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Mendocino County Amateur Radio Communication Service

Thursday, July 7th, 2011 ~ 1730 Minutes

Introductions and Announcements

Present: Jim Cline, John Lemmer, Dave Jordan, Tim Hanna, Steve Turner, Nick Wharff, Alan Spivak

Treasurer's report

- Sharon Sue Hanna reimbursed \$65.84 for Field Day food.
- Current bank account total is now \$212.13.

Field Day

- Numerous contacts made on 10, 15, 20, 40, 80, and 160 meters, 214 total.
- First-time HF contacts made by two people.
- Sheriff Allman and Supervisor Hamburg visited on Sunday morning.

Old Business

- ID Badges
 - Criteria for eligibility minimum once a year participation in McARCS activities?
 - Sheriff will cover background check costs, best to keep control of signups to help limit costs to the sheriff.
 - o How do we solicit signups and pass to the sheriff's office?
 - Jim suggests just sending out a blanket email rather than sort through John's list of recent net/activity participants, to save time and effort.
 - Jim will contact Sergeant Barney for approval for the current draft of the signup form.

New Business

- August coastal meeting
 - Janie has suggested the Albion campground.
 - Derek (KE6EBZ) has mentioned wanting to do a hands-on activity of turning old TV antennas into ham antennas.
 - Steve may be able to obtain access to one of the Fort Bragg schools or MCOE building as a venue.
 - Possibly coordinating with the Anchor Bay Amateur Radio Club for a gettogether?
 - o Transmitter hunt?
 - o Digital mode demos? Slow scan TV, fast scan/ATV, RTTY, PSK31, etc.
- Boonville parade September 18th
 - Tim Hanna will be organizing participation.
- Shakeout exercise

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The next meetings are scheduled as follows
August 4th, 2011
September 10th, 2011
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- o John Lemmer will be organizing participation.
- o Further discussion to occur at the August meeting.

