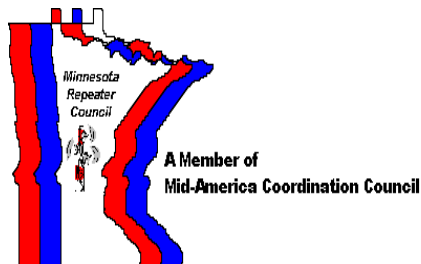


Minnesota Repeater Council



Spring 2005
Newsletter

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The Spring MRC
Meeting will be
held
Saturday
May 7, 2005
at the
Duluth Superior
Hamfest

Head Of The Lakes Fairgrounds
4700 S. Tower Ave.
(Wisconsin Hwy 35)
Superior, WI

12:00 noon Registration
1:00 PM Call to order

Due to the time constraints at this location. We will be doing the registration in the club table area of the hamfest and then move to the 4H building upon completion of the VE Testing.

Please check your membership status and mail in your dues or proxies in advance to help speed up the process.

Thanks to the
Arrowhead Radio Amateur
Club for hosting the meeting.
<http://www.qsl.net/w0gkp>

At the Spring meeting we will AGAIN be looking at repeaters that have not filed renewals. I don't know why it is so hard to do, all that is required is to make a few check marks and return the forms to Jerry. Year after year we go thru the same thing. If you want to have a repeater in Minnesota all you have to do is fill out your renewal forms.

The activity level on many repeaters has fallen to very low levels, we need to stimulate things to the level they were in past years. Many clubs have good license classes, that is one of the things we need to keep the hobby growing. IRLP and EchoLink are the autopatches of the 70's and 80's. Keep coming up with new things to attract users to our repeaters.

We will need to have repeater owners from both the metro and non-metro area to meet our quorum requirements. Spread the word and get the members up to Duluth/Superior.

Several users are coming up with 900 mhz repeaters, one reason there hasn't been too much activity on 900 is that there is no Japanese equipment available, however there are a lot of Motorola and other brands that make usable equipment. Let's look for new projects to make 900 active.

Let's keep in mind the use of that bad word "PL" on our systems, they are required on links along with directional antennas. How about a door prize, we will have a good one at the meeting, see you there.

Steve, KØFHC

Contacting the MRC Secretary & Coordinator!

I have a full time job, so if you wish to contact me by phone, it is best to try 6-9PM in the evenings except Wednesdays.

Sending registered mail is going to delay my receiving the correspondence, this also requires my leaving work early or going to the post office on a Saturday morning.

I normally read and respond to email on a daily basis, this is preferred if I need to research something or for simple questions.

Repeater Updates and frequency applications must be mailed or faxed. I will provide my FAX number upon request. You may also scan your documents and email the document.

You may use email to notify us of operational changes to your repeater like its now on the air or will be off the air for a extended period of time.

Proxy forms can be mailed or faxed, emailed scans are acceptable, however just a proxy statement is not..

Thanks

Jerry

MRC Resources on the Internet

MRC Webpage <http://www.mrc.gen.mn.us>

MRC Mailing list:

This mailing list is for announcements and general discussion of MRC events, policy and operations. Currently it is un-moderated and open to all. Sign up at:

<http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/mrc>

Don't forget to change your email program to "plain text" before you try to send anything. Messages with HTML or other fancy print will come through blank if you don't make the change.... Also do not include attachments!

Written directions from the hamfest webpage

From Minnesota 2: take I 35 North. Exit onto Bong Bridge. At stoplight take a left. Go over viaduct and at second stoplight (Tower Avenue) take a right turn. Proceed approximately 2 miles on Tower Avenue; you will see a truck dealer on the right and the Fair grounds on the left. Turn left and proceed to gold colored building to the right.

From Minnesota 61: take London Road to I 35 South. Exit onto Bong Bridge. At stoplight take a left. Go over viaduct and at second stop light (Tower Avenue) take a right turn. Proceed approximately 2 miles on Tower Avenue; you will see a truck dealer on the right and the Fair grounds on the left. Turn left and proceed to gold colored building to the right.

From Wisconsin 2/53: follow 2/53 till you come to Mall Drive. Turn left onto Mall Drive/18th Street. At Tower Avenue take a left and you will see a truck dealer on the right and the Fair grounds on the left. Turn left and proceed to gold colored building to the right.

