

Anoka County Radio Club General Meeting

March 3, 2006

Members / Guests Present:

Chrissy Neu KCØOKE, Dave Runkle KCØKEP, Pete Alcock KBØKHZ, Shawn Rung KØSMR, Tim Neu KCØLQL, Dave Cecka WBØVAD, Dave Holter KCØHJA, Jeremiah Bohn KCØFUI, John Smolenski NØYR, Maribeth Stephens KCØPZR, Parry Brown KCØTWB, Paul Bushouse NØTYE, Paul Runkle, Ray Costello NØFY, Scott Hash KCØBZG, Stacy Runkle KØPWD, Frank Karnauskas N1UW, Steven Besaw KD6JXG



Called to order by the President at 7:13 p.m.

Pledge.

General Announcements:

- Skywarn Class is scheduled for Saturday, March 11, 2006. Seats are still available!
- Gopher Radio Club Mutual Aid agreement was introduced to the members. Discuss with any board member if you have any questions.
- Frank Karnauskas N1UW (MN SEC) presented a certificate of achievement to Dave Runkle as our new Anoka County Emergency Coordinator.
Congratulations Dave!
- We are looking for a coordinator for field day.



Presentation: Introduction to Emergency Communications and ARES by Dave Runkle.
This presentation will be made available on our website.



Adjourned: 8:17 p.m.

Anoka County Amateur Radio Club

General Meeting

April 7, 2006

Members / Guests Present:

Al Schwarz AEØAL	Ken Henke NØDLS	Ray Costello NØFY
Chrissy Neu KCØOKE	Lorri Rung KØLLR	Ross DeMeyere WØFTX
Dan Peitso NØPIY	Mike Marshik KBØTZA	Scott Hash KCØBZG
Dave Cecka WBØVAD	Parry Brown KCØTWB	Shawn Rung KØSMR
Dave Holter WØDAH	Pat Barot KBØOLI	Shep Shepardson NØNMZ
Dave Runkle KCØKEP	Paul Bushouse NØTYE	Stacy Runkle KØPWD
David Warwick KCØWEP	Paul Runkle	Steven Besaw KD6JX6
Karen Runkle	Pete Alcock KBØKHZ	Tim Neu KCØLQL

General Announcements:

- Fox hunt On Sunday, April 9.
- The two-meter net is quite successful. We are getting a lot of check-ins from hams outside of our club. The net is attracting prospective members.
- Repeater Status: A PL-tone of 114.8 is now needed to access the repeater. The Fridley receive site is on the air. We are in the process of building the new Centerville receive site radios. There seems to be an antenna connection problem at the Centerville site. We need to debug it further.
- Field day is coming soon!
- Kit Builders will be held on April 15 at the Paul Parkway location in Blaine. We will be finishing the final calibration of the Centerville receive site radios at this session!
- VE on Saturday, April 8.
- The second Skywarn class will be held May 13, 2006.
- Severe weather awareness is April 17 thru the 21st. There will be a tornado drill on April 20 at 13:45 and 18:55.
- The Monticello drill is scheduled for April 12th in Robinsdale.

Presentation: A guide to Radio Direction Finding by Scott Hash.

The next board meeting will be held at the Blaine City Hall.

Anoka County Amateur Radio Club

General Meeting

May 5, 2006

Members / Guests Present:

Al Schwarz AEØAL	Dave Holter WØDAH	Pat Barot KBØOLI
Ann Foster KØANN	Dave Runkle KCØKEP	Paul Runkle
Ann Wakeman KCØWEN	Dick Kirchner KCØWOI	Scott Hash KCØBZG
Chrissy Neu KCØOKE	Jeff Kline KCØNIB	Shawn Rung KØSMR
Clayton Yares KCØURK	Jeremiah Bohn KCØFUI	Shep Shepardson NØNMZ
Dan Peitso NØPIY	Jim Burger NØWDY	Stacy Runkle KØPWD
Dana Dickson KCØUKJ	Karen Runkle KCØWEM	Tim Neu KCØLQL
Dave Cecka WBØVAD	Mike Marshik KBØTZA	

General Announcements:

- The next Kit Builders Group will be in September.
- The next VE is May 13th at 9 a.m.
- The next Fox Hunt will be May 28th.
- Field Day is June 24 and 25th. We will be joined by the Anoka ARES and Minneapolis Radio Club. Volunteers are still needed.
- There is a scholarship available from the Foundation of Radio Amateurs. Contact Dan Peitso for more information. The deadline for applying is June 1, 2006.
- Mutual Agreements were signed with both the Gopher Amateur Radio Club and the Minneapolis Radio Club.
- The MS Scram bike tour is looking for communications volunteers. This event will be held on the weekend of June 10th and 11th. More information is available at: www.ms150hams.org.
- July 4th is the BB4 Fun Run. It is scheduled to start at 8 a.m. We need 5 operators. This is a fun event to work at!

