

CCARA MEETING MINUTES JULY 2, 2024

Attending: KL7RF, KE8WIP, KC8YXY, N8MXX, KA8BJA, AA8NB, AB8SV, NF8U

Meeting Called to Order: 6:14PM

Minutes for June meeting on website

Treasurers report: Cost of food for Field Day has been paid.
Report on funds available was given.
Motion to Accept: KA8BJA 2nd: N8MXX PASSED

Repeater report: ARES repeater went down in June. A reset was needed. At that time it was discovered that foam insulation had been blown into building near our equipment. There did not seem to be any damage to the equipment. Foam was scraped from tops and backs of some electronic equipment and power supply.

Echo-link is now re-established at KA8BJA's QTH under the callsign KE8WIP. There is an updated preamble for the ARES net to include this capability.

We were not able to disable the C4FM listening pause on the repeater due to what we think is the use of the external controller.

Web Page: There are field day pictures available on the club news page, as well as some new certificates earned by AB8SV to see there.
There are also some new items on the swap & shop page to see.

Old Business: Field day was considered a success. Everyone seemed to have fun. The field day application for points was sent in to the ARRL for approval by NF8U. Thanks to all who made the event a success.

New Business: Steve Affolter and the family of Craig Affolter donated Craig's radio equipment to the club in his memory. AB8SV received the equipment from Steve at field day and has been testing the radios for operation. Chad brought the equipment to the meeting so that the club members could view it. It was decided to hold a semi-silent email auction among the members to allow them to make a bid/donation to the club treasury for any item/items that they would like to obtain. A list of items will be made available via email to the members. KL7RF will supervise the auction and email submissions. The auction will last for two weeks. If more than one bid is made for an item, the bidders will be notified via email.

ARES Report: The feedline for the 2 meter/440 antenna at the EMA office will be run to the outside of the building with the intent that the maintenance crew will be summoned to install the antenna on the outside of the building. AB8SV will be supervising the run with the Coshocton County IT department.

Program: AB8SV gave a presentation of his recently acquired QRP Labs miniature QRP rig kit. The kit was built within a week and works great. Great job, Chad.

Door Prize: The door prize was a length of coax patch cord from the above donated equipment. The prize was won by AA8BN.

Meeting Adjourned: 8PM (submitted by KL7RF, vice pres.)