

1. Call to order

From Scott Bicknell, Club President

The meeting was called to order by president, Scott Bicknell @ 7:07P. Introduction were made by the following individuals in attendance:

N8XN- Jeff Skurda

N8ZA- Chuck Perushek

KC8HMJ- Richard Line

N8OZ- Joe Kennedy

K8OX- Rich Glassford

N8TNI- Sharon Glassford

N8DMX- Karen Odam

N8DMW- Jim Odam

WD8LBJ- Al Mike

N8OEV- David Larson

N8TMJ- Marianne Mickle

N8TNP- Marjorie Martin

KC8TLB- Stefanie Tranchida

KW8J- Leo Tranchida

KC8RVF- Dave Edenfield

KW8K- Stu Satrun

N8RUH- T.J. Iley

KC8PQA- Blake Arnold

KC8RYX- James Long

KC8UHO- Jill Long

KC8RRN- Scott Bicknell

N8WJ- Larry Rinke

N8RUJ- Ed Young

N8RUH (3rd party)-Ryan Iley

WB8X- Lenny Smith

KC8RPL- Bob Schroeder

W8EDX- Ed Jesse

WK8F- Dave Alden

K8OMP- Jim

N5WCS- Mike Koenig

KC8VQX- Gary King

W8PIE- Ray Tomlinson

2. Meeting Minutes

From Dave Edenfield

Called to accept June minutes by Ed Jesse W8EDX and Jim Odam N8DMW seconded. Minutes passed.

3. Treasurer's Report

From Richard Glassford

Beginning balance of \$503.00. 51 members. Anonymous donation of \$10 and \$100; carryover of \$119.50 w/ \$9.50 from coffee fund. The total antenna fund is at \$229.50. The treasury currently has \$513.47. Ed Jesse W8EDX motioned and Lenny Smith WB8X seconded. Motion passed.

4. Old Business

Tech Report

From Jeff Skurda

As the club may well know the repeater has been in an up/down status, currently though the 440 repeater is now rock solid. The repeater now has a Comet GP15 7ft. tall antenna. The new combiner is presently in. The 2 meter repeater & cavities are in with new components and does require a little more tuning. The 2 meter power amplifier needs a 2 meter power supply and to adjust the transmit/ receive sensitivity. The club has a verbal response of 2 meter coordination from MARC, and we will wait for proper authorization from the MARC coordination organization. DVR commands will be programmed for the repeater. The tech chairman asked the users to remember courtesy; use courtesy beep to avoid quick keying. Echolink ID's when active. There will be no monitoring using Echolink, there is a cutoff time active to allow 10 to 20 users at a time. Echolink is currently linked to the 440 repeater presently.

There was an open discussion of Echolink and unauthorized users.

The general consensus was to leave Echolink as it is currently.

Motion by Jim Odam N8DMW and seconded by Blake Arnold KC8PQA.

Information was made available to club members for members use only. for DTMF commands and Echolink. Nodes can be linked to another repeater by knowing the node number you would like to connect to and then using the DTMF commands to connect and disconnect.

5. New Business

Elections

Since we are coming up to election time, at the November meeting we are to have our nominations for club officers; at the December meeting we will have elections. According to our by-laws, the president must be a full-time GM employee.

Nets

From Dave Edenfield

NCO's were asked to volunteer for the Information Net on the sign-up sheet that was passed around.

E-Mail addresses

Jeff Skurda asked that members that did not receive the e-mail from Jeff Skurda about putting the repeater up on the RenCen to give him your current e-mail address so that he may keep you up to date on club news if e-mail is to be the method of contact.

50/50 Drawing

\$36 was collected, and \$18 was won by Mike Koenig N5WCS with the other half going to the club.

Miscellaneous

An open discussion was held about Macomb Co. RACES during power outages.

The back-up repeater location is to be discussed next month.

There was also an open discussion about club activities with non-profit organizations.

The general agreement is if an organization approaches the club for communication support for a good cause the club would allow it. (such as Walk-a-thons, or other non-profit organizations' activities)

T.J. Iley N8RUJ makes the motion and was seconded by Ed Young N8RUH. Motion passed.

Thanks to N8TMJ Marianne Mickle for coffee, w/ a profit of \$16.25.

An open informal discussion for discussion of other 432 or 6-meter nets.

Meeting was closed at 8:46 P.

T.J. Iley N8RUJ motioned, Rich Glassford K8OX seconded.

