

Sequoia Amateur Radio Group
November Minutes
November 11th, 2017

The meeting opened with club president Skip Reymann, N6SR requesting that all veterans identify themselves by raising their hand. Skip thanked them for their service and members applauded. The recitation of The Pledge of Allegiance and was led by club president, Skip Reymann. There were 27 members present and 7 guests, all from Fellow Travelers on 178. A quorum was established.

Old Business: Christmas dinner in lieu of December meeting.

General Business: There was no one present who needed to take an exam, or to receive help with studying. Skip thanked the Bakersfield hams for coming to the meeting. Minutes, club history and photos are available online.

New Business: New board members we installed and will be the following:

President: Bill Hesse, N6TF

Vice President: Donna Higginbotham, WA6FUN

Returning as Secretary: Christine Hesse, KK6AZQ

Returning as Treasurer: Mike Higgins, KA6IYS

Membership Chair: Chuck Caudell, KI6GOG

Board Member At Large: Don Jefferson, KC6OCA

Vice President Clarence Semonious introduced the speakers this month, Fellow Travelers On 178. Officer Ryan Bunting, KI6LSQ also spoke. Many safety concerns were discussed.

Prize Winners:

Clarence, KJ6MCJ- antenna mount

Bob Cadman, WB6LMZ- SWR tester

Torin Swinland, KK6YAB, circuit tester

Darlene Semonious, wallet

Bob Bradley, KI6TLB- ground outlet adapter

Cash Prize of \$22.00 went to Bob Wright, W6DOT

Next Club Meeting

January 13th, 2018 at 9:30

Elks Lodge, Wofford Heights

Sequoia Amateur Radio Group
General Meeting
October 14th, 2017

The meeting began with the recitation of The Pledge of Allegiance led by Club President Skip Reymann, N6SR. There were 20 members present. New member Steve Sorton, KK6SVU is included in the count. A quorum was established.

General Business: President Skip asked if there was anyone present who needed an exam or needed help with studying. No exams were given. Skip thanked the Bakersfield hams who drove up for our meeting. Minutes, photos and Club History are available online. Don and Marty Jefferson return home Sunday, October 15th.

Old Business: The annual Christmas dinner will be held in lieu of a December meeting. Ham equipment is still available online. The Club is still looking for ways to get new members into the club and at the meetings.

New Business: Chuck Caudill, KI6GOG presented a list of candidates for the November election of board members.

There was no speaker at this meeting. Club Members reminisced on how the club started, memories and meeting each other, etc.

Prize Winners:

Dick, N6SKJ

Clarence, K6MCJ

Christine, KK6AZQ

50/50 Winner-LaRae. An iPad mini was awarded instead of cash.

Next Club Meeting

November 11th, 2017 9:30am

Elks Lodge, Wofford Heights

Sequoia Amateur Radio Group
General Meeting
August 12th, 2017

The meeting began with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance, led by President Skip Reymann, N6SR. There were 23 members in attendance, with no guests. A quorum was established.

New Business: Club President Skip asked if anyone needed to take an exam or needs help with studying for a ham exam. Pete, W6SV mentioned that he thought the club should do more to boost attendance at the meetings. Skip, N6SR asked if there were any club projects to be brought to attention. The club's annual advertisement in the Kern River Valley Senior Center's monthly newsletter, "Hi Lites" was renewed again at a cost of \$40.00. It was mentioned we needed a volunteer to put together a list of possible candidates for the November election of board members.

Old Business: Silent Key Don, KD6HCV still has equipment for sale.

Dave Light, KG6YSZ was our featured speaker. He spoke of attending the Space X Rocket Launch with Iridium satellites aboard, used in communications. Dave also showed a few videos of the launch.

Door prize winners were as follows:

Sam Beckham, KJ6CNH - flash drive
Chuck Caudell, KI6GOG - battery tester
Clarence Semonious, KJ6MCJ - nut tightener
Jan Robertson, N7CCV - clamps

50-50 winner was Jan Robertson, N7CCV - \$15.00

Next Club Meeting
September 9th, 2017 9:30
Elks Lodge, Wofford Heights

SEQUOIA AMATEUR RADIO GROUP
GENERAL MEETING –JULY 8, 2017 MINUTES

The meeting began with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance led by Pres. Skip, N6SR. Afterwards introductions were conducted around. There were 21 members present and 2 guests with a total of 23 in attendance. Guests were: Julie Gray (Torin's mom) and Leroy Bostic, KF6OFA. A quorum was established.

One ham license exam was given.

