



Minutes of the  
**Sedalia – Pettis Amateur Radio Klub**  
Sedalia, Mo

**Meeting:** June 3, 2023  
**Program:** No program  
**Meeting leader:** Bret Kuhns, W0VK  
**Meeting Location:** Pettis County EMA 1511 N Ohio, Sedalia MO

37 total in attendance; 33 members; 11 VE; 14 ARRL, 4 guests  
(Sign in sheet maintained in separate file)

**OPENING:** Meeting Raffle with two numbers drawn and netting \$102 for the club.

Meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bret, W0VK – Club President; Meeting started 8:40 am with attendee introductions and greeting.  
Program for today cancelled.

**OFFICER REPORTS:**

**Secretary:** Harry, K0TV Club Secretary presented summary of last month’s meeting minutes. Printed copies were available at the meeting and had previously been posted on the club website. Don, KF0ARQ moved to accept minutes, a 2<sup>nd</sup> was received, PASSED.

**Treasurer:** John, N0XG presented the report. Net currently is \$6,900.87. Steve, KF0SJG moved to accept the report. There was a 2<sup>nd</sup>. PASSED.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**TESTING:** Bret, W0VK indicated there have been 6 sessions this year.

**TRAILER:** Paul, KD0ETL reported the trailer was ready for deployment and it was sitting outside ready for the Scott Joplin exercise following today’s meeting. The bad HF rig, FT100 is still being worked on. Off frequency issue appears to only be on 20M and still might be repairable. The committee had addressed the suggestion to move the trailer out of harms way during bad weather. Decision was that due to unpredictability of weather that it was OK just to leave the trailer stored during bad weather. A decision can always be made to move it to a place of safety depending on the threat. An inventory of equipment will be made containing serial numbers, descriptions, and value. This will be valuable information in the event of damage or theft.

**TRAINING:** Daren, KD0OPS gave out certificates to the most recent General upgrades from the class.

**REPEATERS:** 2M, 6M, 220, DMR, Fusion: no change in repeater status from last month. Noise issues and hum on the 2M repeater was discussed. System will be tested focusing on possibly the combiner module. Hum was believed to be the PL tone. We could move the repeater to a different tone, but that would require everyone to reprogram their radios. Need to test 6M repeater operation, there is not much activity on it. Also, there is minimal usage of the DMR repeater.

**NETS:** Bret, W0VK took volunteers for monthly NCS.

**EMCOMM** – Next siren exercise will be 6/7/23

**PUBLIC INFORMATION** –Connie, WA0QCJ gave the newsletter report. Dennis, KY0P reported on club events. Scott Joplin today. Balloon even next weekend. Field Day. There was discussion about the Balloon event during this portion of meeting. That content was combined with the Balloon information under New Business in these minutes.

**WRECKING CREW** – Connie, WA0QCJ needs a Dipole installed to replace a broken one. There was a question regarding the new FCC rules change about RF exposure. Perhaps a topic for a meeting presentation.

**HEALTH & WELLNESS** – There are club members that have requested assistance.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**SAFE SPACE net** – Net conducted where operators check in from their safe locations was a success with 14 check ins. Chris, KC0TKS apologized for missing the net. He was in his safe place, but fell asleep in the bathtub.

**ISLAND ON THE AIR** – Discussion about the recent event. There were 15 contacts which certified the Liberty Park lagoon island. Everyone is anxious for future Island activations.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**EMA Housekeeping** – Club received a complaint that we have not been leaving the meeting area in a clean condition. We need to make sure that tables and chairs are reset and we better clean up after ourselves.

**Warrensburg hamfest** – Bret, W0VK donated \$20 to secure a SPARK table for the event.

**BALLOON event** – They are expecting 20 flights on 6/10/23. Most of those will be tethered. There are 2 free flights where we were asked to help provide tracking for chase crews. We will have a voice net and APRS trackers. Doc, W3MEB is chairman. Plan to meet at the Fairgrounds at 6am on Saturday.

**SCOTT JOPLIN** – Event is today. Trailer will be set up at same location as last year following today's meeting. W0R call was not available so WA0SDO club call will be used.

**STATE FAIR PARADE** – Do we want to put an entry into the Fair Parade? Conclusion was, not this year.

**SPARKFEST** – Scheduled for October 14.

**FIELD DAY** – Dwayne, KB9TQJ reported equipment is ready for the June 24/25 event and the plan is to operate 24 hours from EOC location. Logging was discussed. Set up will begin 10am.

**ROCK ISLAND PARK** – This is a possible future event for the Cole Camp area

**POTA** – Joel, KE0WJX is planning a future event for Knob Noster state park. July/Aug time frame.

#### **WRAPUP:**

Next meeting will be July 8, based on a poll of members that were present today, with a presentation on either VARA or APRS following. Paul will reserve the EMA room.

John, N0XG announced that the Sheriff's office downtown now has a meeting/training room that will accommodate 35+ in the event we need an alternate facility someday.

A testing session will follow today's meeting.

John, N0XG announced there were 66 paid members in the club.

Don, KF0ARQ moved to adjourn the meeting. A 2<sup>nd</sup> was received. PASSED  
Meeting closed at 10:24 am.

These minutes submitted by  
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SPARK Secretary