



# Sky Valley Amateur Radio Club

## January 18, 2020 Meeting Minutes

**Call to Order:** 0901 hours by VP Garth KA7BVS (Pres. John AC7LC absent).

**Introductions:** 13 members and 2 guests Holly KJ7KIU & Russ KJ7KIV

**Treasurers Report:** \$246.59 in club bank account, \$10 in cash.

**Repeater Status / Net Report:** 70cm – operational & setup at W7BCW QTH for now; 2m link – not active due to interface cable still in cabinet at repeater site; APRS – station is set for beacon plus digipeater use only and is working Ok; 6m – ID'ing only appears no RX; NET @ 19:30 hours every Tuesday status averaging 8 - 10 check in's for Dec. 2019 – Jan. 2020 so far. Net Schedule: 1/21 Bruce W7BCW, 1/28 Tom K8TOM (ACS WA7DEM Tuesday NET @ 20 hundred hours will be simplex only), 2/4 Kathy K7THY, 2/11 Bruce W7BCW, 2/18 Dave KB7GFL, 2/25 Garth KA7BVS, 3/3 Kathy K7THY. Reminder to all NET controls to ask for signal report before start of NET, weather conditions can create signal strength issues at temporary repeater site QTH.

**Webmaster Report:** New DMR page with info on Digital Mobile Radio (DMR) links for setting up and using. Introduction of new companion magazine to QST from ARRL called "On the Air" for new ham licensees and others still wanting to know more of the basics in ham radio and operating.

**Old Business:** Membership dues are due starting this month of January. If you can't make it to the meeting each month but still want to be a member you can mail in your dues to Treasurer PO Box 77 Sultan, WA 98294.

**New Business:** Elections for new club officers takes place in March so start considering whom you would like to see elected to one of the officer positions. February meeting Eric K7QOG will have a presentation on WinLink. Tom K8TOM wanted to remind new members ( Holly KJ7KIU & Russ KJ7KIV ) to email Tom with questions or request info on any subject in regards to the club or ham radio in general and he will answer them to the best of his ability.

**Good of the Order:** Bruce W7BCW mentioned he has a new Anytone AT-868UV DMR radio and went thru a basic course last Saturday 1/11 put on by PNWdigital members and found it to be exactly what he needed to understand programming and setting up his HT and has made several contacts on the digital network in this area so far. Bill KE7WTR asked about a club sponsored club picnic this year, more discussion needed.

**Adjournment:** 1016 hours by Garth KA7BVS and seconded by Tom K8TOM.