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*A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A VERY HAPPY NEW
YEAR
TO ALL MEMBERS
FROM THE OFFICERS AND
DIRECTORS
OF
THE MARION
AMATEUR RADIO CLUB*

FROM DESK OF THE PRESIDENT

A short note from your new president:

In the coming months I would like to see if there is an interest in CW. This is something like we did this past year on 30 meters. We would make voice contact on a given day and time on 146.895 and then go to an open band on 30 meters. The code would be slow speed at first as some of us are not as good shall we say, at first. But as time goes on we could for the most part become better.

There are a great number of hams through the world today that use code even today to communicate. Each of us may not speak each other's language, but code is universal.

So what do you think? Is it worth a try? Let me know.

Kevin

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January 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4 Exc Board mtg Club Room	5	6 Wed night net KB8BKT DON	7	8	9
10	11 Reg monthly Tri-Rivers JVS	12	13 Wed night net N80B DAN	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 Wed night net W8MLL LYNN	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 Wed night net KV2L KEVIN	28 MARES MTG Club Room	29	30
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MARION AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Executive Meeting

Dec 7th 2009

7:30 pm

Tri-Rivers Career Center

President Jack Hale (KD8CUU) opened meeting with reading of Sec Minutes for last Executive Meeting.

Treasure report given.

HR 60 Bill will allow any antenna to be put up during an emergency. Gift exchange for Christmas party. \$10.00 value and Ham or computer related.

Food for Christmas party – bring some to share- bring your own drinks. Election of Officers reviewed and will be voted on at the meeting. Ground Hog day is Feb 2 2010 on a Tuesday. Certificate is planned. Tower work to be done.

Facilities: Door Fixed, Worked on interior door.

PIO: Jack received the appointment from ARRL

News Letter: Will be out the end of next week.

Youth: Nothing to report

Repeater – new – Radio's that are for repeater use – Use for backup

Fair Ground: Christmas light schedule doing well. A few days left open. Sign up soon if you want to participate. May have two on a shift.

Health and Welfare: Bill Carey was in hospital and out. Glenn Brown Mt Victory is OK – Just not enough time in a day to participate.

AC40Y is doing well and will on a cruise during Christmas party.

Motion to Adjourn by Tim Messenger and second by Don Freeman.

Motion passed by voice vote. Meeting was adjourned.

N8YRF

Gene Moore

MARC Sec/Treas.

Attendance: Jack Hale, Kathy Landes, Kevin Landes, Don Freeman, Lynn Lovell, Tim Messenger, Gene Moore,

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**WW8MRN
Club Repeaters**

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147.300 Mhz +600 with 71.9 CTCSS

146.895 Mhz - 600 with 71.9 CTCSS

Club Call: W8GVB

This is the second notice for this event!

As of the printing of this newsletter no one has come forward to help..

HELP WANTED

Volunteers will be needed for the our upcoming "Ground Hog Day Special Event Day" on February 2, 2010. They will be sending and receiving just like field day. They will be keeping a log for each frequency from 5:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Please let Jim Bird know when you would be able to help out.

Thanks
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From the Desk of the club PIO:

I have been hard pressed to come up with an idea to get youth involvement in Amateur Radio. I have tried the local Boy Scout office with information and that was early last year. But nothing really came of it. News articles in the local paper will sometimes work, as will interviews with some local news outlets. But nothing really stirs the interest of the public until a major catastrophe. Even the display of the destroyed city that was in the local library did not bring forth any interest. I will keep trying but if any of the members has any ideas let know.

Jack KD8CUU
Public Information Officer .

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

To all members,

In the ARRL newsletter dated December 16, 2009 there was an interesting article about a bill that is of interest of all of us.

It passed the Senate by unanimous consent. Bill is part of the "The Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Enhancement Act of 2009". The Senate version is S-1755.

The article goes on to state that "There is a strong Federal interest in the effective performance of Amateur Radio Service stations...".

My main reason for this announcement is for each of us to keep close tabs on this issue. We are for the most part the first individuals in during a major disaster. We are sometime the only means of communications for the people in need of assistance. The disaster area could be without power, phone, cable towers or anything else, we can provide that assistance to the out side world. It has been proven many times that "When all else fails Amateur Radio works". Our members should keep close tabs on this bill to make certain that we the communicators are not pushed aside for some unforeseen reason..

Your editor
Jack KD8CUU