



RCARC Minutes for
August 13, 2013

President Larry Heddings WD0CDG called the meeting to order at 7:33 pm.

Those in attendance:

W7KBM	Ken Oliver	AE7HY	Bob Vosper	K8NG	Mac Harmer
K7ZI	Dick Parker	N7TCE	Merlin Mackay	K7BTE	Bill Rankin
WA7HHE	Brad Biedermann	KB7HHB	Mardi Biedermann	W0LKT	Lynn Topham
KF7GPZ	Fred Sheffiel	KF7WIY	Denice Sheffiel	KG6LFU	Jim Beal
KG7AHS	Travis Horton	N7SIY	Joel Clements	KB7UMU	Sylvia Clements
KC6ZNC	Scott Tweede	TBA	Julie Johnson	KA7QJN	Dennis Porter
WA7GTU	Don Blanchard	K7JCA	Jim Asby	AL7BX	George Gallis
KB7BGS	Stephen Judd	K7NJ	Riki Kline	WD0CDG	Larry Hedding
K6QOG	Bill Stenger	N7KM	Ken Munford		

Guests:

Susan Parker
Cathy Horton
Bruce Howard

Since Minutes for the last two months comprised of photos, minutes were approved.

Ken Oliver W7KBM reported balance was \$852.90 July 1. Income in July was \$15 and Electric Utility bill was \$28.46. Balance as of club meeting is \$839.44.

Larry Heddings WD0CDG mentioned that before the meeting

- a) the location for the last club meeting was not accurate.
- b) it was noted that the club website does not have the correct address for the club meetings.
Don Blanchard reported his website has the correct address and the other website needs to be updated.

Don Blanchard WA7GTU gave an update on the repeater system.

- a) Don and George Gallis AL7BX went to Frisco Peak and finished connecting ground wires.
- b) New 450MHZ will be up and running with connection to the intertie on Navajo Mountain soon.
- c) There are plans to extend the intertie into Phoenix, AZ as well as a new repeater on Monroe Peak for intertie connections to Richfield area.
- d) A Bumble Bee Repeater will require coordination with St. George folks and getting permission from the Fire Department at Bumble Bee. Some additional equipment will also be needed.

Sylvia Clements KB7UMU are for a breakfast count and mentioned that Cal Carver sends his regards and is recovering from surgery.

Next Meeting is Sept 9th - 7:30 pm Sheriff's Search & Rescue

Ken Munford N7KM mentioned that Fred McFadden KF6GEL is in room 211 at Kolob Regional and would like to have visitors.

Larry Heddings WD0CDG had everyone introduce themselves because of some new faces.

Larry mentioned that

a) November 9th is Frontier Day and he has the paperwork to request a call sign for a special event station. Would also need to design a special qsl card or certificate.

b) October 4th & 5th is the Equestrian Endurance Ride. If you want to participate let Larry know.

c) Fred Getman N6OJS needs help to put up an antenna. If you want to participate let Larry know.

Merlin Mackay N7TCE mentioned that the EMP video is available. Let him know.

The 10 meter breakfast net will resume August 26.

Dick Parker K7ZI presented special activities in Ham Radio:

There are four major areas:

1. **Contesting:** for more info ARRL, CQ, RGB (Britain), 10-10, Islands on the Air, SARC (Africa)

Benefit: Improve proficiency, make many contacts

Calendar of events available at wa7bnm.com, also ac6v.com

2. **Special Interest:**

Dxpeditons, digital modes, IOPA, SOPA, County hunters, Lighthouse hunters, 10-10 International, RTTY, QRP, SSTY, EME,

3. **Service Oriented:**

NTS – National Traffic System

ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency System) – sponsored by ARRL

RACES (Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services) – sponsored by Homeland Security here in Utah.

For more information: arrl.org/ares with also has a link to RACES.

4. **Rag Chewing:**

Doing whatever form of communication you enjoy.

Kits builders can find all types of kits on the internet.

Common Abbreviations:

FISTS – CW club, 10-10 International – 10 meter contacts, NCCC – Northern Calif Contest Club a kit builder group, SKCC – straight key club, RCAI – a German QRP group, QCWA – Quarter Century Wireless Association (licensed for 25 yrs or more), FOC – First Class Operator's Club (CW quality), FLYING PIGS – QRP CW club from New York, MIQRP – Michigan QRP club and many others.

