



Meeting Date: Nov., 28, 2023
2200 S. Ocean Lane #1607
Fort. Lauderdale, FL 33316

Gold Coast Amateur Radio Association

General Meeting Minutes

1) **Call to Order**

Melanie Fernandez (KJ4VCT) called to order on ZOOM the Gold Coast Amateur Radio Association's regular meeting at 7:30 pm on Nov., 28, 2023. A quorum was present with 21 members in attendance (see Appendix A)

- **Pledge of Allegiance**
- Greetings, Introductions of Board Members, Members and Guests

2) **Secretary's Report – Ben Echavarria (N7BBE)**

Ben Echavarria (N7BBE) motioned

to approve the minutes from October 24, 2023

Approval of previous for Oct., 24, 2023 as printed on W4BUG.org website.

Attendance was taken for officers, members and guests. (see appendix A)

3) **Vice President – Joe McGee (NX4T)**

- **Committee Reports:**
 - Testing - **K4BH** Jeff Stahl
 - Broward ARES/RACES – **KJ4AWB** Carol Sjursen RACES Chairman

We still need Shelter Operators, Please volunteer if you are able. for the Winterfest Boat Parade, more volunteers are needed.



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4) Treasurer – Dirk Basting (N4AN)

- Current checking balance: \$8740.67
- Current Stripe balance: \$0
- Current Cash on Hand \$0
- Membership – Lifetime 27 Family 4 Paid 49 unpaid 24

5) Repeater Report – Ricky Eaton (KD4HGR) Repeater Trustee

- All repeaters are working
- Working on ALLSTAR for the repeater
- The noise on the 610 repeater is due to the Christmas lights installed near the antenna.

6) Director at Large – Ricki Witte KJ4FSJ

- Sunshine Committee – Report on any “good and welfare” topics about Club membership
- Barry Porter (KB1PA) is in Rehab for a few more days. Would like to have phone calls
- Ricky Eatons wife is Recovering at home.
- **Upcoming meetings**
- November 28, 2023 General Meeting
- ELECT NEW BOARD MEMBERS
- DISCUSS WINTER FIELD DAY
- Membership renewals –
- Erik Olmer (W3EJO)



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- o Forrest Smorag (KA4JHM)
- o **New Members**
- o **Julio Herrera (KK4KMO)**
- o **Lloyd Kurtzman (N4LJK)**

7) PIO - TOM SAVOCA (K9TJS)

- Website and Social Media
- Carol Sjursen (KJ4AWB) will handle the email aspect of the duties. Thanks Carol.

8) Old Business

- None

9) New Business:

Announcements:

- Barry Porter Nominating Committee will be replaced by Carol Sjursen (KJ4AWBZ) in his absence.

SLATE FOR 2024

Motion to accept by acclimation made by Joe McGee, Seconded by Ben Echavarria

President – Melanie Fernandez (KJ4VCT)

Vice President – Ben Echavarria (N7BBE)

Secretary – Ricki Witte (KJ4FSJ)

Treasurer – Dirk Bastings (N4AN)

Director PIO – Tom Savoca (K9TJS)

Director at Large – Joe McGee (NX4T)



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Repeater Trustee – Ricky Eaton (KD4HGR)

10) Adjournment

- Adjournment at 8:26 pm for program

Program – Joe McGee – Winter Field Day

Alan Lister will Demo. A Magnetic Loop Antenna – There will be a Display for the NIMM Logger

A Digital Radio Demo – Satellite Display – Fox Hunt – VHF/UHF Demo and Simplex Radio Demo

HF radio – SSB – CW – Antenna Building and more coming as we proceed closer to WFD. We still need volunteers.

APPENDIX –A- Board Members

Melanie Fernandez(KJ4VCT) – President, Joe McGee (NX4T)- Vice President, Ben Echavarria(N7BBE) - Secretary, Tom Savoca (K9TJS) - PIO, Ricky Eaton (KD4HGR) – Repeater Trustee, Ricki Witte (KJ4FSJ) – Director At Large – Dirk Basting (N4AN) Treasurer

Members:

Dr. Tom McClain N3HPR

Aurora Figueiredo KQ4IOW

Carol Sjursen KJ4AWB

Allan Karden N4ALK

Jeff Stahl K4BH

Mike Wolfe KD4OVP

Jerry Deitch W4LST

Dave Warner KB4ICU

Sylvan Pierre KB1EFW

Tom McClain N3HPR

Brandy Coolidge N1HO

Julio Herrera KK4KMO

Sam Greenfeld N2URO

Lloyd Kurtzman N4LJK

HAPPY AND SAFE HOLIDAYS TO ALL!!!



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Meeting Date: October 25, 2022
7378 W. Atlantic Blvd #147
Margate, FL 33063