

Radio Society of Tucson Club Meeting 10/08/2019

President Richard Schmidt (K7NSW)– called Meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Welcomed everyone to the Radio Society of Tucson meeting. He said this was his last meeting as President of RST and tonight we have elections. He has had so much fun and the Board was a delight to work with. We got things done! He said he couldn't have done it without ole timer Vice President Gary Keck (KE7DX). They worked well together. The President is responsible for the Elections of Officers and he delegated it to Vice President Gary Keck (KE7DX). He kindly accepted the responsibility.

We will have a program presentation tonight; Carl Foster KB7AZ is here from the ARRL AZ Section and is talking about Interference. We will have SIG reports, comments & information about the Christmas party, Winter Field Day, announcement of ballot results, and then the raffle.

Contest Sig has own call sign and will be renewed for another 10-year period. The Board authorized Richard Schmidt to be the Chairman and Trustee of the Field Day call sign AK7AZ.

Bill Clark (K6WSC) – Contests-QSO Party is October 12 & 13th. Bill talked about the AZQSO party happening this next weekend. Gary Keck KE7DX handed out the ballots for the election at this time.

Vice President Gary Keck (KE7DX) – Gary handed out the ballots for the election. Gary mentioned that the ballots were not complete as written. Anyone that had already voted and needed new ballots raised their hands. Gary then asked for any further nominations from the Club. Secretary Rosie Paszkiet KG7QWR nominated Max Presnell KI7TIG for the Office of President, Shari Ingraham nominated Fred Ferguson WW6F for Vice President and Robert Elliott KF7RJY volunteered for Board member at large. These people were our write-in candidates to be added to the individual ballots. Rosie was instructed to pick up the ballots and begin counting for the October 2019 Election of Officers. Our regular Ballot Counters were unable to attend this evenings meeting. While voting Carl Foster KB7AZ will be talking about Power Line RFI. Gary instructed Rosie will be checking the Membership roster so Members were instructed to take their ballots to her to have their membership verified, and keep the ballots for counting. Gary apologized for the lateness of proper instructions.

The nominees for this year's election were:

President - Gary Keck KE7DX

Max Presnell KI7TIG

Vice President – Michael Perrett K7HIL

Fred Ferguson WW6F

Treasurer – Shari Ingraham KJ7ADI

Directors at Large - Brenda Holman N3QVK

Bruce Betterly WA1BZQ

Dick Jones WOPZD

Don Ernle KD7UIZ

Joe Statkevicius K3TYE

Max Presnell Jr KI7TIG

Robert Elliott KF7RJY

Carl Foster KB7AZ – AZ Section Technical Co-Ordinator reports to Rick W7RAP ARRL. Carl has been working with TEP on their responsiveness to reporting Radio Frequency Interference (RFI) from power lines. TEP has agreed to work on things and now have portable equipment and have had training. Carl had a handout that has the procedures to follow if you think you have power line interference. Trico has their own procedures and more on the ball. Carl will get the printout onto the AZ Section Facebook page.

President Richard Schmidt (K7NSW) – Christmas Party Information presented by Brenda Holman N3QVK. This year's Christmas party will be on December 10 at 6:30 pm at the El Corral. Brenda will be sending out an email at the beginning of November, and all RSVPs must go through her. This year she will be standing at the door verifying that you do have a reservation and give you your ticket for the White Elephant Gift Exchange. Raffle tickets are available for IC-7300 HF Transceiver, need not be present to win.

SIG REPORTS:

Dick Jones (W0PZD) – Laurel VE Liaison Testing – This month the 2nd Monday comes after the 2nd Tuesday so we have not had our monthly testing yet. We did have testing at the Hamfest on the 28th of September. We had 8 applicants, 3 new Technicians, one of which won the 2 radios at the raffle. We will have testing next Monday at the Hardesty Center at 7:00 even though Holiday.

President Richard Schmidt (K7NSW) – Winter Field Day coming up. If you are interested must contact Joe Statkevics (K3TYE) - regarding accommodations up at MT Lemmon at Camp Lawton. Power is provided and so is food if you like Scout food. There will be a movie Voyager of the Navigator and possibly Flubber or another Disney movie. Joe needs to know how many Ham Radio operators will want to go to FD by January 2nd, so he will know the number of cabins that will be needed for them.

Bill Wilson (AE7YQ) – Days in the Park (DIP)–This Saturday the 12th DIP will be at Reid Park behind Ramada 22 from 10-2, bring your radios and play radio in the park. Saturday the 19th is the Boy Scouts Jamboree on the Air. Bill is looking for people to talk to the boys on 20 meters, please look him up on QRZ and let him know you are interested!!! He needs people to call in and talk to the Scouts on the radio on side band.

Vice President Gary Keck (KE7DX) – Property Inventory – This is one of the responsibilities of the Vice President and he has it available for review this evening. There are corrections and will be better.

Vice President Gary Keck (KE7DX) – Outgoing Vice President- appreciates the participation of the entire Board, we worked very well together. Thanked President Richard Schmidt (K7NSW) for his service this past year and the rest of the Team.

Raffle was our annual 50/50 raffle! \$80 was won by Dick Jones W0PZD. Congratulations!!!!

The results of the election are:

President - Gary Keck KE7DX

Vice President – Michael Perrett K7HIL

Treasurer – Shari Ingraham KJ7ADI

Directors at Large – Bruce Betterly WA1BZQ

Dick Jones W0PZD

Brenda Holman N3QVK

Joe Statkevicius K3TYE

Don Ernle KD7UIZ

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55pm, and 36 people were in attendance.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosie Paszkiet KG7QWR, Secretary

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