

Richfield Amateur Radio Club Meeting Agenda

April 24, 2015

Meeting called to order at 18:34 PM CST

1. Sign-in & introductions of all present (ARRL Member)

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| 1. Jim Jore: KE0DFC (Y) | 5. Herman Saul: W0HJS (Y) |
| 2. Paul Johnson: K6AAC (Y) | 6. Thomas York: KOZZX (Y) |
| 3. Mark Rowe: KE0BVZ (N) | 7. Renee Shay: KE0BUY (N) |
| 4. Terry Gruzebeck: KE0DMZ (N) | 8. Don Burgess: KC0QNA (Y) |

2. Presidents report

- a. Thank You to all present for their support and partnership in getting the Richfield Amateur Radio club up and running.
- b. New Members welcomed
- c. Voted to accept last month's minutes

3. Old Business

a. Repeaters technical update by Don Burgess

- i. No UHF Capabilities yet (Acquired a used DB420 antenna at swap meet)
 1. Specs: 406-512 MHZ / 6.6 to 10.4 dBd Gain / 250 Max Power
- ii. VHF is being upgraded
- iii. VHF has a 30 mile coverage radius

b. ARRL affiliation

- i. Still-In-Process per Grant Gartland
- ii. Suggestion proposed to invite: Frank Karnaskas (N1UW) & Skip Jackson (KS0J) to September or October RARC Mtg.

c. ARRL Summer Field Day June 27-28 2015 (13:00 to 13:00)

- i. Planned for Jefferson Park- park space reserved
- ii. Utilize the Mobile Operations Center and on-site facilities
- iii. Advertise and promote CERT and the Richfield Amateur Radio Club (both CERT and RARC members present throughout event)
- iv. Seeking Amateur Extras & Generals to be station control operators & teachers
- v. HF equipment and antennas needed (Volunteers)
- vi. Other activities during field day (food, antenna setup, radio setup and testing)
- vii. Suggestion to send a personal invitation to Hennepin County Sheriff Stanek to stop by.

4. New Business

- a. May CERT Basic Training class at Bloomington Fire Station #1 (95th/Nicollet) on 1, 2 & 3 May 2015.
- b. Proposal for addition of a Code of Conduct (reviewed & vote on)
 - i. Approved by the RARC at 19:22

5. New Business (continued)

- c. Weekly nets?
 - i. RARC to Conduct Net Control every Thursday
 - ii. Net Control Operators for the month of May are:
 - 1. 1st Thursday: Don Burgess (KC0QNA)
 - 2. 2nd Thursday: Herman Saul (W0HJS)
 - 3. 3rd Thursday: Tom York (K0ZZX) or Don Clay (KC0TJ)
 - 4. 4th Thursday: Grant Gartland (KE0AJL)
- d. Reminder about CERT Communications team and expectations
 - i. To be a part of the CERT Communications team you need to have completed the CERT basic training program or be in process of taking with special authorization. If you are already CERT trained, you will need to provide your certificate of completion to Charlie O'Brien.
- e. Logo:
 - i. Does the RARC want to design a unique logo for the club which could be used on a patch or other documents, etc.
 - ii. Send inputs and suggestions to Tom York (K0ZZX)
- f. Facebook / Twitter:
 - i. Don Burgess (KC0QNA) volunteered to set accounts for RARC if needed.
 - ii. Another avenue to share information.
 - iii. Item tabled until Grant Gartland is brought up to speed.
 - iv. Paul Johnson (K6AAC) is willing to help with the social media

6. Open Forum

- a. Next RARC meeting is May 19th Tuesday
 - i. It will follow the monthly Richfield CERT training around 8:15pm at Richfield Public Works Building 1901 E 66th St, Richfield MN.

Meeting adjourned at 20:02