## Green Valley Amateur Radio Club Board Meeting Minutes

A meeting of the Board and requested members at large of the Green Valley Amateur Radio Club was held on 4 March 2019 at 12:30 P.M.

In attendance were:

Gary (Beetle) Bailey, K7GSB, President Ron Phillips, AA7RP, Vice President Tom Lang, K7VOA, Director Bruce Tewksbury, K3BAT Bob Call, K7RWC, Treasurer Rick Rogers, KF7ZKA, Secretary Tom Smith, K7AFA, Director Ed Toal, N9MW

Beetle was notified that the Clark's are having difficulties. Beetle will refer this to the Elmerettes to see if the club can offer any assistance. In addition Dee Gross' sister passed last week and Ron is not doing well so they may need assistance as well.

George Clark has an antenna he wants to donate to the club. Not sure what kind of antenna it is but Bruce's team will handle what process is needed to get the antenna.

Ray Soifer needs antenna help and that will be addresses by club members as well.

Valentines Day event was a great time. Maybe this needs to be a social event rather than a radio event. More later.

Field Days: Discussion was started about Field Days locations. Beetle offered his place. This needs more discussion. Tom Lang is Field Day chair.

Special Events Club: N7GV call sign. Ron Phillips is still in the process of moving forward to acquire Lloyd Miller's call sign. Progress has been made but some more paperwork needs to be done. He was in contact with ARRL for advice and he said they were very helpful.

Emergency Services: Some club members are interested in more involvement in emergency service. Bob Junke should work with Norm Kibby to get things started.

Repeater Update: The repeater is working okay. The amplifier has not been installed yet, but there is no urgent need to go up the mountain to install it. The snow needs to clear and the road needs to dry out some.

Road Cleanup: Fourteen folks came out. We were done in a little over an hour. Sharon Smith has volunteered to be the point person for this activity in the future. Tentative date for next cleanup is 31 August.

Tech Class Update: Not everyone from last class was able to make the test session. Earle Cate is working with them to set up a test session. Should be the next week or two. Earl wants to put together a combo Tech/General class. Don't have a time frame yet.

Club Nets: Nets are going well. Tom Smith is going to put together scripts for the NCS' to use appropriate to the type of net it is. These will be put on the web site for anyone to use.

## **Project Updates:**

Ed Toal is chair for the workshops/projects committee. He has been working with Jon Otto on the new web site reviewing old content and making the new web site more relevant. Ed also discussed establishing an RFI group within the club. He is working on a field antenna and will be borrowing a radio from Bruce to do field testing. After this is done it will be discussed again at a board meeting to see if the club wants to proceed and any funding requirements.

Flagpole: Tom Lang's antenna is working well. Ready to move to the next level in development.

Mag Loop: Bruce reported the development is going well and gave a description of the antenna construction details.

Beetle asked Ron, Bruce and Ed to put together a program for the monthly meeting next week telling the club membership about these projects.

## Activities:

Beetle brought up doing a Fox Hunt in the future, probably in the fall. Maybe it could be done in conjunction with the club picnic. A workshop on how to construct an antenna would need to be conducted.

Beetle suggested having a club picnic for the snow bird members who are about to depart. A date and place will need to be determined. Beetle will look into it further.

## Discussion:

Beetle briefed the Board on the American Legion and school outreach initiatives.

Bob Call asked about the date to purge members from the roster who have not paid their dues for 2019. Beetle will send out a Reflector to those who have not paid asking if they still wish to be club members and if so their dues need to be paid immediately.

Bob Call discussed filing the annual report with the AZ Corp Comm.

Rick reported we are once again an ARRL affiliated club. Regarding the number of club members who are ARRL members only 43 responded which seems like a low number given the number of club members.

Rick asked if there is a listing of club owned property. There apparently is not a list and we need to put one together along with where the club property is located. This is for insurance purposes and accountability to the club membership.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:50 P.M.