

Albuquerque Amateur Radio Club

November 6, 2010 Meeting Minutes,
submitted by Michael Pendley, K5ATM, Board Member

The meeting was held at Ropers Restaurant, 8810 Central SE, just East of Wyoming.

Ray Hill, KB5SF called the meeting to order at 8:07 A.M.

Everyone participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Invocation was given by Ray Hill, KB5SF.

Visitors: One, Jeff Cuellar, KA5GCJ

Self-Introductions took place with 28 in attendance.

Health and Welfare: No reports.

Program: Jerry Boyd, WB8WFK talked about his competition in the world ARDF (Amateur Radio Direction Finding) championships in Croatia in September of this year. Jerry also talked about how Albuquerque will once again be hosting the United States championships in September 16-18, 2011.

Nominating Committee: Mike, K5ATM, gave an update on progress of identifying individuals to hold officer and director positions. The committee will make its formal recommendation at the December meeting. The membership will vote and the new officers and directors will be installed at the holiday banquet the following week. Nominating Committee consists of Mike Pendley, K5ATM, Steve Keithley, WD9FJL and Glenn Wonn, KK5UZ.

Club Raffle: The current raffle is going well. It appears that enough tickets have been sold to pay for the prize. Future sales will be profit for the club. The next drawing will be held at the Winter tailgate (January 29) or the Spring tailgate. Capt' Bob is asking for folks to consider selling AARC raffle tickets at other club meetings.

The Treasurer's Report won unanimous approval.

The minutes for the October 2, 2010 meeting were approved.

Caravan Club: The next meeting is Pat Wood, KE5FVS stated that The next meeting will be held Friday, November 12, 7:00 PM at the Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 8600 Academy Rd NE. (corner of Academy and Moon). Please check in to the SCAT net weekday mornings at 7:06 on the club repeaters at 145.33 and 444.0 MHz. Both repeaters require a 100Hz tone.

Upper Rio: Mike, K5ATM announced that the new Mexico Amateur Radio technical Society (NM-ARTS) which is a special interest group under the Upper Rio is becoming active again after a hiatus when they lost their meeting location. The next meeting will be on December 8 at 7PM at the Manzano Mesa Multigeneral Center (on Southern between Juan Tabo and Eubank). See <http://www.urfmsi.org/nm-arts>. Meeting topic will be a report on building a kit software defined radio and home brew aluminum anodizing.

High Desert ARC: It was reported that the High Desert club's repeater frequency changed to 145.37, minus offset, 162.2 tone. It was also reported that Frank Warren retired as president of the club. Larry Elkin, NY5L is the new president. The High Desert Net is Sunday evening at 7:00 P.M., 145.31 MHz, 162 Hertz tone.

QCWA: Robbie Hill, KC5FT, QCWA will meet at Ropers, Saturday, December 11 at 12:30 P.M. New club officers will be elected.

N5VA: Kermit Goettsche, KB5HA, Tuesday and Thursday are the big days when the station is manned from about 9:30 to 12:30. At 11:00 A.M., we run the VA Net. The other days are usually 10:00 to 12:00. Kermit also reported that the sliding glass door to the shack has some issues but the hospital will be fixing it soon. The phone number of the shack is 505 265-1711 x2321. Volunteers can call the shack to see if anyone is operating that day or if they have questions.

Transmitter Hunters: Jerry, WB8WFK, announced he is trying to set up a hunt for the first Saturday in December.

ARES: Don Wood, W5FHA reported on a successful state wide exercise last month. He also reported that the state wide meeting in Socorro last month was well attended.

ARRL: Don Wood, W5FHA advertised the new Section web site again (<http://www.arrl-nm.org/wp/>) and announced he has started the "Hero Club" to honor those individuals that donate equipment to youth. He also reported that the effort to set up an radio club at the Bataan Military Academy hit a few glitches but is once again moving forward.

Misc. Announcements: Capt' Bob announced that an ATV (Amateur TV) repeater will be up and running very soon. Equipment is in hand and antennas are being built. The uplink will be on 70cm and the downlink will be on 23cm.

Holiday party is scheduled for Sunday December 12. Letters will be in the mail soon and information is available on the club web site (<http://www.albuquerquearc.net>).

Door Prizes: A drawing was held for several door prizes.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:16 A.M.