

Mountain Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of the Meeting

18 March 2009

The monthly meeting began at 7:00 pm with Dean Buckhouse (KBØVVA) presiding. Following intros all around, the minutes of the previous meeting were read and a motion to approve was made by Don Johnson (KØDRJ), seconded by Lyn Haddock (KC8I) and passed on a vote. Dean Buckhouse then talked about HamCon, to be held in Estes Park, May 29-31. MARC will hold the VE session at HamCon on Saturday at 9am. Field Day will be June 27-28 at Dean Buckhouse's place. Next, the Treasurer's report was given by Wes Wilson (KØHBZ). The SwapFest Account has been emptied.

Under New Business, Wes continues. Pat Stewart has sent us the old NXØG license plate. Bill Bishop (ACØNK) offered to handle the April Meeting refreshments. Wes Wilson suggested that we share this among two or three people. Dean Buckhouse offered to assist Bill with the April refreshments.

The last VE session; Wes indicated the nine of ten applicants were successful. We discussed Field Day coordination, which will be headed up by Mike Stansberry (KØTER) and Dean Buckhouse. Campfest, to be held at Dean Buckhouse's place on August 28-30th will be coordinated by Dave Koerner (NØHIO).

Kit Haskins (KAØWUC) next talked about the repeaters. Badger still has squelch problems. Kenwood intends to replace the power amplifiers there, as well as our other repeaters. We are looking at switching the Badger repeater to a UHF one. Too many problems with interference up on the mountain. We have requested a UHF pair of frequencies from the coordinators and plan to put up a test system soon.

Skywarn training will be April 4th at 8am, at the Stetson Hills Police Department. Contact Sid White (K4ARM) for information.

Pete Rawson (N3VW) sent in some stuff. The ARRL RFI manual on CD's was put into the club library and the TNC modem given to Shannon (KDØDZQ).

We began our break at 7:34 pm and shortly thereafter Kit did a presentation on repeaters.

The meeting adjourned at 8:49 pm

Submitted by Bill Wallick (KCØFNV), Secretary