

Rainbow Canyons Amateur Radio Club

Cedar City, Utah

Club Officers:

President:

KF7YWY
Cameron Abbaticchio

Co-Vice Presidents:

K7ZI
Richard Parker
and
KF7WIY
Denise Sheffield

Treasurer:

AL7BX
George Gallis

Secretary:

K6QOG
Bill Stenger

Local Repeats:

146.980 Mhz

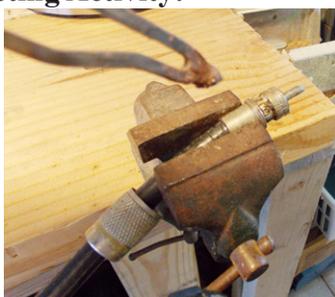
146.940 Mhz
Tone 100hz

146.760 Mhz
Tone 123.0Hz

Club meets on the second Tuesday of each month at Sheriffs Search & Rescue Bldg.

Next Meeting Activity:

Soldering or crimping PL259 connectors to any size coax you have. Don't forget to bring your connectors and coax. We will have soldering guns and crimpers. If you have a clamp on vice, please bring it with you.



ready and not wait for 18+ people to order at the same time. Technician class classes: The Club has a lot of interest in people attending and obtaining their license, but only one person has come forward to teach some of the sections. If we could have someone to organize and put together a session(s) and have at least one person to help teach we could have a class. Next month Dick K7ZI & Denise KF7WIY will kick off their "hands on" program with cables and connectors using solder and crimping techniques. Until next meeting 73 and remember the Club can be found on 146.980. From

President's Moment

It was very good to see everyone who attended January's meeting. We have a lot of activities planned for this coming year providing several opportunities for members to participate. Speaking of, there are still positions open; Historian, Emergency Coordinator, NET Control coordinator, Special Events coordinator. Please contact any of the officers to help with these positions. The Elmer program is off to a great start, Dave KG7HTJ, was assisted by AL7BX and K6QOG in making his first Freindship Net appearance. Breakfast at the Brickhouse, what a difference a year and location make. We had a turn out of 18 people. We will expand the seating next month to accommodate more. When asked, please place your order when

Rocky Mountain Division Newsletter

--- Our Division website (www.Rocky-MountainDivision.org) has continued to serve as a source of Division related information.

--- Our 2013 Rocky Mountain Division award recipients were announced: Bret Mills WX7Y of Castle Dale, Utah (Division Ham of the Year), Leonor Morrow AE5UF of Arroyo Hondo, New Mexico (Division Young Ham of the Year) and Joe Ostrowski KI5FJ of Dona Ana, New Mexico (Division Technical Achievement Award). Nominations for 2014's awards are being accepted now.

--- The 2013 Rocky Mountain Division Convention held in Estes Park, Colorado was a great success, thanks to all those who organized it and made the trip for a great weekend of fun. We look forward to the 2014 Division Convention held next year in Laramie, Wyoming.

The good folks in Wyoming are in the midst of planning the 2014 Division Convention, to be held at the Laramie Convention Center in Laramie, Wyoming. Mark your calendars for July 11-13, 2014 for a special convention, packed with many of the activities and events our Division's conventions have become known for next year, the centennial anniversary of ARRL.

Many more details are forthcoming and will be announced in these spaces.

==== Upcoming On-Air Activities =====

In addition to chewing the rag with fellow hams, here are some additional on-air activities which await you on the airwaves.

Upcoming special event stations:
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>

Upcoming contests:
<http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar>

Operating awards: <http://www.arrl.org/awards>

WHAT HAPPENED AT LAST THE MEETING

President Cameron Abbaticchio KF7YWY called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Those Present:

NR7E Jeff Pedersen
KE5HNJ Weldon Wilson
KF7WIY Denice Sheffield
KF7GPZ Fred Sheffield
KG7AHS Travis Horton
K7BTE Bill Rankin
WA7GTU Don Blanchard
K7ZI Richard Parker
KG7HTJ David Williams
N7SIY Joel Clements
KB7UMU Sylvia Clements
K7NJ Riki Kline
N7TCE Merlin Mackay
AL7BX George Gallis
WD0CDG Larry Heddings
KB7HHB Marti Biedermann
WA7HHE Brad Biedermann
KC7UT Roger Simister
WA7QJN Dennis Porter

KG6LFU Jim Beal
KF7YWY Cameron Abbaticchio
K6QOG Bill Stenger
Guest: Lis Williams

Don Blanchard WA7GTU made a motion to approve the minutes and Larry Heddings WD0CDG seconded. Unanimous vote.

