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Operating the 146.91- repeater under the callsign K9IZV. For best access use 127.3 PL.

Officers

President	Mike Borchardt	N9NPB	262-367-3953
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MEETINGS NOTICE

July 18 (Wed) 7:00pm, at the Mayfair Mall location.

2001 CLUB CALENDAR

September 15 (Sat) at Oak Creek

October 17 (Wed) at Mayfair

November 21 (Wed) at Mayfair, critique meeting for swap fest

December 22 (Sat) at Mayfair , Christmas Party. (This date may be changed)

Board Meetings: 2nd Monday of month, 7:00p. Call a board member for meeting location.

Oak Creek Location

Wauwatosa Savings (Basement)
6560 S. 27th St, Oak Creek, WI

Mayfair Location

Mayfair Mall Location (Room G-110, See Below), 2500 N. Mayfair Rd, Wauwatosa, WI

Park on the east side of the mall, under the second floor new movie theater.

Enter the mall under the theater. About fifty feet inside, on the right, look up to see the sign GARDEN SUITES EAST. Go thru the door below the sign. Take the elevator or stairs to the level below. Turn left and go down the long hall. At the end of the hall find room G-110.

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT...

Welcome to the twenty-first century and, a good day to all of you.

The reason I welcome you to the current century is because of a change we should look at in getting our newsletter out and notifying you of meeting dates. We have entered the time of technologies that aid all of us in getting information passed from one place to another in a blink of an eye. All we need to do is make use of it. AES has treated us with unspeakable kindness in keeping a data base of members so their staff can fold, stuff, and mail our newsletter in a timely manner to notify you of the upcoming membership meetings. We truly thank them for all they have done over the years. However, with the world at our fingertips, it's time we start looking at options to getting information to you. At the last membership meeting, we discussed the possibility of using e-mail for meeting notification. The response was overwhelming on the positive side with you saying, "Lets do it." There is a by-law change we need to contend with in order to make this happen. You will find the proposed changes in this newsletter. The by-law change will not eliminate the mailings by the U.S. Postal Service, but will give you a choice on how you want to receive your newsletter. If every member opted to get the newsletter by e-mail, the club could save hundreds of dollars per year on postage, you would get the newsletter the day it was sent, and the length of the newsletter would not be based on the cost of mailing due to extra pages (i.e. -

membership roster). Realizing that not everyone has e-mail, those who don't would continue to get the newsletter by U.S. Postal. I feel very confident the by-law change will happen.

This is the time of year for all the fundraisers. If you see a bunch of bikes fly past your house, it's because they are probably raising money for childhood cancer, performing arts, muscular dystrophy or another very needed cause. For all of you new HAMs, if you want to know what Ham Radio is really about, be a member of ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Service). There are no dues and your contribution is extremely welcome.

At the Main Site we have five uhf receivers. Four are link receivers and the fifth is a control receiver. Currently all the receivers are connected to the antenna with a bunch of "T"s and BNC plugs. Pretty stupid, hey? The problem this causes is taking an incoming signal, dividing it by five, and feeding the remaining signal to the respective radio. Well it really doesn't compute quite like that, but it gives you a general idea. Just keep in mind that each radio connected to the antenna is a drain on the incoming signal, whether it's on that frequency or not.

Soooooo, Gary N9UUR gives me a call just before Dayton and says, "Hi Mike, is there anything we need for the repeater that we can look for at Dayton? I'm not going but my scouts are." Wellllllllll, somehow, and believe me this is starting to scare me because every time we need something, somehow, some way, we seem to find just what we are looking

Committees

Activities	Napoleon	NOXXL
Computer Net	Gary	N9UUR
Fun Net	Warren	K9IZV
Membership Coord.	Kate	KA9MWT
Net Announcements Coord	Deb	KB9ISE
Newsletter	Heidi N9TUY & Bob AA9JW	
Public Service	Kate	KA9MWT

Station Trustee	Warren Schall	K9IZV
Swapfest	Board	
Swap Net	Lloyd	WB9RGO
Technical	Mike Borchardt	N9NPB
Weather	Skip	WD9HAS
Webmaster	Open	
Assistant - Webmaster	Rick	WD9IWK

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for. If you want to know what it is, be to the next meeting. And Paul, I'll give you a call.

I think that's about it for now.

See you at the meeting

Mike N9NPB

PROPOSED BY- LAW CHANGE

Present article reads:

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2 CENTS WORTH FROM THE TREASURER... N9UUR

Renewals are coming in very well despite the dues increase to \$20.00. We were very concerned about the raise in dues adversely affecting renewals and membership. About 70% of you have renewed for 2001, and we have welcomed 35 NEW members this year! 10 years ago this club had a very large membership, and then, for many reasons, it went down. We have been gaining the last few years and are now at almost 300! Thanks, and keep up the "Friendly" image and attitude on the repeater and in the Club!

It recently came to the Board's attention that there have been some errors and omissions in our Newsletter mailings. From now on, the mailing labels will be made by direct export from the official Club roster database, so there "should" be no more errors. We're sorry if anyone missed a newsletter. However, this change presents us with a great opportunity.

TAKE A CLOSE LOOK AT YOUR MAILING LABEL!

Your current dues status is cleverly printed on it right under your name! No more trying to remember if your dues are paid!

