

Bishop Amateur Radio Club

Meeting Minutes May 11, 2011

Meeting called to order at 7:00 by BARC President Adrian van der Riet (N6VDR)

Introductions around the room (15 present including three new prospective members) W6PH, KF6YLW, KK4AMT, KJ6IXM, N7RAP, W6IY, W6HDV, KJ6KAU, KI6AIK, KI6MWI, JIM KN6SF, GREG ex WA6WKH, N6VDR, NW6C, OLIN WA7YXY.

Treasurer's report: Checking balance; \$2,518.23; Savings balance \$1011.36
Donation of \$130 towards new antenna from Kurt W6PH - details posted on Web Site.

Last Month's meeting notes were posted on the web site: Mike (W6HDV) made a motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Kurt (W6PH) and accepted unanimously by a voice vote.

Upcoming Activities

T-Hunt next Saturday May 14: Starts at 10AM from the top of Red Hill; Directions to the starting point and rules posted on the BARC website.

BHS 50 Ultra Marathon: May 21st.

Old Business

- 1) Batteries for Silver Pk Facility: Continued from our Jan 13 meeting: pending access to the facility in the spring.
- 2) Linking of Silver and Mammoth: Continued
- 3) Purchase of new antenna: Antenna has been ordered – awaiting confirmation of total cost (including shipping) and expected ship date from Sinclair Technologies (post meeting Note: Ship date from the factory is May 13.)
- 4) BHS 50: We have 24 volunteers attending. Adrian N6VDR is putting together packets of information for all the operators which will contain maps and duties etc. Any operators who still wish to volunteer, please do so.
- 5) Field Day: With call sign N6OV will be at John AD6NR's place in Mustang Mesa.
- 6) Silver Peak Inventory: Only Walt K6BDI has submitted a list of property. Please submit your property lists to John AD6NR.

New Business

1) Rookie Roundup – Ed KJ6KAU, Bob W7WOW, Adrian N6vdR and Keith KJ6IXM participated. Was slow with few contacts.

2) We need 4 sections of Rohn 25 tower to use as supports for the new antenna structure on Silver Peak. Adrian to investigate. Any suggestions or donations of tower sections welcome. Need to access the building to take measurements etc.

3) BARC needs a volunteer to publicize the club and its activities. – Keith KJ6IXM volunteered. Thanks Keith.

4) Kurt W6PH suggested that all the BARC members get name tags that they could wear to the meeting and other club events. This would facilitate better public relations and make members more approachable. Keith KJ6IXM said he would make tags for the club if they wanted them. Adrian N6VDR said he would investigate who wanted tags and get with Keith.

Presentation

Kurt W6PH did an informative presentation on how to use an MFJ 259B antenna analyzer. Thanks Kurt.