

WOOD COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS INC
August 5, 2003

The group enjoyed the get together and food at the annual picnic.

A short meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm by Ken Harris, WA8LLM/Unit 251 President. There were 38 members and guests present.

Minutes from the July 1, 2003 meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Ken, WA8LLM, gave a report on the 147.255 repeater system. He said the Quincy Hill Remote Receiver is off the air, and the old tower has been removed. He hopes that within a couple of weeks the receiver will be located on the new tower on the other side of the road. Randy, WB8OHX, says that we should be able to use the lower half of the Sheriff's UHF antenna mounting bracket. Sammy, N8SVX, is looking for an antenna that can be mounted upside down. The antenna is supposed to be up 225 feet. We already have the transmission line, all we have to get is connectors to go on the transmission line. Ken said the Williamstown Remote Receiver has been fixed. The problem was with the batteries. They had to be replaced. The receiver is better now than it has been in quite some time.

Ken, WA8LLM, gave a report on the base of operations building. We have paper work for a grant from the Jack Whittaker Foundation. It looks like the foundation may not be in existence any more, but we are going to send the paper work in anyway.

Ken, WA8LLM, gave the final report on the Field Day report that was sent to the ARRL. The report should be in the December issue of QST.

Ken, WA8LLM, gave a report on the Triathlon. Ken said the event was one of the worst clusters that we have worked with.

The Yaesu FT-1500 are down to about 180 dollars. We may buy the radios, or wait a little while, Yaesu is supposed to be coming out with instant rebate coupons very shortly.

Jessica Lynch is home. Dot, KC8HAI, Anna, KC8JWW, and Ken, WA8LLM, took MOBILECOM-1 to the top of Elizabeth Hill and monitored the radio traffic from the Emergency Services and Fire Department at the homecoming.

John Jones drew the winning tickets for the Lee and Lloyd Middleton Dolls. Anna Hendershot, KC8JWW, won both dolls. The organization made

88 dollars from the two dolls.

There was a reminder of the BINGO games at the Parkersburg Homecoming on August 15th, 16th, and 17th . Also there was a reminder of the Parkersburg Half Marathon, and the Parkersburg Homecoming Parade Lineup on August 16th.

There was a reminder of the Lubeck VFD Ice Cream Social on August the 9th and W5YI testing the same day.

NEW BUSINESS

Ken, WA8LLM, wanted to thank everyone that helped in any way, or was on standby for the Tornado in the Lubeck area. He said there is supposed to be a critique at the Lubeck Volunteer Fire station on August 14th.

As in the Old Business, Sam, N8SVX, is trying to find an antenna for the new Quincy radio tower.

Ken, WA8LLM, read a wedding announcement of Cathy, KC8DJJ, and Larry, KC8TRQ, which will be held on September 20th, at Mountwood Park..

Ray, N8TWV, made an announcement of the Huntington Hamfest on August 9th, 2003.

Charlie, W8JZN, brought an old tube type transmitter for show and tell. Several of those present asked several questions.

It was suggested that we do something for Brad, KC8TYU, who's mother past away within the past couple of weeks. It was suggested that we give a card and a check in the amount of 25 dollars. He can do what he wants to with it.

Ken, WA8LLM, read information about the Planet Mars which will come within 34,648,589 miles of earth. It will peek on August 27, 2003.

THOSE IN ATTENDANCE

Dot Harris KC8HAI/Unit 258, Ken Harris WA8LLM/Unit 251, Sam Mercer N8SVX/Unit 256, Jeff Newton N8WQO/Unit 277, Jennifer Greene KC8UYB/Unit 264, Rick Greene KC8VLM/Unit 265, Ryan Riser, Kyle Riser, Cathy Harris KC8DJJ/Unit 257, Ken Riffle KB8QPW/Unit 268, Pam Riffle KC8NLD/Unit 272, Judy Peterson N8UFQ/Unit 255, Jim Peterson, Kendale Peterson, Roger McGee KB8QPX/Unit 271, Kathy McGee, John Jones, Linda Jones, Ray Bodie N8TWV/Unit 278, Emily Bodie KB8YPB/Unit 288, Charlie Helmick W8JZN/Unit 286, Diane Helmick, Pam Davis KC8VPN/Unit 281, Mike Davis KC8SIP/Unit 279, Warren Beard KC5ZCD, Mary Beard, Anna Hendershot, KC8JWW/Unit 262, Lisa Hendershot KB8UER/Unit 270, Denise Magyarosi-Mills KC8TUF/Unit 290, Terry Mills KC8TUE/Unit 289, David Stevens

KC8VLK/Unit 274, Krista Mills KC8VLJ/Unit 295, Kevin Harris KC8OXY/Unit 253, Addie Boyles, Jane McGuffey N8MOW, Terry Brown KC8AOF/Unit ES-1, Ray Johnson KC8RUJ/Unit 292, and Carol Johnson KC8TUD/Unit 293