George Gallis AL7BX presented the treasurer's report: 2013 began with a balance of \$502.36 and ended the year with \$834.04. January 2014 began with a balance of \$834.04 and a bill of \$95.54 to Rocky Mountain Power left a balance of \$786.50. Unanimous vote.

Past President Larry Heddings WD0CDG handed out certificates to those operators that worked the special event station for the 162nd anniversary of the first iron mission in Utah.

Cameron handed out Certificate of Appreciation to Larry Heddings for his service as President of the club and Ken Olive W7KBM for his many years of service as Treasurer of the Club.

Cameron introduced this year's club officers:
President – Cameron KF7YWY,
Co-Vice-Presidents – Denise Sheffield KF7WIY and Richard Parker K7ZI,
Treasurer – George Gallis AL7BX and
Secretary – Bill Stenger K6QOG.

Cameron presented his goals for the club:

- 1) Increase attendance and participation in the club
- 2) Want all members to become an Elmer (help new members)
- 3) Monthly programs meet members expectations: Club will be opened early (6:15pm) to discuss theory, calculations and methods before the meeting.
- 4) Meetings will provide hands-on activity. Projects may not be completed in the meeting but enough to finish at home.
- 5) Expand the 10M net (28.400.00Mhz 8PM) to discuss various topics, e.g. swap meet, theory, projects, digital, contesting and ARES.

Appointed Positions:

If anyone is interested in any of the position contact Cameron.

- 1) **ARES** which is the Amateur Radio Emergency Services coordinator
- 2) **Historian**
- 3) **Net Control Coordinator**, help recruit new people to be a net control operator
- 4) **Special Events Coordinator**
- 5) **Breakfast coordinator**, Sylvia Clements will take this position

A discussion followed about when and where the club breakfast should or could be. A decision was made that the next breakfast would be at the Brick House Restaurant on the Saturday following the club meeting. It was also decided that the club breakfast would be moved to the first Saturday of the month beginning February.

George Gallis mentioned that dues are in order and if possible pay for two years. \$15 for one person and \$20 for a family per year.

Bill Stenger mentioned that he would like to change the emailing of the club minutes to a newsletter. However, it takes lot of people to share their interests with other. Not everyone keeps up with Dxexpeditions or contests and these would be of interest to some. Whatever is of interest to you there will be others also interested, so please share your info.

Don Blanchard mentioned the Utah VHF Society dues are also due. Dues are \$12 per year and all the money goes to building repeaters. Don said the 449.500Mhz repeater with a PL 100 tone on Navajo Mountain is operating with a inter-tie to Flagstaff and Phoenix. Connection is not on all the time but with the right control it can be turned on and off. Kanab is installing a remote base and it should be up soon. The frequency is 449.100Mhz with a 100 PL. The VHF Society meets once a year on the 4th weekend of February.

Dick Parker presented the calendar of events:

February	soldering and connectors
March	make a VHF antenna
April	APRS and digital modes
May	IRLP and Echolink and other modes
June	Field Day and possibly a trip to Blow hard
July	DF demo
Aug	Foxhunt for the 9th of August with a BBQ

Other ideas:

1) Alternative power sources, e.g. hydro, wind, hydrogen-chemical, anything that generates electricity. 2) Video night 3) QSLing 4) Radio demo 5) Emergency communications.

Upcoming Events:

Zion 100 in April
Health and Welfare Expo in May
Iron Mission Days in November

And if interested

Technician Classes

If anyone would like to bring snacks, they would be welcomed.

Various discussions took place.

Don Blanchard motioned to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Denise Sheffield.
Meeting was adjourned at 8:42pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Bill Stenger K6QOG
Secretary