

# The CMRA SQUELCH TALE

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# Columbia HAMFEST! May 28, 1994

(See Details Inside)

#### President's Corner - Bill Stroud NØNMB

Hello fellow Amateurs! This newsletter is a special edition inviting you to join us for the 19th CMRA Hamfest. We have many activities, prizes, and great bargains for all to enjoy. Come see us on May 28 for a super time!

Be sure to look over the Hamfest information on the inside and help spread the word! See you there! 73 de NØNMB

#### Meeting Minutes - Bob Bosma NØWYF

The May 10, 1994 meeting was called to order at 7:05 P.M. by Bill (NONMB), president. Minutes of the April meeting read by Bob (NOWYF). Approved as read.

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Meeting Minutes (Continued...)

Financial report by Irvin (NOUAE):

Checking: \$1,051.48 Savings: \$589.33 CD: \$2,737.31

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Technical: (By Mike, NOLBA) We've had problems with the repeater. The date has been changing by itself. Biggest problem is Packwood has changed the locks on the building and so far they haven't given us a key. We are in negotiations with them so we can get to the repeater. We have not changed the autopatch codes. We should do this that weekend. We would like to mail out on card stock the autopatch codes to all of the paid members. Motion to fund mailing by NOWYF passed. There is going to be a preliminary hot air balloon event here in August. We have some RACES/ARES type of work with a variety of activities that weekend. Last year with 30 or 40 balloons landing in the area, 911 would receive calls on balloons crashing. We could chase down balloons to prevent unnecessary emergency response calls. I'll keep everybody informed as this thing goes along.

Hamfest: (Bill, NOUEY) Everything is going pretty well. We need to have people who will commit to show up at the Hearns Center on Friday, May 27th at 6 P.M. so we can set the Hamfest up. I need to have a good idea of the number of people who I can count on to be there. The more people we can get with this, the better the whole Hamfest is going to be. (Cont. on Page 4)

# Columbia Hamfest



# Saturday May 28 8 am - 3 pm

Columbia, Missouri Hearnes Center University of Missouri

> NEAR INTERSECTION OF I-70 & US63 MAP ON REVERSE SIDE

**Commercial Exhibitors** 

Flea Market

**VEC Exams** 

**Door Prizes** 

Fee Parking

**Forums** 

Bingo

### Schedule of Events

6:30 - 8 am Flea Market Set-up

8 am Doors open

9 am - 12 pm ARRL/VEC exams

9 am - 11 am Bingo 2:30 pm Grand Prize Drawing

Forums:

9 am ARRL Forum

10-11:30 am MOAMPS (packet radio) 10-11:30 am TCP/IP Restructuring

11 am - 1 pm Missouri Repeater Council
1 pm Missouri Council of Clubs

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1 pm AmSat

## **Indoor Flea Market**

ample indoor flea market space
carts and unloading assistance
table (8' X 3') and chair provided
all spaces \$5 each
(admission ticket also required)
unloading starts at 6:30 am

**FCC Exams** 

ARRL/VEC exams will start at 9 am. No preregistration required. All exam elements will be available. Bring identification, a COPY of your current license, and CSCE for element credit. The test fee will be \$5.75.

For further information contact:

Bill Brady, NØUEY 816-248-2433 evenings 314-882-1171 days

Mac McKenzie, K4CHS 314-442-7619 evenings

### General Admission \$3.50 at the door only

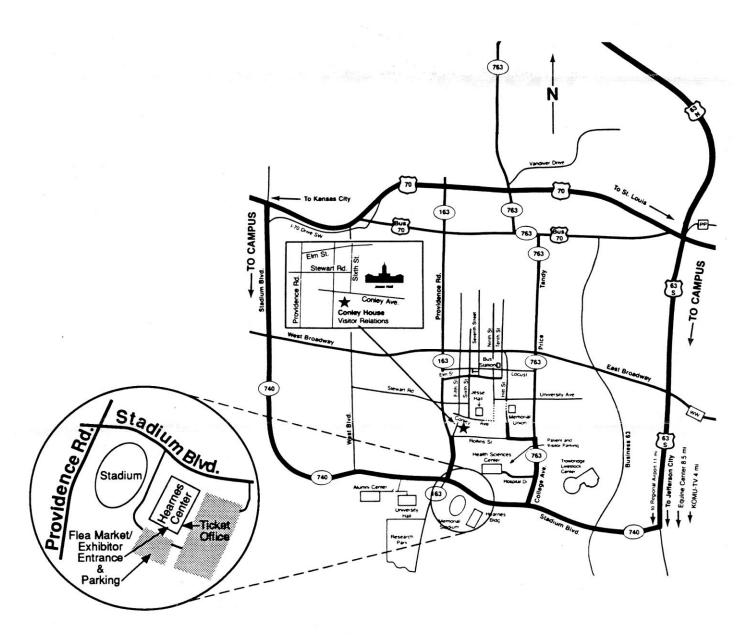
ARRL sanctioned • Exams • Nearby restaurants and hotels • On-site concessions • Free parking • Attendance prizes • Forums • Bingo Talk-in on WDØDVG, 146.16/.76

