

Thursday, October 1st, 2009 ~ 1730
Minutes

Introductions and Announcements

Present: Tim Hanna, Jim Cline, Alan Spivak, Marcella Chandler, John Ragland, Nick Wharff, John Lemmer, Cody Snider, Cynthia Snider, Carl Sassenrath

Agenda

- Board of Directors 9/17 meeting review
Next meeting will be on October 15th.
Possible dissolution of WARS or integration into McARCS.
- Upcoming events
Fire Expo October 3rd
Located at Pear Tree Center in Ukiah.
Little to no ham presence, Teri Wilcox KI6RIU.
May make contacts via linked repeater system.

Harvest Ride October 4th
Email went out today with draft assignments.
Under 150 registered riders.
Net Control reports in at 7:30 AM, event ends at 4:00 PM.
Main communications will be done on the countywide linked repeaters, backup will be the 130 repeater.

Shakeout October 15th
Mendocino and Sonoma County schools participating, City of Santa Rosa.
Red Cross setting up a simulated shelter at Coddington Mall, communications exercise as well.
ARES having communication exercise as well.
Activate local community nets at exercise time (10:15 AM)?
Simulated damage reports. Countywide net activation at 10:30?
Humboldt County OES activating.

Boy Scouts Jamboree on the Air/Pumpkinfest October 17th/18th

Holiday Dinner?
WARS typically conducts a holiday dinner every December (within first two weeks) at the Broiler, McARCS picking it up?
The Broiler usually wants a minimum of 30 people for reserving the party room.

- Tsunami Warning

Notification originated from Humboldt OES, local hams notified Mendocino County hams.

No local OES notification.

www.prh.noaa.gov/ptwc/ - Pacific Tsunami Warning Center. Warning mailing list subscription.

USGS has a similar system for earthquakes, and can be set up to determine whether to notify or not based on magnitude and distance.

- Presentation

Alan WA6JBK - Test equipment: oscilloscope, signal generator, two-tone audio generator, spectrum analyzer

John W6FQX - Slideshow on message handling, net control operating procedures, prowords. Presentation materials on <http://arcsmc.home.comcast.net>.

The next McARCS meeting is on November 5th.