

RAMS Meeting
PO Box 2951
Orangevale, CA 5662
February 12, 2015

Present: 21 in attendance

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

Secretary's Report: January 8, 2014 minutes was approved

Treasurer's Report:

Beginning balance	\$ 929.06
Withdraws	\$ 158.73
Deposits	<u>\$ 224.17</u>
Ending Balance	\$ 994.50

Board of Directors Report: Dennis Smazeno reported on the Board meeting held Nov. 17, 2014.

Joe Cardoza stated the meeting was about gathering all information regarding the RAMS site at Bald Mt.

It was agreed:

- The 10 year permit will be paid by the RAMS Club (approximately \$120/every 10 years).
- The Application Recovery Fee is an annual fee (approximately \$120/yr) and will be split between Fred Jensen K6DGW, Dennis Bartoldo N6PMI, Glen Maclean WA7SPY and the RAMS Club and will be billed appropriately.
- The monthly PG&E bill will be paid by the four parties: Fred Jensen K6DGW, Dennis Bartoldo N6PMI, Glen Maclean WA7SPY and the RAMS Club and will be billed appropriately.

Maintenance cost for the building/vault will be paid by the RAMS Club.

Equipment at Bald Mt.:

RAMS Club	220 repeater
Glenn Maclean	625 repeater
Dennis Bartoldo	1.2 repeater
Fred Jensen	440 repeater

Ron Norton, Dan Platte and Joe Cardoza put a new coat on the roof to prevent water damage.

Next VE Session: March 21, 2015 Location- LDS Church, Hazel & Cherry. Refer to the RAMS website W6HIR.com for future dates of the VE Sessions.

2 Meter Net – 10 people most weeks

10 Meter Net – Averaging about 5 per week

RAMS Web-Site Update – Minutes are posted, events added to the calendar.

Steve reviewed the following:

- The ARRL & Sacramento Valley Section Passdowns and the upcoming ARRL Section, State and Division Conventions and Events
- WIAW 2015 Winter Operating Schedule. The SFM ARC (W6SFM) will once again hold CW beginners class in Carmichael at the Carmichael Presbyterian Church from April 14th thru June 16th from 7 to 9 pm.
- Sierra Foothills ARC will hold their first Ham Swap on Saturday, March 14th in Loomis at the Historic Loomis Train Depot starting at 7:30 am

Unfinished Business: Dues were due (\$15.00/yr) October 1st; please pay Dennis, the Club Treasurer.

Focus Topic: RF Ground (Radioworks.com)

Opens:

- Open Net – Mt. Vacca 3918.5 at 8:00 pm on Saturdays
- Discussion on where the 2-meter net is in Folsom
- Pony Express will be from June 24th – June 28th. The riders will be at Harris in Tahoe 12:30 pm and will arrive in Old Sacramento on Saturday 11:30 am

The next RAMS meeting will be March 12, 2015