

Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club
Minutes April 3, 2017

The monthly meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was called to order on Monday, April 3, 2017 at 1900 by President Klaus Mueller, WOLKE, with 26 members and 1 guest present.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by secretary, Karen Brewington, KDOJMO, and approved as read.

Treasure Judy Bradley reported that the ending balance for March was \$3,105.22. Checks were written to BiState in the amount of \$9.80 for stamps and to the Post Master in the amount of \$9 for a new PO Box key, which Judy will hold on to. Judy deposited \$325 for dues giving us a new balance of \$3,411.42. The treasurer's report was approved as read.

Old Business:

Barry Doyle, ACOWL, gave the repeater report and stated that there are still problems with the 146.820 repeater but that he is working on this along with Dan Russell, KDOI XM. Dan Stated that he will be testing the cams tomorrow and asked if anyone would be listening. Several said they would. Barry also stated that the insurance policy should have all our equipment listed on it so we can turn in a claim for the lightning damage.

EOC Coordinator Dick Knapp, KDOBSP, reported there was nothing to report

Ernie Chiles, WORMS, reported that the weekly ARES meeting is on the 146.850 Tuesday nights at 8 pm and encouraged all to check in. He also stated that there will not be an "eyeball" meeting until there is a need. Ernie also reminded us that the spring Fox Hunt, will be on April 29, 2017 at the Jackson City Park pavilion #5 by the tennis courts. All you need is a handheld to participate. We will meet at noon with everyone that wishes bringing a sack lunch and the Fox Hunt will begin at 1 pm. There will be two teams, each hiding a "fox" for the other team to find. There will be a time limit of approximately 15 minutes to find the "fox".

Ernie Chiles, WORMS, reported that the QSO party on 40 meter was not good due to terrible "local" reception conditions. He stated that contacts were made outside the state of Missouri but very few within the state. Ernie stated that Ed Myers had a couple first: His first HF contact and his first DX contact! Congratulations! Ernie also stated that 20 meters went a little better but was still not very good at all.

Reminder: Field Day is coming the last weekend in June so mark your calendars and plan to participate!

Barry Doyle, ACOWL, reported that he is working the Saturday and Sunday evening net at 7 pm on the 146.850 but not getting many check-ins. Ernie Chiles, WORMS, stated that the UHF net on the 146.440

Monday through Friday at 6:30 pm is doing pretty good. Dan Russell, KD0IXM, is working the ARES net on the 146.850 on Tuesdays at 8 pm. Please check-in when you can!!!!

New Business:

President Klaus Mueller, W0LKE, read a letter from DX Engineering regarding a possible Power Point presentation on club subjects that could be presented to the club.

Dan Russell, KD0IXM, stated that there will be a meeting regarding the High Altitude balloon launch from SEMO on June 19th. Kaci Hines will be there to host this. There is a need for amateur radio operators to help track the balloons. If you are interested, please contact Dan Russell.

Our visitor tonight was Richard Wallace, KB9LPE.

The April meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was adjourned at 1926.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Brewington, K0JMO,
Secretary, SEMOARC