## Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of June 4, 2012

The monthly meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was called to order on Monday, June 4, 2012, at 1900 by President Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, with 21 members present and 6 visitors.

Minutes of the last meeting were read by Secretary Karen Brewington, KDØJMO, and were approved as read.

Treasurer Judy Bradley, KCØWXS, reported that last month's balance was \$2,471.55. Judy paid \$172.00 to Marsh Affinity Group for insurance giving us a new balance of \$2,299.55. The treasurer's report was approved as read.

## **Old Business**

Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, reported that the Stars and Stripes event was a huge success. We had excellent operating conditions and the weather couldn't have been better. And we had the 2nd highest number of contacts that we have ever had. We made a total of 392 contacts with our club making 374 of those contacts and the Bootheel club making 17 contacts.

Participant Certificates were given to those making 20 or more contacts. Those receiving certificates were:

Cordell Loken, KE8AC

Barry Doyle, ACØWL

Karen Brewington, KDØJMO

Penny Wheeler, KDØGXZ

Judy Bradley, KCØWXS

Ernie Chiles, WØRMS

Patty Chiles, ACØCU

And Ernie will check on Jodie Rouse, KDØLDE, as she stated that she made more than 20 contacts, also. The ham with the most contacts was Patty Chiles, ACØCU, with a total of 140 contacts. KUDOS!!!

We were not able to use the Stars and Stripes Museum for restrooms at night but we were able to use them during their open hours. Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, made mention that last year there had been a theft of a rifle by someone outside the club and this was the reason that they were not allowing use after hours. He also stated that our club was in no way implicated or involved.

Saturday morning we were treated to pancakes made by Karen Brewington, KDØJMO. All got their fill and it was truly appreciated.

Phil Nash, ACØIB, reported that there was nothing to report on ARES.

Joe Lorberg, WAØZNI, reported that the repeaters are running fine. He also stated that he purchased three PolyPhasers at Dayton for a total cost of \$45. They will need to be installed at the repeater sites.

Barry Doyle, ACØWL, reported that he will be working on recruiting for a new Technician Class to be held in the fall. He would like to have at least 6 to 10 people as it is a lot of work for just one or two people. Phil Nash, ACØIB, suggested calling Rob Rayhack at St. Francis to get people to enroll. There is a desire and St. Francis would like to have the class there at the hospital. It was suggested that Barry pick a date now. Charlotte Craig stated that she has 3 or 4 that may be interested and will get with Barry. Ernie Chiles,

WØRMS, suggested that Barry set a minimum number needed for the class and a start date by next month's meeting and coordinate this room or the St. Francis location for a place to hold the class and report back next month. Jodie Rouse, KDØLDE, was asked if there was any interest at Southeast Hospital but she stated that so far there is none. They do have a couple hams already. The Red Cross, Salvation Army and others have been contacted but have shown no interest.

There was one veteran from the Veterans Home that took the technician class and passed the exam but he now has liver failure and has no interest in continuing. The Veterans home has lost interest, also, and the lady involved is not willing to proceed at this time.

Mike McCrate, KDØGUH, reported that we are now an LLC. It is official! The total cost was only \$50. Thanks to Barry Doyle's brother-in-law and Mike for all their hard work.

EOC Coordinator, Dick Knaup reported that no operators will be needed for the State Wide Drill in October. The City of Jackson will be working this.

Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, and the club thanked Dick Knaup for his help with the Stars and Stripes event and for having the EOC van for our use. It was great and very much appreciated.

Jodie Rouse, KDØLDE, reported that the Girl Scouts Day Camp is a go. She will know by June 9th if help will be needed and at our July 2nd meeting, we will make the final arrangements for this.

Field Day will be June 23rd and 24th at Klause Park, Jackson, Missouri. We have the entire park reserved. Set up will begin at 10 am on the 23rd and the following have volunteered to assist:

Klause Mueller, KDØNAV

Patty Chiles, ACØCU

Ernie Chiles, WØRMS

Jodie Rouse, KDØLDE

Dan Russell, KDØIXM

Barry Doyle, ACØWL

Clinton Fallin, KCØVFY

Cordell Loken, KE8AC

Transmissions will begin at 1 pm. Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, will bring an HF radio and an antenna, Joe Lorberg, WAØZNI, will bring a 10 meter radio and antenna, and Dick Knaup will bring the EOC HF radio. Dan Russell, KDØIXM, and Barry Doyle, ACØWL, were also both told that they could bring their radios if they wanted.

There will be a potluck supper at 6 pm on Saturday evening so everyone is encouraged to bring a dish to pass. Tear down will be Sunday at 4 pm. EOC coordinator Dick Knaup stated that Karen Brewington, KDØJMO, can bring her camper for those who need a resting place.

Those who will tear down are:

Jodie Rouse, KDØLDE

Pattie Chiles, ACØCU

Ernie Chiles, WØRMS

Dan Russell, KDØIXM

Klause Mueller, KDØNAV

Dick Knaup, EOC coordinator

Barry Doyle, ACØWL

Visitors for tonight were Charlotte Craig and LaVonna, NØLWL, and Frank, KBØHAA, Elliott. Charlotte is the Director of the Department of Health in Cape and is looking to retire this year. She is also a licensed ham thanks to Phil Nash keeping her up to date on her license. LaVonna and Frank Elliott are both hams and trying to get back in the swing of things.

FYI: Jodie Rouse, KDØLDE, stated that there will be a Jefferson City Drill on June 19th and 20. The event will be listed as "Springfield Hit by an F5 Tornado". The scenario will be that Springfield, MO was hit by an F5 tornado at 3 am and people were notified at 8am.

Another FYI: Cordell Loken, KE8AC, received an email from a ham station in Georgia that needs help tuning their tower. Housing is free and if interested in helping, contact Cordell for more information. EOC coordinator, Dick Knaup noted that there will be a MODOT frequency check tomorrow, June 5th. There was no new business and the meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was adjourned at 1959.

Our next meeting will be on July 2nd.

Respectfully submitted.

Karen Brewington, KDØJMO Secretary, SEMO ARC