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NEXT MEETING

WHEN: June 14, 1985

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

WHERE: Heartland Chapter
American Red Cross
3838 Dewey
Omaha, NE

PROGRAM: Jerry Kohn, WDØEGK, Lincoln, NE
"Traffic Handling Techniques"

The NTS, Formatting and Word Count are some of the mysteries.

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
May 10, 1985, American Red Cross
3838 Dewey, Omaha, Nebraska

The meeting was called to order by the President, Dave Hamilton, NØCLW, at 7:45 p.m., with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The President asked the guests to stand and introduce themselves.

The Treasurer's report was read and motion made and seconded to be approved as read.

Chuck, NØAZ, Equipment Chairman, announced that a surplus Icom 225 rig would be sold and he is taking sealed bids. He also announced that the FCC tests would be given on Monday, May, 13, 1985, at the Red Cross at 7:00 p.m.

John, WBØCMC, announced that the old Comprod antenna for the 34/94 repeater is for sale by closed bid.

Greg, NØBTN, made several announcements of special events coming up. He further reminded us of Field Day and asked anyone who wants to be a Shack Chairman to let him know. He also reminded us of the Auction coming up on Sunday, May 19 at the Radial Social Hall.

Walt, KAØDMB, gave a Social Committee report.

Jay, KB8TR, Education Chairman, gave a report on classes recently completed and also advised that a new novice class will start in the fall.

Syd, WØWWH, reminded us of the Offutt open house coming up in July.

Ray, WDØGIL, advised that he would like to have volunteers for the Soap Box Derby to be held in July.

The President announced that Charlie, KØQVL, will be taking orders for new name tags. They will be \$6.00 each.

Vern, WBØGQM, made an announcement of some new amateur frequency allocations effective in June, 1985.

The President passed out some membership and program certificates.

Jim, N5DZZ, proceeded with this month's raffle items which was followed by a short break.

Jim, WBØQGV, introduced the guest speaker, Bob Knudson, Public Affairs Director, Omaha World-Herald, who gave a slide presentation and spoke on the inner workings of our City's newspaper.

Jay, KB8TR, reminded the meeting of the transmitter hunt on Sunday, May 12, 1985.

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The President advised that the River Boat Cruise will be held on August 23, 1985. Members should send their reservations to Sandy Hamilton.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Hamilton
Secretary Pro Tem

(The following article was received too late for last month's Ham Hum)

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING April 12, 1985

Meeting opened 7:41.

Motion to approve Minutes of last General Membership Meeting made and seconded — unanimous approval.

1985 Budget read. Motion made and seconded — unanimous approval.

Introduction of all attendees.

Announced Vec Testing May 13, 7:00 P.M. Red Cross.
Vec Testing May 18 in Lincoln.

New member voted — WBØASB, Cliff Hultgren unanimously elected to membership. (Previous member — Ed. Note)

Club Standing Committee Chairman introduced.

Walt Brown advised the Club of the passing of WDØHBY, Ed Hofmann.
Membership certificates were distributed by President Hamilton.

Convention announcements were made by NØAIH.

Club boat trip and potluck dinner will be held on Friday, August 23, 1985, beginning at 7:00 P.M. to include a live country-western band. More on this later.

A special thank you and applause was presented to John Gebuhr for his effort as Repeater Committee Chairman.

Break for coffee at 8:15.

Program by Vern Wirka.

AK-SAR-BEN RADIO CLUB ANNUAL PICNIC ANNOUNCEMENT

- Location: Boys Town Field Day Site
- Date: Saturday, June 22, 1985
- Time: 3:30 — Chips, Dips, Refreshments
4:30 — Picnic
- What To Bring: A—F Dessert Dishes
G—H Chips and Dips
I—M Salad Dishes
N—Z Main Course Dishes
- Please Remember:
- 1) Bring coverings for all food items.
 - 2) Avoid using glass dishware!
 - 3) Bring serving utensils for food dishes.
 - 4) Label your dishes.
 - 5) Call me if you have folding chairs and/or tables. We will need these!

Come out to the Club's Field Day site and see what goes on during Field Day and have a good time at the picnic, too! Refreshments will be provided by the Club. I will be announcing picnic information on the Sunday night ARES nets. If you would like to help (there are openings!) please call me at 289-2545 after 5:00 pm.

See you at the 1985 Field Day/Picnic!

**Scott Persson, WBØQPP
1985 Picnic Chairman**

CONVENTION UPDATE

I've been remiss in reporting the progress on Midwest '85. Your Club has been working very hard, as you will see in the following report.

