

Fiddletown Neighborhood Radio Watch (FNRW)

2024 Annual Report to Fiddletown Community Center (FCC)

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February 2025

Overview

The FNRW began in July 2020 where 40+ Kenwood TK 380 radios were sold to residents of Fiddletown. The Red Mule Repeater served the community for emergency communication. However, coverage was spotty in some areas of town. A second repeater was installed in 2022 on Cobble Ridge, which successfully improved coverage for radio communication.

Bob Klienbrahm has served as “Net Control” since its inception, and continues to hold weekly radio check-ins on Wednesdays, at 7:00 pm.

Current Board of FNRW

- Bob Kleinbrahm – Chairperson
- Dave Swager – co chairperson
- Deidre Mueller - Acting Treasurer
- Lisa Cunningham – Secretary
- Marci Swager – At Large Member
- Sue Wilson - At Large Member
- Kent Oster - Technical Expert
- Steve Allred - Technical Expert
- Lana Dykstra – At Large Member

Metrics

- At the beginning of 2024 the radio network had 65 members.
- At the end of 2024 the radio network had 72 members.
- The average attendance of the weekly check-ins was 28. These call sheets are available for review up FCC Request.

Community Outreach and Fundraising

The Annual Fiddlers Jam was held on September 21, 2024. Again, the FNRW had a table and promoted this program. “Swag, radios, and batteries were available for sale.

FNRW participated in Giving Tuesday at Drexel Hall. Proceeds from that event totaled: \$1558.27.

Throughout the year FNRW has been recruiting members to serve as “Net Control” operators for Wednesday night check-ins. A few members have stepped up and a training session will occur in early 2025.

As fundraising allows, the Chair will stock radio inventory of radios, batteries, and charging stations, with a 10% markup.

Also, as fundraising allows, more equipment is needed for both the Red Mule and Cobble Ridge Repeaters. Technical Experts will submit requests for equipment by priority.

The FNRW End-of-Year Financial Report is attached. The goal is to maintain a minimum balance of \$500.

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2024 P&L

Date	Payor/Payee	Amount Credit	Amount Debit	Note
1/1/2024	Amador Community Foundation	0.06		Correction in amount deposited
1/11/2024	Marci, David, Lauren and Geddy Swager	1,387.50		Donation
1/20/2024	Noel Hastings	50.00		Donation
1/20/2024	Various	60.00		Added on to FCC memberships.
1/20/2024	Lisa Cunningham		120.00	Reimbursement for electrical costs for 2023 at rate of \$10 per month.
1/20/2024	Steve Allred		120.00	Reimbursement for electrical costs for 2023 at rate of \$10 per month.
2/25/2024	Bob Kleinbrahm		406.79	Reimbursement for batteries
2/27/2024	Kent Oster		134.78	Reimbursement for generator fuel
3/1/2024	Nancy Neipp	20.00		Added on to FCC memberships. Part of \$96.62 transferred to EDC on 3/1/2024
3/23/2024	Various	40.00		Donations to the FNRW included in memberships.
5/3/2024	Laurel Taylor	85.00		New member radio
5/3/2024	None	102.00		Donation
5/3/2024	Laurel Taylor	85.00		New member radio. Included in deposit on 5/16/2024 for \$2087.00
5/3/2024	None	102.00		Donation. Included in deposit on 5/16/2024 for \$2087.00
5/10/2024	Bob Kleinbrahm		461.44	Reimbursement for batteries; expenses.
5/18/2024	Harry and Sue Cowan	10.00		Donation. Not yet deposit as of 5/31/2024. Depositing 6/1/2024.
6/8/2024	Various	250.00		4 batteries and 2 Kenwood TK-380 packages sold. Included in deposit of 300.00 on 6/10/2024
6/8/2024	Bob Kleinbrahm		50.00	Reimbursement for purchase of 1 cadex battery tester
7/29/2024	Various	124.00		Keri Sierck 20 (battery), Helen Ford 20 (battery), Gary Stout 20 (battery), Scott Thompson 20 (battery), Sandra Holcomb 44 check 410 (battery and antennae). Included in deposit of 124.00 on 7/31/2024.

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8/10/2024	Sierra Pacific Foundation	1,000.00		Grant award to FNRW. Included in deposit 8/12/2024 for \$4160.00
8/18/2024	Various	40.00		Batteries for Jessica Mesbaugh and Susie Jones. Included in deposit 08/29/2024 for \$395.00
8/18/2024	Bob Kleinbrahm		78.64	Reimbursement for batteries purchased.
9/10/2024	Various	200.00		Batteries sold to members. Included in deposit of \$1740.00 on 9/17/2024
9/14/2024	Bob Klienbrahm		291.92	Reimbursement for purchase of new radio batteries.
9/21/2024	Bob Klienbrahm		100.00	Reimbursement for ACF Giving Tuesday booth
9/21/2024	Various	120.00		Payments for 3 radio batteries, 2 Nagoya antennas, and 1 FNRW hat
12/26/2024	ACF	1,558.27		ACF Giving Tuesday donation for FNRW. Included in deposit on 12/16/2024 for 8582.09
12/3/2024	Baldwin, Laura	20.00		Part of memberships received by FCC
12/3/2024	Cowan, Sue and Harry	25.00		Part of memberships received by FCC
12/3/2024	Dougherty, Kate and Paul	50.00		Part of memberships received by FCC
12/3/2024	Dykstra/St. Clair	50.00		Part of memberships received by FCC
12/3/2024	Houseman, Bob Kleinbrahm & Terrie	50.00		Part of memberships received by FCC
12/3/2024	Jones, Steve and Susie	25.00		Part of memberships received by FCC
12/3/2024	Neipp, Jim and Nancy	50.00		Part of memberships received by FCC
12/3/2024	Oster, Kent	25.00		Part of memberships received by FCC
12/3/2024	Perry, Terri Leiker & Pam	50.00		Part of memberships received by FCC
12/3/2024	Reilly, Barbara	25.00		Part of memberships received by FCC
12/3/2024	Sakaida, Ted and Pam	20.00		Part of memberships received by FCC
12/3/2024	Smith, Skip and Bunny	30.00		Part of memberships received by FCC
12/25/2024	Mueller, Deirdre	50.00		Donation
TOTALS		5,703.83	1,763.57	

Starting Amount as of 1/1/2024	2,308.61
Total Income	5,703.83
Subtotal	8,012.44
Total Expenses	1,763.57
TOTAL	6,248.87