

**Minutes for SARA Meeting of October 5th, 2016
Saratoga Fire Department**

Attendees:

The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:45 PM by Roger Smith KC6LEW, Vice President. Attendees introduced themselves and the attendance roster was circulated. There were 7 SARA members and 5 guests present.

Minutes Approval:

September minutes have been sent to the email list. Approval was not voted on.

Walter needs to send Don copies of Feb, Apr, May, and June 2015 minutes.

Old Business:

Four SARA members helped with communications tasks at the Saratoga 60th anniversary parade.

New Business:

A ham class is coming up. It will be on November 12th in the Los Gatos Police Operations building. Time is 8 AM to 5 PM.

Pacificon is the weekend of October 15th. It will be held at the San Ramon Marriott this year.

Halloween Caper? Oct 31st is on a Monday night, so should not conflict with weekend plans.

K6SA license needs to be renewed.

Treasurers Report:

Bank balance:: \$4,752.55

Cash on hand: \$40.

Paid members: 27

Bills outstanding: None known

Net Checkin Report:

September 2016: 20, 18, 16, 19.

The EOC-EOC test on Monday the 3rd went without problems.

Emergency Services Report:

Updates on the new emergency “cheat sheet”? Morris Jones AD6ZH is working on it.

Calendar Items:

ASPECS breakfast is on the 29th of October.

Program:

Jim Oberhofer KN6PE filled in for Tim Maguire. He discussed Tims "Captains Project". The current project is a Volunteer Communications Package (VCP). A VCP is an entire emergency communications package in a box. It contains radios, a laptop, printer, coax, and antennas. There is a training program that goes along with this.

Jim also discussed the current Memorandum of Understanding between the County and Tims desired "Auxillary Communication Emergency Service".

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, November 2nd. Don will be speaking on Disaster Service Workers and CERT training.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at about 8:50 PM.