

TAMIAMI AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
Membership Meeting Minutes – November 13, 2024 @ 6:30 PM

At Venice Presbyterian Church, Fellowship Hall
825 The Rialto, Venice, FL 34285
(Sale of 50-50 tickets)

Note, Elmer assistance hour from 6- 6:30pm for information and mentoring of interested ham radio operators. So we can be better prepared, tell us what you need help with; askelmer@tamiamiarc.org

Meeting called to order at 06:30 pm

Flag Salute.

INTRODUCTIONS:

Visitors - Do we have any visitors tonight? Please state name, call sign, and where you are from.

Victor Tremper WRXW380

Gary Reidell KJ4KHM

Kyle Rumadka KQ4EQS

New members - Do we have any new members?

Chasity Heiton W3DAY

Remaining Introductions - Introductions from all remaining people.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Request for motion to accept the minutes for .

1st- Steve KN4NFX

2nd- Richard KK4AHZ

CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

TREASURER'S REPORT: Request for motion to accept Treasurer's report.

1st Paul K1YOU

2nd Richard KK4AHZ

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

SUNSHINE- NONE

VE TESTING- Steve Phillips, NS4P

Tested- 6

Passed- 6

New Members-

Next Test Date- December 07, 2024

LIAISON TO QCWA- Al Culbert, K0AL

They meet on the first Monday of each month at Denny's on Bee Ridge Rd at 11am. You do not need to be a member to join them for the meeting. A presentation will be on Disaster Assistance. Must be licensed for 25yrs to be a member. Does not have to be consecutive

REPEATER / TECHNICAL- Frank W2XYZ

The NETS are doing well. All of the NETS are listed on the TARC Website. Still looking for a NET Manager if anyone is interested in helping the Club. Northport repeater is still in the construction process and waiting for the installation.

REMOTE STATION UPDATE- Frank W2XYZ

Antenna is still down. Looking for a climber that is being used by someone else and we can piggyback off them. Help split the costs.

PIO INFORMATION AND REPORT- Dwight KT4DDS

Has several presentations lined up for the future.

MEMBERSHIP-

Current- 160

New- 6

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Life Members- 13

Associate Members - 3

Total = 182

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. TARC Christmas Party is at the Plantation Golf and Country Club. Reservation deadline is November 23rd.
2. Nominating Committee for Club Officers and Directors still needs a Treasurer and one Director nomination.
3. December 11th is the Clubs Annual meeting when the 2025 slate of officers and directors are elected.
4. The last day for club shirt orders will be tonight, November 13th
5. 10-meter contest was cancelled by Tony K1XG until next year. This is not a club event.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. SDR Status. Frank W2XYZ
They have a new model coming out in a couple of months, so we will wait and look at that model. SDRPLAY.COM (NRSP-T)
2. Pineview School Status. Paul KN4BAR
Grant results should be in by the end of November. Steve and Paul have spent a lot of time at the school keeping the kids engaged. Brought a DMR radio and made DX contacts and the kids were excited. We are going to file for a club call sign and hopefully use their old call sign again.
3. PIO Status. Dwight KT4DDS
Our next event is Winter Field Day. We are still looking for a new PIO officer to help with promoting the club events. The big event is the ISS Passover with the Pineview Students.
4. Club Job descriptions. Randy KO4PIV
We have a template for all club Job descriptions. If you hold a position, please fill one out so we can get it posted on the website or groups.io so people know what the job consists of and time it takes to do the job.
5. Presentation Ideas. Dwight KT4DDS
Please let Dwight know of any presentation ideas. He is looking for some great things to do presentations on. All ideas are welcome.
6. Second battery for repeater back up system. Steve NS4P
Waiting for batteries to go on sale before we purchase a second battery for the repeater back up system.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Inventory of club online account login and password information. Paul KN4BAR
If you have a login or password to any of the club's websites or a key holder to any of the club's private access areas. Please get in touch with the Secretary, Randy KO4PIV, and share that information so it can be logged and stored for future access if something happens to you, and we can no longer get that information from you. Thank you.
2. Start a formal Elmer Program. Paul KN4BAR
 - a. Use ZOOM. Steve NS4P will set up a session for just this.

- b. Any two or more club members can now meet in a dedicated Zoom meeting to help each other with questions or how to tutorials. This will help to reduce the need for in-person meetings. Just all agree on the date and time first.
 - c. Just send an email to askelmer@tamiamiarc.org to request the link address and PASSCODE for the room.
3. Google workspace for Club and BOD files and emails. Paul KN4BAR
 - a. The BOD will be using this only. Not the club. It will be for digitizing all the club's information online for easy access and transition of new secretaries.
4. Steve NS4P is getting estimates for raising the batteries off the repeater floor.

Other new business: Is there any other new business to discuss?

Comments: Are there any comments from the floor?

Mike WOMJL commented Nov 17th between 8 and 4pm the ARRL is having a contest.

ADJOURNMENT: Time of motion 07:25 pm

1st Frank W2XYZ

2nd Jim KJ4NDO

Attendance: Number of members 47 Number of guests 3

Tonight's Meeting Program: Steve NS4P Alaskan trip

Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, October 9, 2024 at VPC @ 6:30pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Randy Aitken KO4PIV

TARC Secretary