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MEETING MINUTES

The July meeting was called to order by Jim Lawler, WYØB, at 7:00 P.M. The minutes of the June meeting were read and accepted.

TECHNICAL REPORT

Mike, NØLBA, said that the antenna at the weather service is bad and a new one is on the way. RACES and ARES Organizations are still looking for volunteers. ATV equipment has been sent back for repairs.

TREASURERS REPORT

The club station insurance is due, and a motion was passed to pay the premium. Bill Stroud, NØNMB, was re-imbursed for the past three months refreshments.

NEW BUSINESS

Mac, K4CHS, brought up the point that we as a club have some equipment that we no longer use. We might want to think about putting it on our next hamfest table or we could hold an auction. We need to get a list together on equipment at the club station. Further info will be forthcoming.

Dan, NØFPE said we need to send the QSL bureau money for postage.

Jesse, WMOY, brought up the subject that the club needs to look at a long term goal for where we want to be in seven years. A committee has been started consisting of John, NDON,

New members voted on and approved were Don Gibson, Paul Ragsdale Jr., NØSCC and William Wright NØSCD.

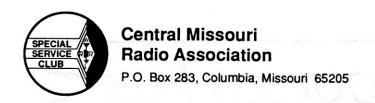
Jim, WYØB, wanted to know if the club would like to sponsor Carl Eidsness of Reserve, MT. who will attempt to break the world record for the AA-4 (Gas) Balloon subclass by flying 1056 miles from Reserve, Mt. to Memphis, Tn. r on to Miami if weather permits on or before Sept 3. Carl is a codeless tech with callsign pending. He would like to talk to ham operators along the way to patch him into phone contact with the Weather Services or to relay position messages to Carl's chase crew or his home base. A motion was made and accepted to have club president Jim, WYØB get in touch with Carl and get all the pertinent information.

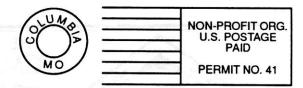
Jerry, NØOLT is chairman of the Lions club fair in Harrisburg and would like to invite the club to set up a booth. The date is set for the weekend after Labor Day.

The program was given by Bill Turner, KFØKC and Gene Imbler NØKGX. There was a video presentation and discussion on County Hunting. Listen in on 14.336 MHz for County Hunting.

AUGUST MEETING

The August CMRA meeting will be Tuesday August 11 at 7:00 at the usual place, Boone Electric Co-op, 1413 Range Line Street, Columbia.





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Hamfest Update: Mac, K4CHS, said we have found a successful home at the Hearnes Center for out Hamfests. The next Hamfest is slated for June 5, 1993. Mac also recommended that the club form a semi-permanent committee made up of 6 to 8 persons in key positions. For example John, NDØN with VE exams and Jesse, WMØY, being a former chairman of the hamfest. Then we can ask new people to be on the committee to see how things are done, and the senior club members can fall off and add another new person each time.

Since we've had severe weather in the last month, and more is probable through the summer, here are some reporting guidelines from the St. Charles ARC newsletter.

Where

Direction and distance from known location. Any movement and speed.

When:

Exact time of your observation.

Lightning intensity: Cloud to Cloud Cloud to Ground

Occasional - A couple of flashes per minute.

Frequent - A flash every 10 seconds or so.

Continuous - flashes with few interruptions.

Estimating Wind Speeds:

- Ø Smoke rises vertically
- 1 3 Direction of wind shown by smoke drift but not by wind vanes
- 4 7 Wind felt on face, leaves rustle, wind vanes move
- 8 12 Leaves and small twigs in motion, light flags extended
- 13-18 Dust raised, loose paper raised, small branches move
- 19-24 Small leafy trees sway, crested wavelets form on ponds
- 25-31 Large branches in motion, whistling in wires or fences
- 32-38 Whole trees in motion, inconvenience felt walking against wind
- 39-46 Twigs break off trees, impedes progress while walking
- 47-54 Light structural damage (chimneys and shingles)
- 55-63 Trees uprooted, widespread structural damage, mainly roofs
- 64-72 Major damage to structures, roofs and