SEP 2010 VCARA NEWSLETTER

Presidents Corner

Another month has come and gone, it is again time for the newsletter for September 2010. It appears we are in need of a newsletter editor again, I wish to give a heartfelt thank you to Sandy for taking that duty up when we needed someone to continue that function after the previous newsletter editor moved on to other endeavors. Each of you look inside of yourself and ask, "Should I offer to be the next newsletter editor for the VCARA?" I will be asking that question during the meeting in September.

I have been busy enough at my place of work that I know I have not been able to put much attention to many of the things I need to as president of the VCARA. That said I need to thank several individuals for their assistance. Sandy stepped in and took on the newsletter when no one else felt they had the time to devote to doing a newsletter for the club. She has done a good job of it too! Ralph Clark, John Erni, Goose and Charlotte Gaussoin, Paul Ridley, Jim and Laurie Duffy, Russell and Elvira Hunt, Tony and Dawn Torres and their boys, James McNutt, Christine Gillespie, and Mark Haliburton are some of the people behind the scenes that ensure a lot of the VCARA business is taken care of. Without members of this club like these and many more I have not mentioned, this club would not be the club it is today, one of the best Amateur Radio Clubs in the State of New Mexico!

Oh, and I also need to mention the slate of officers for this year, Each of you stepped up and accepted a position that you were not too sure about, and are doing very well with your positions, Sean Tyler, Vice President, Laurie Duffy Treasurer, Leslie Wirts Secretary, Thanks to each of you for the help and support of the VCARA.

Aug 2010 Meeting Minutes

Leslie Wirts

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America followed by personal introductions.

Saif, KF6WJZ, spoke of his many interesting experiences in the places where he has lived. It is amazing that Bangladesh has as many residents as the US. It is a very populated. Should you desire to read more of Saif's interesting stories, you can locate them at www.saifshahid.com.

POTLUCK

On Sep 28, we will be having the VCARA Annual September potluck at the First Baptist Church, Fellowship Hall.

Please bring your food by 5:30 so that we can set the room in time for the 6:00pm on the money serving. The Club will provide hot dogs and grilled hamburgers.

Congratulations to John Cresap, KD5MHO. He passed the FCC General class license test at the Duke City Ham fest!! See you on the air John.

Business

There was a discussion concerning removing the previous treasurer off of the account and insuring that the new treasurer's name is on the account. The previous newsletters provided the authority to accomplish this item.

ARES.

Anyone interested in becoming an ARES member should contact Ralph or Joyce. The club has the equipment to take your picture and provide an official badge.

The club authorized reimbursing Pat L for Club T-shirts. We apologize for not acting upon this sooner. Members may purchase these items from the club.

Club Roster

The club roster has to be updated since the Apr listing does not show all the club membership actions that took place in July, the annual membership dues time. Laurie, our new treasurer, will have the honor, Goose agreed to manage the roster if he can get a copy of the current roster.

Wed Night Net (ARES Net on the 4th Wed at 7:30.)

We need more participation!. The Net is how we can insure the frequency is being used.

Plan on the 8:00PM Net on Wed nights. Volunteer to run the net. Be prepared for an emergency.

Newsletter

We need to have more items to place in the Newsletter. Please try to get them to the Editor by the 10th of the month. I usually try to get the letter to Chris, our club president by the 15th. He then adds his comments from the President and then transmits them via e-mail to club members.

I am transmitting this newsletter a few days late this month, the 17th Sep, and believe that it is in the best interest of the Club that I no longer put the paper together. The Potluck will replace the regular business meeting for Sep so a newsletter will not be required until the next meeting. I have enjoyed putting the paper together but did have club members upset that they did not get the paper via e-mail or some have complained about the content. It is up to the individual member to insure that the roster reflects your current e-mail address. That is where the list comes from. Also, as far as content, it is helpful for members to provide the content material that they desire to be included in the Newsletter.

I am sure that each of you will help the next Newsletter Editor in this regard.

WED NET SCHEDULED OPERATORS

SEP

22 Sep James KC7YWB

29 Sep Russ KD5UJR

OCT

6 Oct Ralph, NM5RC

13 Oct......Elvira KD5UJQ

20 Oct Val, KE5KFP

27 Oct James KC7YWB

NOV

3 Nov Paul N5PR

10 Nov Goose K5EMH

17 Nov Janelle KE5OQE

24 Nov James KC7YWB