



QSP



August 2007

Kansas Amateur of the Year

The August CKARC Meeting is on August 31, 2007 at 6:30 PM

Kenwood Park Shelter #1 (by the Train)



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August VE Report

The August 8th test session was led by Sid, NØOBM. No one for testing at this session.

The HamFest test session was a different story! Of 13 Applicants, we had the following results:

- 6 NEW Technicians
- 2 Upgraded to General Class
- 1 Upgraded to Extra Class

- 2 Failed the Technician Exam
- 3 Failed the General Exam

Minutes of the July Meeting

Meeting called to order by Sid, NØOBM at 7:30 PM in the absence of the President.

NO Pledge of Allegiance (due to the lack of The Colors)

A round of introductions of all in attendance.

Club Secretary Alvin, WØME asked that the minutes be approved as printed in the CKARC Newsletter "QSP". Moved and Seconded, motion passed.

Sid, NØOBM gave the Treasurer's Report for Marty, KGØMT, who was still "under the weather" and without much of a voice this evening.

Total current balance for both Checking and Savings of \$4076.99

EC Report

Sid, NØOBM, Upcoming events: Monday, August 6 – Possible Siren test 4:30 pm (weather permitting).

Thursday evening August 2nd is the ARES Net at 8:00 PM on the 146.730– Repeater.

August 8th VE test session followed by Board Meeting at 7:00 PM.

August 16th ARES meeting in the EOC at 8:00 PM.

August 19th is the CKARC Hamfest / ARRL State Convention

August 31 is the annual Watermelon Feed in Kenwood Park Shelter #1 (by the Train)

September 28 meeting will be the Annual Picnic at Jerry Ivey Park Shelter #1.

VE report

4 for testing, with 3 of the 4 passing.

Repeater Report

Eric, NØYET, was absent, so no report.

Activities Report

Pete, NØOY said that due to the HOT weather, the foxhunting would continue, but be later in the evening to avoid some of the heat. Projected start time would be around 7:00 PM on Sunday evening.

Hamfest Report

Ron, WAØPSF, indicated that things were progressing just fine, and that this year we would need to take the tables down. Please stick around and help with the tear-down.

Old Business

George, N7GVD, Jerry KCØVDX, and Dennis, KAØLTQ, were presented with caps for their participation in the CKARC 2007 Field Day activities. Caps were provided by Larry, NØGSL.

New Business

Sid, NØOBM requested Volunteers to serve on the Nominating Committee.

Foxhunting program by DeWite, WØOK, and all the "fun" he has been having chasing his antenna all over.

Meeting adjourned.

ARRL State Convention & Hamfest Numbers

2006		2007	
Income		Income	
62 Tables @ \$15.00 Ea	\$930.00	33 Tables @ \$15.00 Ea	\$495.00
VE Testing fees retained	\$85.00	VE Testing fees retained	\$78.00
293 Buttons @ \$5.00 Ea	\$1465.00	339 Buttons @ \$5.00 Ea	\$1695.00
Misc. Income	\$ 1.00	Misc. Income	\$0.50
Total Income	\$2481.00		\$2268.50
Expenses		Expenses	
500 Buttons	\$267.63	500 Buttons	\$272.44
Bicentennial Center Rental Fee	\$725.00	Bicentennial Center Rental Fee	\$842.50
Prizes	\$450.00	Prizes	\$450.00
(\$200 First, 150 Second, \$100 Third)			
Ladies Prizes	\$200.00	Ladies Prizes	\$200.00
Total Expenses	\$1642.63		\$1764.94
NET GAIN	\$838.37	NET GAIN	\$503.56

Attendance **up by 46**, Table sales **off by 29**, Bicentennial Center fee up by \$117.50, Button Cost up by \$4.81.

Treasurer's Report

Balance August 21, 2007

Checking	
Expenses	\$2094.13
Credits	\$1772.50
Bal.	\$ 198.46
Savings	
Expenses	\$ 500.00
Credits	\$1525.00
Bal.	\$3918.66
Combined Balance	\$4117.12

A Word about the Hamfest from Ron, WAØPSF

To all the members of CKARC who helped with the convention; a very large thank you.

I'm sure that if I would start to name all those who were there and put in a long day, I'd forget a lot of you. There's two reasons for that;

- 1) We had a great member turnout, and
- 2) My memory is not that good any more.

The ladies program was a great success thanks to all who worked that one. I heard that the VE Testing team administered 14 exams. The vendors went away happy, because they didn't have nearly as much stuff to take back to the store as they brought to the convention. I didn't hear much about the sales and swapping from the flea market folks, but I'm sure they didn't take home too many fleas either. For the most part, the forums were well attended. The QCWA Luncheon and meeting, led by our own Alvin Wiechman, WØME, was well attended and I heard that the food was great too. We got good reviews from the gang from ARRL. They were again impressed with what the CKARC did in putting on a good convention. I understand that we sold somewhere around 370 tickets and buttons this year. Down a little, but not bad, considering gas prices.

I'm going to go out on a limb and name a couple of members who stood out during the festivities:

Larry Cornwell, NØGSL, who always beats me to the place on convention day, took the bull by the horns, (or was it the table by the legs) and ramrodded the setup crew to a near record time for getting the tables and chairs set out. His crew was too numerous to mention, (*The memory thing again*) but their efforts didn't go unnoticed. Also, the tear down took a whole lot less time than I anticipated, thanks to the early departure of some of the vendors and flea marketers. Again, Larry and the guys did great.

I'd also like to welcome Vance Eckstrom, WØUB, to the convention crew. Vance was at the gate selling tickets and buttons for a very large portion of the event. For a new guy, he sure did impress me by the way he jumped in and worked as hard as any of the "old timers". Larry's ticket basket was sure a great improvement over the coffee cans we used in the past. (Heck, even the paper bag we used for the non-ham tickets was an improvement....)

I can't end this without saying congratulations to Don Fitzgerald KAØEIC, who was named Kansas Amateur Radio Operator of the Year. It's a feather in the club's cap to have one of our own get the award.

I haven't heard the final results from the Treasurer, but early reports indicate another successful convention. To each and every one of you who made it possible, **THANKS.**

Ron WAØPSF

Reminders

September Picnic Meeting is at **Jerry Ivey Park Shelter #1**

October meeting is **Election night**.

HamFest Photos 2007



Vance WØUB



Chuck @ the ARRL Forum



ARRL Crew (Plus Ron)



ARRL Crew (minus Ron)

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CKARC September Birthdays

	Kathy	Kelley	9/2
KGØMT	Marty	Soffran	9/12
KBØSZO	John	Gunder	9/16
WØAFQ	Andy	Anderson	9/27
	Naomi	Gamer	9/30