

KARO-ECHO Membership Meeting

June 14, 2021

via Zoom

Attendees

Hal Graboske	KK6NDF
Howdy Goudey	KE6BEE
Don Simon	NI6A
Annette McCoubrey	KJ6SWK
Tom Fattaruso	KN6BUY
Diane Richwine	KK6RED
David Swanson	KJ6AAT
Jerry Michaels	K6KOP
Karen Leong Fenton	KK6ZPM
Jay Fenton	KJ6WSS
Frans Kuypers	KJ6IUV
Curt Smith	KM6HFT
Michael Gold	AJ6RZ
Simon Tompson	KM6NLH

Agenda:

Training session:

- Field Day planning
- Field Day operation

Business session:

- Outreach: Field Day PR
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The meeting was called to order.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the May meeting minutes.

Training session

- This will be the 1st KE club participation in a Field Day
- There is more Field Day activity on HF than on VHF/UHF so having HF stations can be a introduction to HF for technician members who have only worked with VHF/UHF so far
- Field Day basics are written up in the newsletter and video demonstrations are available on youtube
- The competitive element of the Field Day contest is not emphasized but learning how to operate is important
- The band plan defined calling frequencies and repeater frequencies should not be used
- An example of the Field Day exchange to be sent is "3 A EB", meaning 3 transmitting stations are in use, the class is "club" and the area is "EB" (East Bay)
- Logging is used to catch duplicate contacts and to submit report entry to ARRL
- Volunteers are needed for operating, logging, and PR/explaining

Business session

Technical

- Interested club members have volunteered to participate in planning the setup and logistics at Canyon Trail Park

Recruiting and Outreach

- El Cerrito City Council members, fire department officials, and CERT officials have been invited
- Other PR possibilities include Nextdoor, Patch, other ham groups, newspapers, libraries, community centers, senior centers, and chamber of commerces
- KE members who do not attend meetings and FRS/GMRS operators should be invited

A motion was made, seconded, and approved to adjourn the meeting.