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 June 6th, 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

<u>Contests</u>

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

Event Reminders

Club events:

June 10-11 - Stars and Stripes event at Bloomfield June 24-25 - Field Day

Hamfests:

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

Other Events:

May 19th - Map Your Neighborhood – Location yet to be determined. Contact Penny Wheeler for more info.

ARES Weekly Net, Tuesdays at 8pm on 146.820

	<u>Birthdays</u>
Tom Keene	May 1
Patty Chiles	May 8
Robert Loos	May 9
Ernest Chiles	June 11
Mike McCrate	June 21
Randy Davis	June 23

If you have a birthday in May or June and you would like to be recognized, please send an email to me at <u>karen.brewington@sbcglobal.net</u> and I will make sure it gets in the next newsletter.

Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of May 2, 2011

The monthly meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was called to order on Monday, May 2, 2011, at 1905 by President Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, with 23 members and 5 guests present.

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

Treasurer Irma Frye, NØJPJ, reported that last month's balance was \$3496.97. She wrote checks to JCS for equipment (\$1526.83) and to the Postmaster for box rent (\$62), leaving a balance of \$1908.14. The treasurer's report was approved as read.

Old Business

Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, reported that the foxhunt was a great success. David, KCØLIW, and Cathy Golightly, KDØIAM, were the first to find the fox, using the latest in high-tech equipment: a handheld and a cake pan. Four teams out of six found the fox, who was located on the hill by the Boy Scout building. Ernie has promised that on the next foxhunt, the fox will find such a good lair that nobody will be able to find him.

Phil Nash, ACØIB, reported that we had a good ARES training session last Saturday. John Dissauer, KB9URR, visited with us on weather spotting. Dick Knaup, KDØBSP, plans to sponsor a class in the fall or next spring in order to increase the number of spotters. ARES will sponsor Skywarn under the umbrella of the Cape Girardeau County EOC, with Barry Doyle, KDØJWE, as the liaison with the new title of Assistant Emergency Coordinator. Phil reminded everyone that Dick Knaup could use some help with the phones in his office during weather events.

Barry Doyle, KDØJWE, reported that he has had up to three people attend his technician class. There are two more classes to hold before the test. Tom Keene, WX9N, said that he is willing to hold another general class if we can get at least six people interested.

Tom Keene, WX9N, reported that the new equipment for the repeaters is paid for and is stored in his garage, waiting for good weather to do the tower work. He said that the May 14 swap meet will be held rain or shine, and any tailgaters need to let him know if they want one of the five slots reserved. There will be a prize for the best Ham Glam costume.

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. There will be at least two stations for our club members to operate. She passed around a signup sheet for both the Stars and Stripes event and Field Day. Ernie Chiles said that we will have a certificate for those making more than 20 contacts.

Penny also passed out information on Map Your Neighborhood, a 9-step neighborhood disaster response plan. It is a self-help program where you can be trained to train your neighbors on how to handle emergency situations. Facilitator training will be held in Cape Girardeau on Thursday, May 19, from 6 – 9 p.m.

Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, showed us a SEMOARC logo that Jodie Rouse, KDØLDE, has been working on and that we may want to use for shirt patches or letterhead.

Our visitors for the evening were: Fred Werchow II, KDØNVS Neil LaVanchy, ACØUT Eric Lee, Terry Lee's son Don Atkinson, NØBIV Carol Atkinson, NØDIL

Secretary Patty Chiles, ACØCU, read a thank you note from the family of Sandra Fluegge, who passed away last month.

New Business

There was no new business.

The May meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was adjourned at 1938, followed by a training session on auxiliary power given by Mike McCrate, KDØGUH, and Phil Nash, ACØIB.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Chiles Secretary, SEMO ARC

News

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, <u>Ron@RDoughty.net</u>

More News

On April 16, 2010, the SEMOARC held its spring fox hunt with six teams composed of fifteen fox hunters hunting the fox. Participants were: Penny Wheeler, Judy Bradley, Patty Chiles, Dave Golightly, Cathy Golightly, Phil Nash, Harry Stone, George Sample, Mike McCrate, Terry Lee, Dan Russell, Mary Russell, Robert Loos, Frank Bagbey, Tony LeGrand - and the fox, Ernie Chiles. The first team to find the fox was the team of Dave and Cathy Golightly, using the latest in high-tech fox hunting equipment. All hunters agreed that although the weather conditions could have been better, it was a learning experience for everyone - and they can't wait for the next hunt to try out the changes in equipment they are going to make!

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.

Please Note:

I am receiving several notices that members are not getting the newsletter because email addresses are not correct. If you notice that someone's email address is incorrect, please let me know so it can be corrected.

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

Karen Brewington, KDØJMO