

## **General Meeting Agenda of Lake Amateur Radio Association March 19, 2022**

**Meeting was called to order at the LARA Clubhouse** by President AA4UC at 10:00 AM.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

**Check in for members and guests:**

### **Monthly Service Honor Roll:**

Dean (KM4QMB) & Tim (K9BAW) for vegetation control around the clubhouse.

### **MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS:**

Nothing to report

### **TREASURER'S REPORT - Dave, NP2MR**

The following balances were reported for August 2021.

SunTrust checking	6788.62
SunTrust Savings	4002.00
Investment Account	18879.16
Petty Cash	50.00
PayPal	82.08
SK Fund	1000.00

Motion submitted for acceptance of the report, seconded, and accepted.

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT – Jay, N4KXO**

February Minutes were emailed to all members via the reflector by Jay, N4KXO

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### **VEC report – Dave, N4NG**

5 applicants tested today and 4 passed with 1 no pass.

### **ENGINEERS REPORT – Larry, N2HBX**

The N4FLA repeater 147.255 is down for maintenance. It will take some time to complete. During the interim, the LARA primary repeater will be the Central Lake 147.390 P25 machine which is channel 8 on the LARA frequency plan.

Larry (N2HBX) and Maria have purchased 3 Mosley Tri-Beam antennas to replace the rather well worn antennas we have been using for Field Day. Dave LaBier (KE7BMG) will lead a team to assemble and mark these antennas before Field Day.

### **Apparel – Frank, KK4MBX**

We have a vendor for Club and Field Day T-Shirts. They will be nice quality, screen printed and in a tan color. They will be similar to those purchased from our old vendor and personalization is available using a vinyl transfer for an additional \$5. The cost for these shirts is \$15 for Small through 2XL, and \$18.00 for larger sizes. All monies for the shirts should be paid to the treasurer.

We need a minimum quantity of 25 shirts of each style to place the order. If you are interested in the shirts, please email Frank at [KK4MBX@outlook.com](mailto:KK4MBX@outlook.com) with the style and size you need. Also, if you are interested in personalization, include the name and call sign you want. When we have enough interest to order the shirts, *we will send instructions to pay for them.*

### **Volunteer Certification and Hours Jay, N4KXO**

In February 299 LARA volunteer hours were reported. YTD = 553 hours reported.

### **LARA Information Net - Frank KK4MBX (Net Manager)**

The net operates every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday on the N4FLA repeater, 147.390 at 7:00 PM.

The LARA Information Nets remains strong with nets three times a week.

In February we averaged 21 with a range of 15 to 27 attendees per net.

### **Quarter Century Wireless Association (QCWA) – Mike, K9SSL**

QCWA meets Tuesdays at 7:30 PM on 147.000 and ECHOLINK K4FC-R, and on Friday mornings at 10:00 AM on 443.150.

The local QCWA group meets at Olive Garden at 11:30 AM today

### **SK COMMITTEE – John, WB4HV**

The SK committee sold \$3162 worth of equipment at this year's Hamcation. This yields LARA over one thousand dollars.

If you are looking to add gear to your shack, shop our SK Trailer first.

## **MONTHLY LUNCHEON – Frank, KK4MBX**

The LARA monthly luncheon in February had 5 people in attendance. The luncheon is hosted at the Oakwood Smokehouse in S. Leesburg on RTE 27. The next luncheon is scheduled for April 13<sup>th</sup>.

## **ARES – Jamey (W4CGX)**

Jamey has taken over as the ARES lead for LARA. Jamey may host a meeting in April. If you have some ideas, please send them to him.

## **LARA Events**

### **Live It Bike Event**

Glenn (AA4UC) chair. This event took place on March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Nineteen people volunteered with 17 showing for the event. Life happens and we know there are times that you may volunteer for an event, and something comes up that prevents you from showing up. If possible, please try to let the event Chair know so you can't make it so that we have time to make adjustments.

The event went extremely well, and the LIVE IT management team was very impressed by our contribution. Next year LIVE IT would like to make LARA a co-sponsor of the event.

### **Mount Dora Bike Festival**

Glenn (AA4UC) will chair for the 2022 event.

The MDBF has received a check in the amount of \$1,000 to LARA for assistance provided for the MDBF in 2021.

### **Field Day 2022**

Glenn (AA4UC) will chair.

### **March of Dimes, March for Babies**

Strait (KT4YA) has tried to contact organizers for this event with no success. Do to this fact, LARA will not support this event.

### **Hearts for our Hospital**

Frank (KK4MBX) and Jay (N4KXO) will liaison with Ed Nance (N4ZIV)

### **JOTA/Scouting Weekend (Oct 14-16)**

Jason (K4AUS) will chair

### **Clermont's National Night Out**

Jamey (W4CGX) will chair

**Mount Dora July 4<sup>th</sup> parade** - Dave (NP2MR) will chair this event.

**LARA Christmas Party – Dave NP2MR will chair**

**Property Book Officer**

Cliff Neve has volunteered and been accepted as our new Property Book Officer.

**LARA Compound Clean-Up**

Saturday March 26th starting at 9AM we will conduct a cleanup of the LARA compound. A lot of cleaning/organizing needs to be done in and around the facility. This includes inside and outside of the clubhouse. Specifically, cupboards need to be cleaned/organized, equipment arranged and inspected, floors cleaned, the outside pressure washed and the vegetation encroaching around the property needs to be reclaimed. Also, the repeater room, pump house and garage could use some attention. Volunteers are very much needed, and the turnout will dictate how much we will get done.

**Member Accomplishments, Events and Updates:**

**Jonathon Cooksey KO4OAM is now an SK.**

**Astatula Road Trip**

Following this meeting all those that wish may join us for a road trip to the Astatula repeater site which hosts the 147.390 machine.

**Wrap Up**

23 Members and guests attended in person.

The 50/50 drawing for \$19 was won by Roger K4VI, who returned the winnings to the club. Thank you,

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 AM

**Glenn B. Casselman AA4UC  
President LARA**