

GVARC Member Meeting Minutes 10-11-23

Members in attendance: 17 in person, 5 on Zoom.

Introductions: Guest. Fritz Schuckert – Green Valley resident from Austria and friend of OE3KAB – CW Ham from Vienna. Fritz is an Electrical Engineer.

Reports:

- Bruce (President):
 - Bruce will not be running for President in 2024 due to a health issue. He is using the opportunity to be mobile to put miles on his new RV and see thinks he has been putting off.
- Tom Lang (VP):
 - Christmas party will be December 14th at the Grill on the Green.
 - Details are posted on the website. Look for the Button on the Home page.
 - It will be a buffet at \$28 per person, and there will be beef brisket, chicken, and a no-host bar.
 - MAX of 60 participants.
 - Cut off date is December 1st to be signed up AND paid.
 - Attendees are asked to bring a wrapped gift, up to \$15 – marked as for a female or male.
- Rick Rogers (Past President):
 - Rick is GVARC's delegate to ARCA (Amateur Radio Council of Arizona)
 - ARCA
 - Meetings are held at the various HamFests – most recent last Saturday in Tucson
 - runs the Repeater Coordination Council in Arizona
 - provide Grants – if you have a project that needs funding, apply, they review and fund.
 - Maintain a schedule of Arizona HamFests – We will include our SwapMeet in February.
 - Provides GVARC with a share of the AZ Ham Radio receipts – they get \$17 per plate, last year we got \$131.86.
 - Our annual dues is \$35
 - Their website is <http://www.arca-az.org/> Do not bother to google ARCA. Google the full name. The menu, is on the left side of the site, look for minutes.
 - Arizona QSO Party –
 - 8 to 5 pm, on Saturday October 14th.
 - Rick will bring his Trailer and set up the station next to Ramada #3 at the Veterans Park at Quail Creek
 - Sign up to operate Phone on 20 Meters

- Saturday is a Solar Eclipse, so the bands in the morning are expected to be like 40 meters after dark!
 - We will use the call N7GV
- Linda Boeck –
 - Picnic –
 - 10 to 2 on Saturday, October 14th – Please sign up with Linda or on the Website Picnic Page
 - Ramada #3 at the Veterans Park at Quail Creek
 - Driveouts
 - Linda is working on two and would like input
 - Barleams in Apache Junction – after the first of the year.
 - Matinees are Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday
 - \$51 including lunch
 - Attendees carpool
 - Luncheon at the Arizona Tucson Inn in Tucson
 - Late November or early December
 - decorated for the holidays
 - Spendy but realllllly nice.
- The November 8th meeting will be the election of GVARC officers. Zoom attendees will use a Zoom Ballot, those in the room will vote as instructed
 - Due to some recent changes for members we need members to sign up.
 - Contact Earle Cate, John Lynn or Gary Carroll

Minutes recorded by Jon Otto, AD7GS for our absent Secretary.