

VVARA Meeting 15 April 2015, Nate's Cowboy Cafe, Cottonwood

The meeting was called to order by president Wayne Gilbertson WA7IGI at 7:01 PM, followed by the Pledge Of Allegiance.

Visitors and recent upgrades: 18 Club members present. Guest Lang McGuire N7LXX became a member at the meeting. One member identified only as "I" was upgraded to General Class license.

Secretary Report: Leo Zuercher KF7KXH read the minutes from the 18 Mar 2015 meeting. Motion to accept by KF7QVK Marny, second by KF7KXL Mike, passed.

Treasurer Report: The treasurer's report was given by Mike Covey KF7KXL, beginning balance at Credit Union West checking 1 Mar: \$6198.96. Ending balance 31 Mar: \$6023.68. Savings account beginning balance: \$2905.22. Ending balance \$2905.25. Ending Total: \$8928.83. Move to accept subject to audit by KF7QVK Marny, second by KF7KXH Leo, passed.

Repeater Technical Committee Report: Mike Wingate WA6LSE reported all repeaters are working fine. Call sign transfer packages complete, Squaw Peak KF6FM awaiting letter transferring call sign to the club. Trip to Squaw Peak site planned for May 16. Meet at I-17 and SR 169 at 9:am if you want to go. Treasurer KF7KXL Mike has added Squaw Peak to ARRL Insurance. Noted that club email has been hacked into, no indication of information stolen.

Membership: Bob Thompson KC8BOB reported one new member, Lang McGuire N7LXX, XYL Pauletta. Total membership 161 and stable.

Old Business: WA6LSE Mike has prepared a Technical team Charter outlining the club relationship with the US Forest Service, the Mingus Mountain Technical Association and the Squaw Peak Repeater Group, and specifying club contacts for resolving controversies. Formally establishes the Technical Committee for the club.

New Business: WB7RRQ Bob reported on desert Storm activities. Invited participants for upcoming events. 2 May: Chino Grinder, Whiskey Row Marathon. Field day pretty well set, use of site approved, up to three RVs.

Break: 7:34pm 50/50 drawing, winner "I got it" received \$15. Return 7:47pm.

Program: Kyle Smith from the Cottonwood public library explained how to use the Overdrive and Zinio systems to access eBooks, audio books and periodicals from Yavapai county libraries using a computer, tablet or smart phone. Example: Chilton Automotive Library .

Meeting adjourned at 9 pm.

Submitted by Leo A. Zuercher KF7KXH, Secretary.