McARCS

Mendocino County Amateur Radio Communication Service

Saturday, April 2, 2011 ~ 1730 Minutes

Introductions and Announcements

McARCS Meeting Agenda April 2, 2011

Present: W6FQX, W6JRC, KI6ISF, KI6MJC, N6MIV, KJ6EIF, W6JBK, KE6EBZ, KA6GBQ, KB6ZST, KA6UBB, WB9NJS, KJ6IAD, Rebel, KI6RIT, KI6URN, NB6TE, KI6CHA, KE6YKY, KG6EYM, GJH.

John opened the meeting after most arrived and socialized for a bit.

Introductions: above, not in order – each person gave a brief description of their involvement in HAM radio and what they do/did when not HAMing.

Tsunami drill:

OES coordinator learned; did not open the EOC; traffic on 91 was overwhelmed; should have opened OEC with all traffic to run through same; lacked public into on road closures, etc. – thus misinformation. Also learned we lack info in Spanish. Some concern with FBOD. Dan voiced some form of ID would benefit. Coast Guard not informed of drill.

Discussion over IDs/Shannon Barney; official ID cards, background checks, ICS training required, and some form of participation in McARCS events (drills, nets, etc. Form a committee: Jim, Dan, Nick, Steve, Derek, Marcella, Tim, John. Once we determine the criteria meet with chiefs (police, sheriff, fire). Core group of communications commanders meet every other month – perhaps join one of these.

Upcoming Events and Exercises	Date	Coordinator
Human Race	May 7	KI6RIT
Public Health Exercise		
Mendocino Monster	June 12	
YES Camp	June 13	W6JRC
Field Day	June 25 & 26	WB9NJS
Mendo Rally	Aug 6	KG6JSL
Boonville Fair Parade	September 18	
Harvest Ride	October 2	
Shakeout 2011	October 22	

Treasurer report:

\$279 balance in account. Money spent on holiday dinner and vests.

Activities:

Break out into groups as interested after lunch. Antenna making with Steve, or Alan, FLDIGI, Nick et al, new HAM hands-on discussion.

Be sure to check out the 1010 club and "mendoradio" blog.