

Minutes of May 15, 2022 meeting  
Pella Amateur Radio Club

1:30 PM at the South Shelter in West Market Park, Pella, Iowa

1. Present: David – WØIM, Justin – KEØFKF, Roger – WØZMU, Richard – WØRLJ, Mike – NØMPM, Kevin – KBØBGU, Daniel – WØOTV, Larry – WBØYQP and Tyler – KEØZZO.
2. Treasurer's Report:
  - a. Income
    - i. PENS ARRL Grant \$3,000.00
    - ii. Interest \$0.06
  - b. Expenses
  - c. Balances
    - i. General Fund: \$2,141.59
    - ii. Repeater: \$573.81
    - iii. PENS: \$3,146.27
    - iv. Total of all balances: \$5,861.67
  - d. There are two expenses expected relating to PENS balloon activities. These are \$122.45 for Hydrogen gas and \$166.60 for batteries/foam board.
3. Field Day was discussed and the list prepared by Justin- KEØFKF was updated.
  - a. **Goal:** Have fun and make contacts
  - b. **Class/Section:** This year operating as 2A
  - c. **Location:** The Well in Pella
  - d. **Date:** Saturday, June 25, 2022
  - e. **Time:** Set up at 10am. Start operating at 1pm. No set end time. It could run as late as 9:00 PM
  - f. **Layout:** See Daniel's layout from previous email
  - g. **Lunch:** on your own
  - h. **Supper:** Family is invited. Last year we ordered pizza as a group and all chipped in. Plan is to do the same this year.
  - i. **Equipment:**
    - i. Daniel - WØOTV bringing complete station, including his SteppIR antenna
    - ii. Roger - WØZMU may not be able to attend, and may not be able to supply the Kenwood 870 he had offered. Tyler – KEØZZO offered to bring one or more transceivers. Justin – KEØFKF will bring the club I-706
    - iii. Club generator and fuel (Daniel)
    - iv. David – WØIM Off-Center-Fed dipole and mast. Kevin – KBØBGU offered to bring a 40-meter dipole.
    - v. Scott - WRØU had offered a Hy-Gain TH3 beam antenna for 10/15/20m (needs repair and testing before field day). Justin will contact Scott, indicating that we should know by June 1 if it will be available, so it can be assembled and tested well before Field Day.
    - vi. Club Blue Sky Mast to support a beam. If Roger - WØZMU is not able to participate, he will get the mast to someone that will be there.
    - vii. 2 audio splitters (Mike - NØMPM and David - WØIM)

- viii. 2 Logging computers with logging software (David – WØIM)
  - ix. Power cords, extra guy rope, etc. All participants were urged to bring as much of this gear as they can, being sure to mark it or provide some sort of identifying.
  - x. Headsets At least two sets of headphones are needed. Headsets are optional.
- j. **Supporting Equipment:**
- i. Club canopy: Kevin – KBØBGU also the PVC pipe to hold the banner
  - ii. Canopy: Justin – KEØFKF
  - iii. Welcome canopy: Tyler KEØZZO
  - iv. Tables: Kevin – KBØBGU, Justin – KEØFFKF (2 tables), Larry – KBØMOT, Richard – WØRLJ
  - v. Bottled Water in cooler: Richard - WØRLJ
  - vi. Large plywood field day sign: Justin – KEØFKF
  - vii. Table banner: Mike – NØNPM
  - viii. Pamphlets/Welcome table info: David – WØIM; Bobby - KØBLC/David - WØPLV to do an information piece on the club.
  - ix. Bring your own chair(s)
  - x. Bring your own sunscreen, hat, etc.
  - xi. Paper towels: Justin - KEØFKF
  - xii. Extra stakes: Bring what you have
  - xiii. Notepads for loggers and visitor log
- k. **Pre Field Day things needing to be done:**
- i. Need to test beam antenna. Justin – KEØFKF to contact Scott – WRØU indicating we need to have antenna by June 4 for erection and testing.
  - ii. Tyler – KEØZZO will notify “One-Call” to confirm stakes will not hit any utilities. It was suggested that photos be taken of the location flags for use in the future.
  - iii. Justin – KEØFKF to prepare a sign-up sheet and send it out to the club on Groups.io. Sign-up slots will go out to 9:00 PM as a measure of interest in operating that late.
  - iv. Bobby - KØBLC and David - WØPLV to work on information sheet about the club and its activities to hand out at field day
  - v. Justin - KEØFKF will attempt to invite the Scouts that were involved in Merit Badge preparations.
4. Additional items:
- a. Tyler – KEØZZO asked for additional volunteers to be Net Control for the Monday night VHF net.
  - b. The loaner rig has been returned and is at the home of Justin – KEØFKF.
5. As no further business was presented, the meeting was adjourned at about 2:00 PM on May 15, 2022. After adjournment, various members participated in a “Fox Hunt”. The transmitter had been hidden by Dan – WØOTV. The first to find it was Tyler – KEØZZO, aided by his three children.

Roger Stubbe - Secretary