

# ***IREDELL WIRELESS***

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Members-at-Large: Tim Misenheimer, KC4MJC ~~Howard Hecht W1HO

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## ***JUNE 2009***

This month's Meeting will be held at Julia's Tally House. June 11, 2009. Come early (6:30PM) and eat or rag chew. The Meeting Starts at 7:00 PM. *All ICARS members and Families are encouraged to attend!*

*Field Day 2009  
June 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>  
Setup June 26<sup>th</sup> at 14:00 hrs (2:00pm)  
McClure Park, I-40 Ball field*

**Iredell County Amateur Radio Society**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**May 14, 2009**

The Iredell County Amateur Radio Society met at Julia's Tally House for the regular monthly meeting. President Rick McClure, KE4TEP, called the meeting to order at 6:57pm. There were seventeen (17) attending – thirteen (13) members and four (4) visitors. Rick asked everyone to introduce him or herself.

**Minutes-** A motion to approve the April 9, 2009 minutes, as published, was made and seconded. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report** – John Lamson, WB4WRY, presented and submitted a report dated May 14, 2009.

**ARES** – Dennis, N4WHK, reported:

1. There will be an Area 11 ARES meeting at Shoney's in Statesville on Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> beginning at 9:30am.
2. Future Area 11 ARES meeting will also be held in Statesville since it's centrally located to the Area.
3. The McGuire Nuclear Power Station Emergency Preparedness Exercise is schedule for August 17<sup>th</sup> through the 21<sup>st</sup>. The exercise is conducted every two years to test emergency procedures at the plant and in county and state government agencies. There may be additional exercises before that time as well.
4. The new antenna has been installed at EOC. The old antenna has been refurbished and will eventually be installed at South Iredell High School.

**Technical** – Don, W4DON, reported:

1. The old antenna that was removed from EOC needed refurbishing, so Don disassembled it and took it to Schafer Manufacturing in Troutman and negotiated with them to refurbish the fiberglass sections in exchange for a charitable donation letter from ICARS.
2. Don installed a Tone Board and remounted the ID'er in the VHF Engineering repeater. The VHF Engineering repeater is not in service at the moment.
3. Don also designed an Excel spreadsheet to help the Treasurer track the dues paid by club members each year and worked with the Treasurer to help him get accustomed to the spreadsheet.

**Website** – Tim, KC4MJC, reported that he has removed the 2008 Field Day photos from the website in anticipation of posting the 2009 photos.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**Field Day** –Dennis, N4WHK, reported:

1. Dennis brought up the antenna party that Rick, KE4TEP, was going to host at his home before Field Day, and it was decided that the party would be postponed until Field Day and we would build the antennas there at the park.
2. McClure Park will be open at 8:00am and setup will begin at noon on Friday, June 26.

We will set up a GOTA station this year. Howard, W1HO, will take charge of setting up this station and will be using his equipment and possibly his call sign.

Howard, reported that he has had no communications with the Scoutmaster for weeks and is not sure of their attendance.

The Scoutmaster had asked if we could conduct a class in Mooresville in May for 10-12 people. This time frame doesn't work with anyone's schedule.

Don has published a directory of active and honorary club members and has emailed it to everyone who has provided an email address.

Rick has mailed 40 letters inviting potential new members to come to club meetings but has had no responses. Don has sent out 18 letters to recent club members who have not yet renewed their membership for 2009.

## **CORRECTION**

It was reported in last month's Meeting Minutes that Jeff Watts, KC4DBZ, was selected as one of RadioLinks 2009 Top 30 Engineering and Technician Professionals. The Honor was actually awarded by Radio Ink magazine who named Jeff as one of the 30 Most Admired Engineers in Radio for 2009. Jeff, we apologize for the mistake and congratulate you on being nominated by the magazine readers to this very select group.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Dennis, N4WHK, mentioned that the club officers need to have a Board Meeting in compliance with the club Bylaws, which state in Article II that a Board Meeting should occur quarterly. A date was not set for the meeting.

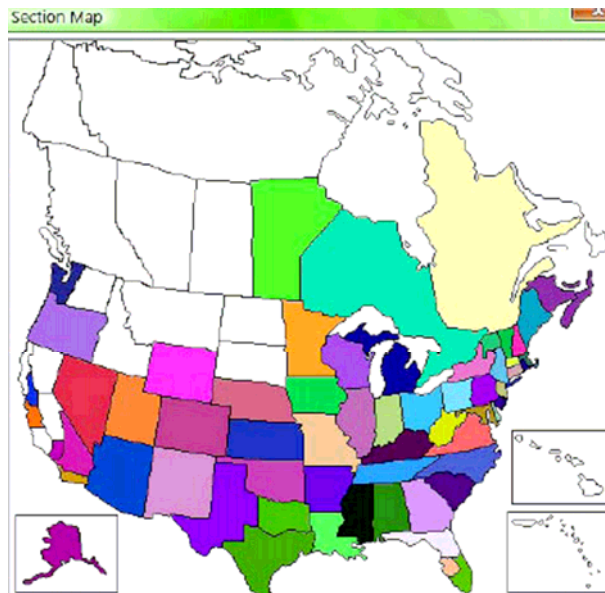
Don, W4DON, mentioned that Nets will no longer be held if no one signs up to be the Net Control Station for a particular date.

