

## **SCARS**

South Canadian Amateur Radio Society June 11, 2005

The meeting was called to order by President KD5DOB with 24 members and guests in attendance.

The minutes of the May meeting were read and approved. KT5OK gave the Treasurers report and we have \$3750.47

Repeater Report: No reported problems.

CORA Report: The next meeting is this afternoon at 1PM.

**VE Report: The Thursday session** resulted in 3 new Techs and 2 new Generals. President Bill suggested we look into sending newly licensed hams a post card or notice asking they consider joining SCARS. **Net Report: The Tues ARES net** continues to have a large number of check-ins. Our record was broken last week with 40 check-ins. Freds 10M net also attracts 10 to 15 hams. **New/Used Equipment: Jeremy K0ZOO** recently acquired a Yaesu FT 60R HT and a Comet Dual Band Base antenna. (Jeremy also passed the 5wpm code test and the **General test Thursday**) Jack, K5JVS has purchased a new **Ameritron Amplifier and of course** with the added power he had to have a Tuner that would accommodate it..

Old Business: Don WA5TAW has contacted the Purcell Emergency Manager about local hams helping when needed.

Field Day: We continue to prepare for Field Day 2005. We should be OK on equipment but need all hands to help get set up at 8 AM Saturday the 25<sup>th</sup> and operate till 1PM Sunday.

Boy Scouts: Gayland, KC5MMU will be bringing some boy scouts to field day. They will be earning the merit badge for Ham Radio and will also help us obtain some bonus points for operators under 18. They will be with us from about 10AM till 1 PM Saturday. Gayland also needs help in setting up a demo station (HF) at Camp Kickapoo on the Thurs and Fri after field day from about 10 till 1.

New Business: Tuesday the 21<sup>st</sup> is "Take your HT to work day" This is a suggested event by the ARRL. Could be fun.

W.A.S. "Worked all SCARS" This is a suggested program where you try to work 40 or more SCARS members by December 1 this year. It is aimed at the new Techs in that if successful they will receive a club patch and certificate at the Xmas Party. Other members can participate for a Certificate. You can make contact on the SCARS VHF/UHF repeater or simples. If you upgrade, all the better. You can use HF contacts as well.

Technical Program: Doug, WX5DF and Ken, N5KUK presented a good program on utilizing solar panels to provide power for an amateur radio. The panel used generated about 22-23 volts and was regulated to provide 12 volts to the

equipment. We'll use this set up at Field Day to make at least 5 contacts for bonus points. Good Job guys!

Next month WG5T and N5KUK will present a program on different types of wire antennas, fitting them to your real estate and modeling them with a computer program

The meeting adjourned.

**73 de WG5T**