First, I had better outline the Committees:

Committee	Chairperson	Call
Registration	Greg Zimmerman	NØBTN
Audio/Visual	Dave Hamilton	NØCLW
Flea Market	Duke Humphrey	WDØEWH
Equipment	Scot Thompson	WBØWOT
VEC Testing	Jay Nichols	KB8TR
Prizes/Awards	Dick Wolf	KØTVF
Entertainment	Jim Faulkenberry	N5DZZ
Security	Frank Vondra	WBØQQK
Alternate Program	Kay Wilson, Vivian Fehrmann	
Food/Beverage	Tom Thiessen	KØPQR
VIP Host	Dick Eilers	WØYZV
Data Processing	Scott Persson	WBØQPP
Finance	Walt Brown	KAØDMB
Secretary	Ellen Morrissey	WBØHWF
Ads/Forms	Mitch Gagne	NØAZF
Handicapped Facilities	Jay McAleer	WAØLLQ
Rules	Vern Wirka	WBØGQM
Wouff Hong	Jim Wilson	WBØJPN

I hope I haven't forgotten anyone!

About 45 additional Club members have volunteered to serve on committees of their choice. (There is plenty of room for more volunteers.)

The Committee has been meeting on a regular basis since January. Each Committee has been encouraged to develop its own Convention ideas. These ideas are discussed to insure proper coordination, and then implemented.

The Convention has booked 28 out of the 60 available exhibitors booths.

Forum speakers have been confirmed. The Convention will present four major forums, scheduled so as not to interfere with each other. A 'How-To' workshop will supplement the forums. The workshop will be a lab environment, with individual Elmers to show interested people how to put on connectors, how to use a scope, or a noise bridge, or whatever.

The Convention is also supporting the QCWA Luncheon, The Eye Emergency Net reunion, and a very large Flea Market.

Convention registration forms were mailed to 8752 League members on May 9. An additional 7000 forms have been bulk shipped to clubs and mail order houses, such as Burghardt, TNT, and Colorado Radio Center, in an attempt to reach non-ARRL members.

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I will attempt to make monthly Convention reports thru August. In the meantime, the next Committee meeting is scheduled for June 9, 1:30 PM at Red Cross. Everyone is welcome.

Jim Sanford, NØAIH
Convention Chairman

NEBRASKA STATE HIGH SCHOOL TRACK AND FIELD MEET MAY 17 AND 18, 1985 AT OMAHA BURKE HIGH SCHOOL

Communications were by Walter J. Brown, KAØDMB, who was Net Control for the two days, May 17 & 18, 1985. Other members participating were: Larry T. Bock, KCØR; Wm. A. (Duke) Humphrey, WDØEWH; Paul H. May, WDØHRG; Theodore Parsons, Jr., WBØTYB; James R. Peterson, WBØQGV; Dr. Charles Rush, NØAZ; Olin C. Stanfield, KØJKW; Thomas L. Williams, WAØHCJ; and Gregory C. Zimmerman, NØBTN.

AR-SAR-BEN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB AUCTION 1985 SUNDAY, MAY 19, 1985

Many thanks to Committee. Report will be given at Club meeting.

Auction Co-Chairmen — James C. Faulkenberry, N5DZZ, and
— Gregory C. Zimmerman, NØBTN

Auctioneers — Dave Shively and Danny Smith

Treasurers — Mitchel H. (Mitch) Gagne, NØAZF, and
— James E. (Jim) Sanford, NØAIH.

Floor persons — Walter J. Brown, Jr., KAØDKM; Franklin C. Clayton, WDØESL; Donald A. Eden, WBØVGB; Joe Eisenberg, WAØWRI; Raymond E. Fink, WDØGIL; Donald Fink; David B. Hamilton, NØCLW; Wm. A. (Duke) Humphrey, WDØEWH; Paul H. May, WDØHRG; Lloyd R. McElhaney, KØDKM; Ellen Morrissey, WBØHWF; M. Jay Nichols, KB8TR; Martin D. Peck, WBØYTV; James R. Peterson, WBØQGV; Robert B. Sanford, KAØLQF; Richard H. Swig, WAØZQG; William M. True, WA9ASD; James B. Wilson, Sr., WBØJPN; Vern J. Wirka, WBØGQM.

Canteen Committee — Chairman Brian Zdan, KMØY; Assistants were Becky Bowers, KAØOCB; Carolyn Conley; Deborah Conley; Rebecca Conley; Eddie J. Edwards, WDØGHA; Kay Hembrough.

