

Sky Valley Amateur Radio Club Minutes
April 18, 2009

Call to Order: 08:07 by Tom K8TOM

Introductions: David KB7GFL, Brad KE7EOF, Martin AC7SI, Mike KE7OKV, Ken KE7PMX, Ken KE7TJH, Wes KE7EEA, Diane KE6JRP, Charlie N6IBI, Eldon Brown WA0UWH visitor, Nathan KE7HOJ, David KE7HOK, Tom K8TOM, Bryan KD7LS, Fred KE7HOD, John AC7LC, Kathy Immel KE7CGE visitor, Bruce Weber W7BCW former member, Dave AA7L, Katie George visitor... awaiting call sign, Dave W7AGJ

Secretary/Treasurer Report: \$728.14 as of March 31, 2009 Activity + \$0.18 interest

Repeater Status:

70 cm intermittent

2 m link Okay

6 m Inop, not repaired due to inactivity on 6 Meter band

APRS Inop, TNC problem

Old Business: The SVARC board will convene and discuss FD requirements and operating schedule. Field Day food will be discussed at our May meeting. A SVARC survey will be distributed at the end of this meeting. The purpose is to obtain information about the operating rate, band and mode favored, as well as suggestions for future meetings.

New business: The club is interested in getting an official QSL card. All were asked to bring their QSL card to the May meeting and we'll look at different ideas for a card. Tom, Dave, Brad and David KB7GFL will be putting a club history together. This history will be available on the web page. No one was able to report on the recent RACES/ARES meetings.

Good of the Order: Tower Talk is run by Steve Morris of ChampionRadio.com. This internet resource focus is mainly about towers and antennas. Steve has recently published a new book Up the Tower that will be released soon. Coast to Coast is having a close out sale... hardware is cheap. Tom gave an informational talk about an IMD meter used on the PSK modes. It is manufactured by US Interface, cost is \$135. For more information check www.usinterface.com

Adjournment: 08:52 by Tom