

St. Augustine Amateur Radio Society Meeting Minutes Tuesday, August 6, 2019

Officers Present:

Frank Kirbyson, KN4CLP President Jack Ernissee, K4KSW 1st Vice President Sue Kirbyson, KN4KNC Secretary Marc Bellefontaine, KK4KZZ Treasurer

Members Present:

Dennis Fernandez, N4KPI Allen Wyatt, KU4YA Chuck Sprecher, WB2PKF John Albertson, KN4UBT Michael Frame, KN4FKC Donny Stratmann, KM4CTB

Members continued:

Larry Sapp, WD8SEL
Buddy Tison, KK4RXC
Ron Morgan, KM4IGG
Dave Mitchell, K4GOP
John Smith, K3GO
Rick Hatton, KK4GGL
Reg Smith, KA4LGJ
Buzz Miklos, WA4GPM
Erik Hokansson, WA1YXV
Alan Alsobrook, KD4QOF
Gus Perry, WA4JPC

Guest Present: Keith Gaston, NC

Call to Order:

The meeting of the St. Augustine Amateur Radio Society (SAARS) was called to order by President Frank, KN4CLP at 06:33 pm, August 6, 2019.

Minutes:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on July 2, 2019 were read by Sue, KN4KNC for review by the membership. A motion was made by Chuck, WB2PKF and seconded by Jack, K4KSW to accept the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

The treasurer's report was read by Marc, KK4KZZ. The balance in the SAARS account as of July 1, 2019 was \$7,576.50. We had membership receipts of \$20.00 and 50-50 netted \$46.00, sales of SAARS Shirts \$179.00 for a total of \$245.00. We had expenses of \$210.00 for cost of shirts and embroidery. The balance in the SAARS account as of July 1 stands at \$7,611.50.

Old Business:

- Christmas Party- The cost for guest will be \$20.00 and the estimated cost for members should be between \$10.00 to \$15.00. This will be based on profits from 50-50 drawing and the number of members attending.
- We are still looking for net control operators, if interested, please contact Kevin. KM4PHI.
- Plans to hold the 2019 Flea Market event had been tabled at our July meeting and will be decided at the September meeting. The club needs volunteers to head up the event, transport items and work the booth.
- Still looking at possible Winter Field Day locations.
- International Lighthouse and Lightship weekend will be August 17th and 18th. Set up will start on Friday, August 16th at 9:00 am. Frank will be at the lighthouse around 8:00 am. ARES will be dropping off their trailer at 10:00 am. A list was sent around for supplies needed. Please make sure you have your SAARS ID with you to avoid an entrance fee.

New Business:

- Jack, K4KSW, talked about the Jamboree on the Air event that he along with Richard, NN2T and Linda, KN4KJC have been exploring for a possible SAARS event in October. They will have more details to give at our September meeting.
- The Castillo de San Marco in St. Augustine was mentioned as a possible location for National Parks on the Air by Larry, W4KTJ. No update at this time.

Program:

Our appreciation to Major Keith Gaston, Florida Highway Patrol for giving us a very interesting presentation on the history of the FHP communication system. He also extended an invitation to hold one of our club meetings at the Jacksonville FHP Communication Center with a tour afterwards.

50-50: We had a total of \$61.00. The winner was Donny, KM4CTB, he won \$31.00 and the club netted \$30.00.

Member Gift Card: The winner was Alan, KD4OOF. He chose the Chick Fil A Card.

Adjourn: Motion was made by Buzz, WA4GPM and seconded by Jack, K4KSW, to adjourn at 7.35 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sue Kirbyson, KN4KNC

Secretary

Date: 10-1-18