

Local Oscillator

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Mesilla Valley Radio Club

May

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Wed	Net 146.64	6:45PM	MAY PROGRAM
April 24	Pre Bean Feed Breakfast Village Inn on Telshore	6 AM	CW GROUP
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MVRC Board at Work

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THE ARTICLES FOR THIS MONTH

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

N5PK

First I would like to welcome those who have joined the Mesilla Valley Radio Club since our last visit. Some are re newels others are new members. They are, Randy Adamson and family, Richard Smith, Bob and Lawrence Symalla, Don, Diane and Jonathon Brown, Denzil Burnham, Billy and Kathy Chrisley and Don and Dennis Shepan. Our membership is now eighty (80) and we need more of you to re new your membership or join for the first time. We all welcome you in!

I would like to personally thank those of you who have responded to our need for donations to the "Friends Of The Mesilla Valley Radio Club". We will be adding to our plaque soon, the names of those who have donated.

As a reminder, plan on coming out on the 24th of April to support our Bean Feed and encourage those hams within your circle of friends to attend also. We are expecting good weather, (I've promised no wind until mid afternoon). Also, if you can lend a hand with some of the tasks to be done, see Cash Olsen and volunteer to help. If you have items that you would like to donate to the club for re sale at the bean feed, contact John Hemfling at 373-1166 or Bob Bennett at 382-0148 if you need to arrange pick up of those items.

For those interested, a group of us will meet at the Village Inn on Telshore for breakfast on the morning of the bean feed at 6:00 a.m. This has become a tradition and one that some think should be continued, see ya there if you can make it!

We plan on starting an operations day next month. This will give those an oppertunity to get on the air who either do not have a station or those Technicians without priviledges on HF. I am looking for volunteers to open the club house and to assist those interested in getting on the air to do so. If this interests you, give me a call at 526-9428 and let's talk.

A special thanks from all of us to Alex Burr (K5XY) for his continuing efforts in the production of our Local Oscillator and to all others who unselfishly support all the activities of our club.

See you at the Bean Feed,

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BEAN FEED

AD5LJ

On Sunday, April 24th, 2005 the Mesilla Valley Radio Club will hold its 42nd annual swap meet and bean feed. The event starts at 7 AM and will be held at the MVRC Clubhouse, located at 6609 Jefferson (corner of Wilt and Jefferson) in Las Cruces (see map below). The public is welcome and admission is free.

The swap meet will offer an opportunity for area radio amateurs to dispose of unwanted radio equipment and buy new or used equipment. Two commercial vendors are expected, RAD COMM OF LUBBOCK TX and SOUTHWEST ANTENNA & ACCESSORIES. Lunch will be available starting at 11:30 AM for \$4.00 per person.

For additional information contact Cash Olsen (KD5SSJ) at 382-1917.

Directions to the clubhouse.

From Las Cruces and points West, Take US-70 East toward White Sands. Exit US-70 at Porter Road South. Go to the end of Porter Road and turn left on Aldridge. Continue on Aldridge until Wilt, turn left, clubhouse is one block on right.

From Alamogordo and points East, Take US-70 West toward Las Cruces. Exit US-70 at Dunn/Holman Road, turn left at the overpass onto Holman Road. Stay on Holman until the pavement ends and turn right onto Aldridge. Continue on Aldridge until Wilt, turn right and the clubhouse is one block on the left.

There will be HAM FEST signs posted at the Porter Road, Holman Road and Wilt exits. If you need additional directions while in transit please call on the club repeater, 146.64 MHz, negative offset, PL of 100 HZ.

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MAY PROGRAM

KD5ZHI

The next speaker at the business meeting May 7th will be Billy Chrisley. The topic will be wire antennas. This should be a good topic because many people have limited space and need good antennas. Also they are not very obvious like a tower and a beam.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the bean feed. This is our big one. If you can donate any equipment or time please contact Cash Olsen KD5SSJ. Thanks every one for your support. I am looking forward to the future.