From Minnesota 53: take 53/194 to Mesabi Avenue (Piedmont Avenue will be closed). Take right onto Mesabi Avenue and enter onto I 35 South at bottom. Exit onto Bong Bridge. At stoplight take a left. Go over viaduct and at second stoplight (Tower Avenue) take a right turn. Proceed approximately 2 miles on Tower Avenue; you will see a truck dealer on the right and the Fair grounds on the left. Turn left and proceed to gold colored building to the right.

Secretary - Treasurer Notes

This newsletter is going out early due to several factors, including my chairing the Midwinter Madness hamfest, along with weekend trip to LAX. I want to avoid the last minute panic to get this newsletter out.

Since the last newsletter I have canceled my previously published 953-473-xxxx fax line. I still have a fax machine, however the number will not be published. I will provide the new number upon request.

I will continue to ask that you do the following before the meeting. It is much easier to resolve any issues in advance than at a meeting. I can spend more time to help come to a solution.

Check your envelope for your membership status. If you need to pay dues, please fill out the membership form before bringing funds to the table. Or mail the application in advance!

If you look at the envelope this newsletter came in, you will find your expiration date. This is the year you are paid to the end of the listed year. So 2005 is paid up till Dec 31, 2005

Membership types listed on the envelope

REG	Regular member	ASC	Associate member
NL	Newsletter only	SPL	Special
ZZ	Unknown	RPE	Reg Pending.

If you have any questions, or there is a discrepancy in your information please ask before coming to the meeting.

Thanks for your cooperation.

Coordination Notes:

Since the meeting there has been some coordination activity mostly on UHF. Some inquiries have been made for 2-meter pairs in the metro area. Also some UHF link frequencies have been moved.

The ARRL repeater directory data submission was painless! All of the data submitted was entered into CTK and exported in the correct format. You may submit changes to your records at anytime, not just in the fall. The ARRL has set a deadline for publishing the repeater directory, and they intend to follow it. This means that the MRC has to submit the data by mid January.

Relationships with surrounding states have been good, WAR is abit slow to respond at times. IA has been good, ND & SD and Canada I have had no need to communicate with them.

Several visually impaired trustees have indicated the PDF version of the form is not compatible with their speech programs. I assisted them with filling out the form, this is far easier than making the form ADA accessible at this time.

Another problem has been individuals asking for a pair giving a site lat/lon to check the possibilities, I provide some and then I do not hear back from them. Several months later I get a email stating the system is on the air and giving basic technical info. The other side is WAR was asked if a pair would work at the said location!

Normally I will provide someone with possible pairs to check at their proposed location before asking them to fill out a formal application to start the coordination process. I might start asking for a application to be filed before providing the possible frequencys.

I also know there are several systems in the metro area that have lost sites and are operating at temporary locations. It would be nice to be informed of such changes, even it its temporary!

73's Jerry Dorf, N0FWG

Older than 2003 That have been sent a letter requesting a update or face possible de-coordination.

Contact	Call	Frequency	Location	Last update	Status
Cletus Makowski	KB0LBS	444.975	Duluth	01/26/2002	OTA
Randy Wabik	KA0JZV	29.680	Duluth	12/03/1995	OTA
Randy Wabik	KA0JZV	443.150	Proctor	12/11/1996	OTA
Randy Haglin	N0BZZ	223.940	Duluth	12/26/2002	Proposed
Richard Collins	KA0NWV	145.470	Karlstad	01/26/2002	OTA
Donald Erickson	WA0LUT	146.670	Worthington	12/22/2001	OTA

The 145.390 Richfield repeater has not been updated, however a new trustee has been located.

