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FOX CITIES AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
(SPECIAL SERVICE CLUB)
CLUB STATION "W9ZL"
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ARRL CLUB NO. 2132

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***** 1988 - 1989 BOARD *****

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The October 17, 1988 meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Larry Siebers, KD9IA. The meeting was held at Roosevelt Jr. High School.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes were read and approved .

TREASURER'S REPORT:(BALANCE) \$1357.09 as of October 17, 1988 plus \$ 600.00 in special Hamfest account

***** THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE NOVEMBER 14th *****

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. VOLUNTEER EXAMS -Larry, KD9IA reported that the Field Stocks have all been received. New Extra tests will begin November 1988. Next exam session will be December 10 at Roosevelt. If you are not now a part of the VE team and are interested in joining see Larry.
2. EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS - Wayne, WD9FLJ indicated that we will not participate in the Wisconsin area Simulated Emergency Test. The Red Cross Simulated Disaster Test will occur early in November - exact time is unknown so as to simulate an actual emergency situation. It may possibly be a simulated tornado emergency since we are still in that season. See fan-out list for how to respond (new list handed out at the meeting). ARES members are asked to respond to the extent

that you can, realizing that this is a drill. Drills are conducted so that we will know what to do in real disasters with the minimum of delay and disorganization.

ARES net meets every other Wednesday 7 PM on the 146.76 repeater. Note: the Winnebago ARES net meets every Sunday 7 PM on the 147.24 repeater. Check into your county net whenever possible.

3. NON-EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS - Don, NB9J read a letter from the Gus Van Dyn Hoven family thanking the FCARC for the donation for a memorial. A letter from the Salvation Army was read inviting club members to donate time as Bell Ringers- Dec 18 - 24. If you can help man the kettles call the salvation army for more details.
4. HAMFEST 89 - George, W9MDP reported that the Hamfest date will be March 4th at Appleton East HS commons. Rooms are also reserved for other Hamfest activities.
5. EAA - Wayne, WD9FLJ announced that there would be a QSL meeting on Thursday 10/20 at Roosevelt JHS at 6:45 to verify and fill out QSL's from the Special Events Station.
6. AMATEUR RADIO BOOKS - Dick, W9TA presented the books ordered from the ARRL to the club. These books, and other materials, will form our club library. All books will have cards. When you check a book out give the card to Don, NB9J. Checkout period is from meeting to meeting. Anyone who currently has books please return them at the November meeting so that cards can be put into them.
7. NOVICE CLASS - George, W9MDP indicated that the Novice class is underway with 8 students. The classes will meet weekly at Roosevelt.
8. WINTER BANQUET - Date and place still undecided. George, W9MDP is in charge of arrangements.
9. MISC ITEMS - Larry, KD9IA read a communications from the Green Bay Club requesting a donation to help support packet equipment. After discussion a motion was made and passed that the club NOT make a donation. If individuals would like to make a donation contact Greg, KA9WPG.
10. Those present for the October meeting were the following:

KA9JOL	W9OP	KN9P	KB9AMW	KX9M	WA9GON
N9CSG	KA9NNI	K9GAD	WD9CYX	WD9CYW	KA9YYQ
WD9DHZ	WD9FLJ	NQ9F	N8IOJ	KA9JAC	WD9GOR
KA9RKV	KA9WCF	N9HOS	N9HOR	KA7TYS	NP2BB
K9DHR	K4KVP	WB9QKW	W9UVZ	W9DKY	KA9NTO

Or are you satisfied to be the guy who just belongs?
Do you work on committees, to do this is no trick,
Or leave the work to just a few and talk about the clique?
So come to the meetings often and help with the hand and heart,
Don't be just a member, but take an active part.
Think it over member.....You know right from wrong.....
Are you an active member, or do you just belong?

