



# 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](http://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](mailto: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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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:

\* **Dec. 8, 2009, CMRA Christmas Dinner, Golden Corral, Columbia, 6:30 PM.**

**CMRA Meeting Minutes**  
CMRA Monthly Meeting Minutes  
Boone Electric Cooperative  
Conference Room  
November 10, 2009

President Larsen, KVØS, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with 22 members and 2 visitors present.

Members introduced themselves with name and call sign.

Minutes of the October 13, 2009, meeting were approved as distributed on the website.

Treasurer Moore, KMØR, gave the treasurer's report.

Checking	\$ 1,507.39
Savings	\$ 2,249.23
CD	\$ 2,234.85

Corey, KCØYNS reported that the patches should be ready in about 2 weeks.

Fox hunting occurred last Saturday in spite of the football game. A fox hunt will occur again this Saturday.

Antenna dismantling at a residence north of Columbia has not occurred; it will probably be spring until this proceeds.

Corey, KCØYNS, volunteered to work on new member recruitment. Don, NØUBC,

mentioned stimulating increased collaboration with Boonville hams.

Testing: Dewey, WMØH, anticipates 5-6 more candidates at the next testing session.

New Members; Robert Speckhals, KDØITM was voted affirmatively.

Michael Bowman and Joseph Kaylen were voted as members. They do not have call signs yet.

A nominating committee of Bob, KØYBN, Dave, KVØS, Mac K4CHS, Dewey WMØH, and Dale AEØS, was named to prepare a slate of officers for the January meeting.

Increased participation in the Wednesday night emergency net is needed.

Bob, KØYBN, reminded members of the December meeting at the Golden Corral beginning at 6:30 pm.

Don, NØUBC, reported on a SAC American radio club radio net that occurred on Veterans Day.

John, KCØHSB, asked for response on member's use of the newsletter on the website.

Don, KMØR, reported that the packet computer at the club station is bad. A new computer is needed; for \$ 500 he can get one built that will suffice. Bob, KØYBN, moved, 2<sup>nd</sup> Daniel KCØUTC, that CMRA purchase said computer. Motion carried.

Don, KMØR, is becoming scoutmaster at Midway. He will

help with the 100 years celebration of Scouting. They want a ham radio demonstration at a August 7, 2010, function at Central Missouri State University at Fayette.

President Larsen named a committee chaired by Jake KDØIRU, with Corey, KCØYNS, Bill, WBØMAF, and Don, NØUBC, as members to work on this event.

Dewey reported that DX communications are best done with CW.

Bob, KØYBN moved, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mac, K4CHS, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

President Larsen, KVØS, presented a program on the New Madrid Fault.

73s

Jim Thorne, Secretary

## UPCOMING HAMFESTS

The following is From

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

\* 12 Dec 2009

Big Bend Amateur Radio Club

Talk-In: 147.105 (PL 103.5)

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Carthage, IL, University of Illinois Extension Center, 600 North Madison

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Ozark Mountain Hamfest, Ozark Mountain Amateur Radio Group

<http://www.w0omd.org>, Talk-In:

146.775(-) W0OMD D-STAR

Repeater, Contact: Connie

Ballantyne, KB0ZSG, c/o Ozark Mountain Amateur Radio Group

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## In Case You Hadn't Heard...

*Any items quoted from the ARRL Letter can be found in full at <http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/>.*

Though Thanksgiving Day is past, this note by Dale, KØKY, from the November MO ARRL Section News is worth sharing during the holiday season. "November brings the season of Thanksgiving. I am very thankful to all the volunteers that make the ARRL Missouri Section programs possible. I am always impressed by the dedication and talent that Amateurs provide in service to their Communities, State and the Amateur Radio Service. If you look at the Missouri Traffic System, the ARES program, the Affiliated Club program, the Official Observer program, the Technical Specialist program, and the Public Information program, you will see outstanding accomplishments in all areas. The effort of course doesn't stop there because we also have the B.E.A.R.S. who sponsor the MO QSO Party each year, the MVDXCC that sponsor the Zero QSL Bureau, the Volunteer Examiners that keep adding to the ranks of Amateur Radio, the on going volunteer effort of those promoting the 2 meter/6 meter packet network for Missouri, and all the others that give so much to promote and improve Amateur Radio in our state."

\* The feature on the New Madrid Fault, presented by Dave at the November club meeting, can be found at

<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/sciencenow/0408/02.html>

Find info on the Central United States Earthquake Consortium at <http://www.cusec.org/>

\* ARRL is on Youtube at <http://www.youtube.com/arrlhq> with previews of product reviews in "QST" and more. Check it out.

\* The 11th annual SKYWARN Recognition Day will take place this year on Saturday, December 5. Radio amateurs will operate from many National Weather Service (NWS) offices around the United States. The purpose of the event is to recognize Amateur Radio operators for the vital public service they perform during times of severe weather and to strengthen the bond between radio amateurs and their local National Weather Service office. The event is co-sponsored by the ARRL and the NWS. SKYWARN Recognition Day this year will be held from 0000 UTC to 2400 UTC on Saturday, December 5, 2009. (That means the event officially begins on Friday evening in the United States). To learn more, check the NOAA Web site <http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/mtr/hamradio/>

\* Straight-Key Night, Jan. 1, 2010, begins 0000 UTC.

\* 2010 Kids Day, Date: Sunday, January 3 and Saturday, June 19; 1800-2400 UTC  
Kids Day is intended to encourage young people (licensed or not) to enjoy Amateur Radio. It can give young people on-the-air experience so they might develop an interest in pursuing a license in the future. It is intended to give hams a chance to share their station with children. More info at <http://www.arrl.org/kidsday/>