New & Pending Systems as of March 2, 2005

Matt Arthur	KA0PQW	224.640	Ellendale	03/01/2005	Const
Chris Peterson	KG0BP	444.575	Rochester	03/01/2005	Const
Shane Young	K0SEY	442.000	Minneapolis	03/01/2005	Const
Keith Mobarry	WA0TXJ	444.325	Portable	SNP 01/06/2005	OTA
Sean Stepanek	N0PBA	444.350	Fairmount	01/06/2005	Const
Sean Stepanek	N0PBA	444.725	Mankato	01/06/2005	OTA
Sean Stepanek	N0PBA	145.230	Mankato	11/22/2004	OTA
Brad Ornes	KA0SQO	444.775	Cambridge	01/09/2005	Construction

Waiting List

Dakota County ARES	W0DCA	2-meters	West St Paul
Brad Ornes	KA0SQO	2-meters	Cambridge

Preliminary Minutes of the Minnesota Repeater Council

Spring meeting held On October 23, 2004
North St. Paul Community Center

Call to order by chairman Steve Glatzel, K0FHC at 2:05PM

Introduction of officers & members made.

Quorum was met with a total of 90 members in good standing on the roster, 38 in attendance, 17 non-metro at the start of the meeting.

Secretary & Treasurer's report: Jerry Dorf N0FWG

Reports presented to membership in the newsletter.
A motion was made to accept, seconded and passed.

Frequency coordinator: Jerry Dorf

New repeater coordination, WA0KNP/r on 146.730 has been coordinated in Madison MN to Maynard R Meyer. Mike Wisniewski, KC0ATF has taken the trusteeship for the 146.655 repeater in Long Prairie. In August approximately 155 updates were mailed, at this time 113 have been returned, mostly minor corrections in spelling of names and other items.

Repeater waiting list: Currently Dakota County Emergency Communications N0DCA, is the only group waiting for a 2 meter pair. Olmsted County Emergency management currently has a request in progress.

Motion to accept the frequency coordination report, seconded. Motion Passed

Technical Committee: No issues at this time.

New Members:

David T Runkle, KC0KEP Anoka Radio Club
Ed Jacobson, WB0VHF 3M Radio Club
Robert Kaliszewski, KC0FMI Dakota County Emergency Communications
Jeffrey Clarine, N0ZR 145.190 Faribault
Sherlee Gregg, WD0BZU Associate member

Changes to membership

Skip Jackson, KS0J Change from regular to Associate Member status

Motion made to accept all the membership applications and changes, seconded. Motion passed

Old Business:

Coordinator appointment: The board agreed to formally appoint Jerry Dorf as the Minnesota frequency coordinator.

146.655 Long Prairie, This repeater now has a trustee and no longer requires any action at this time.

Matthew Genelin, N0YNT motioned I move that the wording on Page 2 of the MRC Meeting minutes, April 17, 2004, "Don Hengemuehle, N0JDH Motioned to adopt...standards published in the newsletter as *policy*." To read "Don Hengemuehle, N0JDH Motioned to adopt...standards published in the newsletter as *rules*." Motion was seconded. Question was called. Motion failed

Matthew Genelin, N0YNT motioned I move that the wording under "Technical Committee" that the two page document that Matthew Genelin, N0YNT handed out at the April 17, 2004 meeting detailing what information was learned about pre-2000 non-responsive repeater coordination issues be added under that heading. Motion was seconded, then amended to read the "Spring 2004 minutes to include", motion failed.

Matthew Genelin, N0YNT motioned I move that the secretary clarifies under "Frequency Coordination: Jerry Dorf" which system and where is being referred to in "Approved: 146.805 in Atkin, 442.050 move and ownership change." Which 146.805? Which 442.050? Where did it move from and then to? Who was and is now the owner? The secretary should also need to add which system and where "Denied 146.745 due to conflict with the 50 mile first adjacent pair rule with a written complaint." Refers to. If the secretary has a written complaint, I move that this is added to the Frequency Coordination report. Motion was seconded. Discussion followed, at that time the question was called. 15 in favor, 15 against, motion failed.

New Business:

Repeater de-coordinations: Jerry Dorf presented a list of systems that have not returned updates for a extended period of time. The documentation includes the dates & status of the delivery attempts. This information will be included in the official file.

