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Mendocino County Amateur Radio Communication Service

Thursday, Aug 4th, 2011 ~ 1730 Minutes

Present: Tim, Jim, Steve, John L., Marcella, Tom, Dave, Nick, John R.

Old Business:

Financial donations form the Mendo Monster... Rotary is thinking about it; might later. Gave us a Schat's gift card.

Nick did post the treasurer's report on the website. Down to \$212.13 in the account.

Bad news on response from Shannon Barney on ID cards. He got booted out of his office, so is not settled yet. Asked Jim to give him the info again. To whom do we sent the list of people for badges? There will be some financial need.

Banners - there is a slight blimp on the McARCS logo. Most of us feel they are great – this item is OFF the agenda!!

Issue of participation in Covelo... Lack of participation. Might be helping someone can help offset the costs, say from HHSA (who is experiencing loss of funds). John made suggestions on class – self study – and if there are enough folks interested and ready he will put together a test session in Willits.

New Business

9/10 coast meeting – they need an RSVP list so they know how many to expect. Will ask folks to RSVP to John, so he can pass this along to them. This will be at a private home, so room may be an issue, but we may not get as many typical participants.

8/6 Mendo Rally - Nick, Marcella, Dave, Jim, Alan

8/7 International Lighthouse/Lightship – Steve set this up – will be near the lighthouse – the antenna base. 20M, 40M dipole, QRZ site put up W6C – 17.769, 14.269. Will have a 100 W Yaesu. Will also have a CW key with him. Make sure he's there before going – between 10 and noon.

9/4 Harvest Ride - 45 riders thus far, but getting 2 to 5 more registrations per day. The event was in decline to begin with, so this is like a start over.

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8 rest stops – has turn by turn. Has enough volunteers except for the lunch stop – working on. Calling it a Gran fondo, and also have a festival. Dave's bike shop will run a SAG and Dr. Sprocket will be a mobile mechanic.

9/18 Boonville parade: Tim, Nick, Alan ?, Suzi ?, maybe Jim? Could use some more volunteers – wants at least 4 people. CHP helps, but do not communicate with the radio folks. Maybe Tim can pitch this event during the 9/10 coast picnic.

10/20 Shake Out – John organized last year over a simulated earthquake using realistic scenarios. Do we want to do what we did last year, or something different? Some of the schools go through the duck and cover drill – Steve will encourage the schools to participate.

Maybe just stop where you are, and check in where you are, and give a report. Turn radio on at that time. Keep it simple – with less planning. Should force thinking about magnitude and Mercalli scale. Forces you to think about, or gives you a reminder about what you would do with yourself and family. John will put together a pitch to group – how would you respond as a member, and personally?

Holiday dinner? Do we want to do this again? Tim might be willing to do this again with Sharon... Is there enough interest to get a date for the event? Tim will call about getting an date in the first week or 2 in December.

Tim has the old banner - he would love to get rid of it - does anyone want it?

Meet with Tom @ 6:30 on Tuesday, next.

6594 – Alan's phone #

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