

Smart Club Meeting October 10, 2009

Dennis opened the meeting at 08:30 followed by introductions. Thirteen members were in attendance. A motion was made by Mike (KD8GTX) and seconded by Jim (KC8SSK) to accept the meetings from last month. The motion was passed. A motion was made by Bob (K8LR) and seconded by Jim (KC8SSK) to accept the treasurer's report. It was passed.

Net:

The net is going well.

Membership:

The number of members has remained the same.

Technical:

Lynn doesn't own the Richland cell tower.

Don Van Tilburg reported the receive range isn't any good. Ron (N8CML) did a test last week. The "FM Radio" test for simplex was good. May raise the transmit power. Mike said the audio level was bad at Richland and was fixed by the adjustment at the Oshtemo tower. Ron thinks we may share the KARC receive antenna at Richland. Ron thought Don (K8DVR) was going to pick up the club equipment at Norm Harvey's house. Ron thought it had been done. Mike Greis volunteered to check at Norm's house today. There was more discussion of the Richland antenna's height. The transmission is at 160 feet and receive is at 120 feet. Ron reported we had inter-modulation trouble when using one antenna for both transmit and receive.

Ham Fest

Jim (K8EMT) reported that as things stand we will have one. The Hamfest meeting was last Wednesday. We have lost three commercial businesses that have gone out of business. We have some flea table space. There will be set up time for vendors the night before the fest.

The 50-50 drawing was won by Jack (KE8TJ) of \$10.50 who returned \$10.00 to the treasury. Thank you Jack. The club received a total of \$20.50 from the 50-50 event. The treasurer, John (KC8ZTJ) wasn't present at the meeting as he was working. The last meeting's red tickets weren't in the box so the price drawing will be the first order of business next month. Dennis stated the winner will not be required to be present.

Jack reported that there is a good Ham get-together at the Lawton Big T restaurant at noon on the 2nd Thursday of the month.

Mike reported that on the Lansing repeater there is a "Breakfast Club" in the morning. He joins in on the way to work. The frequency is 145.39 with a PL100.

Mel (N8MJ) moved to close the meeting and Ray (WB8YZH) seconded the motion and the meeting was closed at 09:04.

Respectfully submitted by: Secretary Tom Oliver KC8QFF