

Green Valley Amateur Radio Club
Monthly Meeting Minutes

The November 2019 monthly meeting of the Green Valley Amateur Radio Club (GVARC) was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Gary "Beetle" Bailey. Forty nine club members attended.

President's Comments:

- Special thanks go out to Tom Smith for all the activities he did this year to support the club in 2019.
- Thanks to Sharon Smith for heading up the road cleanup efforts this year.
- Thanks to Ed Toal, N9MW for heading up the Hands On Workshop committee, which included Ron Phillips, AA7RP, Bruce Tewksbury, K3BAT, and Roger Johnson, K5IP. Some great projects came out of this committee and we are looking forward to more this year.
- Thanks to Ron Phillips, AA7RP, Bruce Tewksbury, K3BAT, Tom Lang, K7VOA, John Lynn, KL7CY, and Roger Johnson, K5IP for all of the continuous work necessary to keep the club repeaters up.
- Beetle thanked everyone in the club who has participated in any event this year. All of us working together, make our club a success. Special thanks to Miss Pam for all of her support during the year.
- It has been proposed that rather than have just the Christmas party in December, we have a regular meeting and party. One advantage is that club elections could be held in December rather than November. There will be more discussion on this.
- Beetle acknowledged Bob Call, K7RWM for his 10 years service to the club as treasurer.

Vice President /Technical Committee: Ron Phillips, AA7RP

- The VHF and UHF antennas have been replaced as well as the repeater. All the coax was tested and the UHF antenna was relocated.

Secretary: Rick Rogers, K7RCR

- Inventory of club property: Still property that has not been accounted for. Multiple requests have gone unanswered. Please let me know if you have any club property.
- Jack McGowan has volunteered to help build a storage building and Tom Lang has volunteered to donate a shed if the club wants it.

Treasurer: Bob Call, K7RWC

- General Fund \$ XXXX.75
- Repeater Fund \$ XXXX.44
- Current 2019 membership is 139 voting and non voting members
- Income from Country Store sales approx \$XX94
- Dues for 2020 will start to be collected at the November meeting. They may be paid directly to Bob or mailed to him. If mailed to him please print out the membership renewal form on the members tab and include it with your check. All dues are due by 31 December.

Licensing Committee: Earle Cate, N0ISB

- Open exam session was held on November 3. No takers this session.

Note: For 2020 Norm Kibby, W5UJ will chair the committee, and Don Thompson KG7ITK will oversee instruction for licensing.

Beetle thanked Earle for chairing the committee as well as all of the members that worked with him. The club instruction and testing program was a great success this year.

Drive Out Committee: Linda Boeck

Next driveout is 20 November to Ft Huachuca to the Buffalo Soldier Museum. A technology museum, and the MARS facility. A picture ID is also required to access the post. Look on the club web site for the latest info on where we've been and where we are going. Future trip will be to the Tucson Car Museum on 11 January. Also on March 25th 15 people **max** will be going to the Tucson Airport for a behind the scenes tour of the airport.

Beetle gave special thanks to Linda for all of her efforts in organizing the drive outs this year.

Elmerettes Committee:

- Dee Gross, AD7NM reported there have been no requests for help but the committee is ready and willing whenever needed.

Beetle thanked Dee for heading up the committee this year. He also thanked Cathy Tewksbury, KF7DZA for working with Dee to get club shirts and hats.

Web Site: Jon Otto, AD7GS :

- The club web site continues to get many hits from all over the world.
- If anyone can store a 14 foot long trailer for a fellow ham from December to April please let Jon know. The person is willing to pay rent for the space.
- If there is something that members think needs to be on the web site let Jon know.
- White Elephant Parade: Jon thanked everyone who worked the parade. We made a good showing in the community.

Special Events: Tom Lang, K7VOA

- No radio events scheduled until all of club call sign issues are settled with the FCC. The FCC does not recognize the GVARC subsidiary club as a subsidiary so we cannot get the WE7GV call back until May 30, 2021. The FCC has given us KJ7IGA as a special events club call. Through a loophole Tom found, we can change the subsidiary club name from WE7GV Special Events Club Inc to a name that does not have the WE7GV call included in it and then apply for a vanity call sign for the subsidiary club. There are a couple of calls available that would be appropriate but we first have to change the subsidiary club name. There are many options available that need to be worked out. More to come.

Beetle thanked Tom and Ron for pursuing all of the actions required for licenses.

- Christmas Party is 12 December at 5 PM at American Legion Post 66 on Duval Mine Road. Cost is \$20 per person and is payable to Bob Call by mail by 1 December. To sign up for the event go to GVARC.US and click on **MEMBERS** and **Christmas Party - Pick an Entre**. This is where you go to sign up and select your meal, but you must still send payment to Bob. His address and all instructions are on the web site.

Christmas Party Decoration Committee: Suzanne Phillips asked if anyone has anything they would like to donate for Christmas gifts for the party please contacts her.

Miller Team: Bruce Tewksbury, K3BAT reported that some members have requested and received help in getting radios up and running, antennas repaired and erected, and similar tasks. If anyone needs help with anything like this please let Bruce know. Bruce thanked everyone that volunteered to help out fellow club members.

Beetle thanked Bruce for all of his work with the Miller Team and also for all of his work on the Country Store program this year.

Snow Bird Net: The Snow Bird Net is doing well and will remain at 1800Z on Wednesdays on 14.237 +/- year around.

Election:

Elections were held for 2020 club officers.

President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer were elected by affirmation. The two Directors at large were elected by ballot.

The 2020 Board of Directors are as follows:

President:	Tom Smith, K7AFA
Vice President:	Ron Phillips, AA7RP
Secretary:	Jeanne Crane, KJ7HCP
Treasurer:	Gary Carroll, W0QN

Directors at Large:	
Tom Lang	K7VOA
Bruce Tewksbury	K3BAT

Past President	
Gary "Beetle" Bailey	K7GSB

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM. Next regular meeting is 8 January at 7 PM. There will be no regular meeting December due to the Christmas party.