



WCARC NEWS

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Amateur Radio Club

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June Meeting Minutes

June 3, 2010

WCARC President Rick Trommer, W5NR, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Twenty-six persons answered the roll call and signed the registration sheet. There were two visitors present, Tina King, KF5GFO, and James King, KF5GFN.

The May, 2010, minutes were approved as published.

Treasurer's Report – Kees Talen, K5BCQ
Kees presented the Treasurer's report which was accepted by the members. A summary follows:

May, 2010

Beginning Balance:	\$4,710.56
Receipts/Deposits:	\$117.14
Expenditures:	\$93.63
Ending Balance:	\$4,734.07

Paid Membership a/o May 31, 2010

Individual	102
Family	4
Honorary	4
Total	106
Voting Total	99

WCARES Report - Jim Russell, NQ5L, advised the membership that there was a monthly ARES meeting scheduled for next Thursday at Fire station number 6 in Round Rock. Jim also mentioned the forthcoming deployments of Team Dallas and Team Waco. Details about the deployments can be found on the web site.

Repeater Report - Tom Whiteside, N5TW - The Club repeater is on 146.640 with a PL tone of 162.2Hz. It is an open repeater and all are welcome to use it.

DX and Contest Report - There was no DX report given.

Old Business /Special Events &

Announcements - Jim Russell made a few brief comments related to the Taylor repeater. Construction progress on the facility is still pending with the City of Taylor.

New Business - Kees Talen advised the members that the club had historically paid for award plaques for the Texas QSO party. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to spend \$29.00 to do this again in 2010.

Dan Poggemiller, KB5TWO, advised that the UPS at the RREOC had stopped working and we needed another UPS. Jim Russell told Dan to purchase a new UPS using ARES funds.

Brad Davis, NA5BD, stated that one of the club Go Kits for ARES is assembled at his QTH and is available to be seen, tested and used by the membership.

It was discussed, a motion was made, seconded and approved to accept Jim Russell's offer of using his home QTH site for our Field Day operation this year. Set up operations will start on the Friday preceding the official field day date/time.

The membership voted and approved using the club call of WC5T. In addition we have also received approved to use two 1X1 call signs, W5T and N5T.

The membership voted to be registered as a 2A class.

The membership voted to the N1MM as the only logging program allowed.

Refreshments

June - Kees Talen K5BCQ

July - Rick Trommer W5RN

Donald Schliesser, K6RV introduced Tom Nevue, Captain, WCARC Field Day, who led a discussion on upcoming

Field Day activities.

Programs – Donald Schliesser K6RV

June - Field Day Setup

July - Field Day Gloating

Please contact Don with your program ideas.

President's Column

The 2010 Field Day event is now being totaled up, equipment is being put away and it looks like the WCARC has completed another fine event. We will cover more on this event at the next club meeting, so if you can, please make this meeting.

As I'm paying a few bills for this month, I notice that we are about to get a long overdue storm, and the weather folks are making some guesses as to just where this storm will hit on the Texas coast. I think that they have the names down but they have a real hard time (from station to station) telling us just where this storm will hit. This early in the game nobody knows, but to hear them on the TV and radio, you would think that everyone has that special little piece of information that give them a better chance of making a better wild guess than anyone else. For my money, I'll just wait for the ARES folks to tell everyone what is going on and when they plan to head out.

This year is half over and the club still needs your ideas and thoughts for the remaining months... what would you like the club to provide or do in the remaining months of this year? At the next WCARC meeting please bring your ideas or things that you would like to see the club do or provide in the next up coming months.

