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NEXT MEETING

The July meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 7th, 2009. You are welcome to join all who want to eat, ordering off the Halliie Eagles club menu, at 6:00 P.M. The meeting will follow dinner at 7:00 P.M.

NETS/FREQS/TIMES

- Badger Weather Net 3.985 - 0600
- Badger Emergency Net 3.985 - Noon
- Wisconsin Side Band Net 3.985 - 1715/1730
- ARES/RACES 3.977.5 - Sun - 1800
- Wisconsin Novice Net (CW) 3.555-1800
- Wisconsin Slow Speed Net (CW) 3.555-1830

June Minutes

The June meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. with 20 members in attendance and Skip Krueger stepping in for Jim Ferring who was absent. The secretary's minutes from the May meeting were read and accepted. The Treasurers report was read and accepted. The website was discussed and a new calendar has been posted. If you have any events that need posting please contact Ron Anderson.

A chairman was need for the tailgate which is to be held in August 8th, and Skip Krueger volunteered.

Programs were next on the agenda. The following ideas were put out for opinions, Solar Power, Alternate power, Dayton, workshops, how to create PowerPoint presentations, web pages, Ham Radio deluxe, 80 meter foxhunt, xyl network. If you have any ideas please contact Gale Sorum.

A brief discussion was held on the trip to Dayton, and I'm not sure how, but a banana came into the conversation.

Field Day will be held on June 27th- this is an exercise in emergency setup and operation. Then contacts are made. The Eau Claire club will be holding their standard Field day and anyone interested is encouraged to stop in. Remember this is a good time to get new people involved. They can come in and see what it is all about.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05

Gene Radke provided a presentation on a Beverage antennas.

HAM TRIVIA

The ARRL'S 1942 issue of "The Radio Amateur's License Manual" cost how much?

Museum Ship Weekend

I'm an enabler. I bought my husband his first radio as a b-day present and told him "now you have to get your license." I never intended on getting mine, but I did. As a tech, I don't get into the contesting. I did make a contact on Field day last year and it was neat. I do however like watching my husband make contacts. My dad served in the Navy so when I heard about the Museum ships it was neat to hear they would be on the air. I encouraged my hubby to work the contest most of the weekend. I did let him take a break. But than after a little while it was back to the radio. It was neat to hear others from our club trying to make the same contacts. I know how hard everyone worked to try to make their 15 contacts to qualify for a certificate. So I would like to acknowledge all those from our club who participated in the Museum Ship contest Both for their hard work and because of what the museum ships stand for. Museum Ships Weekend—June 6th and 7th. To get a certificate you needed to work 15 different ships.

Ron Larson	24/15
Bert & Judy Spangler	14/15
Ron Anderson	14/15
Kevin Cohoon	8/15
Skip Kruger	2/15

Congrats everyone!!!!

TRIVIA ANSWER:

25 CENTS, including postage!!

DX News

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by KF4VTT, NC1L, VE1RSM, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

AZERBAIJAN, 4J. Rashad, 4J9M has been active using

RTTY on 17 and 15 meters around 2200z, as well as 10 meters around 1000z. QSL via DL7EDH.

ALGERIA, 7X. Members of the Algerian Radio Amateur Association and the Djelfa Radio Club will be QRV as 7U2ISM from June 16 to July 6 during the international Algerian Sahara HAM Meeting. Activity will be on all bands using CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV and digital modes. QSL via operators' instructions.

NAURU, C2. Dani, EA4ATI and others will be QRV as C21TI from June 16 to 30. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters, including 60 meters, using CW and SSB, with two radios active. QSL via EA4ATI.

MADEIRA ISLANDS, CT3. Carlos, CT3FQ plans to be QRV as CR3M during the Portugal Day Contest between 0530 and 2100z on 80 to 10 meters. QSL to home call.

SOLOMON ISLANDS, H4. Mike, KM9D and Jan, KF4TUG are QRV as H44MY from Stirling Island, IOTA OC-162, and are here for about a week. Activity is on 40, 30 and 20 meters using mostly CW. QSL via OM2SA.

HUNGARY, HA. Sanyi, HA0HV is QRV as HG400HV until the end of 2009. Activity is on all HF bands and 6 and 2 meters using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL to home call.

SAN ANDRES ISLANDS AND PROVIDENCIA, HK0. Dennis, K7BV will be QRV as 5J0BV from San Andres, IOTA NA-033, from June 18 to 29. He will concentrate his activity on 6 meters sporadic-E but will also be active on the HF bands as well. QSL direct to home call.

NETHERLANDS, PA. Fred, PA0FAW is QRV with special event call sign PA09SHAPE until July 3 to celebrate Mode Biennale, which is the fashion month in Arnhem. QSL to home call.

GREECE, SV. Operators Elizabeth, K4KTG, Michael, KC6ZUS and Jonathan, KI4UOU will be QRV as SV/K4KTG from Thira Island, IOTA EU-067, from June 15 to 30. QSL via K4KTG.

CANADA, VE. Bob, VE1RSM is QRV as home call/VY0 from Whitehorse, Yukon Territory until August 17. Activity is on all HF bands, particularly 40, 30 and 20 meters, using CW and SSB during his evenings and weekends. QSL to home call.

OPERATION APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operation is approved for DXCC credit: Saudi Arabia, HZ1EA. If you had this operation rejected in a recent submission, please send a note to dxcc (at) arrl.org to be placed on the list for an update.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL June VHF QSO Party, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, Digital Pentathlon, ANARTS World Wide RTTY Contest, Portugal Day Contest, VK/Trans-Tasman 160-Meter Phone Contest, Asia-Pacific SSB Sprint, GACW WWSA DX CW Contest, REF DDFM 6-Meter Contest, SKCC Weekend CW Sprint are all scheduled for this weekend. The SARL Youth Day SSB Sprint is scheduled for June 16. Please see June QST, page 80 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.

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