

ECARC – 5/21/2015 – Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order by Rolf KG0KM at the Saving Grace Facilities about 6:32 PM.

14 members and guests were present.

Meeting minutes from the 2/17/2015 meeting were read by Rolf. Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as read. Passed unanimously.

Treasurer's report was read by Rolf with information provided to him from Ron W9RLL. Rolf noted that the club liability insurance has been renewed. Motion made and seconded to approve the report as read. Passed unanimously.

We discussed the Annual ECARC Auction that took place on March 14th. It was very successful again this year. Things went smoothly. Col. Severson did a great job again this year. Thank you to everyone who helped with all the details that needed doing. (Moreover, enjoy all that stuff you bought) Check out the pictures that are posted on the Club website.

The Wisconsin QSO Party took place the next day and the club placed very well. Paul, W0AIH brought in a few photos of those who participated in the QSO party at his place and passed them around to those in attendance. You can see these photos and more at the ECARC website. Thanks to all who participated.

We also discussed the SkyWarn training that took place earlier this spring. Approximately 125 people attended. This activity also went well and again many thanks to those who helped with set-up and tear down.

We had not heard yet from those members who attended the Dayton Hamvention. We are looking forward to that report at our next meeting.

We had a report that the 3M swap meet is not going to happen this year. When I checked the "web" I saw a posting from the sponsoring clubs that it is cancelled this year. The clubs are looking for a new location and plan to host the event somewhere in 2016. There will be more details posted here as they become available.

Mark, KB9S continues to pursue legal action to reclaim the club and member's property at the former club shack. Nothing new to report on at this time.

Our Club assisted with communications at the annual MS Walk again this year. The event moved to Memorial HS in Eau Claire. Ron, W9RLL thanked those who helped.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Eau Claire County Warning Siren testing continues in and around Eau Claire. Dave KB9WPC will be hosting the net. Next siren test will take place at 11:00 AM on Monday July 6th. Check in with Dave, KB9WPC beginning at 10:45 AM. The net will be on the 146.910 repeater. Thanks to all of you who helped last time.

Field Day is Saturday, June 27. This event will take place at the Saving Grace Facilities. We plan to operate similar to last year with a "Buddy Pole" and radios we have on hand. We worked off a picnic table on the West side of the building last year and had a great time. Bill Kraft, K9NY will be working HF. It runs from 1:00 PM Saturday until 1:00 PM Sunday officially, but come and join us for the afternoon. It should be a lot of fun!

The next Ham Examination session in the Eau Claire area is scheduled for July 11th, 2015. Jon, KE9KW and Diane, K9DMC are volunteer examiners. Examination will be held at the L.E. Phillips Senior Center and will begin at 9:00 AM CDT. Walk-ins are always welcome.

The CVARC Tailgate Swap meet will take place July 18th at the Eagles Club in Hallie. Festivities start at 8:00 AM. This is a fun event with interesting items for sale.

Courage Kenny Handiham Camp 2015 will take place this year from Tuesday Aug 18 to Monday Aug 24. It is being held West of the Twin Cities in the Maple Lake Area. More details to follow.

Colby (Central Wisconsin Swapfest) will be held on October 10, 2015 at the Colby Lions Pavilion. This event is hosted by Black River Amateur Radio Assn. Contact Bob Braun for more details. (715) 654-5552 or email at kb9blv@yahoo.com.

Meeting adjourned at about 7:35 PM.

Next Meeting will be at 7:00 PM, June 16th 2015 at the Saving Grace Facilities in the East Ridge Center. Please use the West Side Entrance near the Armed Forces Recruiting Center.

See you then...Ron KC9PKO