

CMRA Meeting - August 11, 2020

***Due to Covid-19 Stay at Home Orders, the monthly meeting was held on the Club Repeater. ***

Brian, AD0UK called the meeting to order at 7:00pm via club repeater due to Covid-19 Social Distancing Guidelines.

General Business

- Attendance – 11 attendee check-ins
- Minutes from July 2020 were approved.
N0AXZ made a motion to accept and WD6BGN seconded the motion. No opposition.
- Treasury Report - Not available.
- Dues are now due for 2020 \$20.00
Mail in dues to CMRA PO Box 283 Columbia, MO 65205.
- Testing Report:
2 Passed the Tech test.
- Net Reports:
CMRA Net: 5 Sessions – QNI 94.
DMR Net: 2 Sessions with 15 total check-ins.
Digital: 3 Sessions with 15 check-ins.

Old Business

- Member at Large position: The names of Ernest (KC0EZE) and Paul (KE0IKG) were put forward.
W0ZH moved to accept this slate. ACOMP seconded. Motion carried.
After discussion, it was agreed to have members vote by e-mail to k0si@arrl.net by August 31.
Instructions will be sent to the CMRA e-mail list on the voting procedure.

Committees

Trailer Committee - Arrangements are in process to get the trailer prepared for sale.

Social Media Committee - AD0UK encouraged members to make use of the various social media outlets available to attract younger hams.

New Business

License Upgrade Classes

- W0ZH raised the possibility of conducting classes via Zoom for those upgrading their license to General. After discussion it was agreed to revisit this matter next month.

Christmas Dinner

- After discussion the group agreed to wait until October to decide whether to cancel or go ahead with the dinner at HyVee, Conley Street, where we have a tentative reservation. One factor is how soon HyVee needs a \$25 deposit to confirm the reservation.

A Silent Key

- Hank Taylor (KD0BVQ) passed away Sunday, August 9. An obituary is forthcoming. Discussion followed concerning retrieval and storage of an antenna tower from the barn on Hank's land.

General Information

Hamfests

- With so many events being cancelled, AD0UK encouraged members to look on the ARRL website for the latest info. (See reminders below.)

Digital Nets & WINLINK Wednesdays

- NOAXZ discussed these opportunities and encouraged participation. Contact him for more info.

Newsletter Archives

- A former member from Illinois has sent PDF copies of club newsletters going back to 1989-1994. KCOHSB will put them in the newsletter archives section of the club site.

Virtual HAM Expo

- WOZH, NOAXZ and KVO5 spoke favorably of this online event August 8th and 9th.
- www.qsotodayhamexpo.com has info on availability of session replays.
- KVO5 mentioned a TAPR Digital Communications Conference to be held online in September. More info at <https://tapr.org/>

Meeting adjourned at 8 PM.

Weekly Reminders

Hamfests

- See <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests-and-conventions-calendar> for info.

Weekly Nets

- CMRA/BCARES Weekly Net on Wednesday Nights @ 9:00 PM – 146.760 (-600 Khz) pl 127.3
- Fulton – Callaway Amateur Radio League - 2M Net Wednesday Nights @ 8:45 PM (147.315 - +600 Khz) No Tone
- Mexico – 2 M Net Tuesday Nights @ 8:00 PM – 147.255 (+600 Khz) pl 127.3
- Boonville – 2 M Net Thursdays @ 8:30 PM – 147.360 (+600 Khz) No Tone
- Jefferson City – Mid-Mo Amateur Radio Club – 147.000 (-600 Khz) pl 127.3
- Rolla – RRARS – Nightly Net @ 8:00 PM – 146.790 pl 88.5
- Simplex Net - Sundays @ 8:00 PM 146.440 simplex
- PSK31 @ 8:30 Sundays – 3.580
- WINLINK Wednesdays - Test your WINLINK skills- will be held on Wednesdays. Send Bill, NOAXZ an email if interested.

Meetings

- Monthly CMRA meeting, 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm On the Air - 146.760 Repeater
- Exam testing is by appointment only until further notice on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. Contact Jon, NOOFJ for an appointment
- BCARES Meeting on 1st Tuesday of the month @ 6:30 pm On the Air - 146.610 Repeater
- Weekly Luncheon at Hyvee - Cancelled until further notice
- Weekly Coffee - Cancelled until further notice

Equipment Loan Program

- See <https://k0si.net/membership/equipment-loan-policies/> for the club's equipment loan policies.

Minutes respectfully submitted by John, (KCOHSB) for Lee (KE0OUF)