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CW GROUP K5DI

This Group meets every first Monday of the month at 7PM at the MVRC Clubhouse. The purpose of the Group is to get people who like CW together. It is OK to like SSB and other things too. We talk about ways to get your CW speed up and nice CW radios. We can do many things like install antennas or fix things. Exchange ideas.

So if this sounds interesting show up next month. By the way, if the night driving bothers you let me know and we can bring you and take you home. Karl Larsen, 3310 East Street, Las Cruces, NM 88005, 505-640-1383

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MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

April 2, 2005

KJ5Q

Jack Lemons N5PK, President, called the meeting to order at 9:15 AM. A quorum was present. Members introduced themselves and one guest, Randy Adamson, was present. Randy is signed up for Technician Class.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved as circulated in the LO. The audit report from Lydia Mabry KD5VXI and John Hempfling N5WQ was accepted. Sandra Hempfling KJ5Q gave the treasurer's report. The report was filed for audit.

There was no old business.

Special Events: Cash Olsen KD5SSJ reported that help is needed at the bean feed. Tres Campbell KD5ZHI is contacting a Boy Scout troop for possible help with parking. Frank Hughes KE5ALO will help with cleanup.

Education: Joe San Filippo WZ5R reported that Technician class has 8-15 participants. Class is scheduled for April 8, 9, and 10.

Communications: In the absence of George Kopp KD5OHA (he was at Run Old Mesilla), members reported that the Bataan Memorial March went well. Upcoming races include the MS Walk on April 9 and the Triathlon at NMSU on April 17.

Programs: Tres Campbell KD5ZHI asked for suggestions for future programs. Some ideas included Brad Sacca KC5SKE to talk about repeaters, Joe San Filippo WZ5R on Digital Signal Processing, Billy Chrisley WN5KNY on antennas, and Cash Olsen KD5SSJ

on spectrum analyzers.

Membership: Several ideas were presented including special event stations at visible locations, mailing the LO to a new hams, a set-up in the mall, meeting with new hams from classes to get them on the air, and setting a schedule for the club station to be open and manned, and t-shirts (for visibility) for club members.

Dues: The recommendation from the Board that dues be increased by \$10.00 was presented. Single member dues would be \$35.00 and family member dues would be \$45.00. A motion was made and seconded. After discussion, the motion passed and the change is effective immediately.

Contribution: It was agreed by consensus that a contribution of \$50.00 be made to the Mesilla Valley Hospice in memory of Lou Cabot KC5IEC. Jack also announced that the names of contributors (\$50.00 or more to the Friends of Mesilla Valley Radio Club) would be engraved on the plaque in the clubhouse.

The meeting was adjourned. Cash Olsen KD5SSJ presented a program on flow soldering.
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BOARD MINUTES

April 6, 2005

W5JRD

The monthly meeting was called to order by President Jack Lemons [N5PK] on April 6, 2005 at 7:00 PM. Also in attendance were: Bob Bennett AD5LJ, Alex Burr K5XY, Tres Campbell KD5ZHI, Sandra Hempfling KJ5Q, George Kopp KD5OHA, Cash Olsen KD5SSJ, Joe San Filippo WZ5R and Judy Davis W5JRD.

Director of Communications George Kopp reported on the plans for the upcoming Field Day on June 25 and 26th. It was decided to check on the availability of the vacant lots on the corner of Don Roser and Missouri as a potential site.

Joe SanFilippo presented an update on the spring Technician class to be held on April 8, 9 and 10th. Fourteen people have signed up and manuals have been printed. Steve Horan AC5RI, Bob Bennett and Joe will be conducting the classes.

Special Events Director Cash Olsen reported on plans for the annual Bean Feed scheduled for April 24 at the clubhouse. Tres Campbell and George Kopp will set up signs for directions and parking. Dorothy W0SWK and Dean WA7EPU Figgins will be responsible for the talk in. Volunteers are needed to donate baked goods to be sold. Volunteers are also needed to work on the clean up crew.

Bob Bennett announced a clean up day the week before the Bean Feed.

A general discussion was opened on ways to attract new members and bring back past ones.

