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NEXT CLUB MEETING
FEBRUARY 4 8:00 P.M.
HOWELL FIRE STATION

L.A.R.K. SUNDAY
9:00 P.M.

MI YL ROBIN'S MONDAY
8:30 P.M.

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Received a phone call from a Klub member who doesn't get to the meetings because of his work schedule. Seems as his HF rig and TV were getting a lot of interference. To the point that both were useless. Guess what? A CB'er had begun operating across the street from him. He had the antenna well hidden in a tree. Just recently the "QST" had run a short article on how much complaints about CB'ers interference had increased and Amateur radio interference complaints had decreased. There was a bill in congress to allow local officials to prosecute CB'ers for interference, which the ARRL was against because it might cause a hassle for Hams.

LARK MEETING 1/7/97

Attendance: 18

Board members present: Marge "N8EAJ", Ray "N8CPO", Darlene "WA8WHM", Tina "KB8YEJ", Neil "WA2WIM", Larry "WB8WOD", Jack "KA8BOG".

A presentation was held by Neil "WA2WIM" regarding Field Day and discussion of the holidays.

The raffle prize was announced as a "dummy load".

At 8:44 p.m., Marge "N8EAJ" opened the meeting.

Secretary report: Will stand as published in the newsletter.

Treasurer report: Will stand as published in the newsletter, after a question was answered.

Repeater report: Jack "KA8BOG" said that the 146.68 repeater is doing good, there is very little pager noise. The 145.21 repeater is on the air. Use it however you want (RTTY, packet, etc.). He submitted some bills for the repair.

Dave "W8MFR" reminded everyone that it is an FCC rule to identify yourself when keying up the repeater and also listening to the DVR.

Emergency Service report: Ray "N8CPO" said it's time to think of skywarn and the tornado season coming up. A sign up sheet was passed around for anyone who was interested in RACES.

OLD BUSINESS:

Fundraising: Larry "WB8WOD" made a motion to do the rest stop fund-raiser. Dick "KA8FBV" seconded, and motion passed. Ray "N8CPO" will contact the State Police for details. A sign up sheet was passed around for volunteers to help when the time comes.

Marge "N8EAJ" asked for a vote on the day to hold the next dinner, since the newsletter had the wrong date. The decision was to have it on the 18th at the Pinckney Inn.

NEW BUSINESS:

Larry "KB8QJE" volunteered to help with Field Day, but didn't want to be the chairman.

Marge "N8EAJ" sent around a sign up sheet to offer names for the WB8OHO award (ham of the year). The recognition night will be February 15th and she is still looking for a place to have the dinner.

Darlene "WA8WHM" said a special thank you to Larry "WB8WOD" for doing this month's newsletter.

Jack "KA8BOG" asked if anyone has heard the Canadian repeater on the 168.68 repeater.

Dave "W8MFR" made a motion to close the meeting, seconded by Dick "KA8FBV", meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Raffle was won by Dave "W8MFR".

Submitted by: Tina "KB8YEJ"

LARK BOARD MTG. 1/21/97

Present: Marge "N8EAJ", Ray "N8CPO", Darlene "WA8WHM", Tina "KB8YEJ", Larry "WB8WOD", Jack "KA8BOG" and one guest: Dave "W8MFR".

At 7:07 p.m., Marge "N8EAJ" opened the meeting.

Secretary report: Will stand as published in the newsletter.

Treasurer report: Will stand as read by Darlene "WA8WHM".

Darlene "WA8WHM" stated that there are 34 paid up members at this time.

Repeater report: Jack "KA8BOG" said that the crystal for the 145.21 repeater is not in yet. Ray "N8CPO" said that we need to key up the 145.21 repeater more. Ray "N8CPO" also stressed that the DVR on the 168.68 repeater is being keyed up without an ID, which is illegal. Jack "KA8BOG" suggested that we get on the air and try to let the offender know that they should identify themselves.

OLD BUSINESS:

Marge "N8EAJ" announced the Recognition dinner will be February 15th at Knickers at 7:00 p.m. and the Klub will have to pay \$25.00 to reserve.

Ray "N8CPO" motioned to use the raffle money to purchase a dual band mag mount antenna for the February meeting raffle. Larry "WB8WOD" seconded, motion passed. Jack "KA8BOG" volunteered to purchase the antenna.

Ray "N8CPO" informed the State Police of our intent to do a rest stop, and received instructions to mail his request and it will be put on a waiting list. The Boy Scouts had the rest stop last year and can continue if they put in their request.

RACES/ARES

It is that time of year when RACES is mentioned that most of us think of tornadoes. Well, tornadoes are not the only thing that we should be prepared to for. They may be the most frequent of all big disasters in Michigan but Monroe had another type of disaster we can just hope doesn't accrue again.

There was a short report on TV the other day about the Doppler radar and tornadoes. Doppler radar is better and we have it for our area but it still leaves a lot to guess work and the human eye. Weather experts are now starting to believe that some rotating winds start horizontal to the ground and turn skyward to become the destructive devices we know as tornadoes. More research is needed and the government has cut almost all research money. How are these two facts going to change our training on weather watching?

Lets just be prepared to make any disaster have as little suffering as possible.

Ray "N8CPO"

RAFFLE/PRIZES

Just in case you missed reading it in the minutes of the last board meeting, there are going to be a couple raffle prizes this month.

1. At the regular meeting a dual band mag mount antenna will be the winning of that drawing. *(Just what you need for emergency work)*
2. Tickets will be sold at the LARK meeting and at the "Recognition Dinner" for: dinner for two (does not include drinks or gratuity).

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