

## **SCARS**

## South Canadian Amateur Radio Society

## 10 January 2004

The January meeting of SCARS was called to order by President Bill, KD5DOB with 27 members and 3 guests in attendance. The minutes of the December meeting were read and approved. Jeff, KT5OK gave the Treasurers report and we have \$xxxx.xx in the bank. All members were reminded it is time to renew dues for the current year.

Repeater Report:KC5OU was not present for a repeater report but all seems to be working OK.

Cora Report: Ken, N5KUK reported that the next CORA meeting was this very afternoon and he would be present.

Net Report:Our two nets are going well. The Tuesday 8PM ARES net on 147.060 and the Wed.8PM 10M net on 28.440. There is CW practice after each net.

Equipment reports: Mike, N5SOF reported on his new Yaesu dual band HT, John, KD5JSD reported on Radio Shack having a good price on a "fanny pack" and Bob, KD5JPL reported on the new Force 12 10-20M vertical he has.

Old Business: Members were reminded of the OKC Marathon and others were given a chance to sign up to help, along with a discussion on how we might get involved with the ARRL Big Project.

New Business: We want to participate in Frontier Day again this year by having a Special Event. Whether we have a float in the parade is still up for discussion. Field Day preparations have been started in that Reeves Park has been reserved for that event. It was felt that it offered more in the way of antenna construction and the small Pavillion was

adequate. An Antenna Committee was established with Bob, KD5JPL and Jake, KD5VGZ volunteering. Fred, N5HZX the Food Committee and Bill, N5UMH and Don, KA5TAW the Rules Committee.

Ed, N3US expressed need for us having a Club Station. A site/location where members could go and operate, especially on the HF Bands. This has been an ongoing item over the years. It was agreed it would be great but would also present some logistical, security issues. Access during hours other than 8 to 5, responsibility, safety etc. This is something we will continue to work toward. Possibly a trailer equipped as a "shack" would be an alternative.

Al, KB5ZVX reported on the Club Patch project. Janice Cochran has a website now where samples and information can be viewed.

## http://members.cox.net/louise0706/ SCARSembroidery.htm

At our next meeting in February, we will have a "Skywarn" program to gear up for the coming season There will also be a Spotter Training class at the Moore-Norman VoTech on Feb 26, 7 – 9 PM

The meeting was adjourned.

73 de N5UMH Bill