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The Prez Sez

By Tom Ruhlmann (W9IPR))

One of the best things about July is always the South Milwaukee Swapfest and we were there again this year. Ed Rate (AA9W), Tom Oehler (W9LNL) and I had breakfast with the "early morning group" and then headed for South Milwaukee with full vehicles. This is the first time we had gone as vendors and we were able to sell over \$250 worth of Club remains for the Scholarship Fund. It was a great time – saw many old friends and told a few tales in the process of a few sales.



Ed (AA9W) and Tom (W9IPR) were busy at the South Milwaukee Swapmeet selling from the trunk of the car and off the ground to benefit the Scholarship Fund.

Finally things have slowed down a bit in terms of "ham" radio and Pat and I spent 9 days at the Oshkosh Airfest working in our EAA 1158 Air-mart tent. It is a consignment airplane parts tent and the commissions essentially support our EAA chapter. Something to think about – would it work at Dayton?

I did finish the EMCOMM 001 class in mid July and I have already received a certificate, patch, decal

and \$45 check in the mail. Pretty fast that ARRL. It really was a good "online" class and it exposed me to some new sources of information. I enjoyed it and the price was certainly right. Give it a try – you might like it.

That's really about it for July and now we are looking forward to August. We had a Board meeting Aug. 2nd and among other things approved a 2-year budget, new organizational chart and four new policies. The minutes are attached for your review.

We will be promoting the ORC at the commercial building at the County Fair August 5th and 6th. This is an excellent opportunity for us to spread the word about amateur radio and the ORC. Hope to see you there on Friday and Saturday.

The highlight of August is of course The Corn-roast on August 27th at Waubedonia Park. This has become a tradition for family fun and a good one at that. Again, I hope to see you there. I am also hoping to learn a bit about fox hunting there as well.

That's it for now. See you at the meeting on August 10th. Get involved and have some fun.

Tom

Contesting

De Bob Truscott (W9LO)

The 2004 Wisconsin QSO Party results are not yet available on the web, but Lynn, K9KR, the contest chairman, was kind enough to send me the portion of the file which shows the results of the club competition. First place went to the Fond du Lac Amateur Radio Club, for the 3rd year in a row, while OZRAD took 4th place (out of 26 entries), just 61,000 below them. That's not bad, considering that this was the first time we, as a club, have made a serious effort to compete. It

seems to me that with a little pre-planning and organizing we should be able to unseat the Fond du Lac guys next year. Perhaps we should form a committee, as we do for Field Day, and figure out how to do that. Heck, if we can take the #2 position (nationally) in 5A on Field Day we should be able to make up 61,000 points in the WIQP. Let's work on it.

Lynn also sent limited information on the Single Operator Fixed category:

1. N9FH
3. W9XT
8. W9LO

A website problem has prevented posting the full report, but I understand that it will be corrected soon, at which time we will know the rest of the details.

Have fun contesting.

Bob, W9LO

FISH DAY 2005, A Bittersweet Day

By Cindy KA9PZG

Another Port Washington Fish Day has come and gone. This year's event was held on Saturday, July 16th with a number of our trusty ORC amateur radio operators on hand to help handle traffic for the parade officials.

This year's event was like any other; however, there was the knowledge that Port's Fish Day Parade chief was managing her last parade for the event. We all knew her as Kathy "F.I.S.H." Pohl, her well known self-dubbed amateur call-sign to make us all feel comfortable with her. She'd attend meetings in June and July asking for help to manage communications between parade officials to help the parade go off without a hitch. Kathy knew she could rely on our group to have operators available, and that we were! Many of the volunteers were well seasoned and knew what each had to do during the 3-1/2 hours we were there. I was one of the lucky ones who shadowed Kathy over the past number of years and got to know her well. It'll be strange to not have her "in charge" next year, although she claims she will be in the background for refer-

ence. Her replacement, Andy Steck, will be the one to fill her shoes next year. And like any other year, we'll all step in to be there once again and help the new committee members with the knowledge we have come to learn from over the years of volunteering.

