



Smoke Signals

Newsletter of Fullerton Radio Club

December 2022

President's Column December 2022

On Thursday, December 15th, Fullerton Radio Club held its annual Holiday Dinner. Sixteen FRC members spent a couple of hours at Sizzler in Fullerton having dinner together and enjoying each other's conversation. It was fun to meet, in person, all the faces that we see each week on Zoom. The discussions continued long after the last bowl of ice cream was consumed. The last of the group discreetly departed immediately before the clean-up crew started putting the chairs up on the tables.

While this will be my last President's Column, I plan to continue contributing to Smoke Signals periodically, and I would like to take this opportunity to encourage you to do so also.

In our weekly Zoom sessions, most of our discussions are started by someone (usually me or Walter) asking "What have you been up to this week?" As it turns out, a little prodding usually reveals that many of our club members are working on little projects that are related to ham radio, electronics, some sort of tech, and other things that are of interest. Walter does an excellent job of capturing what people show at TAG meetings.

Paul continues to graciously volunteer his time to edit and publish Smoke Signals, but he can only do so if he has content to publish. As my last "ask" as outgoing president, I am assigning myself a project. I plan to ask each of our members to consider making a small contribution to our monthly newsletter. Going forward, I will send each member an email cajoling asking you for a picture (if possible) and a few words about *one* thing you did this month that involved amateur radio, electronics, public service, tech, or *anything else* that might be of interest to members of the club. It is okay to say, "I did nothing this month," but I'm betting that won't always be the case. I'm not asking for full articles (although they are always welcome). I'm going to ask you for a few lines of text and maybe a picture. Let's see how it goes.

Remember, FRC memberships go from January 1 to December 31, so it is time to renew for 2023, if you have not done so already. I'll send an email to everyone with a renewal form attached.

Wishing you and your families a joyous holiday season.

73, Bob - AD6QF

Hi all,

It's time for our annual Pledge Drive. We don't have promotional DVDs or calendars to give away, but we still appreciate your membership.

As most of you know, Fullerton Radio Club memberships run from January 1 to December 31, so it is club membership renewal time. Your club dues help support the club's expenses, including ARRL liability insurance, the club's PO Box, website fees, California non-profit corporation SOI filing fees, and food for Antennas in the Park. After a couple of years of losses, for the past three years the club's income and expenses have balanced nicely. So, despite all the news about rampant inflation, your FRC dues will be the same amount as they have been for more than 20 years ... \$20 for an individual and \$25 for a family membership.

I have attached a renewal form for your convenience. You might need to right-click to get it to open full size. Please print and complete the renewal form and mail a check to the address at the top of the form. If you would prefer to pay some other way, send me an email and we will figure something out. (I hear rumors that some young'uns don't write checks anymore!)

If you are not a member, but are on our email list, I'd like to ask you to consider joining. We would love to have you as a member!

73, Bob - AD6QF

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***January 2023 FRC BOARD
MEETING***

The next Club Board meeting will be on

January 4, 2023

***Board we will continue to hold the meeting
by Zoom at the usual Zoom ID and
passcode.***

Meeting time: 5:30 PM

All Members are welcome

Show –and–Tell

Bring something of interest to the meeting to show and share your story.
Something old, new, or just of interest to hams.

Web site: www.FullertonRadioClub.org

December 2022 Board Meeting Minutes

The December Board meeting was called to order on December 7nd with Zoom at 5:40 PM by President Bob Houghton AD6QF. Additional members present were Vice President Robert Gimbel KG6WTQ, Secretary Paul Broden K6MHD, Treasurer Gene Thorpe KB6CMO, Board Members Larry McDavid W6FUB, and Walter Clark. Absent was Board Member Richard Belansky KG6UDD.

Minutes from the November Board Meetings were reviewed and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Bank balance as of 12/7/22; \$6,612.1

- \$96 was paid to Bob for website subscription
- \$156 is due for P.O. box renewal

Membership: Club roster shows 35 paid members & 1 life member

Old business:

- Reminder: Club meeting and officer installation; Thursday, December 16 at Sizzler in Fullerton

New business:

- Election results were announced. [See page 3 for results]
- The club needs to establish a Zoom meeting host backup for months in the summer when Bob may be traveling without Zoom access. A brief discussion ensued.
- Presidential duties/shared responsibilities were discussed
- Club priorities for 2023 were discussed. Nothing specifically identified.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:11 PM

Submitted by Secretary Paul Broden K6MHD



FRC Officer Installation dinner at Sizzler, Thursday, December 15, 2022. Photo by Ethan Soe AJ6WW

Election Results

Fullerton Radio Club Officers for year 2023

President: Larry McDavid W6FUB
 Vice-president: Robert Gimbel KG6WTQ
 Treasurer: Gene Thorpe KB6CMO
 Secretary: Paul Broden K6MHD
 Member-at-Large: Walter Clark
 Member-at-Large: Bob Houghton AD6QF
 Member-at-Large: Bart Pulverman WB6WUW

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL / APPLICATION

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(Please Print)

Name #1 _____	Call: _____	Class: _____
Name #2 _____	Call: _____	Class: _____
Address: _____	City: _____	State/Zip: _____
Phone #1: _____	Email #1: _____	

ARRL Member ☐ Yes ☐ No

Dues are \$20 per member, or \$25 per family. Students (full time) \$10