

**General Meeting Minutes of Lake Amateur Radio Association** December 10, 2022

**Meeting was called to order at the LARA Clubhouse by:** President Glenn Casselman 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:**

Lionel Hector, WD0DBT Extra Class Paid and approved  
Lindo Murabito WA4LIN General Paid and approved.

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

The following balances were reported for November 2022.

Truist Checking	2,907.02
Truist Savings	5,502.55
Investment Account	13,224.91
Petty Cash	50.00
PayPal	381.47
SK Fund	1,000.00

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

**SECRETARY'S REPORT – Jay, N4KXO**

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

## **VEC report – Dave, N4NG**

We have tested 30 candidates so far this year.

Collected \$420 in testing fees

Fees to ARRL = \$224

Fees retained = \$196

K4FC donation to Ham Study = \$56

2 Candidates tested this morning, and both passed.

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

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. The expected removal date is January 14, 2023.

Larry (N2HBX) retuned and worked on the South Lake Hospital Repeater 442.600.

All the rest of the LARA controlled equipment is in working order.

## **LARA Supported Equipment**

DSTAR

Dean (KM4QMB) Has agreed to take control.

Echo Link – Steve (KA6NZU)

Up and running

IRLP

The node at South Lake Hospital 442.600 has been disconnected from the East Coast Reflector. We are trying to determine what the problem is with the link.

The AllStar node at the clubhouse on 442.900 which is connected to the East Coast Reflector is up and running.

WINLINK NODE - Dean (KM4QMB)

The K4FC WinLink node is currently up and running at the LARA Clubhouse.

The K4FC-10 node now shows under the channel selection, and you are able to open a connection using "Packet WinLink" or "Vara FM WinLink. Emails can be sent and received so long as the Clubhouse remains

connected to the internet. If internet should fail, then peer to peer connections could be made utilizing the node as a digipeater

## **Clubhouse**

We have replaced the two computers in the clubhouse with new models. They use Windows 10 and provide WIFI connections and greater processing speed. We loaded some software to include ACLOG and MyRadar on each of these machines. Bay one is now set up for phone. Bay 2 is set up for digital communication with supporting software. Bay 3 has UHF/DMR capabilities. The plan for these stations is to include the use of the AMP that is also mounted on the bench.

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

Volunteer hours recorded for November =252 YTD = 3090

## **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. Frank (KK4MBX) is retiring as Net Manager December 31, 2022. The new Net Manager is Teresa (KN4CFJ) who assumes her duties January 1, 2023

We had a total of 273 check-ins for the month of November. Nets ranged from 10-25 check-ins.

## **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.

## **. SK COMMITTEE – John, WB4HV**

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

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

Please visit K4FC.ORG and send recommended changes to Glenn (AA4UC) or someone on the LARA BOD for approval.

## **Monthly Luncheon – Frank KK4MBX**

The LARA monthly luncheon in November had 3 people in attendance. The luncheon is hosted at the Oakwood Smokehouse in Leesburg. The next luncheon is scheduled for December 14<sup>th</sup> at 11:00AM

**ARES – Jamey (W4CGX)** – Planning an AUXCOM class in the near future.

**Property Book Manager** – Cliff, WW4WD – Cliff has been busy with other responsibilities. We may be looking for another member to take on the project.

## **LARA Events**

### **Live It Bike Event**

Glenn (AA4UC) chair. March 11, 2023

### **Mount Dora Bike Festival (MDBF) Glenn AA4UC**

Glenn AA4UC will lead the October 2023 event

### **Field Day 2023 (June 23-25)**

Glenn (AA4UC) and Jason (W4AUS) will lead

**Hearts for our Hospital** – An annual event in November

### **Mount Dora July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade 2023**

**LARA Christmas Party** – The 2023 Christmas dinner is  
Scheduled for December 8, 2033

## **Member Accomplishments, Events and Updates:**

No election is needed this year. John (WB4HV) stepped down as a LARA Director and nominated John Randall (K4CYA) to run for the LARA Board. There were no other nominations. The current 2022 Board plus John Randall will be elected by acclamation.

As Secretary I hereby cast one vote for each Board member, and they are now Elected as the LARA Officers and Directors for 2023.

President Glenn Cassleman (AA4UC)  
Vice President Jason Matthews (K4AUS)

Treasurer Dave Pennell (NP2MR)  
Secretary Jay Boehme (N4KXO)  
Director Dave Tempelton (N4NG)  
Director Dave LaBier (KE7BMG)  
Director Dean DeLong (KM4QMB)  
Director Frank Anders (KK4MBX)  
Director John Randall (K4CYA)

**Program – AUXCOMM Training – Domenick Maurabito, WA3GTU**

**Bovet Island 3Y0J DXpedition Jan 2023 #2 Most Wanted**

**Wrap Up**

24 Members and guests attended in person.

The 50/50 drawing for \$21 was won by N4KXO, who returned the winnings to the club. Thank you,

Meeting adjourned at 11:09 AM

Jay Boehme  
Secretary LARA