

# Saratoga Amateur Radio Association

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assisting the City of Saratoga  
affiliated with the Amateur Radio Relay League  
part of the Amateur Radio Emergency Service  
and the Silicon Valley Emergency Communication System



## Minutes of Board Meeting of April 25, 2012

Held at Dave Richie's home

The Minutes were respectfully submitted by Ray Froess, W6ZF, Secretary

### Attendees:

- John Glass, NU6P
- Dave Ritchie, W6DR
- Don Steinbach, AE6PM
- Dan Sturges, W6DIV
- Ray Froess, W6ZF

The meeting was called to order about 8:20 pm by John Glass, President.

### Old Business:

Improving SARA Visibility in the Community: We discussed this in our February general meeting and it was concluded that Tony would work with John to investigate having a demonstration station and information table at other community events. We don't know of any progress.

EOC Antennas UHF/VHF and HF: Installation of the Comet CF-4160J Duplexer has solved this issue. The 2-meter and 70-cm radios can now share the antenna on the tower at the fire station. For HF we will proceed with installing a mount and then a R7000 vertical antenna. The R7000 has been discontinued so Dave is willing to sell his to the club.

Increasing Membership: Ray will generate a mailing list for hams in the 95070 and 95071 area codes. He will see if Yin has the postcard the club mailed before or work on a new mailing piece.

Historic Records: Ray organized the secretary binders: Correspondence and Required Filing, Newsletters 1990 to the last issue in 2000, and Meeting Minutes 1990 to date. Dave offered to scan them. We didn't conclude if we need a club historian.

### New Business:

Approval of January board minutes: They were approved.

Status of Filings: We are up to date on all required filings. The Correspondence and Required Filing binder has Christina's filing summary sheet updated and tabs for copies of each filing. Dave is working

on NCCC documentation. He will provide a section on duties and responsibilities of club officers which we can adapt to our club to ensure that future filing are done on time.

Schedule of Topics and Speakers: Our schedule topic for May is “Microcontrollers for Ham Radio Projects” by George Zafiroopoulos, KJ6VU. June’s topic is Field Day. We don’t have meetings in July and August. For the remaining four months we will decide amongst topics of Echolink, Bay.NET, C.A.R.L.A. (California Amateur Radio Linking Association), High Altitude Balloon Radio Launch, and Remotely Operated Station.

Confidential Electronic Document Storage: We agreed we need to pursue this. Christina emailed Ray that she’d look into hosting an FTP folder on the club website. Ray will follow up.

Club Email Address: John will see if we can use our ARRL affiliate email address K6SA@arrl.net as our club address. Email can then be forwarded to the current club secretary’s email address.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned about 9:40 pm.