

220 Spectrum Management Association of Southern California

President's Message

January 2023

Greetings, 220SMA Members -

At the last quarterly meeting I mentioned that neither Patti nor I are going to run for re-election in 2023. I believe that I may have found a volunteer to take over Patti's job, but no one has come forward to run for president as of yet.

In this past year I have had several medical problems that make it difficult for me to continue as president. If this organization is going to keep functioning as the governing body for the 220 Mhz. band then we are going to need some fresh volunteers to take over.

We are solvent and continue to be so, but our membership keeps decreasing and that is not a good sign. So please if you can spare some time to help the organization please volunteer.

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Greetings from the Vice-President of 220SMA - As we continue the era of conducting meetings virtually and going about the business of our organization, we continue to find ourselves in interesting and challenging times. Due to the risks of COVID and high fuel costs the ongoing challenges of holding in-person meetings our organizational business and in person meetings for the foreseeable future will continue to be held on Zoom. The business of the organization must continue and if we are to maintain our organizational standards, we need everyone to continue to participate by not only attending virtual meetings or through correspondence but to also maintain membership.

This year has marked a tremendous milestone for 220SMA by successfully accounting for ALL Coordinated Repeater RFC's and information now in digital form, meaning the Coordination Board has the updated repeater information using a "fillable PDF file" provided by repeater Trustees and placed on the FTP site for easy and accessible by the Coordination Board. This allows us to evaluate any RFC's grant coordination application and prevent or minimize interference to existing systems more accurately. This was only accomplished by through hard work on behalf of the 220SMA Coordination Board ongoing diligent efforts. This also moves us much closer to allowing the disposing years of old out of date paper files, currently Mike Collis has several tubs of completely out of date files.

Lastly, because you are receiving this message it again means we show your membership will soon or has expired. **In January 2023 our Club will be electing new Officers** and so you can participate you must renew your membership NO LATER than January 18th, 2023, prior to our General Meeting being held on Saturday, January 21, 2023. Our hope is you continued membership that helps keep our organization going but perhaps consider serving in some capacity. Again, you can easily renew online by going to <https://www.220sma.org/application.htm>, select Option 1 that will take you to the ham club online page where you can make an online payment. This is very simple and secure to use in fact I just renewed myself and the process took less than 5 minutes.

If you have any questions please let me know and I will try and answer as soon as I can,

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