

Amateur Gazette

Paso Robles ARC

W6LKF

May 3rd, 2010 Minutes

Paso Robles
Amateur Radio Club

Special Interest

Dates:

- June 25-27th
Field Day
- Jul 26th-Aug 4th
Boy Scout
Jamboree

- Oct 18-22nd
School Club
Roundup

Ham Fests & Swap Meets

- June 4-6th
SEA-PAC
Seaside, OR
"The Northwest's
Largest Ham
Convention"

- June 19th
Santa Maria
Swapfest
0800 hours
Elks Lodge

- August 14th
SBARC Hamfest
Earl Warren
Showgrounds,
Santa Barbara
0800 hours

- Sept. 17-19th
San Diego ARC
Southwestern
Division
Convention

- October 15-17th
Pacificon
Mount Diablo ARC
San Ramon, CA

Call to Order The May 3, 2010 meeting of the Paso Robles Armature Radio Club was held at the Estrella Warbird Museum and called to order by President Mike Kelley at 1914 hours. Members in attendance were as follows:

President Mike Kelley	K6AJ
Vice President John Foster	N6FVY
Treasurer Ron Patterson	W6FM
Mary Mason	W6ROX
Ron Brooks	W6QUI
Shane Faulkenberry	KI6QFY
Jon Root	KG6NXX
Joel Kaye	AD6KH
Bill Palmerston	K6WWJ
Charles De Craene	N6DIQ
Avery Wright	KD4GBA

Old Business A warm thanks to our hosts of the Tailgate Breakfast Evan and Mary Mason for offering their home and hospitality for a successful breakfast. Although the weather was cool a great time was had by all.

John Foster gave a re-cap of the annual Wildflower Festival held at San Antonio Lake on the weekend of May 1st. Cal Poly Amateur Radio Club operates the communications operation for the event. Shane Faulkenberry and John Foster from the Paso Robles Amateur Radio Club along with a substantial showing of the Cal Poly Club members volunteered. The Wildflower Festival has become one of the premier triathlon venues with over sixty-five hundred athletes participation in three triathlons. The radio club supplies support and communications along the course with mobile motorcycle and a few four wheeled vehicles equipped with APRS. They also supply communications in support and coordination with the event communications.



New Business

Mike Kelley addressed the idea of club members volunteering in support of the Warbirds Wings and Wheels event being held at the Museum on May 8th 2010. The support at this time would not be a club event, just individual volunteers. Possibly next year the club might be able to assist with radio support during the event.

Field Day Update

Avery Wright demonstrated the Field Day Contest Logs, logging program from N3FJP. The program appears to be straight forward and easy to navigate. The log consist of one window that fills the screen and handles all of the required information.

A motion was made by Mary Mason to send a letter of thanks to John and Berna Dallons, for the transfer of 146.98 repeater to the club. Joel Kaye 2nd

A short discussion in regards to field day equipment was passed around the table. Items like chairs, tables, water, BBQ, testing location and shelter. The discussion was tabled until next meeting at which time we would make firm decisions.

Random Shots

Ron Brooks talked a little on the Military Radio Collectors Group annual meeting held at Camp San Luis April 29 – May 1st, 2010. Many pieces of historic equipment was on display. With presentations presented by Bjorn Forsberg, SM5UR, The World's Largest Heathkit, and Ray Robinson, VK2ILV. Arnhem and the Wireless Set 68P

Ron Patterson shared his recent EME contact and QSL card from Puerto Rico on 432 Mhz.



The Prez Sez:

I hope everyone is getting excited about Field Day 2010. Avery Wright, KD4GBA, has taken the reins as field day chairman and has a lot of great ideas for this year. We should have a great public presence holding Field Day at the Estrella Warbird Museum, Something we have not had in many years. Please spread the word to friends and family to come out and operate. We will finalize plans for Field Day at the June meeting so please plan to attend with any thoughts and ideas.

I would like to apologize for the lack of a newsletter last month. Both Jeff Joynt and I have been extremely busy with work and by the nature of our respective businesses, one must make hay while the sun is shining, as the saying goes.

I would like to encourage everyone to contribute to the club newsletter any way they can. It is always nice to hear what other Hams are doing.

Speaking of what Hams are doing, be sure to congratulate Ron, W6FM, for his moonbounce contact with the Arecibo Dish in Puerto Rico. Definitely no small accomplishment. Let us know what you are up to!

As always, if you need some help with an antenna project or station set up; don't be afraid to ask for help. The club membership includes a wide variety of expertise to draw from. Keep the bands alive, get on the air!

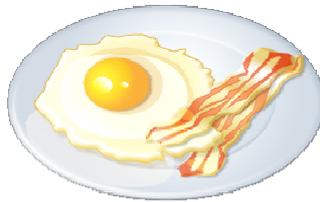
73,

Your Prez,

Mike Kelley, K6AJ

Be sure and visit the club website at www.pasoroblesarc.org

The weekly breakfasts are held every Sunday at Carrows Restaurant 7300 El Camino Real,



Atascadero, CA 8:30 am.

Meeting adjourned 2112 Hrs.

Submitted
John Foster

NEXT MEETING June 7th, 2010 7:00 P.M. Estrella Warbird Museum