



St. Augustine Amateur Radio Society

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday March 3, 2026

FOP Lodge #113

Alan Alsobrook KD4QOF	Diane Rabideau-Wise
Dave Berman WA2PAY	WA4ZDQ(ZOOM)
Frank Cantelmo WB1FWS (ZOOM)	Sandy Reda WA4MFK (Guest)
Marilee Cantelmo KA1BCV (ZOOM)	Rick Reuther W2BFD (ZOOM)
Al Dunn KZ4ZP (Guest)	Ron Richey K4RKA
Dave Dunnley KF6VA (Guest)	Larry Sapp WD8SEL
Janet Dougherty KO4YNN (ZOOM)	Bob Sileo N2PE
Dennis Fernandez N4KPI	Frank Sileo N1PE
Michael Frame KN4FKC	Larry Slight W4KTJ
Erik Hokensson WA1YXV(ZOOM)	John Smith K3GO
Ted Hill W4POK	Tim Stack N4ONO
Todd Johnstone KD4KJW	John Stahl W2AAQ (ZOOM)
Leo Kim KQ4HWF	Mark Tolzmann KR4HGJ
Frank Kirbyson KN4CLP	Steve Urmano WB2AKH
Bill Kisse W3MSH	Linda Visman KN4KJC
William Kizer KQ4OHB	Richard Visman NN2T
Joseph Logan III KO4VOY	Richard Wallace KG6YEM(ZOOM)
Charles Menzel KR4GHJ	Richard Weltman KR4GHZ
Jose Martinez KG5EUP (Guest)	
Buzz Miklos WA4GPM	
Bruce Monahan KQ4AQV	

25 At meeting, 8 On-Line and 4 guests 37 total

6:30 pm – Business Meeting

1. Call to order @ 6:35PM
2. Pledge to the flag
3. Recognition of Frank Kirbyson and Lynne Catoggio of the FOP Lodge 113 for the use of their hall. A big thankyou by the club.
Recognition of new members, guests, and new and upgraded licenses, Sandy Dave and AL. Joe Passed his General exam.
4. March 2026 Meeting Minutes - discussion and approval of Feb Minutes (Dave motioned and Frank second, all yeas)
5. Treasurer's report –

Bank Balance on February 3, 2026	\$6,615.24
Income (dues. Donation from Rick KK4GGL)	\$199.00
Expenses	\$0.00
Bank Balance on March 3, 2025	\$6,814.24

2026 YTD paid members (as of 3/03/2026) = 63

- FL Annual Corp fee- \$65, FL State parks \$60 Favor Dykes, St John Parks &Rec \$300 for Field Day, Misc \$150 for GO Kits for operating events.
 - Discussion and approved (Larry motioned John second, all yeas)
6. Upcoming Events – see club calendar on website
 - a. Parks on the Air activation-
 - I. March 7- Castillo de San Marcos downtown St. Augustine
Saturday, Larry W4KTJ, says parking at Fort, park opens 9AM setup will be single Buddi-pole with only 1 operator position. Will log as POTA event station. Wear your club shirt free admission. Operation through early afternoon.
 - b. Florida State Parks on the Air
Saturday, April 18, 2026 Faver-Dykes State Park
 - II. Bob is making the reservations and we plan to operate one day (Saturday.). Event is a four day event. Make a spot on your calendar for this nice event.
 - III. Last full weekend in June Bob has reserved the St. Johns county meeting house for the ARRL Field day (June 27-28)on the county grounds. (This mean AC and electric for stations)
 7. Next Monthly meeting April 7, 2026 meeting at the FOP Lodge.
 8. Volunteer opportunities-
We need volunteers to help with events and stations. Club as several fixed stations for program events. Stations are available to loan as long as member returns the radio for club field events for operations. We have VHF/UHF and HF stations (one of which Diane donated). Another idea was by Alan was Frank Don and Dennis do a DMR program? Maybe we can schedule one meeting as a field trip to the EOC?
SIGNUP Board is at front – looking for ideas for September and October.
 9. Other business – W4POK Ted is doing the T shirts. WB2AKH Steve is rounding up Elmer topics for the monthly program. Please suggest some ideas.
 10. Adjourn business meeting 7:09 PM. (motion by Richard and AI, all yea)

Program follows the business meeting

John Smith K3GO – **Low Power Communications and DXCC**
Program Completed at 7:55PM.

Thanks
Your SAARS officers