

General Meeting Agenda of Lake Amateur Radio Association February 18, 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:

Jeffrey Benway	KQ4FRL	Technician – Paid and accepted
Mike Pecorini	K2MRP	General – Paid and accepted
Roger Wilson	KA1CPJ	General - Paid and accepted

TREASURER’S REPORT - Dave, NP2MR

The following balances were reported for February 2023.

Truist Checking	4380.35
Truist Savings	5,502.65
Investment Account	14,511.40
Petty Cash	50.00
PayPal	82.08
SK Fund	1,000.00

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

SECRETARY’S REPORT – Jay, N4KXO

January 2023 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. However 199 people tested at Hamcation with Dave (N4NG) at

At the helm.

ENGINEERS REPORT – Larry, N2HBX – All LARA controlled equipment up and running.

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 – Garage cleanout went well. We received \$100 from scrape metal from the garage.

Volunteer Certification and Hours Jay, N4KXO

For 2022 LARA contributed 3220 hours to Lake County.

In January 2023 LARA provided 171 volunteer hours.

LARA Information Net & SKYWARN – Teresa (KN4CFJ)

In January 2023 we had 13 sessions with 353 check-ins for an average of 27 per session.

Last month Nick WA3GTU had a record 41 check ins in a single session.

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 & John K4CYA

The SC Committee sold over \$2,000 worth of equipment at Hamcation.

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 February had 14 people in attendance. The luncheon is hosted at the Oakwood Smokehouse in Leesburg. The next luncheon is scheduled for March 8th at 11:00AM

ARES – Jamey (W4CGX) –

Property Book Manager –

LARA Events

Live It Bike Event

Glenn (AA4UC) will lead March 11, 2023

So far, we have the following volunteering for this event:

Jeffrey Benway	KC4YAO
Frank Anders	KK4MBX
Jay Boehme	N4KXO
Roger Weed	K4VI
Larry/Maria Monroe	N2HBX
Dave LaBier	KE7BMG
Lionel (Lee) Hector	WD0BT
Justin Reheman	K4JKR
Glenn Casselman	AA4UC
Jeffrey Taffuri	KO4NCC
John Zimmerman	K4ZI
Leslie King	K0KI

Raymond Nightingale KO4LBM

More are needed. Please email Glenn at AA4UC@ARRL.NET to volunteer.

Field Day 2023 (June 23-25)

Glenn (AA4UC) and Jason (K4AUS) will lead

Mount Dora July 4th Parade 2023 – Frank (KK4MBX) & Jay (N4KXO)

Mount Dora Bike Festival (MDBF) Glenn AA4UC

Glenn AA4UC will lead the October 2023 event

Clermont Night Out – Jamey (W4CGX)

Hearts for our Hospital – An annual event in November

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

Member Accomplishments, Events and Updates:

Ken Lyons (KN4MDJ) was a recipient of the Carole Perry Educator of the Year Award at HamCation 2023. Ken is the Assistant Division Director for Radio Scouting for Boy and Girl Scouts throughout the southeast division. Ken earned this high distinction by introducing over 1,000 Scouts per year to amateur radio.

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

President Glenn Casselman (AA4UC)
Vice President Jason Matthews (K4AUS)
Treasurer Dave Pennell (NP2MR) *
Treasurer Dave Templeton (N4NG) *
Secretary Jay Boehme (N4KXO)
Director Dave LaBier (KE7BMG)
Director Dean DeLong (KM4QMB)
Director Frank Anders (KK4MBX)
Director John Randall (K4CYA)
Director Larry Monroe (N2HBX)

* 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.

Program

Recognition of Dave Pennell (NP2MR). Dave was bestowed as an Honorary member of LARA in good standing. Dave was also Presented The Board of Directors plaque.

POTA at Lake Griffin State Park after the meeting.
Admission is \$5.00 per vehicle. Lunch supplied by Laura (N4LJC)

Wrap Up

27 Members and guests attended in person.

The 50/50 drawing for \$24 was won by KA1CPJ , ,

Meeting adjourned at 11:02 AM

Glenn Casselman (AA4UC)
President LARA