

Green Valley Radio Club Monthly Meeting Minutes

The May 2020 monthly meeting of the Green Valley Amateur Radio Club (GVARC) was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Tom Smith. Due to social distancing requirements, the meeting was held on 2 Meter, Zoom and EchoLink. We had 28 check-ins and the club president exhibited fine juggling skills between the different communication formats.

7QP:

Rick Rogers gave a brief update on the results of 7QP (11 participants, 1289 total club contacts with Art Blank making over 750 of those contacts). We had several new contest participants and would like to encourage that trend.

Field Day (FD):

Bruce Tewksbury provided an update on Field Day. At this time, ARRL has not changed the participation rules for FD. If group gatherings are permitted and club members feel comfortable with attending, FD will occur as originally scheduled at Bruce and Cathy Tewksbury's residence with appropriate social distance spacing and cleaning procedures. The committee has prepared various contingency plans to allow us to operate despite the changing environment caused by the pandemic.

2 Meter Contest Winner:

Bruce Tewksbury won a \$25 DX Engineering gift certificate for his submission of a Slim Jim J Pole antenna. There were 3 additional honorable mentions.

Antenna:

Ron Phillips advised that the antenna, repeater, and link are all reliable after some fine tuning.

Treasurers Report:

Not available due to some limitations with Zoom.

Brief comments were solicited from all check-ins and the meeting was concluded.

Jeanne Crane
Secretary, GVARC