



Gold Coast Amateur Radio Association

MINUTES OF MONTHLY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING August 25, 2026

Call to Order – The regular meeting of the Gold Coast Amateur Radio Association, Inc., was called to order on Tuesday, August 25, 2026, at 7:32 p.m. by President Ben Echavarria, N7BBE, in person in the Conference Room at Broward Health North.

Roll Call – Seventeen members were present along with three guests.

Minutes – The Minutes of the July, 2026, meeting were approved as submitted and are available on the Association's web page.

Reports – Treasurer Dirk Basting, N4AN, reported an ending balance of \$9,326.36 as of July 31, 2026, and membership total of 105. A copy of his report is attached.

Dirk Basting also reported on behalf of Repeater Trustee Ricky Eaton, KD4HGR, that the repeaters, including AllStar and DMR, are all functioning.

Carol Sjursen, KJ4AWB, gave the PIO report and said the club's website can be used to order shirts and badges and also to sign up for the upcoming class to prepare for the Extra exam.

Jeff Stah, K4BH, said two people had taken test before the meeting, with one new General and one new Extra.

Kenny Hollenbeck, KE4NC, announced a Free Flea on September 26th at the First Christian Church in Wilton Manors.

The 50/50 drawing was won by Jean-Marie Basting, and Mark Blanchard, W4MMK, won a copy of the ARRL Extra License Preparation book.

Speaker - Following the business meeting Alan Kline, KB1DJ, spoke about installing radios and antennas in vehicles, particularly useful for emergencies.

Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Ricki Witte, KJ4FSJ
Secretary

Treasurer's Report July 2026

Account summary



Previous balance as 06/30/2026

+ \$3,119.82

Withdrawals

- \$452.99

Deposits

+ \$1,184.16

New balance as of 07/31/2026

+ \$3,850.99

CD +5,475.37 Available Balance Total =

+ \$9,326.36

- Major Expenses: Web \$45.62, Donuts \$44.67, Trailer- Build-out \$153, Field day 207.86
- Major Income : Members \$560, Field day \$166. General Donations: \$280, Club Meeting \$110
- Membership: Single 71 , Family 8, Lifetime 26, Late Payees 4 (5) Total: 105
- New lifetime Member: Todd Macklin K9TWM