Meeting Minutes, Treasurer's Reports and photos are available to view via the Club website: www.n6kryv.@n6kryv.org. Printed reports are available by request and brought to the meeting.

Mike, KA6IYS gave a brief report on the 2017 Field Day experience. Photos are posted on the club website.

Mike also noted the club FCC License, N6KRV was renewed until 08-14-2027.

Pete, W6SV shared his experience on the Space X "Iridium" rocket send off. Discussion followed about various satellites in space today and the development of global communications.

Clarence, KJ6MCJ was the featured Speaker of the meeting. His presentation was about the ABC TV show "Last Man Standing" starring Tim Allan. Three short videos were about amateur radio operators that were on staff and in the show. One video was about a Last Man Standing special event with each radio station in different rooms on the set and an antenna set up specific for the event.

Door prize winners were: Clarence, KJ6MCJ-6/12 V circuit tester; Dick, N6SKJ-Digital battery tester; Bill, N6TF-Long nose pliers; Janet H.-Ballpoint pen.

Raffle prize winner: Dick, N6SKJ

Skip reminded members to consider serving an office position in 2018. Elections are in November.

Next meeting is Sat., August 12 featuring Dave Light, KG6YSZ regarding his early work on BIRDS-1 constellation of five CubeSats. The meeting is held at 9:30 a.m. at the Wofford Heights Elks Lodge.

Sequoia Amateur Radio Club
June 10th, 2017

In lieu of a regular June meeting, the club held a bbq and ice cream social. Twenty four members and guests were in attendance.

Next Meeting
July 8th, 2017
Elks Lodge, Wofford Heights

SEQUOIA AMATEUR RADIO GROUP
GENERAL MEETING –MAY 13, 2017 MINUTES

The meeting began with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance led by Pres. Skip, N6SR. Afterwards introductions were conducted around. There were 17 members present and two (2) guests with a total of 21 in attendance. Guests were Terry Godley, N6AJ and Dan Turk, WA6JRP both of Bakersfield. A quorum was established.

There was no ham license exam requested or given. Meeting Minutes, Treasurer's Reports and photos are available to view via the Club website: www.n6krv.org. Printed reports are available by request and brought to the meeting.

Skip, N6SR reported on the recent High Desert Road Rally. It was a successful race although 3 cars didn't finish due to accidents. It was a long day as a result of a shortage of volunteers to help with keeping track of the cars passing markers along the route. Some volunteers had to monitor two stations. When their first station was passed by the cars, they had to move to another station further along the route to record the passing cars.

Clarence, KJ6MCJ introduced Speaker, Terry Godley, N6AJ. Terry's presentation was about the Kern County Parks' 65th anniversary this year. He shared a special ARRL event has been in progress to celebrate 65 years of Park services. Beginning in April through June 2017 a special ham event is in place on 2m and 440m bands to try to make as many contacts from Kern County parks either via repeaters or simplex. More points are won if a contact is made on simplex. Skip, N6SR was given a listing of Parks in the County from which contacts can be made and points won. For more information go to <http://www.kcpota.com/home.html> . The list of parks is on their website. There is also a link on the S.A.R.G. website: n6krv.org home page.

Door prize winners were: Skip, N6SR-Microfibre cloths; Dick, N6SKJ-World Radio TV Handbook-Directory of Global Broadcasting; Jan, KE6KJE-Flashdrive; Sam, KJ6CNH-Flashdrive.

Raffle prize winner: Jan, N7CCV-Weather Station

Next meeting is Sat., June 10 possibly featuring an ice-cream social. More details will be in the SA.R.G. Newsletter.

Sequoia Amateur Radio Group
April 8th, 2017
Minutes

In lieu of our general meeting, a Swap Meet/Potluck was held at the Valley Estates Community Center. There was a good turnout of people and the food was enjoyable.

Next Meeting
May 13th, 2017
Elks Club
Wofford Heights

Sequoia Amateur Radio Group
General Meeting
March 11th, 2017

The meeting began with the recitation of the The Pledge of Allegiance, led by Club President Skip, N6SR.

General Club Business:

No ham tests were administered.

Pres. Skip asked if there was anyone who needed help in studying for ham test. Minutes, photos and club history are available online at N6KRV.org 20 members were in attendance, (1 late renewal), with 2 guests. A quorum was established.

Old Business:

Ideas were bounced around for place and date of an Ice Cream Social. Skip commented on DIY projects, Heathkits and building your own equipment. Club projects were discussed. 2m antenna demo or exercise using twin lead at April Swap Meet. Discussions about AM to SSB used in the 50's and 60's and possible shift from FM to DMR (Digital Mobile Radio); A DMR document is available online.

