CMRA Meeting Minutes--June 12, 2018

Vice President Myron (W0ZH) called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

20 were in attendance, including two returning visitors.

May minutes were approved as written.

Treasury Report: Don (KMOR) reported checking: \$601.51 and CD: \$2299.15.

Testing Report: Jon (NOOFJ) reported 3 people passed tests in May. Listen for new hams on the air soon.

Net Report: No numbers were available, but we've had good turnout on our nets.

Old Business

DMR: Don (KM0R) reported we've expressed interest to the Backyard Repeater Group regarding their offer of a DMR repeater, but there has been no further action from them. Don reminded everyone not to buy the cheapest (namely Chinese) DMR capable radio available.

Field Day: We had a general discussion about the 2018 event coming Saturday and Sunday, June 23rd & 24th, at Rockbridge State Park. Discussion highlights included:

- * Arrangements for food are still indefinite. Feel free to bring snack foods.
- * We expect at least one Boy Scout group to pay a visit.
- * The TS430 radio has been repaired.
- * Setting up begins around 9 AM Saturday morning. The event begins at 1 PM.
- * Field Day info is available on k0si.net under the Events & Announcements category.
- * Listen to or check into the Wednesday night net on the 20th for the latest info.

New Business

Bike Race: The Froze Toes bike race, canceled in March due to bad weather, is rescheduled for July 15th. Bill (NOAXZ) will be unable to head up our club's participation and needs someone to take that responsibility, as noted in an e-mail to the CMRA list. Though some of our members expressed interest in helping, no one stepped forward to oversee the ham radio operations.

Communications trailer: A few options were discussed concerning a remedy for the trailer's lack of air conditioning, but it's not likely the trailer will have AC any time soon, if ever.

WinLink: There was brief discussion about a node or two being down at the time of the meeting.

Boy Scouts: Tim (W0TES) reminded everyone about the merit badge university this fall and encouraged hams to participate. This is for the radio merit badge.

MS Bike Ride: Jon (NOOFJ) gave info about the ride and the need for help with communications. The event takes place in September in Alton, IL. Hams from our club are encouraged to participate. Jon sent info to the e-mail list earlier.

Fall Classes: Jim (NOSSM) reminded us that he and Myron (WOZH) will be conducting ham license classes in the fall through the Columbia Area Career Center.

Gary (W9TIG) reported Paul (KE0IKG) came through heart surgery successfully and is at home recuperating.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Presentation

Myron (W0ZH) spoke for a few minutes about an Arduino kit he's experimenting with.

Reminders

Weekly Nets

- ♣ CMRA/BCARES Weekly Net on Wednesday Nights @ 9:00 PM 146.760 (-600 Khz) PL 127.3
- ♣ Howard County Wednesday Nights Simplex 146.505
- ♣ Fulton Callaway Amateur Radio League 2M Net Wednesday Nights @ 8:45 PM 147.315 (2 repeaters, same freq. +600 Khz, or -600 Khz) No Tone
- ♣ Mexico 2 M Net Tuesday Nights @ 8:00 PM 147.255 (+600 Khz) PL Tone 127.3.
- ♣ Boonville 2 M Net Thursdays @ 8:30 PM 147.360 (+600 Khz) No Tone
- Jefferson City Mid-Mo Amateur Radio Club 147.000 (-600 Khz) PL 127.3
- Rolla RRARS Nightly Net @ 8:00 PM 146.790 PL 88.5
- ♣ Columbia Area Simplex Net Sunday Nights @ 8 PM 146.440 (PSK31 net/round table to follow on 3580)

Meetings

- Testing on: June 19, 2018 @ 7:00 PM @ The Lenoir Woods Community Center.
- CMRA Meeting on: July 10th, 2018 @ 7:00 PM, Boone Electric Cooperative
- BCARES Meeting on: July 3rd, 2018 @ 6:30 PM, Boone County Emergency Communications Center
- Weekly Luncheon at Hyvee on Conley St around 11:30-ish AM each Wednesday.

Upcoming Events and HAMFESTS:

- International Grid Chase is underway from January 1st 2018 to December 31st 2018.
- Field Day, June 23-24, 2018

Minutes respectfully submitted by John (KC0HSB) for Paul (KE0IKG)