

Meeting called order by Pres. Jim at 2000 hours at Bevricks.

18 members present.. Minutes were approved as published on KJ4MKS.

Treasurer reported Total of \$1204.59 for SARA, \$656.40 allocated for HAMFEST, and \$548.19 in club regular account.

Tickets for Raffle Fund raiser are to be submitted before or at next SARA meeting 4 August on Saturday morning at Bevricks. Winning ticket will be drawn then. Winner will be announced at that meeting. So get your tickets SOLD, or buy them yourself. They won't be any good after that date.

Net control signup sheet was passed around. I have Tuesday 28 August for Net Control. What date did you sign up for? Write it down! Easy to forget we have discovered.

Programs for SARA meeting will be Ron, N4SFU on August 4, and Franklin, KJ4MBD on August 16.

Bob, WN4Q gave the program tonight on Tone Squelch to knock out ID broadcasts by SARA repeater. It also keeps the Carolina repeater from interfering.

He can hear anyone TALKING on SARA repeater who is transmitting, with tone 88.5...Keeps his receiver quiet unless someone is actually talking on it.

(I enjoy hearing the ID, and being able to kerchunk the repeater to know it is operating and my transmitter is working). But it can be tiring to hear it all the time.

Russ, KA4ZPV gave a testimonial to the great sales and service and personal followup contact by JMR Sales in Alabama where he bought a new HT. They programmed it over telephone for him, and called back later to make sure everything was working well. JMR Sales will be at Hamfest. Everybody welcome his company coming to our first hamfest. (And buy something if you can !! )

We welcomed Dan Doster, KI4YRI (?call) from Cobbtown as a NEW MEMBER of SARA. DAN has a technician class license. Let's help him upgrade soon.

VE exams for Tech, General, Extra class licenses will be given at the Hamfest from 1000 hours to Noon. VE's will be Wendel, Jim, Tommy, and Leon.

On reserve in case they are needed will be Bob and Ron, who have other duties assigned, but might break away to be VE's also.

All members please come to Hamfest site at NOON Friday before Hamfest Saturday, to welcome vendors, help them park, show the layout, etc, etc. We will begin setup inside the building Friday afternoon: Kitchen, Vendor tables, chairs, etc etc. We will also put up two 10x10 canopy tents outside with card tables and chairs to collect money, sell tickets, etc. Bob WN4Q has set up his committees and named those doing appointed jobs.

On Saturday we need EVERYBODY there for Hamfest, and to stay until cleanup is completed. Let's all be there pitching in to make our Hamfest run smoothly and look neat. It is going to be great fun meeting all the hams coming to see us. Let's make them eager to return again next year.

Next Meeting is 4 August, 0800, at Bevricks. Bring your tickets that you sold (or bought), and YOUR hope that you are the WINNER.73,

Leon, W4TYM