SEMO Amateur Radio Club

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Meetings:

The Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club, WØQMF, meets the first Monday of every month at 7:00 PM (Ragchew starts around 6:30 PM). Meetings are in the Emergency Preparedness County Office Building, on the Courthouse Square in Jackson, Mo

Next Meeting Date:

The next business meeting will be held May 2nd, 2011 at 7:00 PM in the basement of the Cape Girardeau County Office Building.

ARRL Volunteer Examinations

ARRL VE testing sessions are held after each monthly meeting for those interested in obtaining or upgrading an Amateur Radio License. The fee for testing is \$15.00. Positive Identification Required

For more information, contact Phil Nash, ACØIB

Contests

If you have any information on any upcoming contests, please send me an email at karenbrewington@sbcglobal.net so I can include it in the newsletter.

Event Reminders

Club events:

April 16 - Fox hunt June 10-11 - Stars and Stripes event at Bloomfield June 24-25 - Field Day

Hamffests:

April 30 - Godfrey, IL
May 14 - JCS swap meet, Cape Girardeau
June 12 - Granite City, IL
July (?) - Washington, MO
August 14 - St. Charles, MO
August 20-21 - Huntsville, AL
October 29 - Kirkwood, MO

ARES Weekly Net, Tuesdays at 8pm on 146.820

Birthdays

Frank Bagbey	April 12
Bob Seabaugh	April 15
Tom Keene	May 1
Patty Chiles	May 8
Robert Loos	May 9

If you have a birthday in April or May and you would like to be recognized, please send an email to me at karenbrewington@sbcglobal.net and I will make sure it gets in the newsletter.

Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of April 4, 2011

The monthly meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was called to order on Monday, April 4, 2011, at 1901 by President Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, with 22 members and one guest present.

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

Because Treasurer Irma Frye, NØJPJ, was not able to be at the meeting, she left word that the monthly balance is \$3496.97.

Old Business

Barry Doyle, KDØJWE, reported that he has eleven people registered for the Technician class, which begins on Tuesday, April 5, at 7 p.m. in the Conference Room of Physicians Associates.

Tom Keene, WX9N, reported that the recent problem with the 685 repeater could be either a computer that locked up, or interference possibly caused by a handheld that was keyed up, causing the repeater to time out. He said that he has all the parts needed to repair the repeaters, but the job has to be done on a weekend, making weather a factor in the repairs.

Tom also reminded everyone of the swap meet at JCS on Saturday, May 14, starting at 9 a.m. Five slots will be reserved for tailgaters, and permission has been granted to park in the lot next door. There will be a Ham Glam contest, with the best ham costume chosen by the owner of JCS. Radio and television stations may be in attendance.

Penny Wheeler, KDØGXZ, reported that arrangements are all made for the Stars and Stripes event on June 10 – 11. We will set up on Friday morning and break down by early afternoon on Saturday. There will be a covered dish dinner on Friday night. Ernie Chiles suggested that we have an achievement award for those making more than 20 contacts, or an in-club contest for the member who makes the most contacts. Penny said there will be a sign-up for Field Day at the next meeting, and she will contact the County to reserve a shelter at Klaus Park.

Our visitor for the evening was Nathan Brown from near Scopus.

Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, announced the rules for the April 16 fox hunt. We will meet at 12 p.m. at Shelter No. 7 in North County Park. Bring a sack lunch for your dinner. Ernie will pass out city maps for every team, and the foxhunt will begin at 1:30 p.m., rain or shine. The fox will transmit on 146.550, and if anyone wants to ask questions, call the fox on the 146.685 repeater. The fox will be hidden within the city limits of Cape Girardeau. The foxhunt will end when everyone finds the fox or at 5 p.m., whichever comes first. We can meet back at Shelter No. 7 for a debriefing.

New Business

There was no new business.

The April meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was adjourned at 1935, followed by a training session on contesting given by Dennis Ponsness, WBØWAO.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Chiles Secretary, SEMO ARC

<u>News</u>

Please check the web site regularly at: http://www.semoarc.net
If you are in a hurry, you can just click the "What's New" button. Contact me if you have any inputs for improvements, corrections, or additions. Note that when you click on the entries on the membership list that you go to the QRZ.COM listing. If you log into QRZ.COM, you can customize your listing there as desired. -Ron Doughty, KØMAJ, Ron@RDoughty.net

For Sale

If you have an item that you would like advertised in our monthly newsletter, please send me an email and it will be included.

If you have news that needs to be sent to the membership, please send me an email at karenbrewington@sbcglobal.net and if appropriate, it will be included.

Karen, KDØJMO