New Ham Recognitions:

- Dick Kirchner – KCØWOI
- Clayton Yares – KCØURK
- Dana Dickson – KCØUKJ
- Ann Wakeman – KCØWEN
- Karen Runkle – KCØWEM
- Jim Burger – NØWDY

Congratulations to all new and upgraded hams!

The next Board Meeting is on May 16th at 7 p.m. at the Circle Pines McDonalds.

Anoka County Amateur Radio Club

General Meeting

June 2, 2006

Members / Guests Present:

Al Schwarz AEØAL
Clayton Yares KCØURK
Dan Peitso NØPIY
Dave Cecka WBØVAD
Dave Runkle KCØKEP

Jeff Kline KCØNIB
Jeff Kuhn NØYZC
Maribeth Stephens KCØPZR
Mike Marshik KBØTZA
Ross DeMeyere WØFTX

Shawn Rung KØSMR
Stacy Runkle KØPWD
Terry Holman KAØTFJ

General Announcements:

- We're having a contest to create a patch design for our club. We're looking for artwork and designs from our club members for a shoulder style patch. The design should be limited to reasonable colors, shapes and sizes. The artwork should be in a file format that is scaleable without loss of resolution (vectorized). The board members will review and vote on the patch artwork at a future meeting (to be announced). The contest winner will receive a free patch after they are fabricated. Let's see your creative side! Submit your artwork and designs to Shawn Rung KØSMR.
- The next Kit Builders Group will be held in September.
- The next VE is Saturday, June 10th.
- The next Fox Hunt will be held in September. A "mini" fox hunt will be held at field day. Join us there and give it a try!
- Dan Peitso NØPIY will be holding a new revised AERO course on October 14, 2006 at the Blaine city hall. There will be less emphasis on incident command and more on communications and message/traffic handling. Contact Dan for more information.
- The BB4 Parade will be held from noon to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 24. Please show up at 10:00 a.m. for the briefing and setup.
- The 5k Fun Run will be held on July 4th from 8:00 a.m. to noon. Meet at 7:30 a.m. for setup and briefing.
- Fireworks will be held on Tuesday, July 4th starting at 10:00 p.m. Be there at 6:00 p.m. if you want to beat the traffic. Bring something along to eat. We will have the same setup as last year. See our website for more info.
- Field day will start on Saturday, June 24 at noon, and end Sunday at noon. We will setup in the Southeast parking lot of Blaine city hall starting 5:00 p.m. Friday night (putting up towers tents, etc). We are looking for four 70-foot runs of LMR quality coax for the VHF/UHF stations. If you can help provide these, please contact Dave Runkle ASAP. We are especially looking for operators for the 11:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. (overnight) timeframe. Please stop out at the Field Day event and help us out! Remember to bring the kids out too! We'll have a GOTA station for them, and APRS, QRP, Packet and a Mini Fox Hunt too! We are also planning on having a potluck at the event, so bring a dish to share and we'll provide the meat!

New Ham Recognitions:

Jeff Kuhn – NØYZC - **Congratulations!**

Upcoming Meetings:

The next Board Meeting will be Tuesday, June 20th at 7:00 p.m. at the Blaine Baseball Complex.

The next General meeting will be September 8th at the Blaine Baseball Complex. This will be our simple supper (potluck) meeting. Meat will be provided – just bring a dish to share and bring your family for an evening of fun!

Anoka County Radio Club General (Membership) Meeting

October 6, 2006

Board Members Present:

Chrissy Neu KCØOKE
Dave Runkle KCØKEP

Pete Alcock KBØKHZ
Shawn Rung KØSMR

Tim Neu KCØLQL
Dan Peitso NØPIY

Members / Guests Present:

Al Schwarz AEØAL
Ann Foster KØANN
Brian Flaherty KCØYLG
Dana Dickson KCØUKJ
David Ventura KEØNA
Everett Washington KCØUWV

Jay Jagerson NØMDF
Jeff Kuhn NØYZC
John Kinnunen KBØADD
Karen Runkle KCØWEM
Ken Henke NØDLS
Lorri Rung KØLLR

Michelle Pierce
Mike Marshik KBØTZA
Paul Runkle
Scott Hash KCØBZG
Stacy Runkle KØPWD

Called to order by the President at 7:25 pm. 

