



Minutes of the  
**Mid-MO Amateur Radio Club, Inc.**  
Jefferson City, MO

**Meeting of:** September 10, 2009

Called to order by: President, Mike Miller - WAØZOG

**In attendance:** K9ZTV – Kent Trimble, KBØQHZ – Joe Betros, KC7ARR – Richard Manning, KCØPET – Rick Bennett, KCØUZA – Mike McCrady, KDØAJF – Judy Anderson, KDØDDY – Nancie McAnagh, KDØDSJ – Randall Rolle, KDØGRM – Stephen Hick, KIØY – Mark Eberle, KMØS – Mike Thayer, NØBIV – Don Atkinson, NØQOI – Richard Stump, NØSS – Tom Hammond, NØTKN – Jim Biggerstaff, NØZH – Mike Dolson, NMØX – Eric Raub, W4RK – Bill Gerth, WA2KBZ – Karl Schulte, WAØBER – J.D. Simmons, WAØZOG – Mike Miller, WBØKXP – Gene Wilson, WBØAQV – Greg Abbott, WBØS – Jack Sifford

**Previous Meeting Minutes (presented & approved as corrected):**

**Secretary-Treasurer's Report:**

Current Bank Balance: \$7,235.36

**Old business**

**2-Meter net report:** Mike Dolson, NØZH Net Manager

Aug 19	WBØS	18
Aug 26	KDØDSJ/NØSS	13
Sep 2	NØZH	15
Sep 9	KDØDDY	15

**2-Meter net controllers:**

Sep 16	KCØPET
Sep 23	WBØS
Sep 30	NØZH
Oct 7	KDØDDY

Please contact Mike at [n0zh@arrl.net](mailto:n0zh@arrl.net) or by phone at (573) 491-0119, if you will not be able to call the net you are scheduled for so other arrangements can be made.

**2-Meter Repeater report:** New modem has not yet been installed. Tim and Tom are hoping to get the repeater pulled and do testing. The repeater may be down for a day or two during this time. An email will be circulated to notify when this takes place.

**Digipeater report:** No report.

**Missouri Emergency Packet Network (MEPN):** Jim, NØTKN, reported that more field trips were made to the site and a bad modem was identified. A replacement modem has been acquired and another trip will take place to install it next week. The last replacement modem lasted about 2 days.

Bill, W4RK, reported that he and Jim were able to check into the St. Louis County ARES digital net on MEPN. The link was made going direct to Centralia and skipping the Jefferson City node.

**Emergency Coordinator's report:** Joe, KBØQHZ reported nothing major this month so far. There is some coordination being done for the communications exercise on October 7<sup>th</sup> from 9:00AM to 2:30PM. The MO Emergency Services Net will be activated on 3.963 MHz with an alternate of 7.263 MHz for the entirety of the SEMA exercise. It is hoped to have 4 to 5 local HF capable stations with Internet available in the shack to help.

There will be E TEAM training held on September 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6:00PM to 10:00PM for those interested in participating in the exercise on October 7<sup>th</sup>.

Rick, KCØPET, reported the Level 1 EMCOMM classes have been narrowed down to two days, October 3<sup>rd</sup> and October 10<sup>th</sup> from 10:30AM to 5:30PM. The test date is not yet set.

**VE Liaison's report:** Jack, WBØS, reported that the test session after the last meeting resulted in one new Technician licensee, KDØIRG. No tests are currently scheduled.

**CW Class:** Kent, K9ZTV, reports that they are continuing to lean on the students to get them to higher speeds. They are up to 15wpm without using the Farnsworth method. A new class may be started if there is enough interest from new students. This class meets after breakfast at 9am every Saturday morning at Mel's Country Café.

Tom, NØSS, reports that the advanced class is still going well. This class meets before breakfast at Mel's at 6:45am.

**Training Committee:** Mike, KMØS, reported that the committee is working on putting together an Extra study session and would like people to think about dates and times to start. It will be a Q&A format with discussions. Technician classes are being held by state agencies but if the club would like to do one also, it is something to think about. A General study session will be looked into for next Spring.

**Bike MS Express Scripts Gateway Getaway Ride (MS150):** The event will be held on September 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>. The SAG vans will be wired tomorrow with a crew departing for Columbia at 2:15PM. The van staging area will be located at McKnight Plaza on Providence Road. Net control will begin setting up at 11:00AM.

**Zonta 5K Run:** This event will be held on September 19<sup>th</sup> starting at 7:30AM at Memorial Park on Main Street. It will begin and end at Memorial Park and should be completed by 10:00AM.

## **New business**

**Test Sessions:** Mike, KMØS, states that the Highway Patrol will have people coming in from various parts of the state for ham radio test sessions. These will be on October 15<sup>th</sup>, October 29<sup>th</sup>, and November 5<sup>th</sup>. Mike would like to enlist help from the club to run the test sessions which will be held at the Highway Patrol Academy.

**JOTA:** Andy, WBØPZR, contacted Mike, WAØZOG, about helping a local Boy Scout Troop with their annual Jamboree On The Air event. The event is scheduled for October 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> this year and would be a great opportunity to showcase ham radio to some young minds.

## **Announcements:**

Karl, WA2KBZ, has a desk that he would gladly donate to a new ham for an operating position. Anyone interested please get in touch with him.

Upcoming hamfests include Grandview on October 17<sup>th</sup> and the Halloween Hamfest in Kirkwood on October 31<sup>st</sup>.

## **Presentation:**

None

Respectfully submitted: Mark Eberle (KIØY), Secretary-Treasurer.

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