March 1996

NEW MEETING LOCATION!!!!

Last month, the CMRA got a new meeting place until our usual room at Boone Electic is again available. It is at Boone Hospital, in Cafeteria Room B. Boone Hospital is on E. Broadway about 10 blocks east of Stephens College. We can park in the main lot, which is on the south side of the hospital, and may be accessed by turning south on Williams from Broadway, and then left into the lot. I found it easiest to go into the west entrance of the hospital, turn north, and follow the signs to the cafeteria. Robert McMinn, KB0TCR, who we have to thank for the room, may have other instructions on the 9:00 Wednesday net. See you there!!!

FIELD DAY!!!!

Field day this year will be held at Pine Ridge State Park on Route Y near Guthrie, in Callaway County, on the fourth full weekend of rain in June (just kidding). The location offers a lot of scenery, shade, and very tall trees (read "antenna supports"). There are bathrooms (privies???), and barbeque facilities available. Anyone who is interested in participating or can make shelters (RV's, tents, etc) or equipment (towers and masts, slingshot, beam antennas, radios etc) available is urged to come to the meetings or check into the nets. CQ FD!!!

CQ WPX PHONE CONTEST!!!

We will try our best to have the club station open to participate in the CQ WPX phone contest on the weekend of March 30-31. I, AA0UJ, hopefully can bring contest grade equipment (TS 940S transceiver and Alpha 89 amplifier) for the club's use in this contest. The beam antenna at the club station really works well now, and while it is not exactly triple stacked monobanders, still puts out a very commanding signal. If we keep the station going for the full 48 hours, we should do very well -- maybe even win our section. Come on down and do some operating, logging, or just observing!!!!

REMINDERS!!!!

<u>Saturday Club Breakfast</u> -- 8:00 am at Country Kitchen on the last Saturday of the month. Good chance to meet up with friends and make some new ones, and keep up with what's going on in the club.

<u>Club station</u> -- Open Mondays at 7:00 pm except for the Monday preceding the meeting. Mostly just discussion, but the station equipment and a CW competent operator (or several) are available for practice, as well as for those that do not have home stations. Located at the Red Cross building on W. Worley just east of Machens Ford.

<u>VHF nets:</u> Central Missouri Emergency net -- N0FPE or N0LBA. Central Missouri Radio net -- WM0H, KB0TCR, N0ZOF, N0YJW or whoever wants to do it!!! Contact Dewey, WM0H, for a format.

FOR SALE!!!

Kenwood TS 520 transceiver (has digital display problem) and 30 foot Rohn 25 type tower. \$250. 449-4901.

INTERNET!!!

Upgrading?? Check out http://w5ac.tamu.edu/ham-exam.html. This gives you an exam just like the real ones, and grades it too! Also, if you're looking for that elusive article, indexes can be found at ftp://oak.oakland.edu/pub/hamradio. These are both available on Al Kullman, N0REF's home page at

http://www.missouri.edu/~hckulla/. Enjoy!!!

DUES!!!!

Time to get those dues in!!! This will be the last mailing from the old mailing list. Part of your dues pay for the mailing and copying costs of this letter. At last count we have about 30 paid members for '96. Let's get this up a bit more!!! Dues are \$15 individual and \$20 family. They can be paid at the meeting or to the club P. O. box.

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