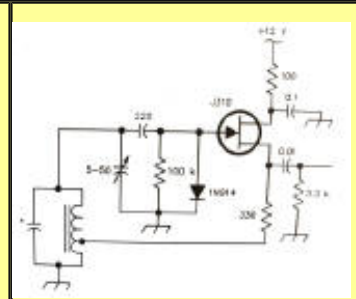


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T, T	Informal Wal-Mart (E)	10:00AM
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Mon	WTRA Swap net 146.88	8 PM
Wed	Net 146.64	6:45PM
May 1	Bean Feed - Club House	
May 3	Builders Group - Club House	7 PM
May 7	Breakfast - Club House	8 AM
May 7	Business meet - Club House	9 AM
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Bean Feed 2010

Southwest Antennas & Accessories

more information at <http://swantenna.com>

The space below is used for acknowledgements and maintaining the site.
Send comments, suggestions, and requests to [Alex. F. Burr](mailto:aburr@qzxservices.com) or send e-mail to aburr@qzxservices.com.
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THE ARTICLES FOR THIS MONTH

BEAN FEED 2011 K5XY

This year the Bean Feed is held on the first Sunday of May instead of the last Sunday in April as is usual because Easter was just about as late in the year as it can be.

There are no major changes outside of the time in this edition of the major event in the club year. As usual there will be a lot of conversation, much buying and selling of equipment, and lots of beans. There will also be a testing session for an FCC license. People start arriving before 7 AM, there will be talk-in on 146.64 (100 pl) and the beans will be served before noon.

The club hopes to see you there.

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NM QSO PARTY WA4AEJ

I've tallied the our results for the NM QSO Party and here are the results:

We worked 123 SSB contacts.

We worked 144 PSK31 contacts.

As SSB counts one contact and PSK31 counts as two, that brought us to a total of 267 contacts.

We got a multiplier of two for operating at one hundred watts.

We worked 27 New Mexico Counties, 34 U.S. States, 1 Canadian Province, and 6 DX countries (entities) (a total of twelve DX contacts). I've sent QSL cards to the twelve DX contacts via the ARRL Outgoing QSL Bureau. Hopefully, they will reciprocate.

27 plus 34 plus 1 plus 6 yields a multiplier of 68.

267 times 2 times 68 yields 36,312 points.

That is a pretty decent score. Last year, we took first place in our category with a score of 46,720. The next highest score was 11,888.

Our score this year is three times last year's second place score. That puts us in a pretty good position to win the plaque for first place again.

The results are to be posted on the NM QSO Party Web page by June 12.

Let's keep our fingers crossed.

Thanks to everyone who operated (Terry Angle, Rick Bernstine, Margaret , and myself) and to everyone who stopped by to help or

observe (Robert Truitt, Hugo Costa). My apologies if I missed someone.

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UNCLASIFIED ADS

WANTED: New Mexico Ham Radio License Plates, all years. Especially need 1959-1964, inclusive, plus 1976, 1977, 1983, 1984, 1986, 1987, 1989, and 2000. Will buy or trade. Bill Johnston, K5ZI, P.O. Box 640, Organ, NM 88052-0640. Tel. 575-382-7804, e-mail: K5ZI@arrl.net

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MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING
KD5UZF

General Meeting Minutes 4-2-11

9:20 am

Fred Atkinson gave a presentation on Global Maritime Distress & Safety Systems and Licensing.

10:05 am Meeting was called to order.

Thank you to Gus for his donation of coffee for the Clubhouse,

The General class has been scheduled for the 2nd weekend in May.

Vern said the repeaters were all OK.

Dorothy Figgins made a \$50. donation to the repeater fund which brings the total to \$505.

George said Thank You to all those who gave their support for the Bataan March. There may be a Horse Race in the Fall but there are no other races scheduled at this time.

If you are using the Clubhouse check with Bob Bennett. He is going to have a clean-up day soon and will send an e-mail.

Terry is going to have lunch for the QSO Party. HE needs volunteers on Saturday before the Bean Feed to help with preparation and on Sunday to help serve and clean up afterward.

George is taking care of parking and direction signs. He has arranged for the Rescue Squad to-up and for a 20x30 enclosed tent for the parking lot across the street.

We still need donations for the Bean Feed sales.

John Hempfling is doing a VE tomorrow (4-3—11). He will set up other time if you let him know ahead of time. You can find practice tests at QEZ.com if you study on your own.

There were 115 contacts made at the March 27 event here and a QSO party will be had to fill out cards.

The 2012 Bataan will be on March 25.

SAR was impressed with our performance at Bataan. They would like to cross train with us.

Cash would like to have an Elmer session at the QSO party.

