CMRA

Club Meeting Minutes: May 8, 2012

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 by Daniel, KC0UTW, with 26 in attendance.

The April minutes were read and accepted as read.

Treasurer's Report:

Checking \$1,973.49 Savings 2,256.01 CD 2,283.62

Old Business

Jake, KD0IRU, reported that the College Park Christian Academy 5K race went off well. 5 operators showed up to support the race which had about 130 riders. There were no incidents or injuries but there was a LOT of rain.

John, KC0HSB reported that the website is up and running. Don, N0UBC, suggested adding local hamfest announcements to the page.

Daniel, KC0UTW mentioned that if we plan on holding the auction this year the Club would need to pay for the room by the end of the month. After some discussion Don, N0UBC, moved that the Club cancel this year's auction. The motion was seconded and passed, so there will be no auction this year.

Field Day was briefly discussed and will be held at Rock Bridge State Park near the Cabin and Park Ranger's office, as usual.

Dave, KV0S, reported the Mo. QSO Party was held. Dave said he made a few contacts and was told during a contact that he was the only Boone County station worked.

Regarding the Balloon Project, it was reported that Helium is getting very scarce (expensive) and that we may need to use Hydrogen. The project has no firm date set at this time.

New Business

Two upcoming hamfests were brought up. The Warrensburg, Mo. Hamfest will be held 8 am to 1 pm on Saturday, July 14 and the Washington, Mo. Hamfest will be held the next day, Sunday July 15.

Norm, KC0FNA, mentioned the possibility of the CMRA holding a Hamfest / Section Convention. It would benefit from Columbia's central location in the section and the Convention Bureau may be of some assistance.

Dave, AVOS, mentioned that a lot of the South East Conference (SEC) universities have amateur radio clubs and that there is interest in reviving the University of Mo. Club since MU has moved to the SEC. The old WOZLN call is still available. The Mo. Student Association has been contacted. Ian, KDORSR, a new call by the way, mentioned that he may be able to help with the University Club effort.

The meeting adjourned at 8:01.

Norm Lampton, KC0FNA, gave an informative presentation on the ARRL's Volunteer Counsel Program

Respectfully Submitted, Jim Lawler / WY0B CMRA Recording Secretary