

RAMS Meeting
PO Box 2951
Orangevale, CA 5662
November 13, 2014

Present: 17 in attendance

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. Steve welcomed everyone

Secretary's Report: October 9, 2014 minutes was approved

Treasurer's Report:

Beginning balance	\$ 805.57
Withdraws	\$ 49.55
Deposits	<u>\$ 297.16</u>
Ending Balance	\$1053.18

Board of Directors Report: Joe reported on the following:

The Site Agreement for Bald Mtn. was submitted to the US Forest Service and now waiting for approval. The permit is approximately \$120/year. The Recovery Fee is also \$120 for a 10 year period. Joe will follow up on how it's billed to the club. Steve stated the dues the club collects pays for this.

Next VE Session: November 15, 2014 Location- LDS Church, Hazel & Cherry. Refer to the RAMS website W6HIR.com for future dates of the VE Sessions.

2 Meter Net – Roy stated 8 to 10 people most weeks

10 Meter Net – Attendance is about 6 to 8 people weekly

RAMS Web-site Update – Minutes are posted, events added to the calendar. Steve urged everyone to review the RAMS website w6hir.com to view the calendar, event dates, minutes, etc.

RAMS Repeater – Per Steve the RAMS repeater is up and running. The group at Intel holds their Net on Thursday nights at 7:00 pm

The next RAMS meeting will be a Show and Tell on December 11, 2014

- Steve reviewed the ARRL & Sacramento Valley Section Passdowns and the upcoming ARRL Section, State and Division Conventions and Events
- Read a request from Duane Wyatt WA0MJD (Rancho Cordova area) asking for assistance with amateur radio-morse communication display and outreach. Also looking for operators to help with the Holiday Hams – an effort to let hospitalized children talk directly to Santa, the elves, Rudolph and Mrs. Claus via ham radio.
- The Asian Community Center senior services is looking for a HAM radio consultant to help them get a license, buying equipment, being trained in preparing for disaster. The contact person is Jeff Clay at 916 307 9225.
- W6SF.com holds a net every Tuesday at 8:00 pm morse code only 15 words/minute.

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

Focus Topic: Earth-Moon-Earth: EME Primer

Opens:

- Suggestion for a potluck Christmas event
- Donated/for sale items – submit to Steve to be included on the website
- Pony Express Christmas Re-Ride – December 13th in Folsom at 10:00 am to Old Sacramento
- Discussion on using Word Press program for the website
- Joe is looking for a 10 & 20 meter beam
- Providing name tags for paid club members

Meeting closed at 8:30 pm