **27 JUN:** Bisbee 4th of July Coaster Race Practice Runs
- c. **4 JUL:** Bisbee 4th of July Coaster Race.
- d. **22 JUL:** Arizona Department of Emergency Management will offer a Communications Leader course in Tucson.

ARCA Report: KC7GTY had nothing significant to report.

CARA NET Report: KG7IHO reported that AF7HZ has volunteered to take the net the first Thursday of every month. We still need additional volunteers to serve as NCS stations – it is a great way for new hams to get more comfortable and hone their operating procedures.

Old Business: The club will continue to offer used equipment for sale at every monthly club meeting - members in good standing receive a 25% discount for items purchased the night of the meeting. Members are also encouraged to bring items for sale to or swap with other club members 30 minutes prior to every club meeting (from 6:30 to 7:00 PM). There is no charge for this activity.

New Business: None raised by members.

50/50 Raffle: KC7WKT won a \$10 ARRL gift certificate (although upon further examination it was determined to be expired). N7INK won \$19 but donated it back to the club.

Next Club Meeting: The next meeting will be July 6th at 7:00 PM.

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Ilse/KD7OED
CARA Secretary