

# SC4ARC 2020 SECRETARY REPORT

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## **Board and Officers:**

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## **Membership End of Year:**

SC4ARC Members	ARRL	ARES	CERT	Technical	General	Extra
51	32 / 63%	27 / 53%	39 / 76%	30 / 59%	7 / 14%	14 / 27%

## **General Member Meetings – Member Attendance:**

(All were regular meetings; members notified by website e-mail)  
(Attendance numbers include board members present)

January 25, 2020: La Honda Fire Station; attendance = 24  
February 15, 2020: La Honda Fire Station; attendance = 21 + 2 guests  
March 21, 2020: 2m Repeater; attendance = 21  
April 18, 2020: 2m Repeater; attendance = 16  
May 16, 2020: Zoom; attendance = 14  
June 2020: no meeting; annual Field Day June 27 - 28  
July 18, 2020: Zoom; attendance = 12  
August 15, 2020: Zoom; attendance = 12  
September 19, 2020; Zoom; attendance = 13  
October 2020: no meeting due to SET Great Shakeout on October 10  
November 21, 2020: Zoom; attendance = 19  
December 2020: no meeting; annual Christmas party on Zoom December 11

## **Board Member Meetings:**

January 18, 2020: La Honda Fire Station; attendance = 7  
April 1, 2020: Google Meet; attendance = 6  
July 8, 2020: Google Meet; attendance = 6  
September 8, 2020: Google Meet; attendance = 6  
October 7, 2020: Zoom; attendance = 5  
October 22, 2020: Zoom; attendance = 7

## **Accomplishments / Events**

- It was a challenging year because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Starting in March, all club business was done via the repeater or zoom.
- Membership increased from 40 to 51, an increase of 22%.
- The following presentations or technical sessions were held: ARES, Emergency Go Bags, Antennas, and Connectors and Coax. Presentations are available in our library.

- Field Day, June 27 - 28: Because of the pandemic, Field Day was vastly different this year. We operated as a collective of independent stations and we wiped out our usual competition. There were 16 participants and 12 participating stations. We had a total score of 11,302, compared to last year's 2980. Over zoom, we held 8 educational activities. David, KM6DOV, was our top QSO and number 26 in the entire Pacific Division! And it was fun!
- Most of the typical activities we support were not held because of the pandemic.
- Emergency Services / Preparedness (ARES):
  - The fire of the century, the CZU Lightning Fire, started on August 16. Our ARES members immediately swung into action and their performance was exemplary during the entire event. For 10 days, 24 hours a day, the DOC in La Honda was staffed with ARES and CERT personnel, even when the surrounding communities had been evacuated. Practice paid off; we were ready!
  - In addition to the CZU Fire, ARES members were activated twice for PSPS events: 73-person hours and 60-person hours. This is a great service to the community.
  - We participated in the Great Shake Out as our SET this year. We had a total of 18 participants.
  - An excellent presentation by Angelo on both the SET and PSPS activations can be found on our library at: <http://www.sc4arc.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/set-psps-debrief.pdf>
- We had 9 participants (half of the total) in the County Simplex Test with overall good results.
- We also had an SC4ARC Simplex Test on October 4. There were 13 participating stations on 2m simplex and 4 stations on 6m. Excellent results in most areas and definite relay capability in others. The full matrix of results put together by Neil can be found in our library at: <http://www.sc4arc.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/simplex-matrix-oct-2020.pdf>
- A grant was obtained from Google for a free Google Suite, which allows board members to share a calendar, collaborate on documents and board decisions and share secure documents like membership and asset information. The grant will be reviewed by Google annually. In addition, we received a grant of \$10K from the Marin Community Foundation for the purchase of a new repeater and other improvements.
- The Website Committee is making great progress in building a new, more user-friendly website for the club.
- We had a fun Holiday Party on ZOOM, complete with a White Elephant Exchange.