

Minutes of SARA CLUB Meeting of 1 June 2013

The meeting was called to order at 0900, 1 June, at Bevricks in Metter by Club President, Ron Hill N4SFU. There were 16 members present.

Minutes of 16 May meeting were read and approved.

A financial report was given by Treasurer, John Smoyer III.

- a. SARA Club balance is \$899.99. \$70.00 was reimbursed to Ron Hill for Club insurance.
- b. Ham Fest fund has a balance of \$1142.62.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Ham Fest issues to be addressed include set-up and tear-down, table positioning, parking lot arrangements (parking for visitors and tail-gaters), talk-in radios and operators, and acquisition of tables for set-up. The 4-H building has some tables, but not enough for the Ham Fest vendors, and staff.
- b. Russ Dees will handle the kitchen concession this year. It was decided that a single concessionaire running the kitchen and providing refreshments for Ham Fest would be less of a financial and labor burden on the club plus provide additional funds to pay for the rental of the building.
- c. The parking lot set-up will consist of a single entrance and exit, similar to last year. However, more parking for visitors will be provided. Tail gate vendors will park along the front of the parking lot adjacent to the main building.
- d. Jim and Rose Hill will handle the front door entrance table, sell Ham Fest tickets, and hand out the door prize raffle tickets.
- e. The club will need a PA system to announce door prize winners etc.
- f. Ideas for door prizes and sources are solicited. Any ideas for door prizes and/or donors will be appreciated. Suggestions thus far include a Radio, Antenna, plus ARRL Gift Certificates

- g. Several vendors have committed to attend this year. S&G Engineering (Eagle One Antenna) plus several others from last year are expected to commit later this year as the Ham Fest date approaches. Ron is continuing to contact the vendors for confirmations.
- h. VE's will be needed at the Ham Fest in case there are people wishing to test or upgrade.

NEW BUSINESS:

If anyone is interested in attending a "Repeater Party" in Glenville, let Ron Hill or Russ Dees know. The repeater site needs cleaning up plus antennas VHF/UHF re-hung and controller and radios repaired and reprogrammed.

The meeting adjourned at 0945.

ANDY COOK
WB4AZJ Secretary