### Columbia Hamfest & Computer Expo Saturday, May 28

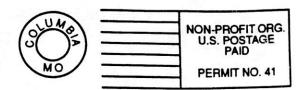
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Talk-In 146.16/.76







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### Meeting Minutes (Continued...)

Field Day: (Jesse, WMOY) We've got to start thinking about Field Day. Field Day this year is June 25-26. It is on the grounds of Ellis-Fischel Hospital. It is a "communicating with others" type of event. Usually many show up to set up, and then most disappear and no one is left to operate. We want as many people to make contact as possible. We will have a itself is 1300 CDT Saturday through 1300 CDT Sunday. The following volunteers were listed: Picnic Coordinator [VACANT]; Trailers NOLBA; Generators NOFPE; Publicity NOWYF; Information NOUEY; Novice/ Tech Station [VACANT]; VHF (6 Meter) station NOFPE; Antennas NOLBA/NOFPE; Portable Tower NOWYF; Cleanup [VACANT]. If you would like to help in one of these areas, please contact Jesse, WMOY or NOLBA's PBBS. Motion to have club picnic at the pavilions on the South Side of Ellis-Fichel Hospital at 5 PM Saturday, June 25 passed. Event will be pot luck. Club will provide hamburgers & hot dogs. **NEW BUSINESS:** 

Dan, NOFPE: See Dan if you are interested in the ARRL Friendship Award. This award is available to any ARRL member who submits log extracts that show two-way communications with 26 stations whose callsigns end with each of the 26 letters of the alphabet. (For example, NOLBA, NONMB, NONMC, KORLD, etc.) Contact NOFPE for log sheets.

With no further business, meeting adjourned by Bill, NONMB. Following meeting, Mac, K4CHS, gave an informative slide-illustrated talk on lightning and grounding systems.

Submitted by Bob, NOWYF.

### Historian's Corner - Dan Nicholson NØFPE

On April 2, 1977 the Central Missouri Radio Association held one of its first hamfests.

Historian's Corner (Continued...)

The hamfest location was the Calvary Baptist Church in Columbia, MO. The doors opened at 7:00 a.m, for the exhibitors to set up and the general public came in at 8:00 a.m. The only seminar for the fest was from Paul Grauer the midwest ARRL director at the time. Talk in was on 146.76 and (LOOK ATTHIS FOLKS!!!!) 3.963 MHz on 75 meters. The prizes for that year were as follows:

1st prize - Kenwood TR7400a 2 meter mobile

2nd prize - B&K model 280 DVM (digital volt meter!! remember??)

3rd prize - VHF Engineering TX1502 meter Transmitter

Door prizes were given out every hour at the 1977 CMRA hamfest until 3:00 P.M.. The cost of the tickets for the 1977 hamfest was the outrageous price of \$2.00!!

The following year (1978) once again the CMRA hamfest was held at the Calvary Baptist Church. The fest ran from 7:00 A.m. to 4:00 P.M.. By this time the activities had increased a bit. The forums for that year included the ARRL, AMSAT, and a computer forum. The ladies had their own activities including bingo, a free shuttle to shopping centers and a cake walk for the children. Prizes included a ICOM IC-211 almode 2 meter, or a Yaesu FT 101-E hf rig, or a Dentron MLA-2500 antenna tuner. The first prize winner had their choice of one of the prizes.

As you can see we have come a long way from the first days the CMRA hamfest but they just keep getting better. Hope to see you at this years fest!!!

73 fer now de NOFPE sk

P.S. If you have any stories or information on happenings in the CMRA club in the years past please drop me a line! Or catch me at the CMRA hamfest this year!! See u there!!!