

RAMS Meeting Minutes
PO Box 2951
Orangevale, CA 95662
March 10, 2016

Present: 23 in attendance

The meeting was called to order by Steve Bickford, N6AE afterwards he welcomed everyone.

Secretary's Report: February 11, 2016 minutes was approved

Treasurer's Report:	Beginning balance	\$1,008.17
	Withdrawals	\$ 228.95
	Deposits	<u>\$ 222.93</u>
	Ending Balance	\$1,002.15

Next VE Session: The date for the next VE session is May 21, 2016 Location- LDS Church, Hazel & Cherry. Refer to the RAMS website W6HIR.com for future dates of the VE Sessions. Steve stated no requests have been received from American River College for testing.

RAMS Repeater – Steve, N6AE stated the RAMS repeater has been repaired by Glenn, WA7SPY. He fixed the 220 link, but has not swapped the repaired RAMS repeater for his backup unit. Glenn said he would do it this upcoming weekend.

Repeaters:

- 2 Meter – Saturday mornings at 8:30 am. Frequency 146.790 PL 100.
- 10 Meter – unofficially there is no 10 Meter net on Sunday nights, but several people have signed on.

RAMS Web-Site Update – Minutes are posted on the About RAMS/Activities page. Steve, N6AE mentioned he may add a link to the website on how to program various radios.

ARRL: Field Day is June 25 – 26, 2016

Sacramento Valley Section:

Web: <https://sites.google.com/site/arrlsacvalley/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ARRLSacramentoValley>

Twitter: https://twitter.com/ARRL_SV

W6SFM: Beginner CW class starting April 13th: <http://www.w6sfm.com/>

Focus Topic: Steve, N6AE

Basic primer on “Slow-Scan TV” followed by a short YouTube video giving a demonstration of it in action.

Opens:

- 2nd Annual Sierra Foothill Meet – March 12th in Loomis.
- Joe Cardoza stated it would be a good idea if everyone got their radios up and running for safety due to the weather conditions.
- Question was asked if anyone knows how to use the raspberry pie.
- Dennis Bartoldo, N6PMI is helping to sell Vern’s radio equipment. For more information contact him.
- American River College will start their Technician Class on Friday, March 18th at 6 pm.

The next RAMS meeting will be April 14, 2016