Suggestions:

1. Send the Local Oscillator to tech class members and pitch the benefits of club membership.
2. Visit with local past members and invite them back.
3. Set follow up contacts with new licensees.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

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INCOME/EXPENSE

KJ5Q

March 31, 2005

Beginning Balances – Checking, Savings, and Education	7512.18
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Income:

Breakfast	116.10	
Contributions	50.00	
Dues	735.00	
Equipment Sales	10.00	
Education	90.00	
Interest Income	0.69	
Total Income	1001.79	
Balances & Income		8513.97

Expenses:

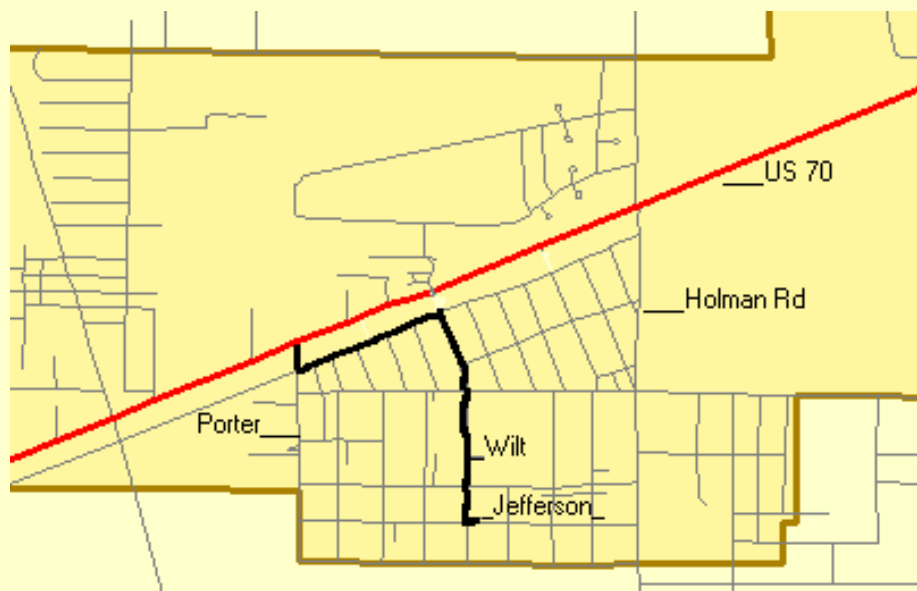
Bean Feed	37.23	
Breakfast	72.96	
Field Day	47.87	
Misc.	-46.69	
Newsletter	144.61	
Tax Exempt Fee	10.00	
Utilities:		
Telephone	80.02	
Water	10.97	
Total Expenses	356.97	

Balances on hand, March 31, 2005	8157.00
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CLUB INFORMATION

The MVRC Clubhouse is located at the intersection of Wilt and Jefferson in Hacienda Heights. To find the clubhouse, set your destination on your GPS receiver as 32 degrees 22.961 minutes and -106 degrees 41.44 minutes. If you don't own a gps, take the Porter exit on US 70. It is about 5 miles from the I 25 interchange, near the firehouse. Almost immediately south of the south frontage road on the south side of US 70, turn left toward the mountains until you come to Wilt. Turn right. There is a jog in the road, but at 0.35 miles you should come to Jefferson. If you can't see the tower and beam, you shouldn't be driving. The treasurer would be delighted to receive your contribution for landscaping and furnishing.



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The newsletter is always looking for articles and notes of interest to the members of the Mesilla Valley Radio Club. Please send them to Alex. F. Burr, K5XY, Editor, MVRC Local Oscillator, 695 Stone Canyon Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88011. Small personal ads from members will also be published. It would be helpful if submissions would be made in a machine readable form. Windows readable disks are welcome. Files can also be sent to the Internet address k5xy@arrl.net. The club maintains a web site at <http://www.zianet.com/mvrc>.

JOIN THE CLUB

To join the Mesilla Valley Radio Club, renew your membership, or to support the repeaters, please print, cut out, and complete the form below. Send it with dues (\$35 single, \$45 family per year) to: Treasurer, MVRC, Box 1443, Las Cruces, NM 88004.

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