Let us know if you have any problems and we will help you stay on the air.

10:30 adjourn.

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MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
KD5UZF

BOARD MEETING 4-6-11

AE5XI Terry Angle

WX5IV Vern Vonheeder

KD5SSJ Cash Olsen

N3OL Lou Poli

AD5FE Henry Schotzko

AD5LJ Bob Bennett

KE5OFK Robert Truitt

KD5OFK George Kopp

KD5UZF Melanie Jack

Call to order at 7:02 pm

Fred Atkinson tendered his resignation. Vern moved to accept and Terry 2nded. He will continue until May 7, 2011,

Robert will find a replacement for the Treasurer to hold the position until the next election. An audit committee will be formed to do an audit of the books as required by our Constitution.

The State Police antenna is almost functional. The NMSU Police office is acquiring the antenna. They may already have one. MRVDA regional dispatch is functional.

Jack Lemons sold \$800. of the equipment left from Dales estate. Thank you.

There will be no Hamfest in Albuquerque, it will be in Taos.

Bob needs helpers to clean up around the building both the grounds and the Clubhouse.

There are shingles that need to be replaced on the roof. Terry and Henry have said that they will help. The roof was put on in 1996 and is going to need replacing soon. A metal roof would be the best solution. We need to set up a fund now!

The NVIS antenna needs to come down and be repaired or replaced.

The radio room is a mess. Things have been moved, equipment has been used improperly, radios have been left on and the mic was left plugged in. Cash Olsen made a motion to call in all keys. Keys would then be re-issued after signing an agreement about taking care of the Clubhouse. Terry Angle 2nd.

We are going to make an inventory of all keys and set up a Building /Operators Log which will be placed near the alarm control. Bob Bennett and Cash Olsen will write the contract. Bob will do a walk through demonstration covering the Radio room.

Cash would like do an Elmer during the QSO party between 12 and 3pm. He can demo the building of a copper cactus antenna.

The General class is set for May 13,14,15 here at the Clubhouse. The testing is\$35 and the manual is

\$30. He is planning an Extra class for the Fall.

Terry is serving lunch at the QSO party. He still needs help for the Bean Feed.

Any one who needs help can call Rob.

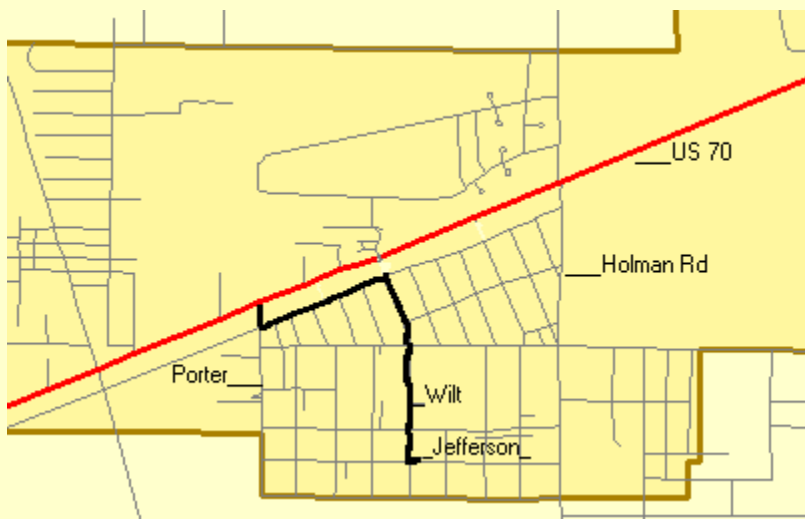
The APRS system at Bataan exceeded expectations. There was good tracking, even the helicopter.

8:30 pm adjourned.

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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.n5bl.org>

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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, add \$10 to receive the newsletter by US mail instead of e-mail) to: Treasurer, MVRC, Box 1443, Las Cruces, NM 88004.

MESILLA VALLEY RADIO CLUB CALL SIGN(S) _____ FAMILY _____ _____ LIC CLASS (E, A, G, T, N) _____ ARRL (Y/N) _____ ARRL VE (Y/N) _____ Would you like to be added to the MVRC reflector? _____ NAME _____	
EMAIL _____	
STREET ADDRESS _____ _____	
CITY & ZIP _____ PHONE _____ (OPTIONAL) INTERESTS – Computer __ Contests __ Digital __ Elmer __ Emergency Communications __ Field Day __ Packet __ Programs __ Public Service __ Publicity __ RFI __ Repeater __ Social __ Take License Classes __ Teach License Classes __ Volunteer Examiner __ Other _____ SINGLE \$35 FAMILY \$45	

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