Butte Amateur Radio Club Meeting 3 Sep 2015



In attendance:

N7TRG – Rodney KB7PSJ – Richard KG7OMB – James N7SKI – John N7TIM – Larry N7ARO – Gene

Visiting:

W7ARO - Ed

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by the Vice President, Rodney (N7TRG).

Treasurers Report:

Balance in checking – \$304.27 Dues collected during the meeting - \$75 Donation from W7ARO (Ed) and KA7JMH (Erik) - \$50 Total balance at end of meeting \$479.27

\$320.00 is due for insurance to Mercer Consumer by 1 December.

The following individuals have paid and are current on their BARC Dues:

K7LIV - Gregg Symons
KG7OMB – James Burke
KG7OJS – Andrew Derickson
K7TIM – Larry Johnson
KB7PSJ – Richard Liles
N7ARO – Gene Bodenberger
N7SKI – John Hyndman

Old business:

KB7PSJ (Richard) inquired about the status of installing a repeater in the Deer Lodge area that would give coverage from Butte into Missoula. He stated that he has a verbal go-ahead from the current Sheriff to install equipment in a climate controlled building in the area and no rent would be levied. The Sheriff is in office for approximately 2 more years and the agreement should stand throughout his tenure. The issue was tabled due to the fact that no equipment exists to install in the location. It was discussed that we would re-engage the idea after the coming winter.

New business:

The North American Indian Alliance (NAIA) Pow Wow is occurring 11-13 September, 2015 at the Butte Civic Center. The Butte Amateur Radio Club is going to provide communications support for the fun runs that are scheduled to begin at 0800 on 12 September. We expect to have 6-8 Hams supporting the event. Gregg (K7LIV) is the liaison between the BARC and NAIA.

A trip is scheduled to the Lookout at Red Mountain on 12 September, 2015 immediately following the NAIA fun runs. The plan is to secure the hard line that has been installed to the new tower, upgrade the firmware in the UHF Yaesu Fusion repeater, perform battery maintenance and to conduct any other maintenance that is required before snow will make access to the repeater site more difficult. John (N7SKI), James (KG7OMB), Gene (N7ARO) and Pat (AE7NZ) from Belgrade are planning to ascend the mountain and conduct required maintenance.

Although there was a quorum present, no issues arose that required a vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 PM.

Gene Bodenberger N7ARO Secretary, BARC



A recent picture of the New Forest Service tower with The 2 element dipoles attached to the 34/94 machine.