Many thanks to these ORC members who gave up their morning to help Kathy and her group at Port Fish Day this year:

W19GC
N9LLT
KA9DDN
K9QLP
KA9PZG

New Member

Zack Mackay (KC9HEJ) is our most recent new member. Zack lives in Shorewood and received his Technician license in February 2005. Already, Zack is studying the theory in preparation for earning his General class ticket. Presently he is using only his tri-band Kenwood THF-6 HT but is looking forward to earning his General so he can go all band and work some HF.



Zack works at Northwestern Mutual Insurance in support of the Graphic Design Group. He works not only with the hardware but also programs in Fusion and Java Script among other languages. He got interested in ham radio as a result of lunchtime discussions with one of our other members, Dan Brophy (AA9QR), who also works at Northwestern.

Among Zack's other hobbies are building computers, photography, building cameras and

working with the Milwaukee County Red Cross communications group.

Cornroast

Ed Frac (AA9WW) is this year's chairman of the annual corn roast and he promises a great time. It will again be held at Waubedonia Park in Fredonia along the Milwaukee River. This year we have the pavilion reserved and need not worry about the weather. Bring a dish to pass while the Club provides the burgers, brats, refreshments and corn. In addition we are looking forward to a "Fox" hunt led by Leon (K9GCF) and other interesting ham activities. Should be a great time for the entire family on August 27th. See you there.

For Sale

KLM 20M5 5 element 20m 42' boom \$300
KLM 15M4 4 element 15m 14' boom \$125
KLM 10M4 4 element 10m 10' boom \$125
Each in excellent condition with heavy duty 4KW balun and manuals
Alpha-Delta DX-B sloper. 160, 80, 40 & 30m coverage. Only 60' long. New \$80 – asking \$40
Yaesu FT-5100 2m/440 FM \$150
Call Fred 262-376-5388. N9FH@ARRL.NET

Upcoming Events

August

- 6th ARRL UHF Contest
- 3rd- 7th County Fair
- 8th Field Day Review Meeting
- 10th Membership Meeting
- 13th AES Picnic @ Fond du Lac
- 13th Circus City Swapfest
- 27th ORC Cornroast

September

- 10th ARRL VHF QSO Party
- 14th Membership Meeting
- 18th Wisconsin Bike Ride
- W9DXCC convention at Elk Grove Village IL
- 17-18 Grayslake Chicago FM Repeater ClubHam-fest
- North American Sprint – CW Contest

North American Sprint – SSB Contest
CQ WW RTTY Contest

October

- 12th Membership Meeting
- 8th General Class Training Class Starts

Field Day 2005

In summary, we had 51 participants (including 40 ORC members) and operated as 5A (Club station with 5 simultaneous transmitters) with a GOTA, 6-meter and satellite station.

The breakdown of contacts 2004/2005 is:

	CW	Phone
80M	152/252	109/258
40M	975/1133	621/531
20M	591/564	607/362
15M	154/47	2/298
10M		0/200
6M		123/200
Sat.		1/1
GOTA		107/139

This totals 3673/3980 contacts.

Last year we really had some unusually good propagation conditions as you will note when 10 meters opened up.

As far as point count goes, the CW contacts count for 2 points while phone counts for 1.

Our total score was 10,628 plus 1,560 bonus points for a total of 12,188 points. This compares with our 2004 performance of 3980 contacts and 13,676 points. In a few months we will know how we stack up against the rest of the Nation.

The bonus points are for such items as using emergency power, press coverage, information booth, use of solar power, attendance of elected official, participation of youth under 18 and use of satellite and GOTA stations.

Nice job by all who participated and special thanks to the chairman Jim Hillins (KA4UPW) and the Band Captains:

- 80/15M Ph Rosie Maybee KB9PZK
- 80/20M CW Terry Berg WA9AWO
- 40 Ph Tom Ruhlmann W9IPR
- 40/10 CW Bob Truscott W9LO

20/10 Ph Leon Rediske K9GCF
GOTA Ph Gabe Chido WI9GC
VHF Ph Jeananne Bargholz N9VSV
Sat. Ph Gary Bargholz N9UUR

Don't forget, there is a Field Day Review meeting at Leon's the evening of August 8th. If you are interested, be there.

