CMRA Meeting Minutes

April 12, 2011

Meeting this month was held at UM Women's and Children's Hospital conference room.

Meeting called to order by Daniel, KC0UTW, at 7:03 PM

Introductions all around, 2 visitors, and a total of 22 +5 late, and 1 in and out.

Treasurer Report:

Checking \$1,355.95 Savings \$2,255.47 CD \$2,252.96

Old Business:

Dale, AEOS, reported the club station looking very nice after the Mike, etc worked it over

Corey, KC0YNS, reported T-shirts are on the way: to be sent Thursday.

Dewey, WM0H, has moved to Bolivar, Bob, K0YBN, reported, Dewey had knee surgery today and is doing well.

No news on the clubs' (with BCARES) balloon project, but it is in the planning stages. Payload may include radios cameras, transmitters. Don, KM0R, reported that an email reflector for this project is available.

Daniel reported that the CMRA email reflector is working well and efficiently, as evidenced by the people at this meeting: since the announcement of this temporary venue had only been made on the reflector.

Wednesday night CMRA net: reported by Don, N0UBC reported: 94 QNI 4 messages and 5 sessions. Net needs more net control operators. Contact Don to sign up.

Jon, NOOFJ, reported that the fox hunting has started. There have been two hunts so far. Hunts will be confined to a 10 mile radius around Boone library starting about 9:00AM Saturdays. One can participate in the hunt without showing up at library if you want to.

Pam, KD0GRQ, reported that the club auction plans are progressing but we need volunteers for getting donations for the auction. She and Bob, K0YBN ae working on this. The auction is the July meeting. Pam will start assigning orders next month if no one volunteers to help out.

Jon, NOOFJ, reported that the Arafat hamfest will be held in KC later this month.

The ARRL mid-west division convention will be held in Iowa, this year and Gregg, gregg@thelinds.com is looking for presentations to be given there.

Earth quake drill coming up on April 28, but hams are not needed.

Daniel, KC0UTW, asked about club historian and the project to convert old newsletters to PDF format for the inclusion in the new web site. Don, KM0R, has collected the files from the old server and delivered them to Bill, N0AXZ, who has begun the conversion to PDF format. Files begin in 1996 to current but there are gaps. This is not the club historian, and there was little discussion about that.

Mac, K4CHS, reported that the Central MO Emergency Weather net meets Thursday at 8:00 PM on 146.61 repeater. All amateurs are invited.

Don, KM0R has two-tone decode kits for sale. This kit is an alert box to mute speaker so output of your radio is not heard until an alert tone is sent from the repeater to open your speaker for 60 seconds so you can hear what is causing the alert on the repeater. This allows one to monitor the repeaters for emergency call-ups without listening to other repeater traffic, There are three sections of the county and these will allow even more specific monitoring of the nets/repeaters. We may see these codes sent on the training Thursday night nets to test your decoder boxes.

Myron, W0ZH, asked about Field day, and if we were going to do what we have done in past years. Mike, AC0G, suggested there could be a discussion email group scheduled for discussion. Mac, K4CHS, will get reservations on the Park, our normal operating site. Pam is coordinating the BBQ at the field day. June 25 is the day.

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill, N0AXZ, club secretary

Mac, K4CHS, presented a program on The Show-Me inter-tie repeater system.