

BARC RADIO MEETING, May 8, 2008

The barc radio meeting was held Thursday May 8th. The meeting was opened by John Patzer and started at 7:10 pm. There were 14 people in attendance.

Dick Priddy read the treasurers report. There is \$510.68 in the savings and \$1,259.89 in the checking account. Checks this month were \$70.00 to Designs Unlimited for silk screen the T-Shirts. Edison bill for \$33.48. The T-shirts came in yellow and orange and were sold for \$10 a piece. They came out real nice. A motion by Bob Moss for Mark and Laurie the receive check of \$305.50 for the T-shirts. Kurt seconded the motion. Field Day will be held in Big Pine again this year at the power plant. The 50 mile race will be held May 17th. Val's remembrance service was held at 6:30 at Val's house.

Kurt (W6PH) did a presentation on 6 meters. 6 meter propagation - Sporadic ~~E~~ clouds 110 miles high - equinox- June and July 6 meter reflect off the clouds and move to the northwest. Range is 6600 miles away- Double hop to the East Coast. Triple bounce to Europe. 10: am in the morning you can hear a lot of Washington and Texas. With sporadic E you don't know when it is coming in. You hear the signal then it goes. Contacts are very fast because you can lose the signal. Our Grid D0-07- Lone Pine ~~D0-07~~ ^{MZ} 06. ~~W0-MGH~~ 50.125 is the National calling frequency on upper sideband. CQ and give grid, go up in multiples of 5. Beacon on lower frequencies- Beacons let you hear where frequencies are opening up. Sporadic E has no impact with sunspots. VHF Contest is June 14th and 15th. Dennis talked to Japan on 6 meters. When 10 meters is going bad. 6 meters is usually better. Talked about moon bounce. It was a very interesting and informative presentation.

We also talked about computer logging for field day. Laurie and Mike donated \$35 to the Electric Bill. Motion to adjourn meeting by John Patzer, Seconded by Dick Priddy.