Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club Minutes January 2, 2017

The monthly meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was called to order on Monday, January 2, 2017 at 1902 by President Klaus Mueller, WOLKE, with 23 members and 1 guest present.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by secretary, Karen Brewington, KD0JMO, and approved as read.

Treasure Judy Bradley reported that the ending balance last month was \$2,777.34. She deposited \$175 for dues and a \$25 contribution from Darren Pope, KOGTE, and wrote a check for \$32.17 for the Ham of the Year plaque, giving us a new balance of \$2,945.17. The treasurer's report was approved as read.

Old Business:

Barry Doyle, ACOWL gave the repeater report and stated that the volume on the 146.85 repeater is still a little high but will get adjusted soon. The 146.820 and the 146.440 are working fine. He also stated that he has submitted an application to be the call sign trustee as Joe Lorberg's physical condition is deteriorating. All correspondence will now go to Barry.

There was no EOC report as EOC Coordinator Dick Knapp, KD0BSP, was out of town.

Ernie Chiles, WORMS, reported that the ARES meetings held on the 146.820 at 8 pm on Tuesday nights will begin again tomorrow night and encouraged all to check in whether you are a member of ARES or not. Ernie also began the planning for the spring Fox Hunt, which is a radio direction finding event. All you need to participate is a 2 meter handheld transceiver. A date of April 29, 2017 was set and the location will be the Jackson City Park with a shelter location being announced at the February meeting. 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. Ernie also mentioned that the Missouri QSO Party, which is a nationwide contest, will be on April 1st and 2nd from 8 am to 8 pm. This is being sponsored by the Bowing Amateur Radio Club of St. Louis. We could have a club station if they is enough interest. Ernie will have more information on this next month.

President Klause Mueller, WOLKE, stated that we will be meeting upstairs in the county building from now on as the election and tax equipment are being kept in the downstairs room now. We may have to relocate our meetings if we begin to have greater attendance. Meeting place suggestions were the Cape County Library and the Jackson Fire station room that was used for our November meeting.

New Business:

President Klause Mueller, WOLKE, read an email that Barry Doyle received from Thom Beeb regarding the upcoming Solar Eclipse Event. There will be a planning meeting for this special event which will include ham radio operators representing clubs from Southern Illinois, Missouri, Indiana and Kentucky

on January 21st at 12 pm at the Lighthouse Ministries Center in Anna, Illinois. They are requesting two representatives from each club.

Ron Doughty, KOMAJ, our web master is requesting an assistant. If you are interested in this, please let President Klause Mueller, WOLKE, know.

Barry Doyle, ACOWL, will be teaching a spring technician class at the CTC in Cape.

It was suggested that the members be provided a list of member's names and call signs. There is a list on the website. For a printed list, we will wait until after the February meeting to get this out. Also, we are reminded that dues for 2017 are now due. Reminder notes will be sent after the February meeting to those who have not paid.

Ed Myers, KEOKVD, shared some good information about setting up banks on your radio.

Our visitor tonight was Bob Goldsmith.

The January meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was adjourned at 1948.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Brewington, KDOJMO, Secretary, SEMOARC