

**General Meeting Agenda of Lake Amateur Radio Association May 21, 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:**

Tim (K9BAW) for vegetation control around the clubhouse. Lenny (KD4MBN) for fixing the generator

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS:**

Benjamin Mullins  
Mike Harvey  
Carlos Marrero

KE8BZA – Voted in – Dues paid  
KO4ZVE \_ Voted in – Dues paid  
KO4ZKS \_ Voted in – Dues paid

**TREASURER’S REPORT - Dave, NP2MR**

The following balances were reported for May 2022.

SunTrust checking	3,913.83
SunTrust Savings	7002.15
Investment Account	15,862.64
Petty Cash	50
PayPal	283.96
SK Fund	1,000

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

**SECRETARY’S REPORT – Jay, N4KXO**

April Minutes were emailed to all members by Jay, N4KXO

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**VEC report – Dave, N4NG**

6 applicants tested today, and they all passed,

**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.

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

In April 205 LARA volunteer hours were reported. YTD = 978 hours reported.

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

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

In April, our net attendance averaged 21 attendees with a range of 14 to 29 checking in. We also have 9 active net control stations. Also in April, we had one SKYWARN net that had 14 stations check in and that net lasted 33 minutes.

### **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. There will be no monthly meeting/luncheon at the Olive Garden till November.

### **SK COMMITTEE – John, WB4HV**

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

### **LARA Webmaster – Joe LeBlanc KO4FRR**

I am pleased to announce that Joe LeBlanc (KO4FRR) has agreed to take over as Webmaster of the LARA web site. Unfortunately, due to life demands, Carlos had to step down.

### **Monthly Luncheon – Frank, KK4MBX**

The LARA monthly luncheon in April had 14 people in attendance. The luncheon is hosted at the Oakwood Smokehouse in Leesburg. The next luncheon is scheduled for May 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00AM

### **ARES – Jamie (W4CGX)**

Jamie attended the ARES Section Meeting on April 30<sup>th</sup> and represent LARA for the County Hurricane Exercise on the 6<sup>th</sup> of May. Jamie will address the exercise and the following “Hot Wash.”

### **Property Book Chairman – Cliff, KO4QPK**

Cliff has started the inventory for LARA’s Property Book. When completed, LARA will finally have an up-to-date listing of property. This inventory will be invaluable in case of disaster or theft.

## **LARA Events**

**Live It Bike Event**

Glenn (AA4UC) chair. This event took place on March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022. A check for \$200 has been donated to LARA for our assistance with this event. Next year LIVE IT is scheduled for March 11, 2023

**Mount Dora Bike Festival**

Glenn (AA4UC) will chair for the 2022 event.

**Field Day 2022**

Glenn (AA4UC) & Jason (K4AUS) will chair. The CW team has been precured. I will be putting out an email to the club asking for those that wish to operate and assist for this major yearly event.

**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) – This event is in limbo. Waiting to see if we are contacted.

**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)

**LARA Christmas Party**

Dave (NP2MR) will chair

**LARA Compound Clean-Up**

On Saturday April 30<sup>th</sup> LARA members came and supported a compound clean-up. Thanks to all that attended this event. A special thanks to Diane LaBier and Laura Casselman for taking on the much-needed deep cleaning in the Kitchen and Bathroom. All those that use the bathroom it is requested that you leave it cleaner than you found it. We unfortunately do not have a cleaning service.

**Member Accomplishments, Events and Updates:**

The SK and VE teams for their on-going efforts. John (K4ZI) explained why you should PL your 147.420 frequency in your radios that are used on simplex night. The primary reason is to eliminate interference from other stations using that frequency via the remote station on one of the Counties 100-foot antennas.

**LARA Program:** A Mosley tri-band antenna build will take place immediately after this meeting. All those that want to learn about beam antenna mechanics and operation are invited to help with this build.

### **Wrap Up**

30 Members and guests attended in person.

Meeting adjourned at 11:47 AM

**Jay Boehme (N4KXO)**  
**Secretary LARA**