**Trinity County Amateur Radio Club (TCARC)**
**Membership Meeting Minutes**
**October 8, 2026 | 6:30 PM**
**Trinity County Office of Education**

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 PM.

2. Roll Call and Introductions

Members: Dan, Steve, Mike, Harry, Rick, Abbie

Guests:  Tom, Michelle, Roxanne, and Hector

3. Approval of Minutes

September 10, 2026 Membership meeting minutes approved. Steve moved approval; Harry seconded.

4. Old Business

a. Repeater status updates

• 146.730 MHz repeater / howling issue: No update.
• Pickett Peak and Ironside Mountain site approval: No update. The club needs to follow up with Travis.
• 146.880 MHz repeater: Rick has the repeater. The group discussed the possibility of installing it at Steve's house.

b. Frontier Radio Grant Program

Karl is continuing to work on the grant. GMRS equipment remains in storage.

c. Zeffy implementation and membership

Membership and payment status were listed for discussion; no update was recorded.

d. Club meeting location

Dan will develop discussion points about the meeting location. The item was tabled.

e. Club mail

No mail was received.

5. New Business

a. New members/guests and interests

Interest was noted in obtaining GMRS and amateur radio licenses. The group discussed reviewing HamStudy by chapter.

b. Radio and repeater projects

Current or proposed club projects, and programming or equipment needs, were listed for discussion; no specific updates were recorded.

c. Emergency communications

A potential radio installation at First Baptist Church was raised for discussion.

6. Presentation and Discussion

• Parks on the Air (POTA): Members discussed using portable radios and antennas, often on battery power, to activate designated state and federal parks and practice field communications.
• Summits on the Air (SOTA) and Beaches on the Air (BOTA) were also mentioned.
• The group discussed adding guests to Groups.io.

7. Net Control

• September TCARC net: Harry
• October TCARC net: Rick/Harry

8. Announcements

a. Upcoming nets, training, and regional amateur radio events

• Redding 2026 Hamfest: October 10, 2026, at Bentronics in Redding.
• Farmers markets: The club discussed participating next year. The club has space for two 5-foot canopies. Mike and Harry have canopies, tables, and banners.

b. Public service and emergency communications opportunities

The possibility of handing out candy for Halloween was raised. No decision was recorded.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:43 PM.