444.775	N0GYG	Minneapolis	Motion to de-coordinate, seconded. Motion passed
446.950	N0KMR	Blaine	Motion to de-coordinate, seconded passed (Note this is a non published link frequency)
1277.250	N0ORK	West St. Paul	Motion to de-coordinate, seconded passed (ATV Repeater)
222.600	N0BUA	Bloomington	Motion to de-coordinate, seconded passed

Jerry Dorf requested that the coordination policy be changed to allow for the use of “Certified Mail” with return receipt rather than “registered mail” as currently worded. A motion was made, seconded. Discussion was made to allow the change to be made in the entire coordination policy. Motion passed

Matthew Genelin, N0YNT motioned: I move that a complete list of names, call signs & bands be listed under “Waiting List”. Also a complete list should be provided, assuming that the Dakota Counter ARES” is not the only person or organization on said “waiting list” Following discussion, the motion was withdrawn.

Spring Meeting: Non-Metro location

Greg Kitchak will check with the Duluth/Superior hamfest to see if they are willing to host the spring meeting. The second option is Brainerd.

Elections:

The chairman appointed Rodger Williams, N0BRG to conduct the election. Nominations were opened and closed for each office by motion. Each candidate was given the opportunity to speak. Election was made by secret ballot.

During the tabulation of the ballots, a drawing was held for a number of manufacturers catalogs provided courtesy of Pulstar Distributing to allow members to pick their choice of a catalog.

A drawing was made for a 2004-2005 ARRL repeater directory. Alan Knutson, WB0ZKB’s name was drawn.

Election results are as follows:

There were no hanging chads!

Office	Candidate	Votes received	
Chairman:	Steve Glatzel, K0FHC	36	
	Matt Genelin, N0YNT	3	
Vice Chairman	Jay Maynard, K5ZC	30	
	Paul Emeott, K0LAV	8	
	Dan Sweeney, N0FKM	1	Candidate indicated he would like to withdraw during discussion.
Sec-Treas	Jerry Dorf, N0FWG	39	
	No other candidates		

Motion was made to accept the results, seconded & passed.
Motion was made to destroy the ballots, seconded & passed.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:10 pm

Jerry Dorf, N0FWG
Secretary Treasurer
Minnesota Repeater Council, Inc

Minnesota Repeater Council Checking Account

Report as of February 26, 2005

Date	Type	Description	Debit	Credit	Balance	Comments
6/7/2004	DEP	ARRL		\$270.00	\$4,152.08	Repeater Directory payment
	2035	Jerry Dorf	\$16.05		\$4,136.03	Gas for WAR meeting
8/13/2004	2036	Postmaster	\$146.00		\$3,990.03	Postage Updates, newsletter& general
8/16/2004	DEP	Robert Kalizzewski		\$20.00	\$4,010.03	Dues 2005
8/14/2004	2037	Postmaster	\$22.10		\$3,987.93	De-cordination notices
8/24/2004	DEP	Spirit Valley Amateur Asoc D. Nelson		\$20.00	\$4,007.93	Dues 2006
9/2/2004	DEP	David Furman		\$20.00	\$4,027.93	Dues 2006
9/9/2004	DEP	ROGER VACEK		\$20.00	\$4,047.93	Dues 2006
9/15/2004	2038	Custom Business Forms	\$81.83		\$3,966.10	Fall 2005 Newsletter printing
9/16/2004	DEP	Jon Krizek		\$10.00	\$3,976.10	DUES 2004
9/21/2004	DEP	Sherlee Gregg		\$10.00	\$3,986.10	Dues 2006
		Jim Babcock/ Marshall RC		\$10.00	\$3,996.10	Dues 2005
9/24/2004	Dep	Thomas Sturm		\$10.00	\$4,006.10	Dues 2005
		Jeff Clarine		\$10.00	\$4,016.10	Dues 2005
		David Schultz, Stillwater		\$20.00	\$4,036.10	Dues 2006
10/4/2004	DEP	Steve Csizmadia		\$10.00	\$4,046.10	DUES 2005
10/11/2004	DEP	KIRK KERSTEN		\$30.00	\$4,076.10	Dues 2006
10/22/2004	DEP	ED JACOBSON		\$10.00	\$4,086.10	Dues 2005
10/23/2004	2039	Dominos Piza	\$239.10		\$3,847.00	Pizza for Fall Meeting
10/23/2004	2040	Steve Glatzel	\$50.93		\$3,796.07	Pop & Ice
10/25/2004	DEP	Food donations		\$85.00	\$3,881.07	Donations
		Tom Svihel		\$10.00	\$3,891.07	Dues to 2005
		DAN MCNULTY		\$20.00	\$3,911.07	Dues to 2005
		DAVID KLEINDL		\$10.00	\$3,921.07	Dues to 2004
		PAUL EMEOTT		\$20.00	\$3,941.07	Dues to 2005
		JOHN SWANSON		\$20.00	\$3,961.07	Dues to 2005
		PAUL HOLM		\$20.00	\$3,981.07	Dues to 2006
		DOUG REED		\$20.00	\$4,001.07	Dues to 2005
11/2/2004	DEP	Stephen Lynn		\$10.00	\$4,011.07	Dues to 2005
11/9/2004	DEP	Charle Esch		\$20.00	\$4,031.07	Dues to 2006
11/12/2004	Dep	Jerry Dorf/ Robinsdale ARC		\$20.00	\$4,051.07	Dues to 2006
12/1/2004	Dep	Mary Nystrom/Austin ARC		\$10.00	\$4,061.07	Dues to 2005
12/9/2004	2041	QSL-Net	\$100.00		\$3,961.07	Donation
12/20/2004	Dep	Norm Yeutter		\$10.00	\$3,971.07	Dues 2005
1/24/2005	Dep	Shane Young		\$10.00	\$3,981.07	Dues 2005 (new)
2/10/2005	DEP	MIKE SCHWENDEMAN		\$20.00	\$4,001.07	DUES 2007
2/10/2005	DEP	GORDON HANSON / MNYARC		\$10.00	\$4,011.07	DUES 2005 (NEW)

