

# Saratoga Amateur Radio Association

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



## Minutes of Meeting of October 1, 2013

### Saratoga Fire Department

These Minutes are respectfully submitted by Ray Froess, W6ZF, Secretary

#### Attendees:

- Don Anastasia, AA6W
- Linda Bittner, K6GRL
- John Burnett, KK6BSP
- Charles Erickson, KC6YFA
- Betty Froess, W6BTY
- Ray Froess, W6ZF
- Trey Garlough, N5KO
- John Glass, NU6P
- Tim Nelson, KJ6YSZ
- Donald North, AK6DN
- Vernon Price, W6RRK
- David Ritchie, W6DR
- Yin Shih, N9YS
- Roger Smith, KC6LEW
- Walter Spector, W6WS

The meeting was called to order at 7:37 pm by John Glass, President. Attendees introduced themselves and the attendance roster was circulated.

**Old Business:** (None)

#### **New Business:**

Minutes Approval: The minutes for September were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Don sent an email report on the finances and membership. There are 28 paid members and 23 voting members.

Net Check-in Report: Don's email reported in September we had 12, 16, 17, 16, (?) check ins.

Emergency Services Report: A meeting was in the room so check in wasn't attempted.

Calendar Items: Saratoga Emergency Exercise Oct 5; Pacificon Oct 11 – 13; and Jamboree on the Air Oct 19 – 20. John asked for volunteers for the Halloween Caper Oct 31 and about 10 committed.

Board Elections: Elections are next month. John asked for candidates. Dave offered to be President, Walter to be a Board Member, and Roger didn't specify an office.

**Program:** "Beginning Contesting" was presented by Trey Garlough, N5KO, Dave Ritchie, W6DR and Yin Shih, N9YS. They gave an introduction to radio contesting – what it's about, what you need to know, and how to get started. A brief introduction to some of the software you may use was also provided.

Adjournment: The meeting continued past 9:10 pm.