This should also save us some money in reducing the number of "Renewal Reminder Letters" we have to send out each year before we produce the Club Roster. If you have any questions, send me an e-mail at n9uur@wi.rr.com, or give me a call 414 355-6922. If you have received this newsletter, we have your address correct... so there would be no need for you to completely fill out the application / renewal form again. Just write your callsign on the memo line of your check and send it in. If you have an e-mail address, or other information change you need to get into the database, please include a note... or use the form.

I'm currently getting ready for Field Day, it will be over by the time you read this. I hope you participated somewhere... And had a great time!

Thanks & 73, Gary

MRC MEETING MINUTES MAY 16, 2001

Meeting called to order by club President N9NPB, Mike at 7:07p.m.

Introductions were made by all present.

New Members: A motion was made by Ron, N9KWW to accept into membership the following: KB9ZHV Eileen, W9EH Bob, N9DWG Kurt, KB9SNA Chuck, KB9YQW Foshken, KF9G Bill, KB9VYX Mike, N9HLS Keith, and KB9NCY Bob. Motion seconded by Jeananne, N9VSV. Motion passed. Welcome all.

March meeting minutes were not published in the newsletter due to the vacation of our editor. Copies were passed out for all to read. Motion made by NØXXL, Napoleon, to approve the minutes of the March meeting as written. Seconded by KB9NCY, Bob. Motion passed.

Finances: As of May 15, 2001 the full roster is 294 members. Voters 186 and in suspension 100. Total of all accounts is \$12,532.23. Actual available funds are \$4,681.48. There are currently no outstanding bills. Motion made by KB9RLB, Tom to approve the financial report. Seconded by KB9PZQ, Karen. Motion passed.

Swapfest: The prices for the fest are as follows; Admissions \$5.00, 8 foot table \$15.00, Electric \$15.00, Breakfast Special \$5.00, Kitchen open for breakfast 7-9a.m. Lunch 10a.m. to 1:00p.m. Vendors setup at 5:00a.m. Hours 8:00a.m. To 2:00p.m. And phone contact is Mike, N9NPB. Motion for approval of Swapfest hours and prices made by N9UUR, Gary. Seconded by N9RXD, Al. Discussion occurred. Flyers will go to the printers. Will tickets be printed up early in order to send complimentary tickets to other clubs? Will there be advance ticket sales or a raffle? This is undecided. N9UUR's motion passed.

Mailing List: Amateur Electric Supply does the printing of the newsletter, supplies and stuffs the envelopes, applies postage and prints the address labels. Due to the fact that AES and the MRC both keep a mailing roster, AES now wants the club to supply the address labels. Gary, N9UUR, who keeps the roster up to date, will now provide AES with the printed labels.

A discussion occurred on the possibility of sending the newsletter by e-mail. The By Laws would have to be amended in order to send meeting notices via e-mail. The secretary read Article IV of the By Laws which explain the procedure for notification of club meetings. Discussion occurred. N9UUR, Gary, made a motion that the vice president submit a proposal to change the By Laws to allow e-mail notification of club meetings. Seconded by N9NPB, Mike. Motion approved.

Actives: None

Technical Report: Northwest site is up and running. NØXXL, Napoleon, took a scenic drive one fine day to test out the coverage of the repeater. Reports that the northwest site has good coverage.

Dave Karr is going to the Dayton Hamfest and will be looking for a multi coupler, which has a built in preamp, for the club. A new splitter is around \$150.00 and he might be able to find a multi coupler for the same cost at Dayton.

Old Business: None

New Business: Warren, K9IZV, submitted a motion that when breaking into a conversation on the repeater, you would use a short phrase to indicate your priority status. It was seconded by KB9NCY, Bob. Discussion occurred. Motion was defeated by a show of hands.

Meeting Recessed at 8:41p.m.

Meeting resumed at 9:03p.m. Two written By Law amendment proposals were summated.

Motion to adjourn at 9:05p.m. Made by KF9QD. Seconded by KB9NCY. Meeting adjourned.

Program: Programmable Logic Controllers by Brian, K9LCQ and Brad, N9KXA.

Field Day by Napoleon, NØXXL.

Respectfully submitted
Tom Schulte, KB9RLB

NEWSLETTER

Send articles, reports, comments, suggestions and corrections to Bob AA9JW or Heidi N9TUY Manak (N28 W22173 Burningwood Lane, Waukesha, WI 53186; ☎ 262 544-6151) or Internet Email aa9jw@amsat.org

The Milwaukee Repeater Club Inc.
P.O. Box 2123, Milwaukee, WI 53201
Membership / Renewal Application
 Expiration

Call sign _____ Name _____ Date _____

Name used on air _____ Class of License _____

Telephone (home) _____ (work *optional*) _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Birth date (*optional*) _____

E-mail: _____

Dues (New & Renewal): \$ 20.00

Capital Improvement Fund: \$ _____

Amount enclosed: \$ _____

I hereby agree to abide by the Constitution, By-laws and rules of the Milwaukee Repeater Club.

Signed: _____

The MRC membership will vote on your admission to the Club at the next meeting after your application is received. PLEASE NOTE! If there is ANY of your personal information that you DO NOT wish to be published into the Club Roster, note this on this form. Also, list the names, calls and other pertinent information on any family members living at the same address who are Hams and desire to become MRC members. Thank You!