

**JULY 2014** 

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# FEEDBACK

#### JOHNSON COUNTY RADIO AMATEURS CLUB. Inc.

P.O. Box 93, Shawnee Mission, KS 66201

The Johnson County Radio Amateurs Club normally meets on the 2nd and 4th Fridays, 7:30 PM at the Overland Park Christian Church (north entrance), 7600 West 75th St. (75th and Conser Streets), west of the Fire Station.

#### PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Field Day for 2014 is now over. Presently we are working on pulling all the documentation for the ARRL Field Day sub-mission. Air temperatures were easy on both the equipment and people. I did hear someone ask for a jacket Sunday morning. If

only the thunderstorms that stopped operations twice on Saturday could have passed further to the south or north.

Thanks to everyone that helped make Field Day a success. The list is long. Jay (WJ0X) did a great job with coordinating the event again this year. There was plenty of help with setup and tear down. The break down was accomplished in about one hour. I believe that is the fastest tear down for Field Day we have ever done. The GOTA station in the Salvation communication vehicle had a steady steam of operators all coached by Brian (KC0BS). food Saturday was great thanks to (W0AAU). The networking of the stations log was watched over carefully by Bill (KC4TKL). We must also thank Shawnee Mission Park personnel. They not only allowed us to operate from the Park, but made sure that the grass was cut where the phone station was located. The Park Rangers were always a welcome site.

Thanks for all those that provided the equipment for the stations. Saturday we had several people take their exam for their Amateur license. Thanks to Norma for making this happen once again this year.

The park has proved to be a great location for public exposure. We had large number of people visit the site again this year.

With Field Day behind us the next Club event is the WWI Special Event Station in September.

Bill, KA2FNK, President

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#### **BIRTHDAYS**

When you get a chance, say "Happy Birthday" to the club member(s) listed below. If your birthday is not listed there, it was not listed in <a href="www.qrz.com/">www.qrz.com/</a>. But, you can email us the month and day (we don't publish the year!). We will add it to the list.

#### **J**ULY

None Reported For This Month

#### **TIDBITS**

 John Raydo, KØIZ, will be producing a video of our Field Day. If you have photos or videos that you want to share, please contact him at <a href="mailto:kcflyers@yahoo.com">kcflyers@yahoo.com</a>, or via Dropbox.



Zen and the art of generator maintenance - NØGSG

#### THIS MONTH'S MEETING SCHEDULE

#### Friday, July 11, 2014 7:30 pm

The program for this evening will be "Using an SWR meter" by Bill, WA0CBW.

#### Friday, July 25, 2014 6:30 pm

Program: Fox Hunt. Hunt begins at 7pm – gather at the church parking lot at 6:30pm.

July						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

#### **Annex Meeting**

Generally a postmeeting occurs after each club meeting. Typically this starts about 8:45pm at The Pizza Shoppe, 8915 Santa Fe Dr., Overland Park, KS 66212. A pizza buffet is served



including a drink – approx. \$8.20 plus tax. Their regular menu is available and also garden salads in two sizes. All are welcome.

#### **JCRAC CLUB DUES**

Remember, you have an option now on JCRAC dues; save with \$40 for TWO YEARS, as compared to the regular rate of \$24 per year. Your grandchild under the age of 18 qualifies as a member of the family for membership purposes. Dues should be received by the end of your subscription month.

Active members receive a copy of the *FEEDBACK*. Is your club membership dormant? Contact Cal, the Treasurer to bring it up to date or this can be done online – see the club website.

#### WHEATSHOCKER / 10M / ARES NETS

#### **Weekly Nets**

The Wheatshocker Nets are called on:

Wednesday evenings, 8 pm on 443.725 (+) PL 151.4 Thursday evenings, 8 pm on 145.29 (-) PL 151.4

#### 10 Meter USB

On Thursday, there is usually a "round-table get-together" on or about 9:00 P.M. using 28.475 MHz USB – after the Wheatshocker Net.

#### **ARES Net**

The Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES) net is also called on 145.29 at 7:00 pm local, weekly on Tuesday.

