

Benton Amateur Radio Society

January 2, 1996

The Benton Amateur Radio Society met at the Office of Emergency Services building on Tuesday, January 2, 1996 for the regular monthly meeting. There were 15 members and 4 guests present. The meeting was opened at 7:30 by President Peg (KC5BKT). Outgoing Secretary-Treasurer Larry (WD5HJC) read the minutes of the December 1995 meeting. A motion to approve as read was made by Dan (N8VV) and seconded by Gerald (W5VAD). The motion carried. Larry (WD5HJC) then read the Treasurer's report. A motion to approve was made by Dan (N8VV) and seconded by Eldon (KI5BI). The motion carried. Larry (WD5HJC) then passed around the Treasurer's year end summary report.

On behalf of the club, President Peg (KC5BKT) thanked Les (W5EIJ) for his outstanding job with the Field Day Report and offered our congratulations to him for earning his 5-band DXCC award.

President Peg (KC5BKT) introduced George Mitchell (KI5BV), our ARRL Section Manager, and turned the meeting over to him.

George (KI5BV) introduced the visitors he had brought with him. They were Chuck Sanders (NO5W), Paul Wynn (AF5M), our ARRL Assistant Section Manager, and his wife, Myrtle Wynn (N5OOI).

George (KI5BV) discussed the ARRL Section Manager's Field Day Award. He told us how the competitors were evaluated. He then presented the ARRL Section Managers ARRL Field Day Award to the Benton Amateur Radio Society. Accepting the award for the club were President Peg (KC5BKT), our outgoing President Gerald (AB5CY) whose call was used for Field Day, and Jackie (WB5ARI) our Field Day Chairman. He also presented certificates for each of the hams who participated in our Field Day effort. President Peg (KC5BKT) will fill in the names and the certificates will be passed out at the next regular club meeting.

George (KI5BV) brought 610V forms for those who want to apply for vanity call signs. He announced that the Little Rock Ham Fest had been moved to March 15-16, 1996 and gave us brochures. He solicited submissions for Ham of the Year to be sent in at any time. Finally, he answered questions from members.

Business followed.

Peg (KC5BKT) asking whether reservations had been made at Mills Park for the 1996 Field Day. Jim (WB5VEV) said he would check with Paul (K5NE) to be sure.

She told us the license plate key rings had come in and we could pick them up from Larry (WD5HJC) after the meeting.

She also asked members who hadn't paid their dues to see Alan (AA5XQ) after the meeting.

George (KI5BV) asked how many members used computers, especially for Internet access. He told us he was considering a Section Manager home page.

Larry (WD5HJC) moved the Secretary-Treasurer be allowed an operating budget to take care of supplies, postage, and other items as he sees fit. Jackie (WB5ARI) seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Peg (KC5BKT) finished up with the announcement that there were snacks and coffee for after the meeting. Jim (WB5VEV) moved that we adjourn. Fred (N2JAS) seconded and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:54pm.