Lee De Forest Amateur Radio Club

2026 Special Event Planning Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 9, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. by Zoom

Call to Order: 7:00 p.m. by President Rick Gardner (KN6RBP)

Present (Roll Call):
Rick Gardner, President (KN6RBP)
Don Pullens, Vice President (N6DMP)
Mary Ortiz, Secretary (KO6GYP)
Jackie Harris, Director (KC7CBN)
Terry Smith (KO6ALP)
Bob Brown (KE6JGM)

Called to Order: 7:00 p.m. by Rick Gardner

The purpose of the meeting is to provide an update on what progress has been made toward the LDARC Special Event, to identify next steps and assign roles.

Special Commemorative Event: Terry discussed at regular meeting, presented at January board meeting (approved) and received approval for event dates at February 28, 2026 Board Meeting.

Event Date(s): August 7th, 8th, and 9th, 2026

Don reported that with the approved event dates, he has applied for a 1x1 special event call sign:

- K6L – Special Event Call sign applied for; pending approval.
- Will find out in the next 5-6 days, if approved. An update will follow.

Next items to decide:

- Trial run?
- Frequencies? Rick stated we can use the LTAC Frequencies.
- UTC time to start each event day?
- Wavelog? Terry, Rick and Bart have been using it.
    - Need to set up a time for those 3 to practice and create a shared log
    - Don is set up, but has not used it. Bart, too.
    - 14 people have signed up on Wave Log accounts.
        - At least two people have imported their logs.
        - Mary, Steve and Brooks have not used it yet, though.
    - Wave Log and participant interest will be brought up during the Tuesday night NET.
- QSL Card progress? Larry has submitted a draft to Terry. They've figured out a QR code and need to add it to the QSL Card.
    - The QR code points to the main LDARC web page.
    - Rick would like it to point to the Special Event page.
- Don suggested Mary review and edit Terry's handouts.

- Rick has been working with Duane on this already and will touch base with him tomorrow (Tues., 03/10/26). Rick also wants to get full club input. He/they will send Mary (all?) the link to the draft pages.
- There are several variables that can be added or removed from the information.
- Rick stated the first year should be a “soft” opening, then swag can be layered in to the following years events.
- Don would like to see the info edited to get straight to the point.

Rick confirmed he will talk with Duane tomorrow, 03/10/26, and will send us all a link.

Meeting adjourned: 7:30 p.m.