

RAMS Meeting
PO Box 2951
Orangevale, CA 5662
April 9, 2015

Present: 23 in attendance

The meeting was called to order by Steve and he welcomed everyone.

Secretary's Report: March 12, 2015 minutes was approved

Treasurer's Report:

Beginning balance	\$ 999.25
Withdrawals	\$ 35.33
Deposits	<u>\$ 48.10</u>
Ending Balance	\$ 1012.02

Next VE Session: May 16, 2015 Location- LDS Church, Hazel & Cherry. Refer to the RAMS website W6HIR.com for future dates of the VE Sessions.

2 Meter Net – 8 – 10 people most weeks

10 Meter Net – Average of 5 – 7 each week

RAMS Repeater: Per Steve the repeater is down due to maintenance; no estimate time of completion. Continue to use Jim's repeater – 146.985 – PL 94.8

RAMS Web-Site Update – Minutes are posted on the About RAMS/Activities page and all upcoming events are posted.

Steve reviewed the following:

- The ARRL & Sacramento Valley Section Passdowns and the upcoming ARRL Section.
- Nevada State Convention: May 1st thru 3rd in Reno, Nevada – Boomtown Casino Hotel. For more information go to <http://nvcon.org>
- WIAW 2015 Spring/Summer Operating Schedule. The SFM ARC (W6SFM) will hold CW beginners class in Carmichael at the Carmichael Presbyterian Church from April 15th thru June 17th from 7 to 9 pm. Cost is \$30 which includes a practice key (J38 type straight key) and an Oscillator w/speaker to use during class and to keep for home practice.
- North Hill Radio Club will hold their next Hamfest on Sunday, May 17th at the Natomas High School. Items for the drawings are Icom 718 transceiver, Alinco 220 hand-held and a 2-M 70-cm mag mount antenna. More information can be found at <http://www.k6is.org>

Unfinished Business: If your dues are not paid (\$15.00/yr) please pay Dennis Smazenko, club treasurer.

Focus Topic: Paul's Light & Magic Show

Opens:

- Pony Express Re-ride: Ron (KJ6XI) stated the riders will be at Harrahs in Tahoe 12:30 pm on June 24th and will arrive in Old Sacramento on June 25th 11:30 am. If you are going to participate Ron needs a signed waiver from you. Visit www.xphomestation.com for more information.
- Jim's (AB6OP) 220 is up and running.
- Danny (N6TNI) asked for volunteers for the March of Dimes Baby Walk to be held downtown at the Capitol on April 25th. Please notify Joe Cardoza (KA6ROM) if you're interested.
- Dennis (KK6BEQ) stated he was contacted regarding radio equipment for sale. The wife is selling the equipment after the death of her husband. If interested, please contact Dennis.
- Roy (KB6UT) stated the 2 and 10 meter Net needs more check-ins.

The next RAMS meeting will be May 14, 2015
Focus Topic: Show n' Tell