

**General Meeting Agenda of Lake Amateur Radio Association** January 21, 2023

**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:**

Ryan Martino (KQ4FKW) Technician – Paid approved  
David Terry (KF9JF) Advanced – Paid approved  
Darion Mackey (KQ4EZY) Technician – Paid approved  
Richard Dare (N3VBO) Technician – Paid Approved  
Tom Dove - (K3ORC) Advanced – Paid approved  
David Culp (KN4SS) - General – Paid - approved

**TREASURER’S REPORT - Dave, NP2MR**

The following balances were reported for November 2022.

Truist Checking	2985.87
Truist Savings	5,502.60
Investment Account	14,511.40
Petty Cash	50.00
PayPal	173.71
SK Fund	1,000.00

The BOD has voted to donate \$100.00 to the East Coast Reflector (ECR). We have two repeaters that are normally connected to the ECR full time and the ECR actively assists us keeping those repeaters connected. The ECR has just donated a pre-amp for our 442.600 machine.

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

**SECRETARY’S REPORT – Jay, N4KXO**

December 2022 minutes were emailed to all members by Jay, N4KXO  
Motion submitted for acceptance of the report, seconded, and accepted.

**VEC report – Dave, N4NG** Two persons tested this morning. Both passed. 1 Technician and 1 extra

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

The Royal Harbor repeater's GE Master 2 and antenna will be removed immediately after this meeting.

Larry (N2HBX) has received the pre-amp donated to us by the East Coast Reflector for installation on the 442.600 repeater

### **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. It will be reconnected once the pre-amp is installed.

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 MyRadat 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. Please remember to turnoff the main power to the console and disconnect the antennas from the patch panel.

The 80-40 end fed has been repaired and now works.

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

LARA contributed 130 hours to Lake County in December 2022

For 2022 LARA contributed 3220 hours to Lake County.

### **LARA Information Net & SKYWARN – Teresa (KN4CFJ) (Net Manager)**

In 2022 we had a total of 163 sessions with 3343 check-ins for an average of 20.5 check-ins per session.

In December we had 13 sessions with 231 check-ins for an average of almost 18 per session.

Nick WA3 GTU had the good idea to send out emails to get more participation in his net this month. He had 41 check ins. Thanks, Nick.

### **Quarter Century Wireless Association (QCWA) – Rick (KM4JFM)**

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 & John K4CYA**

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

The SK Committee will once again be going to Hamcation to sell gear. If you have anything you would like to donate to this annual SK sales event, please see WB4HV or K4CYA.

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

Jason (K4AUS) has updated the LARA Frequency Plan and it has been posted on the website. This plan can be accessed on any page of the site through the link on the right-hand side. Also, Jason developed an interactive map of the LARA repeaters. This map can also be accessed on our website under the “LARA Repeaters” tab.

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 January had 5 people in attendance. The luncheon is hosted at the Oakwood Smokehouse in Leesburg. The next luncheon is scheduled for February 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:00AM

### **ARES – Jamey (W4CGX) –**

### **Property Book Manager –**

Cliff, WW4WD –.

### **LARA Document Review – Board of Directors**

The BOD have completed the annual document review. No substantive changes made. Jason/Jamey working on Updating the LARA OP file.

### **LARA Events**

#### **Live It Bike Event**

Glenn (AA4UC) will lead March 11, 2023

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

Glenn (AA4UC) and Jason (W4AUS) will lead

#### **Mount Dora July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade 2023** Frank (KK4MBX) and Jay (N4KXO)

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

Glenn AA4UC will lead the October 2023 event

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

#### **LARA Christmas Party –**

The 2023 Christmas dinner is  
Scheduled for December 8, 2023 Frank (KK4MBX)

**Scouting – Ken (KN4MDJ)** Ken always needs help with these events:

March 25<sup>th</sup> -Trades, Aquatics & Careers – Helps promote JOBS related to the radio field.

April 29<sup>th</sup> - STEAM Wars – More JOBS & interactive displays related to radio & science.

July 15<sup>th</sup> – International Jamborette - International scouts

October (Every Saturday) - Scouts & Cubs Halloween

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

The current Officers and Board members for 2023 is as follows:

President Glenn Casselman (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)

Our Treasurer Dave Pennell (NP2MR) is moving to NC in February. Dave Tempelton (N4NG) has graciously volunteered and has been accepted by the BOD as the new Treasurer. The BOD agreed to have Larry (N2HBX) become BOD member to fill the open spot of Dave's (NP2MR) leaving LARA.

### **Program**

Bouvet Island Update /Removal of the Royal Harbor Repeater and Antenna.

### **Wrap Up**

40 Members and guests attended in person.

The 50/50 drawing for \$24.00 was won by AA4UC, who returned the winnings to the club. Thank you,

Meeting adjourned at 10:53 AM

Jay Boehme  
Secretary LARA