

Solivita Radio Club
General Meeting Minutes
October 26, 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:

George, N3GB
Doug, WB8ZNL
Jeremy, KQ4AFY
Jerry, W9MET
Reg, KD8THB
Mike U., KD4PTT
Mike W., N4PDY
Ron, KB4ZBB
Norm, KD2ICH
Mike S., guest

The meeting was called to order by President Paul, N2TTR, at 7:03 pm. We again used the Club roster for sign-in. With many members present we all introduced ourselves.

Meeting Minutes for September were circulated and will be posted on our website 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/>

Club Finances: Lisa , N2TTS, reported that we have 19 paid members through April 2024. Mike W., N4PDY had donated some equipment on the trade-swap table. Alan donated \$46.92 for Mike's equipment (repair parts). The Club will ask CERT (CJ, KO4CCB, is their Treasurer) for reimbursement of the repair parts cost. There was no other income or expenses this month.

Total funds available is \$757.11.

Dues for 23-24 are being accepted. (\$30.00)

Club Repeaters and Nets:

N4SRC Repeater

V.P., Club Trustee, Alan, KI8JV

[In recognition of all the effort Alan put in on troubleshooting and repairing the equipment, he was recognized awarded the **Loren Mathews Memorial Award** with unanimous approval for outstanding service to the club. He rewired the fans into the power distribution unit and retuned the duplexer.]

Nets Monday and Tuesday at 7 pm, primary net control is Paul, N2TTR

KD8THB repeater

Trustee, Reg (KD8THB)
Net Tuesday at 7 pm, primary net control is Reg

WRKB530 Repeater

Trustee, Jerry, W9MET
Repairs completed; surge suppressor recommended
Net Control by CERT

HF Net (on 10m, 28.460)

Net Wednesday at 5 pm; Primary net control Jerry, W9MET

Surge Protector Recommendation: Paul researched and offered a “good” one for free; or a “better” one for \$82; or a “best” one for \$105 plus shipping. We agreed to go with the best one for the small difference in price.

President’s Report: As a reminder, upcoming meetings will take place in the Gator Room. Paul noted that he is pursuing the set-up of a Special Event Station (for posting in QST) for the spring Solivita Car Show. He and Wayne will meet with Lifestyles to see if there would be any objection. A space near the front of Sales will be proposed.

ACTIVITIES

Foxhunt: fox hunt was held on Saturday October 21, 2023, starting in the Palms clubhouse parking area. Mike U., KD4PTT was the Fox. Team 1 of the Broad Search (by car) consisted of Paul, N2TTR, Alan , KI8JV, and Ron, KB4ZBB. Team 2 (by golf cart) included Jerry, W9MET, and Reg, KD8THB. Fox was found at the Bella Viana Clubhouse Parking Area, a fair distance across Solivita.

Although several members monitored the frequencies for the ARRL section **Simulated Emergency Test (SET)** on October 7 – 8, no one reported hearing any traffic.

Club Ad in QST: Doug has submitted an ad for our Club to run in QST for January, February and March.

Parks On The Air (POTA): Jeremy, KQ4AFY reported he had contacted 100 parks and activated 5. Jeremy and Jerry, W9MET, planned to go out Saturday to a nearby park. The Club radio is available for use. A set of filters to isolate transmitter and receiver will be used. A new ARRL book on POTA has been announced.

A field trip to the Radio Controlled aircraft flying field on Southport Road is planned for Saturday, November 11. Meet in Freedom Park at 10 pm.

Holiday Dessert Pot-Luck: Our annual meeting with wives is being planned for our December meeting. More details to follow.

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.

Wayne, KJ4FXB, brought an interesting diagram of all the radio/electronics gear on a contemporary Boeing 787 Dreamliner. It’s more than just communications in multiple bands and includes altimeters, collision avoidance and navigation gear as well.

Jeremy, KQ4AFY, displayed a map of his contacts on FTS.

Respectfully submitted by

Wayne Schoeffel, KJ4FXB. Club Secretary