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WI ARES/RACES Apparel Is Back!

By popular demand, WI ARES/RACES apparel is again available on the WI ARES/RACES web site. Thanks to Jeff Schmeichel, KB9BYP, ASEC for Administration, and Todd Dorschner, N9MY, WI ARES/RACES Webmaster, apparel can be purchased on the web site from April 1, 2006 through May 31, 2006.

Some of the prices went up, but the good news is the cost of the more expensive items went down. A patch has also been added. You can access the apparel site at http://www.wi-aresraces.org/2006_apparel_ordering.htm.

The apparel is designed to be worn by ARES/RACES leadership and members whenever they are participating in ARES/RACES activities, exercises, events or incidents.

This apparel is ARES/RACES standard attire. The apparel is professional without being over the top. Remember to order by May 31, 2006!

May Meeting

The May Meeting of the Fond du Lac Amateur Radio Club will be held on Monday, May 8th at 7 pm at Moraine Park Technical College in Room O-103.

Volunteer Opportunities

Looking to volunteer your communications skills for an event this summer? Here are some of the upcoming events where amateur operators have been asked for assistance:

2006 Mad City Marathon (Madison)

Sunday, May 28th (Memorial Day Weekend)

Amateur Radio Operators are needed to provide communication at water stops and medical stations along the route, as well as the Start & Finish lines and in Sag vehicles. Times of operation are from 6am to 3pm, though most locations will have shorter times staggered throughout the day as the runners progress.

If you want to help, send an e-mail to "wb9rnd@arrl.net" with your name, call, mail address, e-mail address, home/cell phone number and times you would be available to work.

March of Dimes WalkAmerica (Madison)

Saturday, May 6th

Need hams for Sag vehicles from about 8am to noon. Also need rest stop hams, a water truck ham and a "last walker".

If you want to help, send an e-mail to "k9lov@arrl.net" with your name, call, mail address, e-mail address, home/cell phone number and times you would be available to work or phone 608-846-2654.

This date is also the day of the Sprint Into Wisconsin bike ride out of Sun Prairie, so the Madison hams are spread very thin that day and need some help.

Rockets for Schools (Sheboygan)

Friday, May 12th & Saturday May 13th

Check out "www.rockets4schools.org" for details on the event. An average of 300 high school students launching their team rocket projects. Need hams to help with crowd control and communications.

If you want to help, E-mail Mike Musiel, Sheboygan County EC, at "mike@musiel.com"

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Minutes of April 10, 2006, Meeting

The April 10, 2006 meeting was held at Moraine Park Technical College. President Gene Olig called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Gene asked for any additions or corrections to the March minutes as published in the club newsletter. There were no corrections or additions voiced. Doug Schultz made a motion to approve; second was made by Lloyd Vandervort and motion passed on voice vote.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Steve Smith reported:

Truck Fund523.18
Repeater Fund	1,064.55
Emergency Service Fund559.68
General Use Fund	1,096.83
Petty Cash25.00
Savings25.00
Total	\$3,244.24

Motion was made to approve treasurer's report by Louie Simon, seconded by Doug Schultz. Motion passed on voice vote. Motion was made by Ed Beltz to pay Steve Smith \$100 for club QSL cards, seconded by Jeff Bechner. Motion passed on voice vote. Motion was made by Dennis Paulin to pay Gene Olig for the 50-year club banner out of the 50-year fund, seconded by Doug Schultz. Motion carried by voice vote.

County Hunting

Gene Olig gave a report on the national convention. Repeater: Jack Heil will continue to pursue the Bible Press agreement. \$100 was paid to Tom Murray.

ARES/RACES

Report was made by EC Steve Smith. The next meeting will be held April 24, 7 p.m., at Jack's lab. Doug Schultz reported success with the Sunday night net.

Red Cross

Mike Miller cloned the second 2100. Lloyd reported the antenna rotor is installed and operating. Jack Heil reported that the Internet is up and working. Louie, Gene and Dennis will work on the e-mail. Lloyd will check out the AH-4 tuner and Dennis reported that one monitor will work. Firewall protection installation will be brought up at the ARES/RACES meeting.

Testing

Doug Schultz reported the next testing will be May 13, 2006. VE's are needed to assist.

Field Day

Dennis would like to take a day in May and get the trailers out. Gene Olig volunteered to be the "social planner" and he will ask John Townsend to be a guest at Field Day. Dave Witt also suggested that we invite senator Carol Roessler. Another suggestion was to get everyone together for a Club picture at Field Day.

New Business

A letter designating the FDL-ARC as a Special Services Club was passed around for all to read.

Dave Witt had information regarding a club banner purchase opportunity for about \$40 and have "When All Else Fails" put on it. It was decided to wait until Dayton to see if that particular vendor would be there.

Ed Beltz asked whether there would be any interest in participating in outlying community programs such as parades in celebration of "50" years for club exposure. Ed will follow up with more program information.

The Multiple Sclerosis Walk will be held Sunday, April 23, and volunteers are needed to help out on the route. There will be a 3-mile and 7-mile walk.

Old Business

Dennis Paulin gave an update on his plans to organize historical artifacts.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, motion to adjourn was made by Louie Simon, seconded by Jeff Bechner. Meeting was adjourned at 8 p.m.

Respectively submitted
Dottie Olig K9FDL
Secretary-FDL Amateur Radio Club