

Albuquerque Amateur Radio Club

August 7, 2010 Meeting Minutes,
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 8:00 A.M.

Everyone participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Invocation was given by Don Grab, K5BIS.

Self-Introductions took place with 30 in attendance including 2 visitors.

Capt. Bob, KD4HCR reported on the towel collection effort of High Desert and AARC to support the bird cleanup effort in Louisiana. To date, over 2000 pounds of towels have been shipped to them. 1069 birds have been collected with 484 cleaned and returned into the wild using our towels. A certificate of thank you was sent to the AARC by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife.

Hamfest: Don, K5BIS highlighted the Hamfest including the Banquet that will include the speaker, Bob Martin, KC5LHO. More information may be obtained from the Hamfest website, www.dukecityhamfest.org. Dee, KC5JBO will provide the talk-in on the local repeaters. Mike Pendley, K5ATM mentioned the many forums including the New Ham Forum, the Taos Ham Forum, forums on batteries, etc. The Grand Prize is an Icom 706 MKIIG. There also will be a silent auction for a Bird Model 43 Wattmeter. Darryl Clutter, NX5W mentioned the ARRL Exam Session beginning at 1:00 P.M. Saturday.

Health and Welfare: Don, K5BIS: There were no hospitalizations.

The mother of Pat Wood, KE5FVS is quite ill.

Dave Fuller, NN5K rode his bicycle into a construction warning sign and broke his collarbone.

Paul Paulson (KB5DZ?) had an aneurism 6-8 months ago while in Florida. He is now up and about.

The Treasurer's Report won unanimous approval.

The minutes for the July 3, 2010 meeting were approved.

Caravan Club: No Report

Upper Rio: Don, K5BIS stated that the next meeting will be held Tuesday, July 13, 2010. Mike, K5ATM said the program will be given by Mike Eaton, K5MJE. Don, K5BIS said that the newsletter is in the mail now.

Mike, K5ATM said that last weekend he got a call that the Hub has called 911 a couple of times. Since Joe Knight was still listed as the contact, Lois took the call. It still hasn't been determined who actually made the 911 calls, but Mike will try to figure it out.

High Desert ARC: No report, on hiatus for summer. 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, September 11 at 12:30 P.M.

N5VA: Kermit Goettsche, KB5HA, Merryl May, N5OTI and Ray, KB5SF talked at length about N5VA. Visitors are welcome at the station, particularly Tuesday and Thursday mornings. The station is located in the Spinal Cord Unit courtyard on the south side of the hospital.

Transmitter Hunters: Mike, K5ATM said that it has been very quiet lately. Jerry is training for the world championship. Development of the Software defined Radio is active again with half of the microprocessor code now written.

ARES: Kermit, KB5HA: ARES has a Search and Rescue side based upon the Search and Rescue teams and upon the Home Team who calls them out and provides support during the search. The Search and Rescue Teams are well trained for the activity rather than having a team member get into trouble..

ARRL: No Report

Door Prizes: A drawing was held for 5-6 door prizes.

AARC Handheld Drawing: Tickets are still available for the drawing to be held during the Hamfest. (Comment: The handheld was won by Pat Wood, KE5FVS as the result of the drawing.)

The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 A.M.