

**WEST VIRGINIA STATE AMATEUR RADIO COUNCIL, Inc.**  
**Convention Planning Meeting**

**July 10, 2004**

The West Virginia State Amateur Radio Council, Inc. (WVSARC) 2004 meeting was called to order by President Mac McMillian, W8XF, at the Weston Sizzlin Steakhouse, Weston, WV.

**Attendance:** W8XF, WD8V, KA8ZGY, W8GAK, K8WV, WD8EOG, WA8YCD, WV3WLC, N8MIN, WD8PAD, N8SWL, W8AF, W8YS, K8VE

**Minutes:** Secretary, Ann Rinehart, KA8ZGY, distributed copies of the May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2004 meeting minutes that were reviewed with motion to accept and make part of the record.

**Treasury Report:** Presented by Garry Kibler, W8GAK for Jack, K8WMX – treasury balance of \$4,249.86. Special Education Fund \$2,190.00

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Mill Reservations:** Garry, W8GAK, reports for Jack, K8WMX, that Jack has sent out room reservations, and those who want a room should submit confirmation ASAP because there are few vacant rooms.

**BPL:** Mac, W8XF reports that Dan Ringer, K8WV, has been appointed as BPL representative for the WVSARC. Dan expresses concern in relation to what will happen with HF when BPL comes in. He is looking for a document that describes the effects of BPL on the HF spectrum, not just amateur radio. He indicates the WV State Chamber of Commerce is reviewing BPL.

**Mill Guest Speaker:** Rich, K8VE, and Mac, W8XF, confirm Gary Anderson, W8IVF, NRAO, Green Bank WV Observatory to speak on “Receivers”.

**ARRL Speaker:** Mac, W8XF reports Mark Spencer, WA8SME, ARRL HQ will speak on ARRL’s “Big Project”. WV has two schools enrolled in the Project. Mark may also speak on “How to Teach Technician & General Classes”.

**Dealers:** Mac, W8XF has contacted K&D in regard to paying \$100.00 for space in Electric Building and they accepted with us indicating no charge for tables. Mac has been unable to contact East Coast – but will contact this week. It was the decision of the group to cover cost if cannot sell to East Coast.

**Convention Schedule:**

**SATURDAY – August 28, 2004**

6:00 – 10:00 am - Talk-in Station On The Air – W8WVA – Freq. 145.39 alt 147.33, Dirk Burnside, WD8PAD

7:00 am- Breakfast – Dining Hall

7:30 am - Ticket Sale – Pavilion

8:00 am - ARRL Booth, Dennis Bodson, W4PWF, Roanoke Division Director, Hal Turley, KC8FS, WV Section Manager - (WAS/VUCC/DXCC Checkers) – Electric Center

9:00 am - Hourly Prize Drawings Start – Pavilion

9:30 am - Nets Meeting – Dennis Bombardiere, W8YS – WV Building

10:00 am - ARES - “ Win Link 2000” , Patrick Shea, N8MIN; Dirk Burnside, WD8PAD; Richard Dillon, K8VE- WV Bldg

10:00 am - ARRL VE Exams – Mountain State Transmitters – Lodge Basement

11:00am - ARRL Technical Forum - ARRL’s “BIG PROJECT” - Mark Spencer, WA8SME, ARRL HQ Staff

12:00 noon - Lunch – Dining Hall and Pavilion

12:45 pm - Awards Presentations – (WV Amateur of the Year, Field Day, W8NR ARES SET Award, WVQSO Party) – WV Bldg  
1:00 pm - Special Guest Speaker – Gary Anderson, W8IVF, - NRAO, Green Bank, WV Observatory  
2:00 pm - MARS Meeting – Lodge Basement  
2:00 pm - QCWA Meeting - WV Building  
3:00 pm - Emergency Communication Testing (Level 1, 2, 3) Dirk Burnside, WD8PAD – Lodge Basement  
4:00 pm - ARRL Forum - Dennis Bodson, W4PWF, Roanoke Division Director, Hal Turley, KC8FS, WV Sec. Mgr. - WV Bldg  
5:00 pm - Dinner – Dining Hall  
6:00 pm - WVSARC Convention Meeting – Mac McMillian, W8XF, President, - WV Building  
7:00 pm - Auction – Anthony Simons, W8AF; Mac McMillian, W8XF – Lodge Basement  
12 Midnight - Royal Order of the Wouff Hong Ceremony – WV Building  
SUNDAY – August 29, 2004  
8:00 am - Breakfast – Dining Hall  
9:00 am - (Pending) Skywarn Weather Spotter Class – Lodge Basement  
10:00 am - DX Forum – (TBA) – Lodge Basement  
11:00 am - Prize Drawings – Lodge Basement

**Main Prizes:** Mac, W8XF, will research and order with COD to Jack, K8WMX – Treasurer.

**Hourly/Forum Prizes:** Mac, W8XF, reports there are several prizes from last year to use for hourly prizes and the ARRL will send additional books for forum prizes.

**Booklet:** Bob, WA8YCD, will send information for ads in booklets to WV Clubs. Ann, KA8ZGY will send club email addresses to Bob. Deadline for the ad will be August 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Reception:** Ann, KA8ZGY, will contact Dennis requesting support with cost of reception.

**Bylaws Review:** Dan, K8WV, reports he has reviewed the bylaws and indicates “if still working, don’t mess with it”. After much discussion, there is still concern on how to become an individual member as the bylaws address eligibility for membership, and how does a club become a member. Discussion related to attendance to meetings ( 2 out of 4 meetings; any two consecutive meetings) to be an individual voting member, and change of date for election of officers. Dirk, WA8PAD and Helen, N8SWL, may present proposed bylaw changes at the Mill Council meeting.

**501-C-3 Status:** Dan, K8WV, asked if we have 501-C-3 Status and we are not 501-C-3. No other action taken.

**Concessions:** Mac, W8XF will contact Mary Goodwin, with Boy Scout Troop to provide lunch concessions (304-472-1040).

**Royal Order of the Wouff Hong Ceremony:** Bob, WA8YCD, confirms Chuck, K8UQY, is working on costumes, etc for the ceremony.

**Ticket Sales:** Mac, W8XF, asked Garry, W8GAK to act as ticket sales coordinator.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned.

**L. Ann Rinehart, KA8AGY, WVSARC Secretary**