A motion was made to adjourn at 7:40pm. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Greg Cason, KJ4ENR  
Secretary

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Map of how many States and Canadian Provinces we worked at Field Day 2008! See if we can beat that this year!!!



Contact Dennis, N4WHK and make sure he has your name on his operator list. Sign up before the best spots are taken!!!!

There is plenty of work to be done before, during, and after the actual Field Day event and we need everyone's help! Come and join in the FUN.  
 Screen Shot from the N3FJP Field Day Logging program we use.

| Rec# | Call   | Class | Sec | Date | Time  | Bnd | Mode | Opr |
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| 608  | W8ID   | 2A    | OH  | 6/29 | 16:35 | 20  | PH   | CHP |
| 607  | N3VPD  | 2A    | NLI | 6/29 | 16:35 | 20  | PH   | CHP |
| 606  | VA3UT  | 2A    | QC  | 6/29 | 16:32 | 20  | PH   | CHP |
| 605  | W8UPU  | 4A    | OH  | 6/29 | 16:30 | 20  | PH   | CHP |
| 604  | VE3URF | 3D    | ON  | 6/29 | 16:29 | 20  | PH   | CHP |
| 603  | WU2B   | 1D    | NNJ | 6/29 | 16:28 | 20  | PH   | CHP |
| 602  | N4ALS  | 1B    | EPA | 6/29 | 16:26 | 20  | PH   | CHP |
| 601  | W3OK   | 2A    | EPA | 6/29 | 16:26 | 20  | PH   | CHP |

| Section | Count |
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| 5       | 5     |
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| 7       | 7     |
| 8       | 8     |
| 9       | 9     |
| Canada  | 0     |

***PARTIAL  
FIELD DAY SUPPLY  
LIST***

ANTENNAS (all types)  
ARRL MESSAGE FORMS  
CLUB BANNER  
BATTERY CHARGER  
BATTERIES  
BLANKET  
BUG SPRAY, CANDLES, ETC.  
N3FJP LOGGING PROGRAM  
CASSETTE RECORDER  
CHAIRS  
CLIMBING AND SAFETY GEAR  
CLIP BOARDS  
CLOTHING (EXTRA)  
COAX CABLE  
COAX CONNECTORS  
COMPASS  
COMPUTERS  
COOLERS AND ICE  
COTS  
DUCT TAPE  
ELECTRICAL TAPE  
ELECTRICAL OUTLET STRIPS  
EXTENSION CORDS  
EXTRA COMPUTER DISKS  
FANS  
FIELD DAY RULES  
FIRST AID KITS  
HARD HATS  
FLASH LIGHT & BATTERIES  
FREQUENCY CHART  
FUSES ( EXTRA)  
GARBAGE BAGS  
GASOLINE  
GENERATORS  
GROUND RODS, CLAMPS, WIRE

HAMMERS, LARGE & SMALL  
HEAD PHONES  
HF RADIOS  
INFORMATION TABLE MATERIAL ( HAND OUTS)  
KEYERS  
LANTERNS  
LIGHTS (FLOOD)  
LOG SHEETS  
MATCHES  
MEDICINES (IF NEEDED)  
MICROPHONES  
OIL  
PAPER, PENS, ERASERS, PENCILS  
PAPER TOWELS  
POTS, PANS, KITCHEN THINGS  
POWER SUPPLIES  
RAIN GEAR  
ROAD DIRECTION SIGNS  
RF FILTERS  
ROPE, GUY LINES,  
ROTATORS, & CONTROLS  
SANITATION STATION  
SOAP & TOWEL  
SOLDER IRONS, SOLDER  
SUN GLASSES  
SWR METER, ANALYZERS  
TABLES  
TARPS  
TENTS  
TOILET PAPER  
TOOLS TOWERS  
TUNERS  
WEATHER RADIO  
VHF RADIOS  
WATER  
VOM, JUMPERS, LEADS  
AND ANYTHING ELSE YOU THINK MIGHT BE NEEDED.  
PS DON'T FORGET SNACKS

PUT YOUR NAME/CALL SIGN ON EVERYTHING YOU BRING!!!!