



QSP



August 2009

August VE Report

The **August 28, 2009**
CKARC Meeting will be
at
Jerry Ivey Park
At 6:00 PM
Watermelon Feed

For the August 12th Session:

We had 7 Candidates, all but one of whom were successful in their efforts to some extent. New Technicians are: Alton P Harris, (still pending), of Manhattan, Joshua Nelson, KDØIRI, of Lindsborg, Austen Stamm, KDØIRJ, of Beloit, and Christopher Warner, KDØIRK, of Ft. Riley. Newly Upgraded General is Nicholas A. Dawson, KDØIHV, of Manhattan. New General (passed Tech & General) is Jason Meyers, KDØIRL, of Chase. VE's in attendance: Sid, NØOBM, Leon, WAØJFC, Alvin, WØME, Don, KAØEIC, Harvey, KØRY, and Ron, WAØPSF.

At the HamFest:

Christopher Warner, KDØIRK, Josh Lockett, KCØWSX, of Wichita, and June Bell, KCØKYI, of Schoenchen, upgraded to General. The following are new Technicians:

Greg Roberts, (still pending), of Chapman, Greg Simpson, KDØIRV, of Kiowa, and Tanner Colvin, KDØIRW, of Salina. Five others attempted various exams, but did not pass.

VE's for the Hamfest were Sid, NØOBM, Larry, NØGSL, and Warren, ACØFZ (of McPherson).

Not sure what's up with the FCC being "slow" on a couple of our folks this month, but I'm sure they will get things worked out eventually!

Thanks to all the VE's who helped with the Exam Sessions. I appreciate the help, and so do those who took exams this month.

Next Exam session is **Wednesday September 9th**, at 7:00 PM, at the Saline County Sheriff's Office Classroom.

Sid NØOBM VE Team Leader

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Minutes of the July Meeting

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30, with President Robert, WBØWTM presiding. After the pledge of allegiance and a round of introductions with 24 members and guests present.

Secretary's Report:

Alvin, WØME, asked that the minutes be approved as printed in QSP, moved, seconded and passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Virgil, NØXRS, reported a total of \$4411.70 in checking and saving, which was moved to accept, seconded and passed.

EC's Report:

Sid, NØOBM, reported, next Monday August 3, the siren test would be held, weather permitting. August 4th is the ARES net and that the August ARES Meeting would be on the 20th. The Field day report was printed in QSP.

VE Report:

This month there will be two testing sessions, one on 12th and on 16th (at the HamFest).

Repeater Report:

Mark, KBØMQX, reported the repeaters are working and made several comments about Field Day and the equipment.

Hamfest

Ron, WAØPSF updated us on upcoming Hamfest, buttons were ordered this year, and Westar Energy to give a talk at the HamFest on Electrical Safety.

Larry, NØGSL reported he still has two chairs left over from Field Day.

New business

Voted Traci Winfree, KDØHVA, as a new member. She was the first to pass her license and receive 6 month free membership, and she paid for a year, Welcome Traci.

Dean, KDØFRP, reported that a new 2m/440 rig was added to EC room

Mark, KBØMQX, presented a picture to Mike Makins operating at Field Day.

Meeting adjourned 8:54

Bert, WØUTS, had a program on Antennas.

Hosts for the meeting were Alvin and Lois

WØME/sec

Reminders

Kansas QSO Party 1400Z, Aug 29 to 0200Z, Aug 30 and 1400Z-2000Z, Aug 30

ARES Net **September 1st at 8:00 PM** on the NØKSC Repeater (or on 146.730 Simplex if it's not running).

ARRL-VEC Test Sessions on Wednesday **September 9th at 7:00 PM**.

Board meeting follows the exam session on **September 9th** at 8:00 PM (or after Testing—which ever is later) in the Saline Co. Sheriff's Office Classroom.

City of Salina Siren Test Net, September 14th at 4:30 PM on the NØKSC Repeater (or on 146.730 Simplex) if the Weather cooperates! *[No doubt it will be above 32 degrees!] {NO Guarantee of Cloud Cover, however!} Ed.*

ARES Meeting is September 17th at 8:00 PM in the EOC.

CKARC Picnic / Meeting September 25th at 6:00 PM at **Jerry Ivey Park**.

W5YI-VEC Test Session Saturday September 26th 1:00 PM at the Saline Co. Sheriff's Office Classroom. (National Exam Weekend)

There is a full **Calendar of Events** on the CKARC Web site <http://www.centalksarc.com>

New Emergency Management Director

Samuel "Joe" Koch has been hired as the new Director of Emergency Management for Saline County. "Joe" replaces Brian Armstrong, KCØAJI, as the Director. "Rumor" has it that while "Joe" has an extensive background in Emergency Management—including a Master's Degree, he does not have any practical experience, especially with the type of "disasters" that are common to Kansas—and Saline County in particular. "Joe" is scheduled to start work on January 11, 2010.

Several (including your editor) are not particularly pleased with this choice, and think that Dean Speaks, KDØFRP, should have been installed as the Director. We have no idea at this point in time what kind of a relationship the Amateur community will have with the new Director of Emergency Management.

