

General Meeting MINUTES of Lake Amateur Radio Association July 16, 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.
The SK and VE teams for their on-going efforts.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS:

Al Swinyard	AG4CG	Accepted paid dues
Donald B. Brown	KC4IUL	Accepted paid dues
Felix Gallardo	KK4VRR	Accepted paid dues
Todd Bagley	N4ACQ	Accepted paid dues
Ed Hula	AA4EH	Accepted pending dues
Christopher Noble	KQ4BOZ	Accepted paid dues
Richard Molinski	None	Accepted paid dues

TREASURER'S REPORT - Dave, NP2MR

The following balances were reported for June 2022.

SunTrust checking	3,101.08
SunTrust Savings	7,002.21
Investment Account	14,296.77
Petty Cash	50.00
PayPal	176.65
SK Fund	1,000

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

SECRETARY'S REPORT – Jay, N4KXO

June Minutes were emailed to all members by Jay, N4KXO
Motion submitted for acceptance of the report, seconded, and accepted.

VEC report – Dave, N4NG

No testing today.

ENGINEERS REPORT – Larry, N2HBX

147.255 Primary Repeater

The 147.255 repeater has been repaired thanks to our VP Jason (K4AUS) and his team.

Royal Harbor Repeater

The Royal Harbor site's GE Master 2 and antenna needs to be removed.

Larry (N2HBX) will take the lead on the repeater removal Project. Expect removal this fall/winter.

LARA Supported Equipment

DSTAR

Dean (KM4QMB) Has agreed to take control.

Echo Link – Steve (KA6NZU)

Checking with Steve (KA6NZU) It was reported the link may be down.

IRLP

The node at South Lake Hospital on 442.600 is up and running and connected to the East Coast Reflector full time.

The AllStar node at the clubhouse on 442.900 which is connected to the East Coast Reflector is down. This Wednesday Comcast is scheduled to come out and replace our router which will hopefully restore connectivity.

WINLINK NODE - Dean (KM4QMB) Is working this issue.

Volunteer Certification and Hours Jay, N4KXO

Volunteer hours reported for June 2022 were 594. YTD 1744. Please respond to monthly request for volunteer hours. The Secretary sends an email around first of the month requesting those hours.

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

The net operates every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday on the N4FLA repeater, 147.255 at 7:00 PM.

In June, our net attendance averaged 21 attendees checking in. We also have 9 active net control stations.

This year we have had three Skywarn nets. One in March, April and May each. Attendees reached a high of 30 members.

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 October.

. SK COMMITTEE – John, WB4HV

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

LARA Webmaster – Joe LeBlanc KO4FRR

Changes to our website are happening near daily. Please visit K4FC.ORG and send recommended changes to Glenn (AA4UC) or someone on the LARA BoD.

Monthly Luncheon – Frank, KK4MBX

The LARA monthly luncheon in June had 13 people in attendance. The luncheon is hosted at the Oakwood Smokehouse in Leesburg. The next luncheon is scheduled for August 10th at 11:00AM

ARES – Jamey (W4CGX) - Jamey is working on some training opportunities.

Property Book Manager – Cliff, WW4WD

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. Expect update to the BoD/Membership before the year is out.

LARA Events

Live It Bike Event

Glenn (AA4UC) chair. March 11, 2023

Mount Dora Bike Festival

Glenn (AA4UC) will chair for the October 2022 event.

Field Day 2023 – The last full weekend in June (24th & 25th) Our Numbers for **FD 2022** are 3,037 QSO's, 320 more bonus points than Last year – Total points this year 12,230.

Hearts for our Hospital

Frank (KK4MBX) and Jay (N4KXO) – We have had no contact recently With the organizers.

JOTA/Scouting Weekend (Oct 14-16) Jason (K4AUS) will chair. LARA assets will be deployed to assist.

Clermont's National Night Out - Jamey (W4CGX) will chair -October 4th

Mount Dora July 4th Parade 2023 – This years (2022) parade went vent well.

LARA Christmas Party - Dave (NP2MR) will chair – December 9th

Review of LARA Policy Manual

Page 10 add ICS 800 under "EVENTS"

Page 13 change IRLP to IRLP/AllStar Node

Page 14 "EQUIPMENT" change to read: "The Property Book Manager shall maintain.... Instead of the Board of Directors.

Member Accomplishments, Events and Updates: Larry (N2HBX) and his XYL are Looking at LARA sponsoring a Hamfest later on in 2023. (Nov 2023)

LARA Program: Lea family “Go Fund Me” Appeal

The Lea family is well known to the HAM community through their popular YouTube videos. The family consists of the dad AKA Jim (WX4TV), Mom AKA Michelle (N8ZQZ), Son-Zechariah (WX4TVJ), Daughters-Faith Hannah (KD3Z), Hope (ND2L) and Grace (KE3G).

Faith Hannah and Hope were each the youngest Extra Class Hams in the country at one time.

Jim (WX4TV) has unfortunately lost his legs and ability to work with his hands and has sent an appeal on GoFundMe.com

The family is active in the West Volusia Amateur Radio Society located in Deland, Florida.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Khz9OG3pZys>

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/leglessdad>

Wrap Up

28 Members and guests attended in person.

The 50/50 drawing for \$26.00 was won by Justin (K4JKR), who returned the winnings to the club. Thank you,

Meeting adjourned at 11:44 AM

Jay Boehme (N4KXO) LARA Secretary