

## Minutes of the Coconino Amateur Radio Club 8/8/2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Janice Enloe at her home in Flagstaff. The following members were present in person:

Janice Enloe, President	KI6WCK
Morgan Conklin, Vice President	KI7WTS
Joe Hobart	W7LUX
Ken Held, Treasurer	W7SS
Lou Arminio	W7KFT
Jacob Miller	KI7WNS

In addition, the following members attended via Zoom teleconferencing:

John Nelson, Secretary	N7MLS
Al Simmons	AB6VO
Mark Christian	WB8VWC
Bob Buns	KK7RTH
Sam Gerstner	WZ4SAM

**President's Message:** Janice welcomed everyone and introduced the attendees.

**Vice President's Message:** Morgan reported that he has some foot pedal switches that can be used for PTT and they are available to club members.

**Secretary's Report:** The minutes for the July 11 meeting were previously distributed via the email list and were discussed briefly. There were no additions or corrections. Motion to accept as written by Mark WB8VWC, seconded by Al AB6VO. Passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Ken W7SS presented the Treasurer's report for July. Starting balance for the month was \$6561.02. We took in \$25 for dues and received our \$100 deposit back from the county park. We expended \$128.74 for food for our Field Day operation, leaving a month ending balance of \$6557.28. We have 46 paid members and 2 life members for a total of 48. Motion to accept made by Joe W7LUX and seconded by Morgan KI7WTS. Passed unanimously.

### Old Business-

**Trailer update:** The club trailer is ready to use. Phil had provided some usage questions.

1. Who can sign up to use the trailer?
2. Does our CARC liability and property insurance cover the activity? Janice thinks it does if the use is an official club function - unsure about a CARC member using the trailer for personal reasons.
3. Who approves the use? An officer? Club membership? ??
4. Who inspects the trailer for damage or missing items upon return?

Janice will draft a usage agreement and send it out for review prior to the next meeting.

**Club Call Sign Update:** Erv and working to obtain N7FLG for the club. Ken reported that we expect to receive within the next week or so. Janice will set our new call sign up for a POTA account.

## Upcoming Events

**Big Brothers/ Big Sisters Half Marathon August 10:** Thorpe Park, starting at 0730. Joe reported that he had 7 participants to staff all locations except the north corner, which is difficult to get to.

**CARC/NADXA joint campout:** August 23-25 @ Ash Hurst Lake Dispersed camping loop 2. Lou is the primary organizer on behalf of both clubs, coordinating with Janice. Lou advised that the road in is rough but not difficult. There are also likely to be cattle in the area. NADXA will bring their trailer and pop-ups. Lou will send additional location information by email.

Fox Hunt event on August 24 will be conducted by Morgan at about 1pm. Janice will bring several tape-measure yagi antennas.

The club will provide food for dinner- RSVP please!

**Stagecoach 100 Sept 21-22:** This is a long distance run from Flagstaff to Tusayan. Our primary responsibility is to track runners, especially through the night hours. This may be our last year to support.

Staffing for stations:

Boundary – open (cell service available there)

Cedar Ranch – Bill and Julie Smith

Hull Cabin - Bob and Geri

Russell Tank - Morgan

Watson Tank - Sean Feilding and Alex

Additional assistance would be appreciated. Contact Joe or Janice if you can help.

**North Rim Ramble September 28/29:** Bill Smith organizing. Includes both a bike race and a foot race, plus a POTA activation on Monday.

**Parks on the Air at Sunset Crater:** Peter is leading, and has permission from the park ranger. Event is scheduled for October 19 to coincide with a nationwide POTA event.

**Skywarn Recognition:** December 7. Joe coordinating with National Weather Service. Anyone interested in staffing a ham station at the NWS should coordinate with Joe or Janice.

**Holiday Party/Potluck:** Planned for December 14 at the fire station. However, after our meeting Janice reported that she was unable to book the fire station community room for December 14. There is a training class there on both the 14th and 15th. She was able to schedule December 8 which is a Sunday. Table set up at 10AM, lunch starts at 11, we need to clean up and out by 3. Hopefully everyone can get it on our calendar now so we can attend. More details later.

**ARES Report:** Joe reported that ARES members contributed 89 hours of service last month. These public service events provide great training opportunities for ARES volunteers. Joe encouraged more participation in the Wednesday evening ARES/weather net. 7pm on the Mt Elden repeater, 146.980.

**Discussion/open forum:**

Route 66 event Sept. 7-15. Check with Lou or Ken for more information.

Janice discussed ideas for club activities in November. Girls on the Run Event – normally coordinated by Glen Davis. SW Utah Healthcare Coalition Simulated Emergency Test on Nov. 2

Al recommended adding signage on the trailer for events.

John announced the W7RIM swapfest in Overgaard on Sept. 7.

Janice solicited ideas for 2025 Field Day location. We would like to get some foot traffic.

Morgan suggested that the club send a card to Bobbi Brunner. John agreed to do that.

**Adjournment:** Joe W7LUX made a motion to adjourn. Ken W7SS seconded and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:13pm.

Respectfully Submitted

John Nelson – N7MLS  
Secretary