

CMRA Meeting Minutes for March 14th 2017

Brian, AD0UK called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

16 CMRA Members in attendance, no guests in attendance

Minutes from February's meeting were approved.

No Treasury report was given

Net Report: Provided by Bill, NOAXZ. There were 4 net sessions with a QNI of 67 and a QTC of 2.

Testing Report: Provided by Jon, N00FJ. There were a total of 6 testers and all passed their Tech exams.

Old Business

Club dues are due for 2017.

Missouri QSO Party is scheduled for April 1st and 2nd.

A club member is still needed to fill the Net Administrator's position currently held by John, KCOHSB. If nobody volunteers than the Club President Brian, AD0UK will appoint someone.

Committee Reports:

Equipment Loan Committee: Provided by Jon, N00FJ. The committee has drawn up a preliminary agreement that anyone who is borrowing the equipment will have to agree too. Prior to a vote by CMRA Club Members the agreement will be presented to the Executive Committee for a final review.

Field Day Committee: Provided by Bill NOAXZ. Field Day 2017 is going to be held June 24th and a packet detailing the event is available on the ARRL Website. The committee would like to do some publicity for the Field Day event. What will be done is still to be determines but ideas are to invite a TV station or News Crew. The committee is going to send out a sheet for Operators to volunteer for specific time slots to cover as much of the 24 hours that is available for operations.

New Business

There is going to be a Weather Spotter class on March 28th from 6:30pm to 9:00pm in Cole County with the location to be determined. Bill Farr is coordinating this class and his number is 573-634-9146.

Don, KM0R is wanting to schedule a work day to prepare the club trailer for Field Day. The dates being proposed for the work day are the Saturdays of March 25th and/or April 1st.

Upcoming Hamfests are:

- March 25th Springtime OARS Club Hamfest in Mount Vernon MO
- April 7th OzarkCon QRP Conference in Branson, MO
- April 15th Hambash 2017 in Kansas City, MO
- May 19-21 Dayton Hamvention in Dayton OH

Bill, N0AXZ said that the new Boone County Emergency Communications and 911 Center is opening on April 6th. They are currently installing the amateur radio equipment that will be used for emergency communications.

There will be a total solar eclipse of the sun on August 21st. People from all over the world are coming to Columbia to observe this event. CMRA may be called upon to provide communications for this event. There was discussion on testing the effects this event will have on radio propagation.

The meeting adjourned at 8:29 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Recording Secretary Paul, KE0IKG