

Albuquerque Amateur Radio Club

December 4, 2010 Meeting Minutes,
submitted by Glenn Wonn, KK5UZ, ex-Secretary

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

Ray Hill, KB5SF called the meeting to order at 8:01 A.M.

Everyone participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Invocation was given by Don Grab, K5BIS.

Visitors: Mike Brininstool, KE5FBT with Jenna and Capt. Bob's guest Ken Rindfleisch, KO5Y.

Self-Introductions took place with 37 in attendance.

Health and Welfare: Silent Key Lyle Kruse, October 30. Worked as a Nuclear Engineer at Sandia.

Nominating Committee: Mike, K5ATM, The nominees are as follows:

President	Chris Aas, NB5T
Vice-President	Bob Grant, KD4HCR
Secretary	Still needed
Treasurer	Stephen Pendley, KD5TBX
Board of Directors:	

Ray Hill, KB5SF, Past President
Darryl Clutter, NX5W
Glenn Wonn, KK5UZ
Art Priebe, N5ART
Richard St. John, K5RSJ
Mike Pendley, K5ATM

Motion to accept the nominees made by Don Wood.W5FHA.
Nominees accepted.

Capt Bob and Ken, KO5Y recently established a "Rag Chewer's Net" over IRLP as a means of "promoting the way ham radio used to be." A group will be formed to be known as the Four R's – Rag Chew – Rig Building – Real Radios. A meeting will be held at 10:00 AM Wednesday (Jan 8) at the Flying Star, Juan Tabo and Montgomery. One goal will be to figure out just how cheaply a rig can be built for 20 meter SSB.

The ATV antennas are here and will soon be set up. The links will use 70 cm up and 22 cm down. Reception would simply require a receiver for channel 59.

Club Raffle: The current raffle of a Kenwood TM-271A is going well. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5.

The Treasurer's Report won unanimous approval.

The minutes for the November 6, 2010 meeting were approved.

Caravan Club: Pat Wood, KE5FVS stated that The next meeting will be held Friday, December 10, 7:00 PM at the Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 8600 Academy Rd NE. (corner of Academy and Moon). Meeting will include the election of officers.). 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: Don, K5BIS - The next regular member meeting would normally be held January 11 though that may change. It is the subject of an upcoming Board meeting.

Mike, K5ATM: NMARTS will meet this coming Wednesday, 7:00 PM, Manzano Mesa Multigenerational Center. Topics will include the Software Defined Radio and do it yourself anodizing.

High Desert ARC: They will be holding all kinds of classes and testing come January. They are becoming very very active.

QCWA: Robbie Hill, KC5FT, QCWA will meet at Ropers, Saturday, December 11 at 12:30 P.M.

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. The station is located in the Courtyard of the Spinal Column Injury Center.

Transmitter Hunters: Mike K5ATM, there will be a hunt at 1:00 today. Jerry Boyd will be hiding the transmitter. The starting point is at Candelaria and I-25.

ARES: Don Wood, W5FHA. Appointed a new SEC, Bill Coffman to replace the previous SEC who has serious medical problems. Bernalillo County ARES, Torrance County ARES, and Sandoval County ARES are very active. We are trying to ensure that we have proper training in each SEC area. The Federal government has put training requirements on us so we must make take steps to properly train our personnel. This is not just for radio people but is for everyone involved.

VE Testing, etc. Darryl Clutter, NX5W gave a status report on testing. Darryl commented that more people are passing than in previous years. An additional person is needed to run the Thursday Swap Net. The main qualification besides desire is that you must be an Upper Rio member..Don't forget to purchase your tickets for the upcoming Holiday Banquet. There will be a large number of door prizes.

ARRL: Don Wood, W5FHA Please see the Section web site (<http://www.arrl-nm.org/wp/>) and the Section Report. Don has a very large supply of components for the asking. This can be an asset for the scratch-builder. Don has also been attempting to get club stations established in the schools, but this is very difficult to accomplish. He has received an amazing collection of equipment donations toward this goal.

The ARRL continues its fight against the attempt by Recon Robotics, manufacturers and marketers of the Recon Scout to obtain allocations within the 420-450 MHz band for use with their robot.

The Winter Tailgate will be held January 29 at a new location, 8600 Jefferson St NE (corner of Alameda and Jefferson). Enter parking lot from Wilshire.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:01 A.M.