

## **Albuquerque Amateur Radio Club**

Meeting Minutes, February 6, 2010 submitted by Glenn Wonn, KK5UZ, Secretary

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

Ray Hill, KB5SF called the meeting to order at 8:05 A.M.

Mike Pendley, K5ATM led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Invocation was given by Don Grab, K5BIS.

Self-introductions took place with an attendance of 41 including two visitors.

Health and Welfare: Don, K5BIS.

Silent Keys: Jim Poore, W5RKS, died January 11. He was an Army/Navy vet with service from 1943 to 1983. Bob Moll, K5BXP, died last Monday. He was a WWII Army vet and a Chemical Engineer.

Hospitalizations: Ken King, WB5EKP, Trustee of the 94 repeater, hospitalized for a coronary event. Paul Thompson, K5TCU, was in Presbyterian for medical treatment. He was at the Tailgate last weekend. Jim Bluett, KE5DE, lost his wife. Don Witschger, KC5VLV lost his wife in January.

Caravan Club: Pat Wood, KE5FVS, The next meeting will be Friday, February 12, 7:00 PM at the Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church 8600 Academy rd. (corner of Academy and Moon)

Upper Rio: Mike, K5ATM stated that the next meeting is Tuesday, April 14 at Immanuel Presbyterian Church, 7:30 P.M. Also, the Internet service at the Hub was upgraded with the addition of another IP address for the IGATE.

High Desert: No Report

QCWA: Robbie Hill, KC5FT, will meet at Ropers, Saturday, March 13 at 12:30.

N5VA: Kermit Goettsche, KB5HA stated that the two power amplifiers had been returned from repair. The station is manned weekdays, usually from 10:00 A.M. to noon.

Transmitter Hunters: Mike, K5ATM hopes to resume the hunts with warmer weather. The Software Defined Radio (SDR) will be the topic of today's Program given by Jerry Boyd, WB8WFK and Mike, K5ATM.

ARES: The ARES meeting was held last Wednesday and is held on the first Wednesday of the month at the Bernalillo County Emergency Operations Center

ARRL: Don Wood, W5FHA discussed the impact of legislation being considered in Santa Fe. He was referring to HB10, a bill to regulate mobile communication devices. The bill is an outgrowth of the governor's desire to regulate the use of cell phones while driving, but the bill does not say Cell Phones, it says Mobile Communication Devices. Radio Amateurs are not exempted as are many other users of mobile radio. Comments should be directed to Al Park, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee.

Special Service Club: Ray, KB5SF appointed a committee to determine the necessary steps to return AARC to the ARRL Special Service Club status. The committee chair is Mike, K5ATM with members Richard St. John, K5RSJ, **Ralph**, and Kermit, KB5HA.

Treasurer's Report: The report was approved on a motion by Mike, K5ATM, seconded by Don, K5BIS and confirmed by voice vote.

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Minutes: The January minutes were accepted with one correction on a motion by Don, W5FHA and seconded by Debbie, Pendley, KD5LOK.

The Program "Software Defined Radio (SDR) was presented by Jerry Boyd, WB8WFK and Mike, K5ATM. The comprehensive description was followed by a demonstration of the prototype unit.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 A.M.