Repeater Status:

2 Meter Repeater (146.670):

In the near future, we will be bringing up the Centerville receive site, adjusting the voter and turning down the audio level at the Fridley receive site and the CW ID'er. It costs about \$400 per year to run our 2-meter repeater system.

Announcements:

- Patch / Logo submissions were shown to the general membership. The designs will be voted on by the board members at the next board meeting.
- Christmas party – We needed input as to the food selections desired for the Christmas party by the membership. We took an informal survey. The selections will be made at the next board meeting.
- Ion Media Networks has asked for our input as to what is important to people in the community. If you have comments for them, please let our president know.
- The Kit Builders group is back on. It will be held on the third Saturday of each month. Bring a project to work on and have some fun! It will be from Noon until 6:00 p.m. Contact Mike Marshik KBØTZA with any questions.
- The ARES SET (Simulated Emergency Test) is this weekend. Anoka County ARES will be participating with Sherburne County.
- The AERO Class next weekend at City Hall. Contact Dan Peitso NØPIY ASAP if you want to attend.
- Jay Jagerson NØMDF and Al Schwarz AEØAL are going to head another Technician Level Class. They are looking for people to help teach the class.
- We are looking for hams take the test to become VE's. We could use more VE's to help out at the exams.
- Scott Hash KCØBZG will be holding the next Fox Hunt on Oct 15, 2006 from Noon to 5:00 p.m. It will be held at the Round Lake Regional Park. Please email Scott with your contact info if you want to be a participant in the hunt.
- The Anoka County Radio Club Net is held every Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. The Anoka County ARES net is held every 2nd and 4th Wednesday evening, after the ACRC Net.

Adjourned at 8:18 p.m.





Anoka County Radio Club

General Meeting Minutes

November 3, 2006

Members / Guests Present:

Al Schwarz AEØAL
Brian Flaherty KCØYLG
Chrissy Neu KCØOKE
Dan Peitso NØPIY
Dana Widboom
Dave Cecka WBØVAD
Dave Runkle KCØKEP
Dave Ventura KEØNA

David Gamble WØTBBS
David Ventura KEØNA
Don Lisell KØBNS
Jeremiah Bohn KCØFUI
Karen Runkle KCØWEM
Lorri Rung KØLLR
Mike Marshik KBØTZA
Pat Barot KBØOLI

Paul Bushouse NØTYE
Paul Runkle
Ray Costello NØFY
Richard Young KCØWJE
Scott Hash KCØBZG
Shawn Rung KØSMR
Stacy Runkle KØPWD
Tim Neu KCØLQL

Called to Order by the President at 7:10 p.m.

General Announcements

- Christmas Party:

The Annual Christmas Party is December 2nd, 2006. The menu will be:

- Roast Tom Turkey and Honey Glazed Ham
- Au Gratin Potatoes
- Green Beans

- Patch Design Contest:

The new patch design by Shawn Rung KØSMR was approved by the board members. We are in the process of having patches made. Free patches will be given to the design submitters, one per submitted design. We received designs from Scott Hash KCØBZG and Shawn Rung KØSMR.

- 2 Meter Repeater Status:

We are currently running two receive sites - one in Centerville and Fridley. Both have been tuned as per the written procedure we have. We will now need to fine tune the voter for best performance. We will turn on the Blaine (Paul Parkway) receive site once we have the voter fine tuned.

Dave Runkle KCØKEP will attempt to conquer the MRC issues that will be coming up. We will see what they have to say about our coordination status once they process our paperwork.

Dave Runkle KCØKEP will be looking into possible receive sites near East Bethel or Rodgers. We would like to have handheld coverage throughout Anoka County. It is in our best interest to attempt to get city independent site contracts (MOU's) for these receive sites. A little note, it costs about \$5800 per link site to put a receive site on the air. Donations to the repeater fund are always welcome.

Dave Runkle KCØKEP is still looking for technical expertise for help with the repeater. Contact Dave for more info on how to help out.

- Elections:
Elections are coming up in February. Scott Hash KCØBZG has volunteered for the Membership Chair position. Please contact him if you have any nominations you wish to provide for the upcoming election. Here is what we know so far:

President:	Chrissy Neu KCØOKE is re-running
Vice President:	(Open)
Treasurer:	(Open)
Board Member at Large:	(Open)

- Anoka ARES:
Anoka ARES will be holding its first meeting on Monday, November 20, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. at the Anoka County Government Center. They will have meetings every third Monday of the month.
- Membership Update:
We have 44 members as of this meeting (includes new and renewed members as of October's membership meeting).
- **Shawn Rung KØSMR is now a VE! *Congratulations, Shawn!***



Adjourned at 7:40 p.m.