73, Rick W5NR

WCARC Meetings

1st Thursdays - 7:30 PM

Wesleyan Retirement Home
139 Estrella Crossing
Georgetown, TX 78626

Join Us For Breakfast

Saturdays at 6:30AM

IHOP Restaurant
750 S I-35
(in front of WalMart)
Georgetown, TX 78626

WCARES Meetings

2nd Thursdays - 7:00 PM

Round Rock Fire Stn #6
2919 Joe DiMaggio Drive
Round Rock, TX 78664

July 2010 Contest Calendar

RAC Canada Day Contest 0000Z-2359Z, Jul 1
NCCC Sprint Ladder 0230Z-0300Z, Jul 2
Venezuelan Ind. Day Contest 0000Z, Jul 3 to 2359Z, Jul 4
WLOTA Contest 0600Z, Jul 3 to 1200Z, Jul 4
DL-DX RTTY Contest 1100Z, Jul 3 to 1059Z, Jul 4
Original QRP Contest 1500Z, Jul 3 to 1500Z, Jul 4
PODXS 070 Club 40m Firecracker Sprint 2000 local, Jul 3 to 0200 local, Jul 4
DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest 1100Z-1700Z, Jul 4
MI QRP July 4th CW Sprint 2300Z, Jul 4 to 0300Z, Jul 5
RSGB 80m Club Championship, CW 1900Z-2030Z, Jul 5
ARS Spartan Sprint 0100Z-0300Z, Jul 6
QRP Fox Hunt 0100Z-0230Z, Jul 7
FISTS Summer Sprint 0000Z-0400Z, Jul 10
IARU HF World Championship 1200Z, Jul 10 to 1200Z, Jul 11
Feld Hell Sprint 1600Z-1800Z, Jul 10
SKCC Weekend Sprint 0000Z-2400Z, Jul 11
ARCI Summer Homebrew Sprint 2000Z-2359Z, Jul 11
QRP Fox Hunt 0100Z-0230Z, Jul 14
CWops Mini-CWT Test 1100Z-1200Z, Jul 14 and 1900Z-2000Z, Jul 14 and 0300Z-0400Z, Jul 15
RSGB 80m Club Championship, SSB 1900Z-2030Z, Jul 14
DMC RTTY Contest 1200Z, Jul 17 to 1200Z, Jul 18
CQ Worldwide VHF Contest 1800Z, Jul 17 to 2100Z, Jul 18
North American QSO Party, RTTY 1800Z, Jul 17 to 0600Z, Jul 18
RSGB Low Power Field Day 0900Z-1200Z and 1300Z-1600Z, Jul 18
WAB 144 MHz QRO Phone 1000Z-1400Z, Jul 18
CQC Great Colorado Gold Rush 2000Z-2159Z, Jul 18
Run for the Bacon QRP Contest 0100Z-0300Z, Jul 19
QRP Fox Hunt 0100Z-0230Z, Jul 21
NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint 0030Z-0230Z, Jul 22
RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data 1900Z-2030Z, Jul 22
NCCC Sprint Ladder 0230Z-0300Z, Jul 23
RSGB IOTA Contest 1200Z, Jul 24 to 1200Z, Jul 25
SKCC Sprint 0000Z-0200Z, Jul 28
QRP Fox Hunt 0100Z-0230Z, Jul 28
NCCC Sprint Ladder 0230Z-0300Z, Jul 30

WILLIAMSON COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
OWNED EQUIPMENT
Reviewed July 15, 2009

QTY—DESCRIPTION—LAST LOCATION—DATE

Tower Work

- 1 Gin Pole - John Benedict—KE5RS - 05 May-07
- 1 Tower Step - Rick Trommer—W5NR - 05 May 07

Antenna measurement

- 1 MFJ Antenna Analyzer - K6RV, Don Schliesser - 15 Jul 08
- 1 MFJ Grid Dip Adapter W5TA, Dick Foster -20-Nov-05

HF Antennas

- 1 Butternut HF Vertical 10M-80M - W5TA, Dick Foster, 5 Jul 07
- 1 Cushcraft 6-el. 440MHz Beam - N5TW, Tom Whiteside, 3 Jul 08
- 1 Cushcraft R7 HF Vertical - W5TA, Dick Foster - 20-Nov-05
- 1 Hygain triband antenna - N5TW, Tom Whiteside, 3 Jul 08
- 1 Mosley Triband Antenna (Donated by Harvey, N0AJP) - N5TW, Tom Whiteside, 3 Jul 08

Masts

- 1 Push Up Mast - KC5RPF, Ken Larsen - 23-Nov-05
- 2 Push Up Masts - N5TW, Tom Whiteside, 3 Jul 08

Power Supplies

- 1 20 Amp Power Supply - KB7UQD, Jim Mischel - 04 Aug 07

Miscellaneous

- 2 Heavy Duty Power Cords - K5HTK, Jim Hester - 24-Nov-05
- 7 Sections (approx 64 ft each) Field Day rope - K5BCQ, Kees Talen - 4 Jul 09