

## **SCARS**

South Canadian Amateur Radio Society Norman, OK

October 11, 2003

The October meeting was called to order by Pres. Bill, KD5DOB with 23 members and 2 guests in attendance. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Treasurer Jeff, KT5OK gave his report and we have \$xxx.xx in the bank. We had some expenses of the books for the Tech Class and a phone bill but the city of Norman will reimburse us for the cost of the books. Ken, N5KUK gave the CORA report. It has been approved to leave admission charges as they were this year. In 2004 it will be held on July 16 and 17<sup>th</sup>. There is still some discussion on where to conduct the VE testing. Ken also reported on the recent ORSI meeting he attended. There is a data base of Oklahoma repeaters on the website http://www.oklahomarepeatersociety.org We also need to "remind" them occasionally of our presence. They or the ARRL sometimes omit us (and others) in the annual book.

The VE team tested 3 individuals this morning and 2 made General and 1 Tech. Congratulations to them. The next testing will be Oct. 20 at 8:15PM following a review session at FS #7.

Net Report: The Tues and Wed night nets continue to be well attended. Thanks again to Bill, N5AQ for the CW practice. New Equipment: KB0NVR, Mike has a new Yaesu FX7R talkie that is quite a nice little package. N3US Ed has a Heathkit SB 220 amplifier for sale and W5PNO Joe has a 25 amp P/S for sale.

Old business: Jeff, KT5OK received 14 emails concerning changes to our dues structure. They varied all over the place as you might expect. Following a discussion it

was moved that they remain at \$25/yr, be prorated for new members only and there be no penalty for late payment, ie \$25 no matter when paid and that our dues are not dependent on any CORA fees etc. A call for question was made and this passed.

New business: Elections will be next month. (Nov.) It was discussed that possibly late in the year was not the best time for this in regard to switching everything over to another and maybe earlier in the year would work better. August and September were two mentioned. Jeff, KT5OK produced yet another set of bylaws pointing out the need to revise same. It was discussed and decided that we go ahead with elections next month and either elect or retain officers then look at revising the bylaws.

It was announced that the Christmas Party will be on us before long and Jake, KD5VGZ volunteered to look into sites for this. It will probably be the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> Tues of December.

Jack and Janice Cochran attended and she showed various patches that she will be able to produce for the club. A club logo, Call sign, Name and a combination patch. They will develop an order form and we'll distribute it to all. The patches really look great. You can produce your own garment and she can sew the item on directly or you can select a patch to put on whatever you want.

Pres. Bill wants to buy some ARRL Amateur Radio hand-outs to utilize at any presentations we may conduct. This was approved and the meeting was adjourned...

73 de N5UMH Bill