#### NAME BADGES - WOERH PATCHES

#### Name Badges

Name badges with your name, call letters, and QTH; top quality, engraved in a wide range of colors.

Contact Jim McCoy "Mac", WØLQV at 913-648-4406 or <a href="mailto:jmsmccoy85@gmail.com">jmsmccoy85@gmail.com</a>.

#### **W0ERH Patches**

For sale, 4" diameter multi-colored embroidered patches, with the WØERH call sign, for sale at \$3.00 ea. This will give the club a small profit on each patch.

Contact Cal Lewandowski, KCØCL at 913-961-2175 or <a href="mailto:clewando@gmail.com">clewando@gmail.com</a>.

#### LICENSE TESTING

Testing takes place on the third Saturday of each month, at 9:00 am at the Johnson County Public Library Blue Valley Branch, 9000 West 151st St., Overland Park, KS - just west of Antioch on north side of 151st St.

There is a \$14 fee. Pre-registration is NOT required. Walkins are welcome!

For more information contact Jim Lee, NØKCB 913-745-5121 or e-mail: <u>JimLee@kc.rr.com</u>. Commercial Radio Tests are also available.

#### QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION

Come enjoy lunch with other hams. The lunch location has been updated on both the National and the Chapter 35 QCWA webpages. The icon on the local page is also a link to RC's webpage.

Local web site: <a href="www.qsl.net/qcwa35/">www.qsl.net/qcwa35/</a>.
National web site: <a href="www.qcwa.org/events.php">www.qcwa.org/events.php</a>.

Remember, ALL hams are invited to join with the Chapter 35 folks on Thursday, 1100 CDT, RC's, Martin City, MO. Mid-Continent Chapter 35 serves the Metro KC area in both Kansas and Missouri. Ron Wood, KØBRO is President and JCRAC club member George Yantis, KØGY is Chapter 35 Secretary and Treasurer.

Starting in January 2013 QCWA publications will be online only as one means of reducing costs. More information on QCWA and Mid-Continent Chapter events can be found at <a href="https://www.qcwa.org/">www.qcwa.org/</a>.

#### **ENSOR PARK AND MUSEUM**

If you can visit the Ensor Park and Museum, just 5 minutes South of central Olathe but haven't, do it now and see a most interesting and original flashback to the mid-1900's. Our motto "SEE IT TO BELIEVE IT" is true.



A site map, with Ensor GPS coordinates, and much more can be seen on the website at www.w9bsp-w9ua.org/.

Larry Woodworth, WØHXS, Ensor Park and Museum Manager

#### LAST MONTH'S MEETING MINUTES - 1<sup>ST</sup> AND 2<sup>ND</sup> MEETINGS

Meeting Date: Friday, June 13, 2014

The meeting started at 7:25 pm.

#### Attendance:

Self introduction was with name and call sign. The check-in sheet had 36 signatures. This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The Minutes from May 23, 2014 were read and accepted with 1 opposed vote.

The Treasurer's report, as follows, was read and accepted unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

Cash on Hand	\$ 197.94
Checking Account	\$ 377.67
Savings Account	\$ 9,246.96
Total	\$ 9,822.57
Repeater Operating Reserve	\$ 576.05
Memorial Fund	\$ 150.00
Active Members	145

#### **Old Business:**

- Repeater Updates Due to construction on the roof, the antenna for the 440 Repeater will need to be relocated. Plans are to take down the antenna this Saturday and relocate it to a temporary mount. Sometime later this summer a permanent mount will be installed.
- It's looking like there will be no one available from the Sherriff's Department to take the tower down on Sunday afternoon. The Field Day committee is working through this detail.
- Website Update Doing fine.
- Ensor Auction October 24 and 25. More details to follow.
- Feedback Newsletter Editor needed Steven Martin, K0SLM agreed to take on the Editor position temporarily back last fall.

