Sun City Center Amateur Radio Club General Membership Meeting November 1, 2023

Board of Directors

President, Joel Bahl KQ0J Vice President, Rick Sochon N1OV Treasurer, Gene Raymond N1MVV Secretary, Judy Wozniak K4WOZ Emergency Coordinator, Rick Sochon N1OV Station Trustee, Pat Masterson KE2LJ

Joel Bahl, President, called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM.

A new Tuesday night net control is needed. If we do not get a volunteer there will not be a Tuesday night net. If the members would like a different format for Second Tuesday and would participate, such as a roundtable discussion or technical net, then please speak up and share your ideas!

There is no volunteer for Publicity or a monitor for Friday in the shack.

Our bank account is at its lowest it has been in past years. Hopefully, we will get some donations of equipment and make some money from sales in December.

Mr. Rick Sochon reported that Santa will be at the Golf Cart Parade on Saturday December 2, 2023. Rick will be asking for volunteers soon.

Treasurer Report: Gene reported the Treasury Balance is \$2,216.96.

New Business: Looking forward into 2024 the club will tailor activities to match the level of engagement and participation from its membership. Participation has dropped consistently since Joel became President (maybe it's his fault), if so let him know.

Membership numbers are still declining. We have lost more active members over the course of this year and the few new people that have signed up do not seem to be interested in participating in club activities whether social or technical. Some members of SCCARC prefer to participate in technical events at KPARC rather than do anything at our club. If anyone has any ideas to turn things around the Board is ready to hear them.

We are required in our Bylaws to have a meeting the first Wednesday of December so we will have one just for the purpose of the required election. As of now, all we will be doing is to show up, vote and adjourn. We will have a voice vote to reaffirm the current officers unless someone else wishes to run. If someone wants to do something else or have and end of year potluck or something feel free to plan, communicate and execute it.

Dues are due in December.

There are no reported equipment issues. The beam still needs repair, upgrade but seems to be working.

Program: Mr. Dick Bishop gave a presentation on Digital Data Communications in Amateur Radio.

Thank you to Mr. Bob Fauci N1UVO for the refreshments.

Welcome to new member Mr. Leonard Boyer KQ4LJG.

Thank you to the 19 members for attending this month's meeting.

Meeting closed at 3:00 PM

Sun City Center Amateur Radio Club General Membership Meeting October 4, 2023

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Joel stated that we need a new Net Control for the second Tuesday of the month K4DGG, is moving and October will be his last month.

The ARRL membership is good for now but please renew.

Members need to check their license expiration date, on line, since there are no r from the FCC or ARRL.

There is a dehumidifier in the shack now. Please empty the water if you are in the will be purchasing a condensate pump so we do not have to do it by hand.

The club is in need of a Publicity volunteer. The volunteer would occasionally sen and pictures of club activities to local papers, radio, social media etc.

Treasurer Report: Gene reported the Treasury Balance is \$2,264.57.

New Business: New printer is running well. It's on the new router SSID=KE4ZIP.

The 147.225 2 meter repeater was repaired. The 440 repeater is out of service up notice. The FT-450D is working well with the beam. If anyone needs training on t please schedule that with Joel. HRD is setup to use either radio or both at the sam ops on the shack radios, you will need to reconfigure the SW you are using for the using. Sound card and com port as necessary settings are under the desktop glass. Two lightning arrestors were replaced under the operating desk. A better power s on the IC-7600 rig. Joel added a cable to the bencher paddle and added it to the F have two Vibrokeyers for sale and one Vibroplex bug.

The temperature in the shack is down and the fan is left on to keep the air dryer s the mold and corrosion problems will be eliminated.

A repair the beam day needs to be scheduled.

A CQ WW SSB DX contest on October 28 – 29. Contact Joel if interested.

Program: Mr. Joel Bahl KQ0J gave some tips and reminders for Net Operation.

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Thank you to the 16 members for attending this month's meeting.