



## **Solivita Radio Club**

General Meeting Minutes

April 28, 2022

President: Paul Bresnowitz, N2TTR  
Vice President: Alan McIlwain, KI8JV  
Secretary: Wayne Schoeffel, KJ4FXB  
Treasurer: Lisa Bresnowitz, N2TTS  
Club Station License Trustee: Jeff Saly, WA4LLL (not present)

In addition to the SRC Officers, the following Members were present:

Jerry, W9MET  
Mike, KD4PTT  
Marty, WA1GVH  
Mac, KB7SFY

Guest Spouse was present.

The meeting was called to order by President Paul, N2TTR at 7:01pm.

A motion to suspend the reading of the General Meeting Minutes for March, and to accept them as written was proposed by President Paul. Motion seconded and accepted by all Members present.

### **On-Going:**

**President's Report:** Paul stated that our use of the Gator Room for the monthly General Meeting is scheduled through August 2022.

The Fox hunt was held on April 7, it will be repeated with both distant and near versions.

An assembly session for the end-fed antenna kits also occurred on April 7.

Potential use of the Parkway Tower is on hold pending transfer to the HOA has not been completed. We will follow this transaction via contacts on the HOA (Infrastructure).

**Treasurer's report:** Lisa reported \$316 deposited. Jerry is purchasing 10 hats. Paul announced that the ARRL 2022 Field Day article had been submitted. Determining a P.O. Address for contacts has found no boxes available in Poinciana and none in Solivita village proper. Paul did show his proposed photo for the QSL card.

### **Club Trustee Reports:**

N4SRC repeater – Jeff wasn't present but a brief comment indicated that a loose connector was fixed. Additional analysis to check the duplexer and possibly tune the filters will be undertaken.

KD8THB digital repeater – Reg wasn't present for a report.

GMRS repeater – Jerry, W9MET stated the GMRS repeater is functioning. CERT is using it with their handhelds.

### **Old Business:**

The visit to Spectrum 13 has not been scheduled. (Mark, KC4ZVK)

A digital radio demo will be scheduled soon. (also Mark, KC4ZVK)

### **New Business:**

The long-awaited drop in licensing fee for General Mobile Radio Service (GMRS) licenses has finally been announced. The fee is \$35 for the ten-year license—no test needed. Apply online via FCC ULS system.

Lisa noted that we need to pay the premium (\$200) for our annual ARRL liability insurance. A vote was approved unanimously.

The Treasurer is still collecting **Club Dues (\$30.00)** from all members for the period of April 2022 to April 2023. Accepting checks (PTO: Solivita Radio Club) and/or cash, exact amount would be greatly appreciated. Receipts for all payments.

Paul suggested that we change the time of the regular Club nets from 5 pm to 7pm. This will first be tried on the Monday night net on N4SRC. A call list and standard preamble for the net-ops will be distributed to anyone who is interested in running the NET.

Other nets are: Tuesday (also N4SRC), Wednesday (10MHz, USB), Thursday (KD8THB), Friday (N4SRC).

While the various trustees are leads for their repeater, a repeater crew is needed for more substantial efforts. Marty, WA1GVH, and Alan, KI8JV, volunteered, with possible extra bodies for heavier lifting. Control logs will be formalized—documentation is in cabinet. Improving waterproofing or better humidity control were discussed. Jerry, W9MET, noted that there are 2 fans blowing into the cabinet, 2 out and one down onto the transmitter to avoid overheating as we get into summer months.

**2022 Field Day Planning:** We should identify a lead for the activities, committee, planning dates and also extra points that could be earned.

We should compile a list of tools, radio expertise and even expertise with tools to facilitate the tuning and other activities that may be required once in a while.

With no further New Business or other discussion, Paul, N2TTR called for a motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03pm

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Schoeffel, KJ4FXB

**Post-Meeting Activity:**

Paul, N2TTR, showed his LCR meter (\$40). Some folks also brought their End-fed, Half-wave antennas for assembly.