

CCARC Meeting Notes
October 30, 2010
Longmont, CO

Prepared by: Secretary David Markham, W0CBI

Meeting began at 1307 hours with 23 persons in attendance.

Special Note:

The board extended its thanks to Ben Baker, KB0UBZ for use of the NSPIRE facility and to Boulder Amateur Radio Club, George Packer, WB0CDI for the drinks and snacks.

Secretary Notes from Spring 2010 meeting. Motion made to accept as published on website. Motion seconded and APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY by hand vote.

Treasurer Report:

See attached document (CCARC OCT 2010.PDF)

Wayne Heinen presented a motion and resolution to accept Colorado EMCOMM as a member of CCARC. Motion seconded and APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY by hand vote.

Frequency Coordinator Report:

Doug Sharp advised the following:

- Still coordinating, but slowly due to software problem
- Server was moved to new location
- Doug will correct typos on website
- Server problem caused a two week down time. It has been repaired.

At 1318 Doug Sharp made power point presentation on Digital Mobile Radio (DMR)

At 1345 Section Manager's Report by Jeff Ryan with the following comments:

- Jeff made brief comments regarding the Digital Mobile Radio presentation
- Recon Robot concern issue:
 - This is a remote device for hazardous environments that works in the 70 cm band.
 - Chris Imlay has been putting applicant agencies on notice of the dangers of interference if they choose to use it.
 - Last Tech-Plus license now gone. It expired June 12, 2010.
 - Call sign rule change. Call signs will expire with individual.
 - Club stations with multiple club call signs will be getting notice that they will be limited to one club call sign per club.
 - HR2160 ARECA now has 40 supporters in Congress.
 - Ham who received a cease and desist order from a city as a nuisance was rescinded by the city once it received ARRL letter. The city replied to ARRL that all further concerns with ham radio will be routed to the FCC.
 - Boy Scout are celebrating 100 years! 4 retired badges, one of which is SIGNALING have been activated. Boy Scout will follow 1911 requirements to get badges.

- Vanity License fee reduced to \$13.30.
- KB1DDK asked FCC for call sign waiver to KK1CQ and was denied, because his license class does not permit two by two call sign.
- On September 10, 2010 a New York judge issues order that ham radio is not a cell phone. A short discussion followed regarding Colorado's cell phone law and the same exemption added by testimony given by our Legislative Liaison, Robert Wareham.
- Five new DXCC countries added with the dissolution of the Netherlands Antilles.
- Log book of the world has registered 300 million QSO's!
- Boulder Fire:
 - BCARES did great job of support.

1408 presentation by Anne Trudeau, KA0ZFI on PIO Information

PIO Information

- Anne discussed the news cycle
- Anne proposes that all groups that have messaging include her into their message emails.
- Anne would like to work with any PIO or assigned person on significant news articles.
- Anne requests each group to order the ARRL PIO training CD for \$20 and to have it available in the library documents so members can refer to it.

1412 BREAK

1432 Meeting Resumed

Old Business:

If a group would like to be featured on the CCARC website, send group information to John Maxwell, W0VG.

New Business:

Need nominating committee for Spring 2011 meeting for the positions of Vice Chair and Treasurer.

Emit Hurdelbrink, W0UAW volunteered.

2011 Spring Meeting:

Cheyenne Mountain Repeater Group will host meeting in Colorado Springs. Either April 30th or May 14th, 2011. More to follow.

Annual Frequency Coordination Database Update to occur. Renewals either online or via US Mail.

Motion made to allow committee expenditure of up to \$300.00 on annual renewals.

Motion seconded and APPROVED by hand vote.

Updates from Members present:

Dan Scott: July 16, 2011 is the next Springs ham fest.

Rob Wareham: Colo Emcomm's repeater is 447.525. A short discussion of the procedures to use.

Dan Campbell:

Longmont ARC's auto-patch fixed and working. Will have IRLP soon on one of the repeaters.

Wayne Heinen:

Glen W0IJR SK shared thoughts.

Doug Sharp:

Updated on Colo Connection recent activities upgrading and maintaining

Short discussion of recent fire at Lee Hill and that fire went around site and minimal damage to equipment.

David Markham:

Reminder and invite to statewide SET on November 20, 2010. All groups, clubs, EMCOMM welcome to participate. Back up date December 4, 2010.

Paul Swanson:

WOTLM 60 new technician licenses!

George Packer:

Nothing new from BARC

Chris Depew:

Traveled from Montrose to meeting!

Dave Novotny:

CMRG is working on moving to new cabinet for ALL ham equipment. No date on move yet.

However, once move made will have 11 repeaters and full DSTAR stack

Assisted with new building and repeater on Fremont Mountain near Salida.

CRA:

Maintenance activities occurring on their repeaters.

Dan Meyer:

Inquired about ATV repeater coming back to Denver. Per Jeff Ryan repeater will come down when convenient for club to get it from top of mountain, probably next spring.

Sharon Agun:

Flaggler repeater out of service. When it goes back up it will be 30 feet shorter. Goal is to have it up by end of November.

By end of year she anticipates that the Genoa repeater will move to new site.

Anne Trudeau:

Please vote!

Ted Lungwitz:
Skywarn weekend December 4 and 5, 2010
In 2011 Pueblo group will have a WWII Army van restored.

Meeting adjourned at 1511.