Membership Meeting Minutes – July 13th, 2005

De Nancy Stecker, KC9FZK

Meeting called to order at 7:35 by President Tom W9IPR.

Introductions: Name, call sign and club position were presented by all present.

Bragging Rights:

Jim K9QLP reports that Dick K9CAN has the 220 MHz repeater working very well. Jim says it is a great band and he brought a radio for club members to try it out.

Nels WA9JOB said Dave N9QA has received a new kidney that is working well. He is at St. Luke's Hospital, Room 9106. Dave N9UNR is at Froedtert Hospital for a few days.

Terry KA9RFM has raffle tickets for the 16th Annual Charity Air Show Raffle, August 6, 2005. This is in support of the Astro-Wings of Wisconsin and Special Olympics.

Ted N9LLT will provide copies of the Channel 12 and Channel 6 TV coverage of Field Day activities on request of ORC members for a nominal charge. E-mail him via the ORC website.

Tom W9IPR brought a display of QSL cards that belonged to his mother.

Club members filled a request for volunteers for the Fish Day Parade.

There will be no coffee or snacks this month or next as no one volunteered for this job.

Break:

Auction: by Stan WB9RQR

Business Meeting: Minutes were accepted as printed in the ORC Newsletter. The Treasurer's report was accepted as printed on handouts on the tables.

Repeater Report: Nels WA9JOB is having problems with the Mequon site. It has lost sensitivity so it will be pulled out, repaired and returned. He will be using the Mequon site when the repeater is moved from the barn. Dick K9CAN has done a good job getting the 220 MHz repeater running well and the 440MHz repeater in Port Washington is also working well.

OZARES: Jon KB9RHZ stated the July OZARES meeting would be on the 4th Thursday of the month. The August meeting will feature a Highway Watch program presented by ARES Assistant Section Emergency Coordinator for Training Skip Sharpe, W9REL. On September 18, 2005 help will be needed for a Bike Ride starting and ending at the Cedarburg High School.

Committee Reports: Public Relations:

Lynn Kleinman, a reporter for the Mequon Thiensville Courant, will be interviewing members of the ORC for a feature article.

Scholarship: Ed AA9W announced that through the sale of donated equipment, the Scholarship Account grew by \$650 in June 2005 and \$651 in July 2005.

Old Business:

Talking about Field Day, Gabe WI9GC said in the future, more help would be needed taking equipment to and from Lazy Days Campground. He also thanked Ed AA9WW for the use of his generator and trailer. Also, changes need to be made in running electric lines to trailers and tents both for convenience and for safety. Tom W9IPR plans to have a Field Day Committee whose purpose will be to discuss possible needed changes, safety concerns, and repairs involved with that activity. The need to involve younger people into the ORC is another goal of the club.

Ed AA9WW has been appointed the Corn Roast committee chairman. That date is August 27, 2005. Be sure to mark it on your calendar.

New Business: If anyone has pictures from field day, get them to Mike KC9GDV; he will put pictures on the web site.

Attendance: Ed AA9W, Nancy KC9FZK, Stan WB9RQR, Leon K9GCF, Vic KB9UKE, Kent W9WH, Mark KC9GST, Nels WA9JOB, Gabe WI9GC, Don W9VSC, Bernie AA9CI, Jim K9QLP, Tom W9LNL, Herb WA9UVK, Terry KA9RFM, Skip KA9DDN, Naomi KC9GSS, Jon KB9RHZ, Cindy KA9PZG, John KC9FJX, Roger W9UVV, Mark AB9CD, Ray W9KHH, Paul KB9WCC, Gary W9XT, Ron W9BCK, RayW9BUJ, Ed AA9WW, Ted N9LLT, Jane KB9SYI, Jeff WB9PZD and guests Cathy Pohl and Ruth Belovsky.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:08 PM.
Nancy KC9FZK, Secretary

ORC Board Meeting Minutes – August 2, 2005

Nancy Stecker, Secretary

Meeting called to order at 7:15p.m. at the home of Tom W9IPR. Also present were Ed AA9WW, Nels WA9JOB, Leon K9GCF, and Nancy KC9FZK.

