



SQUELCH TALE

Central Missouri Radio Association

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The Central Missouri Radio Association is the oldest Amateur Radio Club in the Columbia, Mo. area. Check out our web site at:

www.k0si.net. If you have ideas for Web content, send them to Jim, WYØB.

To submit articles for this newsletter contact KCOHSB, John, at the next club meeting or at kc0hsb@centurytel.net. Also, if you have any changes in your address or method of receiving the newsletter, please contact John.

CALENDAR

Our regularly scheduled monthly meeting is normally held at **Boone Electric** on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Each third Monday evening of the month testing is conducted for new amateur radio licenses and upgrades at the club station on Worley St in the Red Cross building basement.

Each Wednesday is Club Net at 9:00 p.m. If you're interested or willing to volunteer for Net Control or if you have questions, contact WMØH, Dewey.

If you have not **renewed** your membership for 2009, see the treasurer, Don Moore, KMØR, at the meeting, or mail a check for \$20.00, (\$25.00 per family) to: CMRA; P.O. Box 283; Columbia, MO. 65205.

CLUB CALENDAR:

* Aug. 11, 2009, CMRA Meeting, back at Boone Electric, 7 PM.

CMRA MEETING Minutes

Columbia Regional Hospital Conference Room
July 14, 2009

Secretary Moore, KMØR, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the absence of President Larsen, KVØS.

Members introduced themselves with name and callsign.

The minutes of the June 9 2009 meeting were approved as distributed on the forum.

Twenty-six members and 3 visitors were present.

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m. to hold the annual auction. Thanks go to auctioneer Brent Voorheis for donating his services. Thanks also to donors of items to be auctioned. The auction returned approximately \$1,000 to the treasury of CMRA.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Thorne, WØJGT,
secretary.

*** Below is the list of businesses who donated merchandise for this year's auction. We had fewer donors this year, but there were a few others who asked us to contact them again next year. Carol has a fat folder of auction material that includes a list of suggested businesses to contact, which we

can share with the club again next year.

Our utmost appreciation goes to Brent Voorhies, Auctioneer Extraordinaire, for donating his time and talent for our event.

Of course, thanks to all who brought items for the auction.

If there are any additions or corrections to the following list of businesses, please let me know, and I'll put them in next month's newsletter.

John, KCOHSB

2009 CMRA Auction Donors

Angelo's Pizza
AutoZone-Moberly
CenturyTel
Country Kitchen
Cracker Barrel
Doug Perry Towing
Fazoli's
Golden Corral
HyVee
Kinkeads Pharmacy- Radio Shack
Lacrosse Lumber
Machens Ford
Mutrux Automotive, Sinclair
McCosh Chevrolet, Columbia
Sherwin Williams
TGI Fridays
University Chrysler-Service

UPCOMING HAMFESTS

The following is From

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests.html>

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Saint Charles Amateur Radio Club

<http://www.wb0hsi.org> Talk-In:

146.670-, Contact: Chuck Zelsman,
N0CAZ, 4 Briar Patch Court

O'Fallon, MO 63366, Phone: 636-
240-2544, Email:

n0caz123@gmail.com

O Fallon, MO, O'Fallon Elks Club
1163 Tom Ginnever Avenue

28-29 Aug 2009

Joplin Amateur Radio Club

<http://www.joplin-arc.org> Talk-In:

147.210+, Contact: Jim Johannes,
N0ZSQ, c/o JARC, PO Box 2983,

Joplin, MO 64803-2983, Phone:
417-781-2211, Fax: 417-781-2234

Email: jimjohannes@sbcglobal.net

Joplin, MO, Holiday Inn

Convention Center, 3615

Hammons Blvd.

In Case You Hadn't Heard...

*** Perseid meteor shower could
be bigger & better

According to

<http://www.Spaceweather.com> this

year's Perseid meteor shower could
be even better than usual. Earth
will travel through the path of a
comet's tail sometime between
0800 and 0900 UT (3-4 am CDT)
on August 12th, when the Perseid
meteor rate could surge to twice its
normal value. This could be an
excellent opportunity for spotting
meteors and catching meteor
scatter signals. Although August
12 will be the peak of meteor
burns, the shower continues for
several nights.

*** Shack Attack?

Radio Shack is changing its name
simply to The Shack. PC World
says that the rebranding was to take
place August 6. More at

<http://tinyurl.com/lslmkt>

*** Dale, AE0S, submitted the
following from the Newline
Report from mid June. (No space
here last month for it.)

THAT FINAL ITEM: CLIQUE
TO TEXTING USING MORSE

And finally this week, testing
addicts will soon have a new
plaything, but will need to learn C-
W to use it. This, as Toshiba teams
up with microprocessor

manufacturer Intel to produce

Clique. This is described as a

handheld, thumb-operated

communications device that uses

only three keys produce Morse

code for sending text messages.

A Toshiba spokesperson says that

Morse was chosen as the

communications medium because

it is an easily learned and is ideally

suited to the single-digit platform.

She explained that the Morse code

has been in use for more than 160

years which longer than any other

electronic encoding system.

Earlier attempts to create a Morse-

based testing device were stymied

by the variable length of the Morse

characters which made it hard to

adapt to automated text conversion

circuits. Toshiba's solution is the

three keys. One is used for dots,

another for dashes and the third

that acts as a space-bar between

letters. One tap separates letters

while two taps go between words.

First released in Japan at the 2008

Microprocessor Forum, the Clique

is the size and shape of a lollipop

with the handle acting as a

miniature joystick. Its reception in

Japan has been described as fast

and furious as early adopters added

'Clique' to their armory of hand-

held communications devices.

The Clique is not yet available in

the United States but more about it

is on-line at

<http://mhpbooks.com/mobylikes/?p>

[=6535](http://mhpbooks.com/mobylikes/?p=6535) (KZ1Z)

Your contributions for Squelch

Tale are welcome to

kc0hsb@centurytel.net . You'll not

only get your name in print (and

now online), but you'll get paid as

richly as the newsletter editor.

73,

John, KC0HSB