



# Lee De Forest Amateur Radio Club



LDARC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
Saturday, May 30, 2026, 10:00 a.m., In-Person & by Zoom  
J & M Family Restaurant, 1271 S. State St., Hemet, CA 92543

**Call to Order/Welcome:** 10:14 a.m. by President Rick Gardner (KN6RBP)

**Present / Signed In:**

Rick Gardner, President (KN6RBP)

Mary Ortiz, Secretary (K06GYP)

Karen Stewart, Treasurer (KN6MJS)

Larry Watson, Director (KN6PUR)

Bart Herring, Director (KM6JWS)

Duane Deaton, Director (KN6AUV)

Jackie Harris, Director (KC7CBN)

Terry Smith, Director (K06ALP)

Rodney McHenry (N6CG)

Candace Gardner (K06GGW)

Bruce Jones (WA6STA)

Damon Jones (KI6HPV)

Arthur Endress (WD5GIE)

**No attendees by Zoom**

**Quorum Present.**

**Reports:**

**Secretary's Report: Mary Ortiz (K06GYP)** provided a review of the Board Meeting Minutes for the April 25, 2026 board meeting.

**Motion to accept Minutes for April 25, 2026:** Duane Deaton; **Seconded:** Jackie Harris. None opposed. Motion passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report: Karen Stewart** provided a review of the Treasurer's Report for May 2026 (up to May 30, 2026) as stated below:

MONTH	April 2026
BEGINNING BALANCE	\$4,743.76
ENDING BALANCE	\$5,327.83
REPEATER FUND	\$1,698.50
GENERAL FUND	\$3,629.33

Karen stated **there was a \$1,512.00 deposit from the Breakfast Fundraiser** held on May 23, 2026. More on this topic will be under New Business.

**Motion to accept Treasurer's Report for April 2026:** Larry Watson; **Seconded:** Jackie Harris. None Opposed. Motion passed unanimously.

**Email from Don Pullens dated May 29, 2026:** Rick asked if everyone had seen the email Vice President Don Pullens had sent the day prior regarding the Breakfast Fundraiser results and noted items in red were donated and are considered profit.

- **Note:** No, not all present received the email

**2026 Raffle(s):** Discussion regarding the Xiegu G-90 flash sale through Radioddity and whether this would be a good raffle item.

- Is there time to get the item before Summer Field Day?
  - Terry said yes; Jackie was unsure
- Is it worth the stress?
- Rick – Should we decide on a raffle margin before we have a raffle to avoid the anxiety of being under water (not making enough from the raffle to cover the cost of the item)?
- Rod suggested the club order two: one for the Christmas raffle and one to have in inventory to raffle at a time to be determined.

**Motion to buy two (2) Xiegu G-90 Radio Bundles at \$499.00 (before taxes; approx. \$550.00 each after tax) through Radioddity:** Jackie Harris; **Seconded:** Karen Stewart.

None opposed. Passed unanimously.

- Karen Stewart to contact Radioddity on this date, following the meeting.
- Terry Smith suggested the club request donations from vendors when making purchases on behalf of the club.
- Bart noted tax on the purchase is not included in the sale price.
- Larry noted it might be good to have a raffle at the upcoming club special event.
- Rick asked to set a Committee Meeting to keep building raffle item inventory
  - **Raffle Committee Meeting set for: Mon., June 8, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. by Zoom**
- Today, Karen will look into whether purchases by the club, as a non-profit, can be made tax free.
- Raffle topic tabled until after the Planning meeting to be held on Mon., June 8, 2026.

**VE Testing at the Library:** Don Pullens was not able to attend today's meeting. He has requested this topic be tabled until the next meeting, when he can be present, and after more information is obtained from Bob Brown.

**Motion to table VE Testing Topic until next Board Meeting:** Jackie Harris; **Seconded:** Larry Watson. None opposed. Passed unanimously.

**Nets:** Terry Smith will provide a list of assignments to Rick Gardner to get posted to the website.

- Need Saturday Round Table Net Control
  - Possibly Don Pullens?
- Eagle Net: Rick to manage calendar. No objection.
- Elmer Hour: Rick will to manage it as well.
- Gary is Net manager for Tuesday Roster Net, only.



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### Nets (Continued):

- Digital net: KI6ZW was suggested. Rick will reach out to Steve to see if he will manage it.
- Once a month, weekend 10 meter net during daylight hours (before dark)
  - On a Saturday at 4:00 p.m. (1600)
    - 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month suggested by Bart
    - To be called the 10 Meter HF Technician Net, though all are welcome (encouraging Technicians to participate)

**Motion to set Technician Net on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month at 1600 GMT:** Duane Deaton;  
**Seconded:** Terry Smith. None opposed. Passed unanimously.

**Motion to transition HF Nets to be promoted in GMT time:** Terry Smith; **Seconded:** Bart Herring. None opposed. Passed unanimously.

Discussion regarding how other nets handle Daylight Savings Time.

