

# Verde Valley Amateur Radio Association

## VVARA General Monthly Membership Meeting

**Location: El Toreo Mexican Restaurant in Clarkdale, Arizona**

**June 16, 2021**

Attendance: 31

Dinner was available at the restaurant at 5:30pm. We overwhelmed the restaurant a bit and it took longer than expected to get the food out so the meeting started late.

Don Sears, President opened the meeting at 8:00pm.

Board Members in attendance were President Don Sears N7PLL, Vice President Steve Pearson KC7TIL, Treasurer and Trustee Bob Thompson KC8BOB.

First on the agenda was the presentation on Field Day, Past and Present by Bob Shipton K8EQC.

The President opened the business meeting with a note that the minutes from the last meeting are posted on the club website <https://vvara.org>. With no objections the minutes were approved.

The treasurer's report was given by Bob Thompson. The full report follows the minutes in the printed version of this document. With no objection the report was approved.

Membership report from Starla Thompson, KE7DTS we have 13 new members in 2021 for a total of 148 paid, family and life members.

Tech Committee: Matt Dutton N7YIO, Bob Thompson KC8BOB, Bob Shipton K8EQC, Steve Pearson KC7TIL, Doug Theriault NO1D.

Matt N7YIO, reported on the work party that went to the Squaw Peak site. The Yaesu DR2X repeater suddenly went to very low power some time ago. The radio was replaced with a Daniels and will be sent to Yaesu for warranty repair. Also a DC power cable was replaced that could have been causing a voltage drop to the radio.

Don added that the committee has been talking about replacing the 70cm antenna on Mingus. Steve Pearson KC7TIL is looking into a new commercial antenna.

New Business, Field Day is June 25-27. We will be setting up on Friday the 25th at 3:00pm at our usual location in the parking lot at the top of Highway 89A on Mingus Mountain. On Saturday setup continues at 10:00am with radio operations starting at 11:00am. There will be a club picnic at noon with the club supplying Subway sandwiches and water. People are encouraged to bring food to share. Cleanup will begin at 10:00am on Sunday.

Our next meeting will be September 15th at a location to be determined.

A video of this meeting will be made available to the membership. Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Minutes submitted by  
Don Sears N7PLL (substituting for the Secretary)  
June 17, 2021