

MINUTES
4 May SARA Club Meeting

1. Financial Report: \$1142.62 in the Ham Fest account, \$944.99 in the Club account.

2. The following items were discussed at this meeting.
 - a. Field Day: Field Day, along with other club activities will be held off for the present time. Family Day with cookout, radio activities, fishing, etc., possibly at the Oasis, to be held in October will be discussed at a later meeting.

 - b. Club activities that have been put off include the cookout, fox hunt and other club related activities. Club membership should think about planning for additional activities. For example, George L. Smith State Park for a cookout and fox hunt. The Park is a good area for this type of activity, but parking cost \$5.00 day. (Members could carpool in).

 - c. Club meetings only once per month with some sort of program to discuss items of interest to all members and/or educate new operators in amateur principles, techniques, equipment etc. The members present decided that the two meetings a month should remain in effect. A series of monthly presentation was discussed.

 - d. Emergency exercises- participation of club in such exercises. When asked, the majority of members present showed interest in participating. The next state wide exercise will be in October.

John Jones and Leon Curry will organize a local exercise event, possibly in concert with a local Emergency Service Drill.

e. James Lamb reported that Metter has 10 Red Cross emergency shelters that are to be used in case of storm evacuations. These include: Metter High School, Metter Middle School, Metter Intermediate School, Metter Elementary School, 5 local churches, and Guido Garden Worship Center.

3. John Jones made a motion to have the regular 3rd Thursday meeting with a scheduled presentation program. Motion was seconded and passed.

4. John Jones will present the program at the upcoming meeting of 16 May at Bevricks. All members are encouraged to participate, not only to attend the meetings, but to prepare and give a presentation. The club needs to help our newer operators in the world of Ham Radio.

5. SARA Nets are: Every Tuesday evening at 1930 hours on 147.000 PL Tone 156.7.

Every Thursday evening at 2000 hours on 147.000 PL Tone 156.7 for the Linked ARES Net.

The first Tuesday of each month on 146.715 PL 88.5 for the SARA Local Ares test net. Net will start on 146.715 and move to 146.52 simplex as a test of radio communications.

6. The meeting adjourned at 0955 hours.