New Business:

Jayne Hotchkiss-Price, KK6JPZ will speak at Chef's Noodle Bar on March 18th. The topic will be "Law and Disorder, 1866-1915"

Vice Pres. Clarence, KJ6MCJ introduced the speakers. Debra Hess, Outreach Program, Tim McGlew, CEO of the Kern Valley Hospital and Chief Nursing Officer Mark Gordon gave an informative presentation of the "future plans of the Kern Valley Hospital, bringing it up to code and what's to come." A measure for implementing a parcel tax to fund this will be placed on the June ballot.

Prize Winners were:

Clarence KJ6MCJ - battery checker

Dave KG6YSZ - microflush wire cutter

Mike KA6IYS - clips

Richard AE6TA - Microfiber Cloths

50-50 Winner - Pete W6SV, returned money back into club.

Directions are available at the club website for place and directions of next meeting.

The April Meeting
Annual Swap Meet and Potluck,
Valley Estates Community Center in Weldon
Saturday, April 8th, 2017 10am to 1pm

SEQUOIA AMATEUR RADIO GROUP

GENERAL MEETING –FEBRUARY 4, 2017 MINUTES

The meeting began with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance led by Pres. Skip, N6SR. Afterwards introductions were conducted around. There were 21 members present and one (1) guest with a total of 22 in attendance. Guest was Daniel Leach, KI4WIN of Weldon. A quorum was established.

There was no ham license exam requested or given. Meeting Minutes, Treasurer's Reports and photos are available to view via the Club website: www.n6kryv.@n6kryv.org. Printed reports are available by request and brought to the meeting.

Skip commented that an ice cream social may be held in lieu of the annual New Years Eve potluck which was cancelled due to the weather damage on his road.

Other new business shared was: Have a 2m antenna demo or exercise using twin lead at the annual April Swap Meet; Discussions about AM to SSB used in the 50s & 60s and possible shift of FM to DMR (Digital Mobile Radio); A DMR document, [Amateur Radio Guide to Digital Mobile Radio](#) is available for more info on-line; MESH network has moved from LinkSys Wifi units to Ubiquiti units which has a greater range; An article in [QST](#), Jan. 2017, page 72 is about MESH moving to commercial units, i.e., [Texting Off the Grid](#); MESH is also moving to aviation: Airliner-to-airliner for internet "in progress".

Clarence, KJ6MCJ, Vice Pres. introduced speaker and historian, Al Price, N6ALP. Al's presentation was about E. Clampus Vitas and a historical personality, Peter Lebeck. Mr. Lebeck had a varied and mysterious history in the 1800s.

Door prize winners were: Bob, W6DOT – Hesse Soap; Bill, N6TF – LED flashlight; Lisa C. – Wire cutters; Dave, KG6YSZ – Needle nose pliers.

50-50 raffle winner was Janet H.

This February meeting was moved to the first Saturday of the month, Feb. 4 due to a schedule conflict. Next meeting will be on a regular scheduled 2nd Saturday of the month, Mar. 11 beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the ELKS Lodge in Wofford Heights. SARG meetings will continue to meet on the 2nd Saturday of each month.

Sequoia Amateur Radio Group
General Meeting
January 14th, 2017

The meeting began with The Pledge of Allegiance, led by new Club President Skip Reymann N6SR. Introductions were made. We had 28 members in attendance, enough to establish a quorum.

General club business:
No ham tests were administered.

Skip thanked past presidents Pete Higginbotham W6SV and Mike Higgins KA6IYS for their service. He also thanked others for their volunteerism; Mike Higgins, webmaster, Al Price N6ALP, newsletter and Marty Jefferson KC6RIZ, Club Historian. Volunteers keep this club up and running.

Darlene Semonious became our Membership Chairman. Jan Robertson N7CCV will be the contact for Elks Club. A Field Day Chairperson is still needed.

New Business:
The board voted to donate \$50 to KRV Boy Scouts

Bill Hesse N6TF gave an informative and enjoyable presentation on the history and making of soap.

Door Prize Winners:
Bill Hesse N6TF- wire cutters
Jon Armstrong K6QXG- soap
Wayne Hopfe KB6TDK- thumb drive
Jayne Price KK6JPZ- flashlight
Christy Hancock- thumb drive

50/50 Winner- Jan Robertson, who donated the money back to the club

Next club Meeting
February 11th, 2017
Elks Lodge