

CARS MEETING
JUNE 16, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7 PM BY Tim, WD8PMD.

Present: Tim, WD8PMD, Jack KZ6ZZ, Rosemary KI4VO, Fred KD8IXP, Dick KA8VLN, Mark, N8CDK, Steve, KD8HIW, Bob, N8JFH, Lee KA8VMJ, Dennis KC8IJZ, Dick KJ8C, Bill KD8AAD, Jim KAEXL, Harlin N8RZP

RAFFLE: HT Donated by Harlin

On June 12, 2009, an article appeared in the Cit Pat about CARS Field Day.

Program tonight will be a short talk on the Field day to be held in 2 weeks.

Public Safety Training; also known as a Table Top, is when people gather around a table, to run through a specific scenario and plan actions to take, to practice what they would do in that event. Tonight's Table Top will practice the Thursday night net. This will be done on an occasional basis, just to get more Hams to become familiar with running the net.

Steve said he is getting a map of Jackson County from Universal maps.

Tim passed out a list naming suggested items for a Go Kit...things to keep handy when you have to leave your home quickly in an emergency.

Club dues are due next month, since the re-writing of the By-Laws, dues will now be due the first of July. Dennis has worked a payment scale for those who have recently paid their dues, so they won't have to pay the annual amount.

Program: presented by Dennis. This years Field Day scheduled for June 27-28th, was moved to The Napoleon Fire Department administrative office building, instead of the Jackson Catholic Middle School. Dennis explained the different antennas that will be used and where on the premises they would be set up. Bob will bring out his 24-foot trailer in case of inclement weather. Set up will be Saturday morning. Steve will post the schedule on the club website. Field day setup will begin at 9 AM, Dennis will check the rules to see when they begin running Field Day. They will run for a 24 hour period. Dennis went over with the members present as to whom was bringing what major items to the Field day, such as antennas, generators, radios, coax, tuner box, etc. Dick will supply what paper products that he has at home.

Tables and chairs need to be donated this year as in the past the school tables and chairs were used. Tim welcomed radios that may be at home that Hams haven't used in a long while, UHF, VHF, HF., etc.

Bob asked how many underground utilities there were out there, but there are none.

Power will be supplied. Tim explained that help is needed for setting up, tearing down,

and food items. There is a supermarket across the street, and there are bathroom facilities at the Field Day site. Breakfast will be supplied also for those who are there.

Email Dennis if you have any questions or suggestions. Field day is all about training.

All equipment except generator and antennas will be under a tent.

Table Top- Jack is net control. He went through the script used for the net and members checked in like they would during the Net.

Anyone can run net control and to be legal, to use the club call sign, members need a copy of the license in their possession. Net control needs to make notes, run through the list, forward the count to N8RWK. Net control can ask those to slow down and repeat if necessary. Members were reminded to speak slowly and clearly when checking in.

At future meetings Tim will do other Table Tops, such as a weather net.

Fox hunt: a battery powered transmitter is used, and members will be notified when the time and date it is happening, and the participants will search for the fox's burst transmission, and try and find the "fox."

Refreshment Break:

Business Meeting:

July 11 and 12 volunteers needed for CanAm International Aerobatics Competition.

Twenty-fifth Civil War Muster end of August and CARS volunteers needed.

Balloon Festival is June 17 & 18: Dick knows a gentleman who has information on it.

Since CARS hasn't approached to assist, we aren't sure if they need our help.

Old Business: None

New Business: Fred took Mike's WB8ICN, spot since he was not able to be present.

Fred passed out CD's for those who would like to learn code. There was paperwork to go along with it also.

Next month is the July 21 cookout meeting. For the dinner, bring a dish to pass, club will furnish the meat.

In an upcoming meeting will have a lesson on how to build J-pole antenna. Supplies will be provided.

August 18 meeting will have a guest speaker.

50-50 Raffle: Won by Lee.

Meeting adjourned at 8:37 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemary Gunsett, KI4VO

CARS Secretary