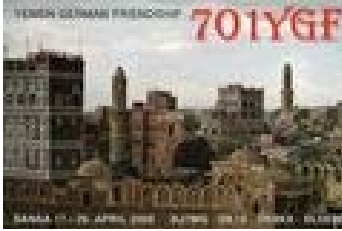
Stay Tuned!



MFJ Acquires Cushcraft

(Aug 7, 2009) -- On August 7, MFJ Enterprises announced they had purchased the Cushcraft Amateur Radio antennas product line from Missouri-based Laird Technologies effective July 31. According to MFJ, Cushcraft -- makers of HF/VHF/UHF vertical, beam and Yagi antennas for the Amateur Radio community -- will continue to be manufactured in Manchester, New Hampshire. "We are excited to have the Cushcraft Amateur Radio Antennas product line alongside our other five companies," said Martin F. Jue, President and founder of MFJ Enterprises, Inc. "This product line increases our ability to offer our customers a wide range of antenna options at different prices. Customers will be able to choose from Cushcraft Amateur Radio antennas, Hy-gain and MFJ antennas through one source." MFJ purchased Hy-gain in 2000 the company also owns Ameritron, Mirage and Vecronics. Jue said that the Cushcraft line will bring more than 50 new products to MFJ's Amateur Radio product line. "We will add more new products to this antenna line and will continue the Cushcraft Amateur Radio antennas name long into the future. Cushcraft Amateur Radio antenna product customers will appreciate the continued and expected top-quality manufacturing of this product in New Hampshire and the MFJ commitment to superb after-the-sale service and tech support in Mississippi," said Jue. The 120 page 2010 MFJ catalog will include the entire Cushcraft Amateur Radio antennas product line. MFJ has set up a special customer support line -- 662-323-5803 -- to handle Cushcraft antenna product technical support, parts requests and customer services.

7O1YGF Now in Logbook of The World



ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L reports that the logs for the 2000 DXpedition to Yemen, 7O1YGF, have been uploaded to Logbook of The World (LoTW). Last week, Moore announced that after more than an eight year delay, the DXCC Desk approved the operation after a review of "recently received information," as well as "additional dialogue" with the DXpedition leader.

Moore outlined the process to receive credit via LoTW for 7O1YGF:

As with paper applications, if you submitted 7O1YGF in the past and had it rejected, we will accept an e-application via LoTW; you will not be charged a submission fee for the 7O1YGF submission only.

Make sure you have uploaded your QSOs. DXCC cannot open and search the logs for your QSO, since doing this will not show the match that is required for a LoTW confirmation.

Access your account and begin the application process.

If you select only 7O1YGF QSOs, you will not be assessed the fees that LoTW will report back to you. If you choose other QSOs, a regular submission fee will apply;

Complete the application (all four parts) and DXCC will place your e-application on the list for processing.

A special note for 7O1YGF applications only: On Part 4 of the LoTW application, click "Payment by mail." This step is very important to assure proper handling. If you clicked on Part 1 for any QSOs other than 7O1YGF you must make proper payment. This is only for 7O1YGF submissions. Applications with other QSOs will be handled and charged as a regular submission.

DXCC will not acknowledge completion of the application. **When finished, your numbers in LoTW will reflect the completion of your e-application.**

If you achieve Honor Roll or Top of the Honor Roll from this submission and you would like to order the wall plaque, send Moore an e-mail, or you can fax your order or send the order form by regular mail.

September 2009 Contest Calendar

From the WA7BNM Contest Calendar

<http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html>

All Asian DX Contest, Phone	0000Z, Sep 5 to 2400Z, Sep 6
Wake-Up! QRP Sprint	0400Z-0600Z, Sep 5
AGCW Straight Key Party	1300Z-1600Z, Sep 5
DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest	1100Z-1700Z, Sep 6
MI QRP Labor Day CW Sprint	2300Z, Sep 7 to 0300Z, Sep 8
WAE DX Contest, SSB	0000Z, Sep 12 to 2359Z, Sep 13
Swiss HTC QRP Sprint	1300Z-1900Z, Sep 12
SOC Marathon Sprint	1800Z-2400Z, Sep 12
ARRL September VHF QSO Party	1800Z, Sep 12 to 0300Z, Sep 14
North American Sprint, CW	0000Z-0400Z, Sep 13
SARL VHF/UHF Contest	1600Z, Sep 18 to 1000Z, Sep 20
ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest	0600 local, Sep 19 to 2400 local, Sep 20
SRT HF Contest SSB	1300Z, Sep 19 to 1300Z, Sep 20
Washington State Salmon Run	1600Z, Sep 19 to 2400Z, Sep 20
North American Sprint, SSB	0000Z-0400Z, Sep 20
Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	0100Z-0300Z, Sep 21
CQ Worldwide DX Contest, RTTY	0000Z, Sep 26 to 2400Z, Sep 27
Texas QSO Party	1400Z, Sep 26 to 2000Z, Sep 27
QRP Homebrewer Sprint	0000Z-0400Z, Sep 28

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**September Meeting is Friday, September 25, 2009
@ 6:00 PM**

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR THE
SEPTEMBER QSP IS SEPT. 16, 2009**

CKARC September Birthdays

F/Member	Kathy	Kelley	9/2
KBØSZO	John	Gunder	9/16
WØAFQ	Andy	Anderson	9/27
WRØS	Warren	Holcomb	9/30
	Naomi	Gamer	9/30