

CARS GENERAL MEETING  
MARCH 17, 2005

The meeting was called to order by our president Andy Thomas, NV6V. The minutes were read and accepted. The Treasurer, Lynn Bartschi – AC6CY reported \$547.00 in the treasury and this is after the big insurance bill for the year was paid.

OLD BUSINESS

A field day chairman is still needed. Jim Clark, KO6HV, said that he would be glad to do it but might be out of town on field day. Andy suggested Jim might organize the event and others could take over at field day.

Andy is still looking into club hats. The club gives a nametag to new members. Lynn took the names of members present who had not been given a nametag. He will see that nametags are ordered for these people. This will also be announced on the net.

NEW BUSINESS

Jim Clark handed out forms to be filled out by members wishing to help out during emergencies. Andy encouraged all club members who could, to volunteer for this important work. A technician license is all that is needed. A strong emergency group will help us keep our repeater site. Jim said he would show these completed forms to the sheriff and arrangements would be made for pictures to be taken for identification cards. This will also be brought up on net for members not at this meeting.

The IRLP contest will begin tomorrow. Some in our club plan to participate. Also we may hear other contestants on our repeater. Let's make our repeater be known as the friendly node.

Remember this is Andy's second year as president. We will need a new president for next year. We need some candidates to step forward. Also Ed Ule, K0YOG, stepped down from publishing the newsletter. Ed did a great job for many years. Thanks Ed. Andy will take over this post but we need to help by sending him news to print. Let him know what you are doing in amateur radio.

Has anyone used 60 meters? Lynn said he had tried to listen but had heard nothing. Jim said he did not have the special antenna needed. It seems our radios can receive but not transmit.

Scott has given the club a four-element six-meter yagi antenna. He needs for us to take it down soon. Andy and Jim will take it down. Then we can decide how to use it. Wayne expressed interest in using it.

Do you want a meeting in June? Usually field day takes the place of the June meeting but this year we could have another meeting. Would you be interested in a J Pole construction party at Wayne and Carolyn's home? This could be on a weekend with a potluck meal. We will discuss this on the net. Kit and Arturo have volunteered their home for the September meeting. They have some neat satellite communications stuff.

PROGRAM

The focus of the program and for the year is ways to interest new people in amateur radio. Therefore what can technician level hams enjoy? Wayne Talor, KG6KPR presented the program on J Pole antennas. He had examples to look at and many handouts. Thanks Wayne for a good job.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Patsy Clark, KN6XW, Secretary