Ken Oliver W7KBM needs a coordinator for ARES.

Larry asked for a volunteer to bring refreshments in September. Silence followed.

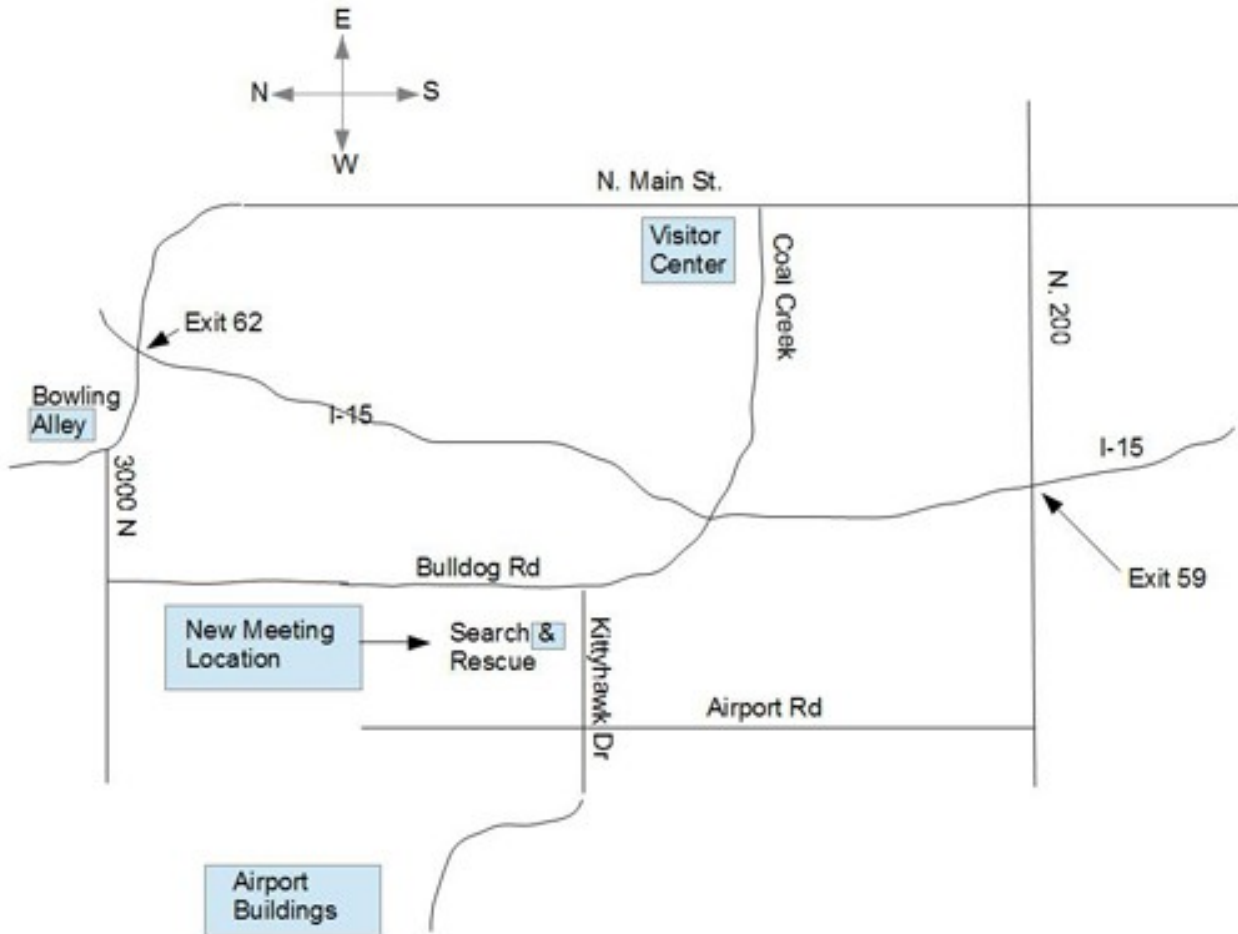
Larry asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Jim Ashby K5JCA and seconded by Scott Tweede KC6ZNC. Meeting was adjourned at 8:49 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Bill Stenger K6QOG
Secretary

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Map to our meeting place



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