CHARTER LIFE MEMBERSHIP

We have ten paid-in-full members and ten partially paid. Several others, interested in membership, have inquired. 1985 members will be titled "Charter Life Members." 1986 and later members will be titled "Life Members."

Payments may be made quarterly. Some have already paid for this, the second quarter. We are designing special certificates and name badges for Charter Life Members. Cost of a membership is \$125. Member and spouse is \$150.

Ellen, WBØHWF

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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Ham Hum Postage
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UPGRADE IN LICENSE

Walter J. Brown, Jr., KAØDMB
(Now has an Advance License)
Congratulations, Walt.

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Have you upgraded, changed your address or phone number? Please let us know so we may keep our list current. Please notify P.O. Box 291, Omaha, NE 68101 or call Ellen WBØHWF, 345-5566. Thank you.

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The trouble with being punctual is that no one's there to notice.

So what if your dreams don't come true? Neither do your nightmares.

It took 50 years for movies to go from silent to unspeakable.

Running into debt isn't so bad. It's running into creditors that hurts.

Blessed is the man who, having nothing to say, keeps patiently still while his wife says it. — Journal, Decorah, IA.

You probably wouldn't worry about what people think of you if you knew how seldom they did.

De Florida Skip

UNCLE AUGIE'S CORNER——— THE GOOD OLE DAYS ARE GONE FOREVER

I was digging around the basement looking for some Christmas decorations and guess what I found, my old AM rig! It was really covered with dust. Almost broke my back but I pulled it out and lifted it up on the work bench. A little work with the bench brush and the shop vac and it really looked good. Wonder if it still works? Golly think I'll try it!

A little more back breaking lifting and I had it on my operating table--hooked up the antenna--plugged it in. Finally got the nerve to turn it on. Well, those filaments glowed pretty as ever. Wonder what will happen if I turn on the high voltage? Here goes--a couple of little snaps and the volt meter came right up and held. Wow! This always was a great old rig. Everyone used to say I had broadcast quality. Shucks might as well try it so I dug out the old mike and plugged it in. Listened around and the band sounded pretty good so I gave out a CQ. Nothing, so tried again. Still nothing so tried again. This time a polite voice came back and said--Hi, Old Timer, how long you going to be on this band?---Why?---Well, there are several hundred of us on here trying to use this band and we can't because you got it!--all? --all! Dag nabbit, knew something would go wrong, OK. 73.

So, I unplugged it and hauled it back to the dusty shelf. Guess I'll go upstairs, have a beer and watch television.

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For Sale by the Club:

Icom IC 225 Phelps Dodge Station Master 2 meter antenna.

Send sealed bid to

NØAZ Charles Rush
1325 S. 72nd, Omaha, NE 68124

FOR SALE: Collins KWM2 with PM2 Power. Good Cond. \$400.00.
John Droescher, KØKWB, 453-0136.

FOR SALE: Swan 350, A.C. Power Supply and manual, excellent, \$175.
Hygain 18 ATV-WB vertical antenna, 3 years old, \$85.
Heathkit 1-KW dummy antenna with oil, \$20.
K5/50 electronic keyer, \$25.
Mike, K8QBW, 556-1989 home, 221-3481 work.

WANTED: Old issues or new CQ & 75 Magazines. Will pay cash.
Ward Justus, 2913 Hickory St., Omaha, NE 68105;
Ph. 346-0949.

FOR SALE: Total package \$450.00 or best offer
DRAKE R4A Receiver
DRAKE T4X Transmitter
DRAKE MN4 Antenna Tuner
DRAKE Power Supply and Speaker Unit
All in good operating condition.
WAØDHU, Bob Lockwood 592-4936
7906 Marisu Lane, LaVista, NE 68128

LARSEN ANTENNAS TAKE ON SHUTTLE COMMUNICATIONS



"The operation was an unqualified success!", so said ARRL's general Manager Dave Summer, K1ZZ reviewing the recent amateur radio operation of Owen Garriott, W5LFL, from the orbiting Space Shuttle Columbia. And so it was also for Carl J. Henniger, KA7GHR, who made his successful contact on an afternoon shuttle pass over Portland, Oregon.

"I did it with my mobile rig sitting in front of my garage with 45 watts of power feeding into a

Larsen Kulrod Antenna", Carl said. "I was sure thrilled 'cause I was competing with the moon bounce boys with their yagis and big antenna arrays."

KA7GHR also uses a Larsen Kulduckie portable antenna on his handheld rig and monitored the space shuttle with that transceiver though he didn't try a contact. "It was just as good as you ever hear somebody talk on two meters", Carl concluded.