- Rick can say both GMT and PST times on nets.
- Bart noted that GMT is not affected by Daylight Savings Time. GMT does not change; it remains constant.
- Rod shared a story about a naval deployment and a new ensign tasked to complete a schedule, taking into considerations times at various ports. It was complicated. Using GMT simplified the matter, as GMT does not change.
- Point in Fact: Terry noted that after 4:00 p.m. (PST), it is considered a new day in GMT. For us, time changes impact end of day determination for contests.

### New Business: Spring Breakfast Fundraiser Report – Karen Stewart

Deposits were made into eleven (11) funds.

- **Gross Total:** \$1,231.23 (Sales, donations, 50/50..etc. Not including Repeater Fund.)
- **Expenses:** \$543.48 (groceries, eggs, Amazon supplies, Dollar Tree, misc.)
- **Net: \$687.75**
- Bart stated donations should be deducted from expenses/adjusted out. Rod, Karen and Bart discussed how the adjustment was made.
- Bart noted the 50/50 was shown twice (General Fund and Repeater Fund).
  - Karen explained the breakdown. Brookes won the 50/50 at the May regular club meeting. He applied a portion of his winnings to the Breakfast Repeater Fund.
  - It was noted that the club portion of 50/50 drawings should now go into the General Fund, not the Repeater Fund, as a result of a motion at a recent meeting (need to confirm date).
  - Individuals making donations to the club can identify which fund they want to apply donations to.

- Bart asked who made cash donations.
  - Karen reviewed the list, noting some donors chose to remain anonymous.
- After review, Karen stated she may have added some items in twice
- Discussion of adjustments
- **Breakfast Fundraiser Corrected NET: \$617.75** (not \$687.75) – there were 45 tickets sold.
- Rick noted that this was the most financially successful breakfast fundraiser we have ever had.
  - There was low attendance, so the success was due to generous club member donations – not ticket sales.
- Bart stated that without the donations, the profit was about the same as usual. Karen disagreed.
- Karen noted that “buy backs” took care of the excess food.

**Motion to move Adult Breakfast Tickets to \$15.00 per plate for future events:** Larry Watson;

**Point of Order:** Jackie Harris stated there has been no discussion; it is too early to discuss. After brief discussion, the motion was seconded.

**Seconded:** Jackie Harris. None opposed. Passed unanimously.

**Field Day Club Call Sign:** KO6ALP suggested using N6CG for Field Day. Rick invited discussion.

**Motion to use N6CGT as the club call sign for Summer Field Day:** Terry Smith; **Seconded:** Jackie Harris. None opposed. Passed unanimously.

**Lifetime Club Memberships to N6CG and N7OD:** It has been suggested to give Lifetime Memberships to these two club members.

- Jackie noted that Don Pullens mentioned this in his email and requested that this topic be tabled until the next Board meeting.

**Motion to table the Lifetime Club Membership topic to the next Board Meeting:** Larry Watson; **Seconded:** Duane Deaton. None opposed. Passed unanimously.

**Veterans Net:** Rick stated that Don Pullens would like to start a new net for Veterans of all military branches. The net would be open to all, but would focus on veteran topics and discussions.

**Motion to table the Veterans Net topic to the next Board Meeting agenda, so that Don Pullens may be present for discussion:** Bart Herring; **Seconded:** Jackie Harris. None opposed. Passed unanimously.



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**Robert's Rules of Order, 12<sup>th</sup> Edition – Simplified Version.** Larry Watson had emailed this to all Board Members. A one page printed version was provided to those present.

- Bart noted that he would like to see all Board members present to vote on this.
  - Larry stated Don had approved this previously.

**Motion to accept the simplified version of Robert's Rules of Order, 12<sup>th</sup> edition as previously emailed and copy provided at this meeting:** Larry Watson; **Seconded:** Duane Deaton. None opposed. Passed unanimously.

**PO Box Discussion – Karen Stewart** had previously suggested the club move their PO Box from the San Jacinto Post Office to the Hemet Post Office due to delivery issues.

- Jackie Harris stated she saw evidence of 2 cases with mail delivery issues.
- Jackie suggested Karen Stewart keep a tracking log of any issues going forward and bring it to the Board in approx. 3 months for review.
- Karen agreed to keep a tracking log.
- Duane noted that the club has had issues with the PO Box for a few years.
- **NOTE: This topic will be added to the November 2026 Board Meeting Agenda**

Rick acknowledged the wonderful breakfast fundraiser and the very generous club member donations and requested a round of applause.

- Bart stated that all volunteers who work future food related events should get their Food Handler Cards, as they cannot touch food, plates or utensils without it.
- Larry noted that as a Non-Profit, we **do not** need to get Food Handler Certifications. The management at the venue required cards for those preparing food for this event. It was a courtesy to that venue's management that members did so.

**Motion to add the topic of Food Handler Cards and clarification of requirements to the next Board Meeting Agenda:** Jackie Harris; **Seconded:** Larry Watson. None opposed. Passed unanimously.

Rick thanked Larry for his work on the simplified Robert's Rules.

**Motion to Adjourn the meeting at 11:54 a.m.:** Jackie Harris; **Seconded:** Bart Herring. None opposed. Passed unanimously.