



**PPRAA**

Pikes Peak Radio Amateur Association

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Report compiled with help from meeting agenda and notes provided by LD, W0XLD. The secretary was away on vacation during this meeting so some information is incomplete.

September 2022 General Meeting Minutes  
September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Location: King Buffet, 801 N Academy Blvd, Colorado Springs, CO 80909, and Zoom.

Start of Meeting: 7:00 PM by LD, W0XLD, President

Business:

- Pledge of allegiance
- Silent keys
  - David Blair, WB0RRU
  - Henry Hess, KC0PBI
  - Rick Millard, KD6MUM (friend of Don in California)
  - Frank Shelton, N0FS (friend of Don and Jim)
- Introductions and recognitions
  - Call signs around the room
  - New licensees and new members
  - General upgrades
  - Amateur Extra upgrades
  - Certificates earned (WAS, DXCC, etc.)
- Officer reports
  - Secretary report
    - Volunteer list
      - Tower Removal:
        - Kyle/KD0TRD
        - Derek/K0ATV

- The downtown What-If Festival was cancelled due to an increase in COVID spread and rain all day. However, we had a great team lined up with some great innovations to share with the public, and who are always ready and eager to deploy:
  - John/KD0SFY
  - Derek/K0ATV
  - Kyle/KD0TRD
  - LD/W0XLD
- For providing mentorship to a few new and aspiring hams this month, and being a great ambassador for those new to our community:
  - David/AD0QD
- We had a fun late-summer picnic at the Ellicott club station, and some hard-working volunteers got us off to a great start in constructing an old-west façade and desk for our ham station out there:
  - Derek/K0ATV
  - George/KE0QCC
  - Ken/K0KWH
  - Kyle/KD0TRD
  - Craig/KE0RGP
  - David/AD0QD
  - John/KD0SFY
  - Dave/N0DMP
  - Jim/KD0KQL
  - LD/W0XLD
  - Rhoda/KB2BZY
  - Mike/WV7T
  - Frank/KA0YPX
  - Michael/KE0TWK
  - John/N0QJS

- We had one estate disposition project that requires a lot of coordination, and our volunteer did a great job setting up this upcoming project:
    - Jim/KD0KQL
  - One volunteer helped both new and long-standing club members with their stations as well as operated AF0S for the Colorado QSO Contest.
    - Derek/K0ATV
  - August Weekly Net Attendance:
    - August 4<sup>th</sup>, 20 participants, K0ATV as net control.
    - August 11<sup>th</sup>, 16 participants, KD0TRD as net control.
    - August 18<sup>th</sup>, 10 participants, KF0AVF as net control.
    - August 25<sup>th</sup>, 15 participants, W0XLD as net control.
  - Membership Statistics (Info provided by Dick, W5UDM)
    - 246 Members
    - 238 Licensed and Voting Members
    - 133 ARRL members
- Treasurer report: Dick/W5UDM
- Committee announcements
  - VE team: Dennis/N0ABC, Jon/KJ0CFW
  - Webmaster: Doug/N7LEM
  - Zero Beat: Jerre/WA0BCM
  - PPARES: John/KD0SFY
  - Training: Mike/WV7T
- Club business
  - Expenditures approved
    - \$105.71 spent on groceries for club picnic in Ellicott.
  - Upcoming events and volunteer opportunities
    - Sep 16-18 (this Fri/Sat/Sun): estate disposition, moving gear and recording assets. Contact Jim/KD0KQL.

- Oct. 2(sun): Boulder Amateur Radio Club BARCfest, Boulder County Fairgrounds. No PPRAA board members were available to volunteer; members are encouraged to attend and wear PPRAA shirts.
- Oct 7-9 (Fri/Sat/Sun): ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Ham Convention
  - Cheyenne Wyoming
  - Event Center at Archer, 3921 Archer Pkwy, Cheyenne WY 82007. No board members were available to volunteer; members are encouraged to attend and wear PPRAA shirts.
- Oct 12 (Wed): PPRAA membership meeting for electing officers.
  - Positions up for vote: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, 4 board members.
  - Nominating committee: Dick & David
- Oct 15 (Sat): PPRAA fall on-air event supporting Boy Scouts Jamboree On The Air (JOTA)
  - David and Anthony are choosing a park location; possibly renting a pavilion.
  - Kyle will be configuring a fox for mentored fox hunt with scouts; needs a volunteer to operate the fox on the day of event.
  - Experienced fox hunters wanted for mentoring scouts in RDF activity.
- Later in October (will be on a Sunday): work party at Ellicott club station.
  - George/KE0QCC is point of contact.
- SME presentation 1: 15 minutes
  - Youth DXpedition report from Don/N6JRL
- SME Presentation 2: 30-40 minutes
  - ColoradoReady.org preparedness and ham radio: Jeremiah/N0KMO and team
- Any other new business?
- Door prize drawing
- Adjourn