#### **New Business:**

None

Reports:		
6m		Nothing
440 Wheatshocker	25	June 11
	15	June 4
2m Wheatshocker	27	June 12
	25	June 5
10m USB Roundtable	5	June 12
H	IF Acti	vity
No Report		

#### **Announcements:**

- Warrensburg Hamfest July 19.
- Next Club meeting will be at the Field Day site June 27 at 7:30 PM.

Business meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm.

#### Program:

HF Shootout which took place at 6:00 PM.

Submitted by Ted Knapp, NØTEK, Secretary.

Meeting Date: Friday, June 27, 2014

The meeting tonight was held at the Field Day site (Observation Tower at Shawnee Mission Park).

Submitted by Ted Knapp, NØTEK, Secretary.

#### LARRY'S LIST



Larry Staples, WØAIB compiles, and makes available by e-mail, a list of Hamfests and Public Service Events in the metro Kansas City area. Please let WØAIB know of any ham-type events, with confirmed dates, scheduled to be held in the metro area in 2014.

Be sure to subscribe to Larry's List for "up-to-the-minute" email messages on many ham-related subjects! Contact <a href="mailto:lstaples@kc.rr.com">lstaples@kc.rr.com</a>.

#### HAMFESTS - CONFERENCES - SPECIAL EVENTS

Jul 19	Hamfest 2014 Warrensburg Area Amateur Radio Club
Jul 25	Oklahoma State ARRL Convention
Aug 2-3	WW1USA Special Event Station
Aug 17	Kansas State ARRL Convention, Salina, KS
Aug 22-23	Joplin Hamfest 2014
Sep 6-7	WW1USA Special Event Station
Sep 13	Santa Fe Trail Amateur Radio Club Hamfest
Oct 24-25	Ensor Auction and Campout

#### **PUBLIC SERVICE EVENTS**

Jul 13	UCP Shawnee Mission Triathlon
Jul 27	Cider Mill Century Bike Ride
Aug 10	Midwest Meltdown
Aug 17	Jackson County Triathlon
Aug 24	Summer Breeze Bike Ride
Sep 01	Bike for the Brain Ride
Sep 13	Olathe Medical Center Women's Triathlon
Sep 13-14	MS-Ride
Sep 21	Bikers for Babies
Sep 27	American Royal Parade
Oct 31	Scare-IT – Halloween

#### **EDITOR'S NOTE**

The *FEEDBACK* is published monthly for the JCRAC active membership and delivered by email. Opinions expressed herein are not necessarily those of the club or the officers.

News items and articles for the *FEEDBACK* should be in the Editor's possession by the last week of each month for publication the following month.

Hard copy versions of the *FEEDBACK* are available by special request only (one to a household). These will be printed in B&W and be mailed shortly after the online version becomes available.

A good publication starts with plenty of material. And much of that comes, or should come, from members like you. Feel free to share news. This can be anywhere from one line news items to full articles. Let's make it easy – just email these items to the editor.

The Club Officers will be considering one or more individuals - one of whom will become the Editor of the *FEEDBACK*. Just send an email to Ted, the club Secretary at (n0tek@ymail.com) and let him know you are interested in the position. The newly selected Editor will pick up the duties a few weeks after. Helpful skills include:

Word processing with formatting Photo resizing and balancing PDF file creation with email distribution B&W printing and mailing

#### WW1USA - SPECIAL EVENT STATION

#### 2014 Club Hosts

August 02-03 – Santa Fe Trail Amateur Radio Club The Great War Declared

September 06-07 – Johnson County Radio Amateur Club *The Battle Of Marne* 

December 27-28 – Warrensburg Area Amateur Radio Club *Christmas Truce* 



### 2014 ARRL FIELD DAY – DURING SETUP



1. Doug N3PDT - Working Diligently On Radials



4. CW Station Essentially Ready



2. Doug's Supervisors: AD0AB, W0DEW, W0STD, K0IMI



5. KC0BS and AA0RN Focused On That Beam



3. Time For The Station Shelter



6. KA2FNK Getting The Overnight Shelter Ready

## 2014 ARRL FIELD DAY – FROM TOM WHEELER























































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