



SCARS

**South Canadian Amateur Radio
Society
9 October 2004**

The meeting was called to order with 27 members and guests in attendance.

The minutes of the September meeting were read and approved. KT5OK gave the Treasurers Report. We have \$xxxx.xx in the bank with the anticipated payment to KC5OU for the backup repeater of just over \$300. He also mentioned receiving a statement from CORA for Insurance if we wished to participate. It was discussed, moved, seconded and approved to go ahead and join in with all the other CORA clubs.

ORSI Report: Ken, N5KUK gave a report on the last ORSI meeting. Although there was no formal business they discussed the fact there are no more 2M frequency pairs available in Oklahoma. There are a number of things that could be done to make more available. i.e. Shrink the coverage area so more could be fitted in. This would violate the 150 mile radius protection area in effect however. Mandatory PL tones. Search for repeaters not being used and secure them for re-issue and etc. They also discussed the issue of Non-

Identified Transmitter during some cross-banding.

VE Testing: There was one person registered to take the CW test but did not show.

Nets: Michael KA5DFO reminded all of the 10 M Ragchew net on 10 M each Wed night at 8PM and the Tuesday, 8PM ARES net on the repeater. Please join in.

New/Used Equipment: None to report, however Jim WD5HPU stated he had a SSB qso with a station in Arizona using 2 watts, while on vacation in eastern Oklahoma. Good job.

Old business: We have not heard from Gerry, KC5MWZ on Winlink. That can be scheduled later. The MIP (Health Dept. flu shot vaccination) has been cancelled due to the shortage of Flu Vaccine this year. A lot of work had already gone into this drill and it's a shame to not have it. There was a short discussion on using the ICS reporting forms to ensure proper documentation.

New Business: We will have elections in November. PLEASE consider being nominated for one of the offices. KD5JPL and N5UMH would prefer to step down as VP and Secretary. KD5DOB and KT5OK have agreed to continue on if that is necessary.

Christmas Party: It was suggested we have the club party on Tues the 7th of December. David, N5KUK will look into the availability of sites

for this. Dan, KD5JPR suggested we consider bringing toy gifts that could be turned over to Toys for Tots or similar organization. We will discuss this in November.

Coming Events:

Texoma Hamfest in Kingston, OK
On Oct 29 and 30..

Enid Hamfest on Nov 6.

10-10 Sprint: 24 hr event on 10
October.

The Salvation Army Newsletter was shown and members were given the email address to request being put on the mailing list. This is a very nice monthly publication for and about area Clubs.

Email your mailing address to:
Paula.Sieber@uss.salvationarmy.org

The meeting was adjourned.
73 de N5UMH