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Newsletter



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Club Information

Meeting Time: 4th Tuesday 7:30pm
Golden Gate Community Center
4701 Golden Gate Parkway
Naples FL

Club Repeater: WB2QLP
146.670 (-600) PL 136.5
EOC Repeater: WB2WPA
147.030 (+600)

Club Web Site:
<http://www.araswf.org>

Club Officers/ Chairpersons

President: KK4PG
Peter Gaddy

Vice President: KI4UAT
Tim Gibbons

Secretary: W2HI
Bob Graf

Treasurer: K2ZEL
Bill Reynolds

Past President: KK4PG
Peter Gaddy

Technical Director:
Tim Wallen, KC4SSD

Emergency Comm. Director: N1DL
Karl Geng

Ops. Director: None

Public Information Officer: None

Special Events Coord. KI4LUD
Bob Quinn

Awards Manager: KD4VRZ
Gary Randall

VE Liaison: AI4CZ
Carolyn Conklin

Newsletter Editor: KG4ZLB/M0ZLB
David Worboys

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Webmaster: W2HI
Bob Graf

Social Chair: W2JQ
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Next Meeting will be held on July 22nd, 2008!!

From the President's Shack

The official Club Call is now WB2QLP in honor of Jordan Mash, and his lifetime contributions to ham radio.

I am looking forward to Field Day this year, as it appears we are going to have great participation.

See you all at Field Day,

73's.

Peter
KK4PG

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Meeting Minutes

Amateur Radio Association of Southwest Florida

Regular Monthly Business Meeting held at the Golden Gate Community Center, Golden Gate, Florida, on Tuesday, May 27th, 2008

Directors Present: Peter Gaddy, KK4PG – President
Bob Graf, W2HI - Secretary
G. William Reynolds, K2ZEL – Treasurer

Apologies: Tim Gibbons – Vice President
Karl Geng, N1DL – Emergency Communications Director
Tim Wallen, KC4SSD - Technical Director

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Called To Order:

There being a quorum present with 15 members, including 3 directors, in attendance, Peter, KK4PG (President) called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Introductions:

All attendees introduced themselves by name and call sign for the benefit of the members and guests in attendance.

Reading & Approval of Previous Minutes:

Reading of the Minutes was dispensed with since the minutes of the March meeting were published previously in the ARASWF Newsletter.

Treasurer's Report:

Bill, K2ZEL, presented the following Treasurer's Report:

Balance, 22 April, 2008	\$ 5,636.45
Income:	
Dues	\$ 0.00
50/50 & Donation	\$ 0.00
Expenses:	
License Fee, WB2QLP	\$ 11.70
RG231 Coax for Field Day	\$ 279.50
 Total Funds Available, 27 May, 2008	 \$ 5,300.95

Officers' Reports:

Field Day Shirts: Peter, KK4PG, introduced Dean from Blue Line Graphics, who described the logos, etc. that were available to be embossed on sport shirts for Field Day 2008. A motion by Bruce K9PWQ, seconded by George AA4GT, to purchase 24 shirts for Field Day participants was unanimously approved. Peter then passed around a sign-up sheet for members to indicate their size, including name and call to be embossed on the shirts.

Property Insurance: Peter distributed to the membership a listing of equipment to be insured under the ARRL all-risk property insurance program. A motion by George AA4GT, seconded by Dave W4SFR, to purchase the insurance was unanimously approved. After Peter KK4PG indicated that the recent purchase of five I.C.E band pass filters would increase the total amount by approximately \$200. and should be included in the list of insured equipment, the motion was amended for their inclusion and unanimously approved.

Repeater Call Sign in Memoriam: Bob W2HI announced that the application to obtain WB2QLP as a club call sign In Memoriam was electronically filed on May 8th and we are awaiting approval by FCC.

Old Business:

Golden Gate Frontier Days: Bob W2HI indicated to the membership that a letter of "thanks" was received from Toby Buerger for the club's participation in the Golden Gate Frontier Days event, accompanied by a donation check in the amount of \$300.

New Business:

Committee Reports:

Field Day Committee: Bruce K9PWQ and Bill K2ZEL gave a brief video demonstration about the facilities being made available to the club by Joe K9KNW for Field Day use. This was followed by a lengthy discussion of the logistics for Field Day and the need for various pieces of equipment. Bruce announced that Mike WD8RFL will be in charge of networking the computers, and Peter KK4PG will be in charge of food and refreshments.

Special Feature:

There was no special feature this month, due to the extended discussion about Field Day.

50/50:

The 50/50 raffle was not held this month because of the small attendance at the meeting.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Joe K9KNW, seconded by Dave W4SFR, and unanimously approved, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Bob Graf, W2HI
Secretary

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Echolink

As part of the incorporation of Jordan's WB2QLP call sign as the Club's call and repeater id, Carl (WA9ZIF) has changed the Echolink call to WB2QLP-R but the system assigned a new node number. Please therefore note that the new node number is **389568**.

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New Members

We would like to welcome John S. Howell, Jr. (AF3K) to the Club and we hope he has a long and fruitful association with us!

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Trading Post

Nothing wanted and nothing for sale this month – please keep your trades coming in!

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Local Hamfests

11-12 Jul 2008 Milton Amateur Radio Club <http://www.miltonarc.org>
Santa Rosa County Auditorium
4530 Jimmy's Way
Milton, FL

20 Sep 2008 Bahia Shrine of Orlando Amateur Radio Tailgate
Amateur Radio Unit of Bahia Shrine <http://www.bahiashrine.org/~radio/Tailgate.htm>
Bahia Shrine Center
2300 Pembroke Drive
Orlando, FL

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15 Nov 2008 Flamingo Net / UMARC Free Flea <http://www.FlamingoNet.8m.net>
UM Physics Parking Lot

5001 San Amaro
Coral Gables, FL

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Editors Ramblings

A smaller than normal issue this month which is due to the fact that I have totally dismantled the shack/office and both my desktop PC's are packed away. All of the ARASWF Newsletter material resides on them and it was only afterwards that I remembered – doh! So a few quick and frantic e-mails to Bob (W2HI) to get the minutes and other info so that I could get at least something published.

Should things go to according to plan then I hope to be able to join you at Field Day this year and whilst mentioning Field Day, please remember that there will not be a June Club Meeting, the next meeting being July 22nd at the usual venue!

Until next month....

73

David
KG4ZLB/M0ZLB

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