

# CVARC Board Meeting Minutes

## February 8, 2018

### Board Members:

President – Stu Forman  
Secretary – Andy Ludlum  
Education – Bill Willcox (Absent)  
Public Relations – Joe Sprissler (Absent)  
Newsletter – Stu Forman  
Social – Mike Felio

Vice President – Mark Horner  
Treasurer- Christian Ylagan (Absent)  
Operations – Steve Gillis  
Tech Coordinator – Adrian Jarrett  
Member at Large – Ben Herrera (Absent)  
Member at Large – Zak Cohen  
Member at Large - Tim Wheeler

### Club Members:

Stu Sheldon

Meeting called to order: 19:00 by Stu Forman

- 1 The Board reviewed and accepted minutes of previous meeting as written.  
Follow-up on items from minutes:
  1. Andy Ludlum sent notices to the 25 past due members on the roster. It was recommended anyone who doesn't respond by the March Board meeting be archived. Seven on the list can already be archived.
  2. Andy Ludlum checked on the status of the Thousand Oaks CEEF grant. He was told applications will be accepted for about a month starting at the end of February. He will monitor the city website and begin work on the application when it appears. Christian will need to complete a financial portion and Stu will need to sign it.
- 2 **Treasurer's Report** – Accepted as published. Christian Ylagan prepared a 2017 P&L statement. It showed the club spent about \$1800 more than it took in last year. However, the club did not get a Thousand Oaks CEEF grant (\$500-\$1000), money from Crusin' the Conejo (\$250) and had a one-time Field Day expenditure of almost \$700 for filters and a quadplexer. The goal is to break even.
- 3 **Presidents Report** – Stu Forman
  - a. Website Assistant/Revisions: We are still looking for someone with webmaster skills to assist Ben Herrera. He has a Mac laptop with the content management program that he can give to the assistant. Stu mentioned the need at the last meeting and didn't hear from anyone. It will be mentioned again at next week's meeting, perhaps by Ben if he attends.
  - b. Film Location: Stu Forman reported Norm Campbell-AB6ET has agreed to provide his shack to the producers of a film:  
<http://www.imdb.com/title/tt7385414/> They will use Norm's shack to shoot two scenes for the feature.

- c. School Science Nights: Stu Forman suggested we reach out to high schools to see if they would be interested in a demo, or a table, dedicated to ham radio at the schools' science fairs. Stu is going to ask Bill Willcox if he would be willing to take the lead on this.
- d. February meeting will have Mark Horner bringing cookies and Mike Felio bringing coffee. Zak Cohen volunteered to bring cookies for the March meeting and Andy Ludlum volunteered for April.
- e. The pre-meeting dinner will be at Szechuan Garden, 484 E Los Angeles Ave, Moorpark

#### 4 Vice Presidents Report – Mark Horner

- a. The February 15 speaker is John Castorina WB6AZP who will discuss restoring WW2 Era Radios that were installed on B-51 and P51 aircraft
- b. Upcoming Speakers: Andy reported that he had spoken to Brad Ormsby who is coordinating the March speaker on Elecraft. The potential speaker was out of town this week and should get back to Brad with a confirmation before next week's meeting. This might be a Skype event. Andy Ludlum will confirm and let Tim Wheeler know if we need his Skype set-up for March. April is confirmed with Pete Heins-N6ZE talking about contesting. Mark Horner will get details for Andy Ludlum so he can write up a short description for the website/newsletter. Some other upcoming programs were discussed. Adrian Jarrett will be sending Andy Ludlum the Field Day power point he did in the past. There was also discussion about the structure of logging software presentation in July.

#### 5 Operations – Steve Gillis

- a. Winter Field Day Review – Adrian and Steve: Despite the cold and the wind, the event was a big success and all involved had a good time. Due to the flu, we only had one Girl Scout attend, instead of six. But she got a lot of attention and completed nearly all the requirements for her patch. While the bands weren't robust, contacts were made, including Adrian Jarrett's seven satellite contacts.
- b. The idea of having some sort of mini Field Day or operating event every quarter was discussed. It was moved, and approved to have a mini Field Day on Sunday, April 15 at the same park location near Thousand Oaks High School. Steve Gillis, Tim Wheeler and Zak Cohen are working out details, reservations. There was some suggestions of creating themes for the Field Days or arranging to have some special demonstrations of interesting modes. Steve Gillis is going to explore this idea. The event will be mentioned as a "Save the Date" at the next meeting, and if possible in the newsletter.

## 6 Reports from Members at Large – Zak Cohen, Tim Wheeler

Zak Cohen got comments at the last meeting from a couple of people who mentioned they liked the Winter Field Day event. He didn't hear comments on classes.

Tim Wheeler found two members who were interested in classes or instruction on how to operate radios, including some vintage radios they inherited. It was decided the Members at Large would try to see how many new club members might be interested in basic operating instructions. Zak Cohen mentioned he has a presentation for another group that might cover a lot of this.

## 7 Technical – Adrian Jarrett

- a. Project Update: Adrian has completed a 6m halo antenna prototype. It still needs some cosmetic work. Adrian will bring it to the next board meeting. It is estimated the project would take 2-3 hours and cost about \$25.

Adrian also reported three people participated in the last 15m net.

## 8 Education – for Bill Willcox

- a. The next class will be: Extra beginning March 10<sup>th</sup> for 5 weeks from 8 am to noon in the Community Room at the East County Sheriff's Station.
- b. A Technician class will begin March 17<sup>th</sup> for 4 weeks from 1 pm to 5 pm.
- c. A Fundamentals class will begin in September. More details will be coming at a later date.
- d. NEW PROGRAM DATES: A General class will begin on July 14 and continue for 5 weeks through August 11<sup>th</sup>. A four week Technician class will begin July 21<sup>st</sup> and continued through August 11<sup>th</sup>. There is a VE session on Sunday, August 12<sup>th</sup>.

## 9 Newsletter – Stu Forman

- a. The preliminary newsletter was sent to the Board for review. Stu added Winter Field Day pictures at Bill Willcox's request. Save the Date for April 15<sup>th</sup> Winter Field Day will be added.

## 10 Social – Mike Felio

Mike announced the following locations for pre-meeting Dinner's with the Speaker:

March: Bandits, 589 N Moorpark Rd, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360

April: Yolanda's Mexican Café 590 E Los Angeles Ave, Simi Valley, CA 93065

May: Dugout Sports Grill, 109 W Cochran St, Simi Valley, CA 93065

## 11 Website Updates –

None

## 12 Public Relations – for Joe Sprissler

The meeting announcement was in Thursday's Acorn. Joe needs information soon on the March speaker.

**12. Other items:**

None

Meeting adjourned at 21:00

Submitted by: Andy Ludlum – K6AGL