

**Minutes of the November 19, 2008 Meeting of the  
Verde Valley Amateur Radio Association**

Meeting was held at Cottonwood Public Safety Building Conference Room.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Welcome

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Acknowledge guests, new members, recent upgrades, new hams and visitors.

Secretary's Report

Minutes from October 15<sup>th</sup> meeting were read by Robert G. Thompson, K7RGT, acting Secretary.

**Motion to approve by: Dick Courtney, AD7TF, Second by: Greg Allen, N6WCD, Passed.**

Treasurer's Report

Mel Boreham, N6BDC, will continue to carry out the Treasurer's duties until our new officers are initiated in January 2009. The most recent bank statement as of October, 31<sup>st</sup>, 2008 was \$6,955.05 and our current checkbook balance is approximately \$6,855.89 after checks were written and dues deposited. Some bank charges remain to be reconciled from previous bank statements.

Mel Boreham, President and Acting Treasurer.

Nominating Committee Report

Bob Shipton, K8EQC, Chairman, and Al Barber, AA7OV, and Craig Dible, KB7KAK, as committee members. As Bob Shipton had moved on to Yuma, Al Barber reported that the following nominees had been contacted and have volunteered to serve as club officers for 2009.

*Mel Boreham, N6BDC, as President*  
*David Drown, WN7L, as Vice President*  
*Jason Shultz, KE7WWQ, as Secretary*  
*Norman Vandiver, N7VF, as Treasurer*

Mel Boreham entertained a motion that we change the order of business to carry out the election of officers at this time.

**Motion by: Bob Thompson KC8BOB, Second by: Rodney Rosenbarger, KI6FH, Passed.**

Al Barber called for any additional nominees from the floor for any of the offices and none were presented. Al Barber called for a motion, that the slate be voted in by acclamation, by voice vote.

**Motion by: Ernie Cummings, K6XF, Second by: Marsha Rosenbarger, N6SNW, Passed.**

Note: Bob Thompson, KC8BOB, as Past President of the club, will continue as our Director at Large.

The new 2009 officers will be installed at the January 2009 meeting.

David Drown, WN7L and Jason Shultz, KE7WWQ, both addressed the group and gave a little background on themselves and their activities.

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### Presentation:

Al Crook, KD7MTJ, showed a DVD Photo presentation on his recent photo safari to Utah and hoodoo rock formations.

Following Al's presentation Bob Thompson, KC8BOB, showed us some video that he captured at the Embry Riddle model flying field and he and others discussed what is going on with Sun Spot Cycle 24 and a little on the history of solar minimum cycles in the past.

### 10 minute BREAK at 7:50pm.

Peggy Funk, N7DDR, provided Coffee/Cookies. Norman Vandiver, N7VF, collected dues and membership forms from any new members and for those wishing to pay their dues for 2009. 50/50 raffle tickets were purchased from Al Barber, AA7OV.

Meeting reconvene at 8:12 pm.

### Old Business

(Field Day 2009)

Next year's VVARA Field Day, will return to the top of Mingus Mountain. We will also be hosting a Field Day picnic as we have done in the past. We will need to have a committee to plan this event. In that it will conflict with the YARC Field Day and picnic, this will have to be taken into consideration.

(Bank Business)

Both Bill Martens and Richard Courtney have been removed from our Chase Bank documents as being approved to carry out duties as the VVARA Treasurer. Our Acting Secretary, Robert Thompson, signed an official letter and provided a copy to the Chase Bank of our club minutes showing this motion and its approval.

(Christmas Party)

The dance hall of the Ranch House Restaurant at the Beaver Creek Golf & Country Club in Lake Montezuma has been reserved for our Christmas Luncheon on Saturday, December 13th. Arrival should be at 11:30am with the meal being served about 12:30 p.m. A notice and request for choices for entrées has been sent out via e-mail. As in past years we will have a raffle for a number of very nice Door Prizes at no additional charge. Bob and Starla Thompson handled the purchase of these prizes and will carry out the drawings at the party.

(VE Testing)

Mary Vince, AB7NK, gave a brief status on the great success of the current VE testing secessions.

### 50/50 Raffle Drawing

Winner was: John Gross, W5VJH - \$14.00.

### New Business

Al Barber, AA7OV, asked for a motion to donate \$100.00 to the Red Cross.

**Motion by: Frank Funk, N7EBT, Second by: Cal Turner, WI6S, Passed.**

The next general meeting will be at the Cottonwood Public Safety Building on January 21<sup>st</sup> 2009. New club

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officers will be installed as the first order of business. Due to our annual Christmas Luncheon and party on Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>, there will be no general meeting in December. We are open to suggestions for a presentation for the January meeting.

Motion to Close Meeting

**Motion by: Rodney Rosenbarger, KI6FH, Second by: AL Witte, KD6LZE, Passed.**

Meeting closed at 8:50pm.

**Tom Schrum, K7NII, Secretary VVARA**

**Robert G Thompson, K7RGT, acting Secretary VVARA Signed: \_\_\_\_\_**