March 15, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Meeting Minutes from February 16, 2016

Meeting minutes for the February meeting were approved.

Sickness & Distress

No additional news on Audrey. The NCWVYL has a basket ready for her, it will be delivered when we know where she is staying.

VP Report

You can now register to take the exams online.

Secretary Treasurer

Mig, K8MIG gave the treasurer's report, please contact her if you need a copy. 50/50 sales for the last meeting was \$38 Bob, WA8YCD won at the last meeting.

Repeater Committee

Bill, WR8S reported that the repeaters are set up. The committee has scheduled the installation for March 19, 2016. WR8S will add documentation on the web site for setting up our handhelds. Mike, KD8ZMV asked Randy, N8OZY for a copy of the current license for the repeater site and an additional copy of the license for a binder to keep important club paperwork in.

Field Day Report

Bill, WR8S reported that we will be assigning team captains next month. WR8S has found a contact for the repeater site. He will contact them for permission to be there on field day.

Shirt Orders

Contact Jim for more information

Fox Hunt Challenge

Mike, KD8ZMV reported that there are no new updates. The club will be sending out letters regarding the challenge. The challenge will be called "Road Rally". WVU club and NCWVYL group is in and MARA is also in. KD8ZMV requested that the fox hunting committee meet this week to start planning the challenge.

School of Radio

Mike, KD8ZMV reported there has been no progress on this.

Club Roster

K8MIG, Mig reported that copies of the roster were emailed to all members. A paper copy of the roster was passed members were requested to make corrections. If you were not at the meeting corrections should be reported to K8MIG, Mig. Copies were emailed earlier this month.

ARES Net

Josh, KD8HRX, mentioned that we need volunteers for net control operators for the ARES net. Please contact him if you would like to volunteer.

Estate Sale

Randy, N8OZY announced equipment for sale as part of an estate sale for Ray Lewellen. N8OZY is

working on a list of the items that will be for sale. He needs assistance in taking down some antennas. Mentioned was made of having an auction of the equipment at one of our meetings or taking it to the Mon County Amateur Radio Club Hamfest and put it up for sale there. All the proceeds will go back to the wife of Ray H. Lewellen, K2PQI.

Balloon Launch

Randy, N8OZY reminded everyone of the launch that will take place on April 9. Club members who are interested will be chasing the balloon, using APRS. N8OZY will provide us with more details as they become available. Rain date is 10th or the next Saturday if the 10th is rainy.

Printer

The decision was made by the club to reimburse Mig and Randy to make printouts/copies for items used for club business.

News From Other Clubs in the Area

John, KD8VMF reported that the Mon County Amateur Radio Club will have a Hamfest on April 23 at St. Mary's in Star City.

KE8CTM, Daniel, reported that the WVU club finished their title 9 presentation. Date for their next meeting is March 31, 2016. The WVU Amateur Radio Club was in charge of the VE session for this meeting.

NCWVYL, KD8ZMW and K8MIG, reported that net attendance is at about 4-8 check ins. KD8ZMV presented a session on go bags at their last face to face meeting. They will have tables set up at the Mon County Amateur Radio Club's HamFest and also at the West Virginia State Amateur Radio Convention.

KD8ZMV, Mike encouraged everyone to volunteer and attended that West Virginia State Amateur Radio Convention this year. It will be held August 19-20, 2016 at Jackson's Mill. Please contact Bob, WA8YCD, if you would like to volunteer. Remember to bring items for the auction.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm, followed by a presentation on search and rescue communications by Carl, WA3ZZU and Jay, KD8QOO.