

Minutes of the Coconino Amateur Radio Club 2/08/2024

The meeting was called to order by President Janice (KI6WCK) at 1905 hours following Tech Talk with Joe (W7LUX). This meeting was conducted only on the Zoom virtual environment due to weather restrictions. 10 members were in attendance.

President's Report: Janice introduced the club officers for 2024:

- President: Janice Enloe, KI6WCK
- Vice-president: Morgan Conklin, KI7WTS
- Secretary: John Nelson, N7MLS
- Treasurer: Ken Held, W7SS

Secretary's Report: The minutes were distributed via the email list and were discussed briefly. There were no additions or corrections. Motion to accept the minutes by Jacob KI7WNS, seconded by Lou W7KFT. Passed.

Treasurer's Report: Ken W7SS presented the Treasurer's report for January.

Miscellaneous Club Expenses	Cash Out
Northland family help ctr donation	\$100.00
ARCA dues	\$30.00
Total:	\$130.00

Club Funds Summary	Totals
Checking Bal/Stmt	\$6,874.31
Net Income	\$415.00
Net Expense	\$130.00
Checking Ending Bal	

PAID MEMBERS	25
LIFE	3
TOTAL	28

Member dues for 2024 provided net income of \$415. Total paid membership is now 28. Motion to accept made by Morgan KI7WTS and seconded by Joe W7LUX. Passed.

Lou W7KFT Report:

The countdown to the 100th anniversary of the discovery of Pluto is underway. Special event call sign

W7P will be employed for on-air recognition of this historical accomplishment. Lowell Observatory is not accessible due to weather but various stations will be using the W7P special event call sign through February 18. Stations outside of the Flagstaff may operate as W7P/P. Morgan suggested posting on social media so as many hams as possible can participate.

Morgan KI7WTS Report: Morgan presented information on Jameco Electronics which offers both electronic components and kits. He will start putting together a soldering kit for the club and is thinking ahead to what would be appropriate for STEM. Morgan will send out an email to assess club interest in a future soldering workshop.

Club Support for Events: Janice reported that club leadership has decided to de-emphasize our radio support for events. The interest and support level among club members continues to decline while the demand from event organizers has also diminished. We are no longer able to provide the level of robust support that we have provided in the past. The current plan is to continue supporting only the Stagecoach 100 and Girls on the Run.

POTA and SOTA Events: Janice proposed a shift in club activities toward some new operating activities. One recommendation is club member participation in Parks on the Air (POTA) activations. These field activities can take place in National or State parks and can utilize various ham radio bands and modes. Club members could participate either as activators or as hunters. Peter W7BGG has participated in a number of POTA events as a hunter and recommends it. The club plans to activate Riordan Mansion again on June 8 with as many club members as possible participating. **See** <https://pota.app> and <https://parksontheair.com/>

A similar type of event is Summits on the Air (SOTA). See sota.org.uk. Janice is planning to activate Glasford Hill in Prescott Valley on a TBD Saturday in May. Club members are encouraged to participate.

Winter Field Day: Joe W7LUX provided a summary of the club's Winter Field Day event. Three members participated, operating 2 portable stations and making contacts on both 20 meters and 40 meters. Good contact with several visitors.

Public Assistance: Glen KG7YDJ reported that he was able to assist a ham radio motorist stranded in the snowstorm on I-40. It pays to monitor 146.52!

Adjournment: Glen KG7YDJ made a motion to adjourn. Ken W7SS seconded and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:09pm.

Respectfully Submitted

John Nelson – N7MLS
Secretary

CARC Meeting Roster

Zoom 2/08/2024

Janice KI6WCK

Joe W7LUX

Morgan KI7WTS

Ken W7SS

Glen KG7YDJ

John N7MLS

Jacob KI7WNS

Mark WB8VWC

Lou W7KFT

Peter W7BGG

No Guests