Taken from CCRAA newsletter

FOR SALE

SCOTTY, WB9PFR has the following equipment for sale:
"Oscar" equipment TS 811a Kenwood 440 all mode (never used)
144 MHz Cushcraft Twist and rotor
440 MHz Cushcraft Twist and rotor
both antennas and rotors for \$ 125
KLM 440 LINEAR 10 in 70 out \$ 75
144 Preamp \$ 25
440 Preamp \$ 75
other items: 16K Radio Shack color computer \$ 75
new 13" amber monitor \$ 75
Sanyo B/W video camera \$ 150
Panasonic 9" video monitor \$ 100
Instruct-o-graph morse code
machine - mint with 10 tapes \$ 70
2 10' tripods \$ 20 each

Contact WB9PFR at 733-7329 or 779-4436 (keep trying)

Respectfully submitted,
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DX NEWS LETTER

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If you have been on the 20 meter band for any amount of time you will have noticed that on 14.336 there is a net called the Mobile County Hunters and Emergency Net. This is a net where you can try and make contact with all 3076 countys in the united states including Alaska and Hawaii. This net meets every day of the year, starting about 1200 GMT + or -. The main idea of the net is working mobiles that travel thou different states and countys. The other important part of the net is that if your on the road and your mobile and do run into car trouble, or accident, or see a accident you have a frequency that you can get help.

The idea is to work all mobile stations and get conformation on them for a Worked All Countys Award. It takes a special type of person to sit at the radio and try and work the countys. Ask WBSYCO, K9DAF, KASJOL, W9MDP, N9ER, WSOP, W9FEC just to mention a few. Dale WBSYCO and N9ER have worked all countys. AS of this writing I have #18 to go.

The way the net runs is there is a Net Control and a asst. Net Control, they are in different parts of the US and they try and run the mobile stations. If you can't make the contact yourself they will give the mobile station your call and you can try and give them a report. After you make the contact they have what they call MOBILE REPLY CARDS (MRC) its like a qsl card but you can put a number of contacts for one mobile on each card. You send these to the QSL Bureau, they in turn send them to the mobile station. He checks his log and confirms the contact and the cards come back to you. You then log these in a book and when you have 500 1000 1500 2000 2500 3000 or the big one 3076 you can send in for the awards.

You can also get awards if you run mobile for putting out a number of States or Countys. You also get a award for giving someone there last county for a single state. The award plaque you get for giving someone there LAST COUNTY FOR THE WHOLE BALL OF WAX is something to see also. I got mine for Giving WBSYCO his last county for everything.

When the band conditions change the net goes to 40 or 80 meters and they will run mobiles till the mobiles stop running. There have been vehicles out there till 1:00 or 2:00 a.m. There are a few truck drivers that are county hunters and they will put out countys all day or night.

The County Hunters hold conventions like any other group of hams, they have one Major one every summer, and then they hold Mini Conventions thru out the U.S. I have attended a few of them and you meet a lot of nice people and make friends for life. While traveling you will come into cites where County Hunters

live and they really take offense if you don't stop and have coffee or stop and see them. I have met with County hunters in all parts of the US. I have had them stop and see me when they are driving thru or I have stopped and seen them when I was mobile.

I have worked many DX stations while mobile, you have people from all over the world trying to work all Countys. If you notice when your working DX you will have DX stations asking you what county your in.

You do not have to work the stations mobile to get the awards, you can take your CW contacts from when you were a novice and use them for the awards. If you have a QSL card you can use that county for the award.

The first person to work all Countys was Cliff Corne K9EAB that was in 1966. He worked them from a IRON LUNG. He died shortly after Getting the award. There is also a special Cliff Corne Award for working other County Hunters.

Running mobile is a lot of fun, when I am on vacation or taking a short weekend trip I run mobile. I have a mobile rig in the car with the Hustler antennas, instead of trying to write a log book while driving I use a small cassette tape recorder to do my logging. Then later I will transcribe the tape to a logbook.

If you have any questions about county hunting please contact myself or WBSYCO or W9OP we will be happy to give you any information that you need.

FUTURE DX:

As of this writing the 3W8DX is still out there but the pile ups are great.

YASME DXPEDITION -- Lloyd and Iris are on the DX trail again they will be in Cyprus, Africa and Asia.

Y25Zc will be operating from the Western Sahara SO1M2 look for him on 21.370 and 14.180.

SPACE SHUTTLE MOBILE:

The Russians my have a ham in the space shuttle. Two Russian Cosmonaut Manarov and Titov are both hams, they are already talking to the Russian space station. Frequencys may me 144.5 and 145.5

Hope everyone had a good time in the contest DON'T FORGET TO INCLUDE THE CLUB NAME FOR A SCORE COUNT.

GOOD LUCK AND GOOD DX

JACK (KA9JOL)

