

URAC General Meeting April 15, 2022

Meeting called to order 7:05 pm

Attendance:

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| Pres | Steve Mandich | K6NT |
| Treasurer | Gary Forister | N6HMR |
| Secretary | Treva Forister | N6HMS |
| Vice Pres | Tom Marinello | K6IGY |
| Director | Scotty Butler | K6ZNL |
| Director | Martin Hochman | N6UB |
| Director | Bill Carter | W6AJ |
| Past Pres | Doug Dowds | W6HB |

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| Bill Heather | KB6WKT |
| Mary Hochman | KN6MVP |
| Gina Mandich | KF6MYQ |

Not Present:

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| Director | Tom Ciezky | KN6IPZ |
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Treasurers report: Motion to approve Treva, 2nd Scotty; Approved

March synopsis:

Income \$20
Dues \$20.00
Expenses \$0.84
PayPal \$0.84
Bank Balance \$4,559.57

April as of 15APR

Income \$20
Dues \$20.00
Expenses \$0.00
PayPal \$0.00
Bank Balance \$4,579.57

- - Breakdown - -

Earmarked for Field Day \$252.25
General Fund \$4,327.32

28 Members

March Minutes - Motion to approve Gary, 2nd Bill W6AJ; Approved

Think Cafe - 2nd Thursday at 1:30. 10 attended & were seated in the banquet room.

Thursday Net - Tuesday 8pm 2 Meter, Mt Wilson, 2.5 watts, Nick is the moderator
W6MEP 147.240/147.840 +600, PL 67 Hz.

Field Day -

- o Bill KB6WKT Doug said he would be able to get a key w/o deposit.
- o Bill KB6WKT is bringing his self-contained van which will allow 2 additional stations inside. He'll be using a hex beam. His generator can run multiple stations.
- o Insurance rider - Gary will make the application.
- o Angels Gate - Steve will contact Leslie at Pacific Region for Field Day.

- Laptops will be needed for logging each station. Download software from N3FJP.com after May 1st. 6.6.2 is latest revision today. Gary has passwords. Flash drives will be used to gather logs (rather than networking).
- Mobil 40m - Doug can provide
- 2m antenna - Tom M can provide. He'll also look over Bruce's Windom antennas.
- Steve has the club's triplexer 1050 and isolation filters.
- Solar power station - Steve will ask Larry if he's going to set it up.
- Publicity & visiting official - Scotty will take care of this if the old info makes it easy. Bill KB6WKT suggested members keep FD simple since this is a shake down after COVID shut us down and we're just returning again.
- Scotty will bring her FT840 & laptop but needs a tower, antenna & Bill's KB6WKT generator. She would have looked into a 7300 for running FT8 but Tom M said it would be difficult to make it work.
- Tent - Doug doesn't think Dennis has Dale's heavy canvas tent any longer. Steve said he would check with Dennis.
- Fire Extinguishers - Tom M will bring one. Bill KB6WKT has one on his vehicle.
- Tom K6IGY will bring Pop-up w/sides & extension cords (for plugging into Bill's generator). Tom has a Mag Loop antenna.
- Visiting Fleet Week Ships will be at Miner St, where the Lane Victory was before it was moved to accommodate a Princess Line cruise ship. A new terminal may be constructed if more cruise ships move from Long Beach to the Port of LA.

LAMM K6AA - 2nd floor won't be opened by the end of April. Hopefully, the 2nd floor will be open for Fleet Week over Memorial Weekend; hours Wed - Sun 12-5 pm.

- K6AA still needs operators to commit for Wed, Fri, & Sat, if we want to (possibly) have access to the Break Room. Doug (Thurs), John Linder (Sundays - interested in Packet cluster), Scotty, Tom Ciezky, George, Larry, Steve, Martin & Mary, Gary & Treva (Thurs - twice/mo.) have said they will operate.
- Scotty is Station Manager and does the Operator Training. To operate, email Scotty for the K6AA Operator Form and complete the certification process thru LA Co. Parks & Recreation. A Live Scan is required; let Scotty know when your Live Scan is accomplished so Marifrances can finish the process.
- Doug reiterated K6AA equipment needs to be checked out & there is no *Equipment Manager*. Mike Fry KM6AB (lives part time in San Pedro but is not currently a member) does not want the position.
- Contacts have been paper-logged in the past since not all operators were computer literate. George will look into using the ACL logging program if a smart phone is used for a hot spot. Additional training would be necessary if we don't use paper logs. Backing up online logs might not be possible if Wi-Fi access is not always accessible.
- Wi-Fi exists at the museum. Scotty will find out if operators will have access to use the museum's Wi-Fi. Doug doubted it since individuals would have to sign in

& out for the city to monitor any improper website usage. Doug suggested the Iowa Wi-Fi might be available for K6AA in the future.

- o Scotty is Station Trustee.
- o The fridge is not working. If we get a new fridge, operators need to keep the area clean of cans and debris.

Museum Ships Weekend - 1st weekend in June. Gary will send out a participation survey. Prior K6AA training would be needed for the operators.

International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend - 3rd full-weekend in August. Gary sent out a **survey** mid-April to see who will participate in this 48-hour event.

August BBQ - Gary sent out a **survey** asking who will show up & what preference members have for the August BBQ location: Friendship Park or Pt Fermin (both ILLW and the BBQ are on the same weekend).

Holiday Party/Thieves Exchange - Gary will send out a survey in October so the Think Cafe has time to rebook the room if we don't have enough commitment.

May White Elephant - Postponed for now.

Trailer - Needs to be VIN stamped by CHP before registering with DMV for new tags. Used twice a year; *Field Day & International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend*.

Meeting and Event Reminders - the secretary will send them out according to bylaws.

New Members - Ken Ota W1NCA & Anh Le KK7EMW

Meeting Closed 8:20. Motion by Doug, 2nd Tom; approved.

January minutes - Items carried over:

LAMM access - Steve will designate who will be responsible for, and will carry, the keys in the future.

February minutes - Items carried over:

Website - Doug will let Tom K6IGY know which *Members Only Documents* are obsolete.

Sam - Ivan will visit Sam as he has not been on the radio or responded to phone calls.

Programs - Tom K6IGY will survey members to see preference for live presentations or video.