



## SCARS

South Canadian Amateur Radio  
Society

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The May meeting was called to order by President Bill Lockett (KD5DOB). The meeting minutes were read by Bill Baker (WG5T) which was approved with no corrections. Treasurer Jeff Wyke (KT5OK) gave a treasurer's report of \$2857.08. It was also noted that all those whom had not paid dues for 2008 had been removed from the roster.

**REPEATER REPORT:** It was reported that the PL Decoders on the new repeater are requiring some work but progressing.

**CORA REPORT:** It was reported that the CORA meeting was held outside the Salvation Army building instead of being inside due to the person with the key failing to show. As of right now, all is on schedule and is coming together for Ham Holiday. N5KUK and KD5JSD both have tickets to sale for \$7.00. In addition, SCARS will conduct the VE testing for Ham Holiday like previous years.

**VE TEAM:** It was reported that there were 5 that showed for testing which resulted in 3 new Techs and went on and passed the General

exam and one upgraded from General to Extra.

**NET REPORTS:** All nets are up and running. Another unofficial net on 14.287 USB on Monday evenings at 7 PM will continue for now. The ARES net and N5HZX 10 Meter Memorial Net all reported good participation.

### **New / Used Equipment:**

WA5TAW reported that he has a new Yaesu FT-1802 VHF rig and also requested that we have an antenna party at his home QTH soon.

**TECH REPORT:** Please see "Repeater Report."

**OLD BUSINESS:** It was reported that the planning for Field Day 2008 was progressing well.

Everybody was reminded that the SCARS meeting in June will be held on the first Saturday of that month, which is June 7 due to Ham-Com in Texas. There was nobody present to report on the 501C3 status. N5UWY reported that he had looked into books for schools and found that the ARRL sells a set of books for \$200 and use Don's "instructor discount" to get the stuff for local schools. He will look a little further into this and maybe the club will make a decision next month. KC5MMU reported on a state health department drill on April 30. It simulated the distributions of medications. Each location opened an envelope at a predetermined time and followed the instructions inside. It involved using 5 different methods of

communication. He reported that the drill went pretty good.

**NEW BUSINESS:** There was no new business to report.

**TECH PROGRAM:** KD5RAK gave a short presentation on the Field Day 2008 preparations. He reported that he was working on assignments for 3A with a Phone, CW, and Digital stations plus a VHF 2 meter and 6 meter station and 2 "listening" stations so guests and visitors can monitor the communications. No microphones will be attached to these radios. KD5UGO is planning a lunch at around noon and dinner at around 5 PM on that Saturday. There is also a planned breakfast on that Sunday for those whom work and stay during the overnight hours. It was moved, seconded and passed that up to \$300 be spent for food. It was also noted that the small pavilion at Reaves Park is reserved (same place as usual). It was also stated that we could use more tables for Field Day and therefore it was moved, seconded and approved that the club buy 2 more fiberglass tables like the 2 we already have.

With that, the meeting was closed at 10:10 AM.

**SPECIAL THANKS GOES TO BILL BAKER (WG5T) FOR RECORDING THE MEETING MINUTES FOR THIS MEETING IN MY ABSENCE. THANKS, BILL!**

73 de WX4CHR  
-Adam Krech

