



St. Augustine Amateur Radio Society

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday October 7, 2025

FOP Lodge #113

Alan Alsobrook KD4QOF
Dave Berman WA2PAY
John Brittingham KO4SMB
Janet Dougherty KO4YYN
Warren Feldman KF4DLH
Dennis Fernandez N4KPI
Rick Hatton KK4GGL
Ted Hill W4POK
Eric Hinson KK4THE
Todd Johnstone KD4KJW
Leo Kim KQ4HWF
Frank Kirbyson KN4CLP
Sue Kirbyson KN4KNC
Bill Kisse W3MSH
William Kizer KQ4OHB
Joseph Logan III KO4VOY
Jack Maiher KQ4TRB
Charles Menzel KR4GHJ
Bruce Monahan KQ4AQV

Diane Rabideau-Wise WA4ZDQ
Mike Randazzo KO4PDI
Ron Richey K4RKA
Larry Sapp WD8SEL
James Scoggins KQ4SXE
Bob Sileo N2PE
John Smith K3GO
Tim Stack N4ONO
Eric Stone KF4ERC
Buddy Tison KK4RXC
Linda Visman KN4KJC
Richard Visman NN2T
Richard Wallace KG6YEM
Richard Weltman KR4GHZ
Craig Wisman W3LCI
Ziggy Baker KN4ZGY

GUESTS

Curt Schwarz KK4FFQ
Rick Egger

Business portion of the Meeting

6:31 pm – Business Meeting

1. Call to order
2. Pledge to the flag
3. Recognition of new members, guests, and new and upgraded licenses:
Rick Egger, Ziggy Baker KN4ZGY, Curt Schwarz KK4FFQ
4. September 2025 Meeting Minutes – approval (Richard motioned and Diane 2nd)
5. Treasurer's report – approval (Bill motioned and Ron 2nd)

As of October 7, 2025

Balance Sept 2, 2025	\$6,449.85
Income (dues & 50/50)	\$40.00
Expenses (SJC Fairgrounds drinks etc.)	\$0.00
Bank Balance	\$6,489.85

2025 Members YTD = 90

6. Operating Events

a. Parks on the Air (POTA) at Castillo de San Marcos

Saturday, October 25, 2025 from 10AM to 2 PM ran 10 & 15 Meters last year.

7. Help Wanted – Bob has presented signup sheets for Net controllers (meeting Wednesday night 2 Meter net 7PM, Testing and VE programs all can use volunteers.

a. Sign up sheet are on Bob's large poster board at front table.

b. Need input from members for programs for 2026. Please fill out or forward suggestions.

8. New Hams Corner- this evening Bob covered coax cable and types of coax and ratings. Excellent power point on this area and new terms for "New Hams Corner" much discussion and Q&A.

9. Other Business

a. Logo design revisions. #3 was the choice. Ted presented design variations. Last three revisions will be sent out for member final polling for November meeting.

b. Repeater activities – Bill, Ziggy and Joe have been in the field tracking the interference. We recognize their work. Ziggy has a discussion on the Discord Server for those interested. The suggestion was to encode and set decode for tone 123 and in this way no tone encoded signals simply won't pass through your radio.

c. Group.IO for SAARS (online discussion group for Q&A, equipment and technical topics.

<https://groups.io/g/SAARS/topics>

d. Facebook page for the club. You have to be a member to join SAARS Facebook page.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/245505349734806>

e. Website Calendar for the club is at https://saars.club/?page_id=2654

10. Next Monthly Meeting - Tuesday, November 4, 2025 - 6:30PM

11. Adjourn business meeting at **7:29 PM** for the program.

(Tim motioned and Rich 2nd)

"Space Limited Antennas - Work the world with Digital Modes - wire, loops and low power"

Thanks

Your SAARS officers