The ORC has been invited to share manning a booth at the Ozaukee County Fair with other agencies including the Ozaukee Public Health Department. Because of the short notice, an announcement will be put on the club's re-mailer asking for volunteers. Informational handouts will be taken to the booth. A motion was made by Nels WA9JOB to promote the Ozaukee Radio Club at this year's county fair. Seconded by Leon K9GCF, the motion passed.

Changes to the organizational chart included the addition of Social Secretary Activities to the duties of Secretary. Also, the internal activities and external activities of the club were divided between the 1st Vice President and 2nd Vice President respectively. The chair entertained a motion to accept the changes, Leon K9GCF seconded the motion and it passed.

After discussion, Nels WA9JOB made a motion to accept the 2-year budget as written. Nancy KC9FZK seconded it and the motion passed.

Policy and Procedures numbered 4 through 7 were brought forward for discussion and approval.

Policy and Procedure #4 lists the duties of the Trustee. Leon K9GCF moved to accept the policy as written by Ed AA9W, Ed AA9WW seconded, the motion passed.

Policy and Procedure #5 concerns the procedure for conduct of elections and term limits. Nels W9JOB moved to accept the policy as presented, Nancy KC9FXK seconded the motion, the motion passed.

Policy and Procedure #6 defines the amount of dues. Nels W9JOB moved to accept the policy as written, Leon K9GCF seconded, the motion passed.

Policy and Procedure #7 defines the procedures to be used in the annual audit. Small changes were made to the proposed policy. Because of changes in bank procedures, copies of canceled checks can be used instead of the actual canceled check. Either bank receipts or copies of deposit slips are acceptable to trace deposits. The current December statement will be included with other bank statements when conducting the annual audit. Nels W9JOB moved to accept the procedure as modified, Nancy KC9FZK seconded the motion, the motion passed.

The ORC Scholarship Award for 2005 has been given to Travis Waack KB9YRC from Manitowoc, WI. He is an 18-year old student of Meteorology and Physics at Northland College in Ashland, WI.

Ed AA9WW, chairman of the Corn Roast Committee, will be contacting members for assistance in planning this year's picnic.

In response to a request to purchase 10 GOTA pins and 6 Field Day pins for media and VIP visitors to Field Day, the board decided to purchase one of each. The Field Day pin will replace one given to Senator Glenn Grothman by Dave Barrow N9UNR. Gabe will be given the GOTA pin in recognition of the contacts made in the GOTA tent.

Nels WA9JOB reported an antenna on Green Bay Road, which has been offered to the club, must be taken down before Thursday, August 11, 2005. It is slated for demolition on that date.

The Meeting and Program Committee Chairman is looking for people to do programs

The regular monthly meetings have been without coffee or snacks. In September, membership will again be asked to volunteer. Break time will continue to be held with or without coffee.

Tom W9IPR would like to offer instructions for members interested in upgrading to a General Class License.

The AES picnic will be August 13, 2005

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

AGENDA

August 10th, 2005

1. Call to order – Tom (W9IPR)
 2. Introductions.
 3. Announcements, Bragging Rights, Show & Tell, Upcoming events, Etc.,
 4. Program:
 5. Fellowship Break
 6. Auction.
 7. Acceptance of Minutes as printed.
 8. Treasurer's report – Tom (AA9XK).
 9. Repeater report – Nels (WA9JOB)
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10. OZARES report – Jon (KB9RHZ).
 11. Committee reports.
 - Membership –
 - Public Relations –
 - Youth Program –
 - Corn Roast –
 - Field Day -
 12. OLD BUSINESS
 13. NEW BUSINESS.
 14. Adjournment to ?

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First Class

Next ORC Meeting

Grafton Senior Citizens Center

1665 7th Avenue, Grafton

Wednesday, August 10th

7:30 PM