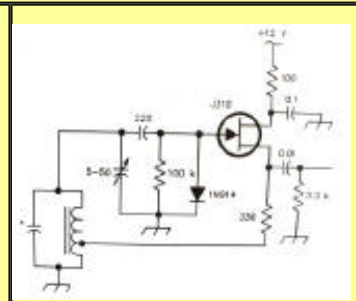


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Mesilla Valley Radio Club

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Sun	Slow CW Net 3.575	3:30PM
Sun	CW Net 3.375	4:00PM
M - F	6 m FM net 52.540	6:00AM
T, T	Informal meet Wal-Mart (E)	10:00AM
M, W, F	Informal meet Wal-Mart (W)	10:00AM
Mon	WTRA Swap net 146.88	8 PM
Wed	N5BL Net 146.64	6:45PM
Oct 3	Pecos Valley ARC Swapfest	
Oct 3	Breakfast - Club House	8 AM
Oct 3	Business - Club House	9 AM
Oct 6	Builder's Group - Club House	7 PM
Oct 7	Board meet - Club House	7 PM
Oct 20	Builder's Group - Club House	7 PM

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# THE ARTICLES FOR THIS MONTH

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

KC5HFJ

The usual breakfast ( 8 AM, \$ 4) and business meeting will be held in October 3.

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## CLUB NOTES

KD5SSJ

We are approaching the end of the year and that means that we have to get serious about the leadership for next year. This year has been a little unusual because we elected a President, last year and he was unable, to fulfill the duties of the office. Because of health and personal reasons (and Perry Walsh has since passed away (SK)). I have been officiating at the meetings, as one of the jobs of the Vice President.

We need to elect nearly a full slate of officers, I have said that I would be willing to continue as VP. We need candidates for President, Secretary and Treasure and a couple of board members.

Jack Lemons has done a fine job but he wants someone else to take on this important job for the future. Jack has held many positions in the club in the past and this year took the Secretary position this year because the Club must have a Secretary, required by our Bylaws and our Articles of Incorporation. This job should not be particularly difficult but requires a commitment to make the business and board meetings and answer some mail and necessary forms.

Joe Ostrowski also stepped up to fill another required and important task of the club. Joe has managed to straighten out a several year old billing problem with the local LP (propane) distribution business. He stuck to it with the tenacity of a bulldog and it was finally resolved. Joe has done a fine job of the Treasurer but, like Jack, has held other jobs over the years and only took the job for one

year.

We need a Special Events Chairman that can be here and take charge of the Beanfeed and would hopefully continue the tradition of breakfast before the business meetings on Saturday morning. The Beanfeed is most important to this organization because the equipment sales offsets the yearly expenses that are not covered by dues which are collected from the membership.

Bob Bennett as said that he would continue as the Building and Facilities Chairman. He has done a fine job and the club house has seen many improvements over the last several years that Bob. Bob does much of the work by himself, but asks for help for the two or three annual cleanings and the occasional painting party.

Alex Burr has said that he will continue as a Newsletter Chairman. He has also done a fine job with very little input, and yes I am as guilty as anyone about providing him with scant input that he can publish. This is also an important function, because as Alex points out, this is main connection to the club for many members. They remain informed about club activities through the LO Newsletter, Alex has been the LO publisher the seven years I have been a member of the club.

Henry Schotzko and George Kopp will continue to co-chair the Communications position. Henry is in direct and nearly constant contact with the City-County Emergency Manager and the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and has overseen a major overhaul of the Ham Shack in that building. He is also the RACES and ARES representative. George is active in the emergency operations but he takes most of the load organizing our community services, which consist primarily of supporting many races throughout the community.

Rob Truitt is the Repeater Chairman and during the year the repeaters have been repaired and remained on the air. Rob plans to continue in this position.

We started the year without a Education Chairman, but Evan Salazar has taken charge of the upcoming Technician classes. Evan is a new ham and has a particular interest in building

equipment and is a natural teacher.

As you can see, the club needs leadership in order to accomplish all of the important things that the Mesilla Valley Radio Club does to support the HAM community in southern New Mexico.

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## BUILDERS GROUP

### KD5SSJ

The Builders Group continues to meet on the first and third Tuesday evening, 7pm, at the MVRC Club House. The focus has been on using microprocessors in the HAM shack. We are using the Arduino as a platform for developing software and the C language GCC compiler. The software is high quality, free and open source. The hardware is low cost (about \$30) and offers a great opportunity to see how microcomputers are used in the commercial HAM gear and how HAM's can create their own applications. Dave, WA5DJJ, and Evan, KE5ZRZ, are on the air with versions of the QRSS beacon that was a result of the Builders Group.

All are welcome, you can join the projects at any time and we'll help you get up to speed.

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## TREASURER'S REPORT

### KI5FJ

<b>INCOME</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL YTD</b>
Bean Feed Food	400.00	375.00
Breakfast & Drinks	600.00	491
Contributions	250.00	942.69
Dues	2000.00	1995
Education Classes	850.00	220.00

Equip Sales & Raffles	1845.00	2083
Bank Interest	30.00	
Other	0.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>	5975.00	6106.69

<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL YTD</b>
Bean Feed	300.00	296.72
Breakfast & Drinks	400.00	152.21
Clubhouse	400.00	734.91
N5BL Domain Due 09 2014	20.00	
Education Classes	850.00	478.13
Field Day	150.00	90.42
Insurance	1000.00	
Misc	100.00	125.15
NM Emergency Fee	30.00	30.00
NM Tax Exempt Fee	10.00	30.00
PO Box Rent	60.00	60.00
Postage	100.00	
President's Fund	75.00	207.17
Property Tax	800.00	
Repeater Maintenance	600.00	523.70
Electricity	450.00	373.19
Propane	500.00	274.07
Water	150.00	134.17
<b>TOTAL</b>	5995.00	3509.84

<b>AS OF 30 Sep 2009</b>	
<b>INCOME</b>	6106.69
<b>EXPENSES</b>	3509.84
<b>NET</b>	+2596.85

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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](mailto:k5xy@arrl.net). The club maintains a web site at <http://www.zianet.com/mvrc>.

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