

# Verde Valley Amateur Radio Association

## VVARA General Monthly Membership Meeting

**Location: Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church, Clarkdale, Arizona**

**Wednesday, November 16, 2022 at 7:00pm**

Attendance: 26

President Don Sears N7PLL presiding.

Board Members present were President Don Sears N7PLL, Vice-President Steve Pearson KC7TIL and Treasurer Bob Thompson KC8BOB.

Nominations for the 2023 Board of Directors were announced and elected by the members present. The Board of Directors for 2023 are:

President: Steve Pearson, KC7TIL

Vice President: Bill Jackson, KC7ILX

Treasurer: Don Sears, N7PLL

Secretary: Rod Rosenbarger, KI6FH

Director at Large: Bob Thompson, KC8BOB (appointed)

Treasurer Bob Thompson KC8BOB gave his report. A new projector has been purchased for the club meetings. Thanks to the profitable sale of the COW trailer and mast, dues for 2023 have been reduced for one year to \$20 per household. For a full Treasurer's report please contact Bob Thompson KC8BOB.

Membership Chair Starla Thompson KE7DTS presented the Membership report. So far in 2022 we have 16 new members and 155, paid, family and lifetime members.

The Technical Committee Report was given by Steve Pearson KC7TIL and Bob Shipton K8EQC. There was discussion of the new 70cm antennas to be installed at the repeater sites and future installation of the Yaesu DR-2X digital repeater at the Porcupine Mountain site. And there was an explanation of the ARES/RACES mesh system recently installed at the Porcupine Mountain site.

Old Business: There is no news on the Forest Service new fee of \$1,400 per site.

New Business:

Christmas Luncheon will be December 3rd at Randall's in Cottonwood. Price is \$18 per person. There is no meeting in December. The next meeting will be in January with the installation of the new Board of Directors.

The presentation was "Communications in Military and Commercial Aviation" by Jim "Repo" Sanders, former Air Force and American Airlines pilot.

A video recording of the meeting has been made available to the club members.

Secretary, Rod Rosenbarger KI6FH