

# Saratoga Amateur Radio Association

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assisting the City of Saratoga  
affiliated with the Amateur Radio Relay League  
part of the Amateur Radio Emergency Service  
and the Silicon Valley Emergency Communication System



## Minutes of Meeting of May 5, 2010

### Saratoga Fire Department

The Minutes were respectfully submitted by Raymond Rogoway, Secretary.

#### *Attendees:*

- Ray Rogoway, W6RAR
- John Glass, NU6P
- Rob Vance, N6ROB
- Bill Parsons, AF6AE
- Betty Froess, W6BTY
- Ray Froess, W6ZF
- Yin Shin, N9YS
- Dan Sturges, W6DIV
- David Blessing, KF6NHG
- Chuck Wilson, N6...
- Axel Scheffin, KJ6EPH
- Kelly Johnson, N6YS
- Mark Bohrer, KI6KQD

The meeting having been duly noticed began at 7:35 p.m. and was called to order by Ray Froess, president. There were introductions around the room.

#### *Minutes:*

##### *Old Business:*

- **Fire Station HF Antenna.** Rob reported no progress on this item.
- **Weekly Net.** Dan W6DIV will be net control for the next SARA net and will cover the SVECS check-in.
- **Backup Power for K6SA Repeater.** Don, AE6PM, is working on this.
- **Recent Events.** Reports were received on the 4/10/10 "How to Use Your Radio" class, the Saratoga/WVC Disaster Exercise, and the 2010 EMComm West conference.

##### *New Business:*

- **Minutes.** The minutes for April 2010 were approved at the end of the meeting.
- **Treasurer's Report.** Betty, W6VBTY gave the treasurer's report.
- **Membership.** Ray, W6RAR, will be developing a "Welcome to SARA" email package for new members.
- **MAC Program.** There was a brief discussion and explanation of the MAC (Mutual Aid Communicator) program by Rob, N6ROB and Ray, W6RAR.
- **Field Day.** There was an explanation of some of the logistics surrounding Field Day by Kelly, N6KJ. He reported that there was a need for captains for the various positions. The June 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of SARA will be devoted to Field Day.

##### *Emergency Coordinator's Report:*

- Jim Yoke was absent so there was no report.

##### *Program:*

- Mark M. Schaefer, JPL, gave a presentation, via telephone, on the Saturn probe spacecraft. He discussed all of the various communications packages about the spacecraft.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:42 PM.