

220 Spectrum Management Association of Southern California

President's Message

April 2019

2019 is off to another great start. Thank you to those members who attended the January meeting at the Long Beach Red Cross Chapter. A special thank you to John Hudson, WA6HYQ, who stepped up to fill the Vice President for this year. Thank you also to our returning Secretary David Guder, AI6OU and Treasurer/Information Systems Officer Jim Fortney, K6IYK.

Thank you also to outgoing President Kenneth Mann, KF6HKM, for his years of service to the Association.

As a review of the Coordination Board (CB) reports shows, the CB continues to work to resolve the back issues. Many "paper repeater" systems have been identified and purged from the active list, after the CB followed the established processes and determined the channels vacant. This effort has allowed a number of requests for new systems to be processed. Kudos to the board, especially to CB Secretary Mike Collis, WA6SVT, for keeping things on track. Also, a special thank you to Rick Eastwood, W6RE, who has announced his intent to leave the CB with the completion of his term at the April 2019 meeting. If you have **any** interest in assisting the Association, **please** consider running for the vacant Board seat (a two-year position) or make yourself known to one of the officers if you can assist the members of the board as 'eyes and ears' in the more rural areas of Southern California. If you have an interest in helping the Association by moving in to backfill one of the Officer's positions next year, please reach out to me, John, David or Jim and let us know. We would be happy to fill you in on what the details of the position consist of. You can email us using <the title of the position>@220sma.org.

At the January meeting there was a request for discussion about essentially taking the business of the Association totally electronic. We will be discussing this at the April 13th meeting, particularly regarding the changes to the Governing Documents (Constitution, Bylaws and the Coordinating Board Procedures) that will be required to implement. Any such changes will require formal notice to the membership and would be addressed at a future meeting.

I look forward to seeing you at the April Meeting.

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