

Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of April 1, 2019

The monthly meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was called to order on Monday, April 1, 2019, at 1901 by President Klaus Mueller, WØLKE, with 20 members present.

Minutes of the last meeting were read by Secretary Patty Chiles, ACØCU, and were approved as read.

Treasurer Judy Bradley, KCØWXS, reported a beginning balance of \$3965.98. She deposited \$175 for memberships, leaving a balance of \$4140.98. The treasurer's report was approved as read.

Old Business

Klaus Mueller, WØLKE, reported on behalf of Barry Doyle, ACØWL, saying that Barry had performed several tests on the .440 and .685 repeaters last week and that all three repeaters are functioning fine. Dan Russell, KDØIXM, said that he had changed the repeater to Daylight Savings Time from home.

There was no EOC report.

Klaus Mueller also reported on behalf of Barry Doyle that there was no Skywarn event in March. He said that there will be a Skywarn class on Tuesday evening, April 2, in Dempster Hall on the University campus. There will be no .820 ARES net on April 2, but it will be resumed on April 9.

New Business

Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, reported that he, Larry Mohundro, KEØTGI, and Bill Brown, AEØJDD, had gone to the Godfrey hamfest, and he encouraged everyone to support the local hamfests lest they disappear.

Ernie notified everyone of a proposed ARRL change that would expand the technician privileges to include frequency allocations on 80, 40, and 15 meters. If anyone wants to provide input on this action, s/he needs to contact the FCC. Ernie also let everyone know about a second proposal from an individual ham, who wants to create a new class of license called a Tyro class.

Ernie announced that the Missouri QSO party is coming up on April 6 – from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. – and April 7 – from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. We will be operating as WØH as a high power, multi-operator, fixed station at the Chiles house. A sign-up sheet was passed around for those who want to participate.

Ernie reminded everyone of the Memphis Freefest in Bartlett, Tennessee, on April 13. This hamfest starts at 9 a.m. and does not charge for admission or for table fees. Instead it relies on donations which will go to the children's hospital in Memphis.

Ernie also announced that the Thursday Club has decided to hold a fox hunt on April 27. It will be a city wide direction-finding event by vehicle, so a directional antenna, a handheld radio, a magnetic compass, and a city map will be needed. We will rendezvous at 1 p.m. in the parking lot of the Dollar General Store in Jackson on West Main Street.

Ernie also noted the Dayton (Xenia), Ohio, hamfest is coming up on May 17 – 19.

Larry Fluegge, KØRKW, announced that he had some ham equipment in the back of his truck in the parking lot that had belonged to a Silent Key, and everyone was welcome to take what they wanted.

Judy Bradley, KCØWXS, said that she had checked with our bank and that our tax ID number is okay.

The April meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was adjourned at 1931.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Chiles, ACØCU
Secretary, SEMOARC