

# Verde Valley Amateur Radio Association

## VVARA General Monthly Membership Meeting

Online via Zoom

May 19, 2021

Attendance: 24

Don Sears, President opened the meeting at 7:02 PM.

Board Members in attendance were, Secretary, Rod Rosenbarger KI6FH, Treasurer and Trustee, Bob Thompson KC8BOB, Member At Large Wayne Gilbertson WA7IGI.

First on the agenda was the presentation on Magnetic Loop Antennas which was very informative given by Art Brigida, AB7FB and Donovan Rand, N7XO.

The President opened the business meeting with the treasurer's report by Bob Thompson. The full report follows the minutes in the printed version of this document.

Membership report from Starla Thompson, KE7DTS we have 1 new member since our last meeting, George Pohlman, K7GJP. We have had 11 new members in 2021 for a total of 148 paid family and Life Time Members.

Tech Committee, Matt Dutton, N7YIO, Bob Thompson, KC8BOB, Bob Shipton K8EQC, Steve Pearson, KC7TIL, Doug Theriault NO1D.

Matt N7YIO, Reported that Doug NO1D is finishing a temporary repeater to go on Squaw Peak and the Yaesu repeater can be serviced or repaired by Yaesu. It is still under warranty. Matt will be replacing the cellular router at the Mingus Mountain site. The Router allows us to have an AllStar node at the site in order to control the repeaters. The router that is there is destined to fail as it is older technology.

Don added that the committee has been talking about replacing the 70Cm antenna on Mingus. Steve Pearson KC7TIL is looking in to a new commercial antenna.

New Business, Field Day June 25-27. We are looking for a Field Day / Radio Chair person and a picnic chair person.

Our next meeting hopefully will be at the Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church in Clarkdale. Don will be calling them to see if they are having in person meetings in their room. If they are

we will try to have an in person meeting next month. If you are not comfortable with that don't feel bad about not attending, everyone understands.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Minutes submitted by  
Rod Rosenbarger KI6FH Secretary