Solivita Radio Club

General Meeting Minutes January 5, 2023



President: Paul Bresnowitz, N2TTR Vice President: Alan McIlwain, KI8JV Secretary: Wayne Schoeffel, KJ4FXB Treasurer: Lisa Bresnowitz, N2TTS

Club Station License Trustee: Alan McIlwain, KI8JV

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

Jerry, W9MET Doug, WB8ZNL Marty, WA2SVH Jeremy, KQ4AFY Mike, KD4PTT Mac, KB7SFY

The meeting was called to order by President Paul, N2TTR, at 7:04 pm.

Meeting Minutes for December was circulated, and President Paul asked to accept them as written. The motion was seconded and accepted by all Members. Minutes for these meetings can be found on the Club website: https://solivitaradioclub.weebly.com/

President's Report: As a reminder, upcoming meetings will take place in the Gator Room again.

Next meeting is on the Last Thursday, Jan 26, back in the Gator Room at 7pm The Gator Room has been reserved through March 2023.

The website (above) has been updated for 2023 with 2022 activities and calendar events archived.

Vice President's Report (Alan, KI8JV): A loose connection was detected and tightened with a commensurate improvement in receiver sensitivity.

Treasurer's report (Lisa, N2TTS): 21 members out of 25 on the books paid their club dues for 2022 to April 2023.

Cash on Hand ZERO—all deposited.

Total funds available is \$620.20 (\$.06 interest gained).

Club Trustee Reports:

<u>N4SRC</u> repeater –The transfer of trusteeship from Jeff to Alan has been completed. We will look into ARRL insurance on the equipment in the tower. The rate is 1.4%.

<u>KD8THB digital repeater</u> – (Reg (KD8THB) not present).

<u>GMRS repeater</u> – Jerry, W9MET, noted that the repeater is working fine. The weekly check-in was discontinued in December and will resume with CERT licensees checking in January.

Other:

- Jerry (W9MET) brought in the club radio for us to see its new hard-side case. It is available for club members to borrow on field trips.
- Paul asked Jerry (W9MET) if he would become our Quartermaster because he already is doing this job on the club radio and monitoring the GMRS repeater. He agreed and the membership unanimously approved his appointment. He will maintain an inventory and also purchase needed items such as the club microphone and radio case.
- Club members Paul and Jerry conducted a Parks on the Air (POTA) activation in the Lake Apopka North Shore State Conservation Area. Another had been planned by Alan, Doug and Jerry but was rained out.
- Regular <u>radio nets</u> operated by the club include
 - o 2m on Mon, Tues, Thur at 7 pm
- o 440 Net on Fri at 7 pm

- o 10m on Wed at 7 pm
- The best way to <u>find our club info</u> is to Google (search) on the web for 'Solivita Radio Club'. Paul maintains a lot of up-to-date info there.
- A meeting is being planned to address Radio Club support to the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Command Post when it activates. This may well be deferred until a time in the future when Taylor-Morrison leaves what is the Sales Center now and more space is available in the Village.
- Jeremy (KQ4AFY) showed us his new Raspberry Pi microcomputer he is planning to activate as a wi-fi server over radio rather than the internet using Winlink.

Future Events

Solivita Club Expo – Our club will have a table at the annual Lifestyles-sponsored Club Expo so we let residents know we are here and active with events and activities. We plan to bring an antenna and couple of small radios and handouts for the upcoming Field Day (see below).

2023 <u>Field Day planning</u> meeting on Thursday, January 23, in the Gator Room. Who will participate and using what equipment and bands will be finalized. A brief discussion of the use of HAMRS or N3FJP contact logging programs was held.

2023 Field Day in the Wimbledon Pavilion in Freedom Park as before. Set up beginning at 10 am, with operations starting at 2 pm on Saturday. Operations will continue overnight and into Sunday.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm. **Future Club meetings** will return to the **last Thursday** of each month at 7 pm in the Gator Room as before.

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Respectfully submitted by Wayne KIAFXR