Notes:

1. New & pending memberships checks have been deposited to avoid the past "Stale Check" problems.
2. The date in the comment field shows dues paid to the end of that year.

Minnesota Repeater Council

Membership and Renewal application form

Name of organization or individual sponsor: _____

Repeater Call: _____ Frequency(s): _____

Repeater Location(s): _____

Trustee information (MRC Main Contact).

Trustee Callsign: _____ Name: _____

Phone: _____ Address: _____

Email: _____ City: _____

Other: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Club or alternate contact/mailing address.

Callsign: _____ Name: _____

Phone: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Type of Application: Renewal New membership Trustee Change Database Update

- Regular Membership
Dues \$10.00 year
Organization or individual who is operating a FCC licensed Amateur Repeater station on a frequency coordinated by the MRC. Has one vote at all meetings. Receives all mailings.
- Associate Member
Dues \$ 5.00 year
Organization or individual with a active interest in constructing an Amateur Radio Repeater station or in the activities of the MRC. Can participate in the activities of the MRC but has no vote.
- Newsletter
Receives one copy of MRC newsletter for 1 year. Dues \$ 5.00
Or download for free from the MRC webpage

Signed: Repeater Trustee/Regular Member

Date: _____

Mail all Applications and dues to:
Minnesota Repeater Council
Jerry Dorf, N0FWG Secretary/Treasurer
1402 Pulaski Road
Buffalo MN 55313
763-682-2169 Voice 952-473-5819 Fax
jerryd@jerryd.net

of years Paid: _____

Total Amount: _____

Check #: _____

Name on Check: _____

Other Info: _____

Membership Approval Granted: _____ Date: _____

Dues Paid for: 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017

Agenda
Minnesota Repeater Council General meeting
Spring 2005

I. Call to order 1:00 PM

- A. Welcome
- B. Establish quorum
- C. Introduction of officers and members
- D. Review Agenda

II. Reports

- A. Chairman
- B. Secretary & treasurer report, NØFWG
- C. Frequency coordinators report, NØFWG
- D. Technical Committee

III Individual Announcements

IV. Applications for membership

- A. Shane Young, KØSEY, Regular member,
Minneapolis 442.000
- B. Gordon Hanson, NØZRD, MNYARC, Regular member,
portable 443.700 & pending Brooklyn Center

V. Old business.

- A. Formal membership approval for Jerry Dorf,
NØFWG as Coordinator.
- B.
- C.

VI. New business

- A. De-coordinations.
- B.
- C.

VII. Fall Meeting, Metro location

VIII. Nomination of Officers

VIII. Adjournment

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Delegate Registration (Proxy) Form

Regular member.

Repeater Call: _____ Frequency: _____

Trustee: Call: _____ Name: _____

A regular member is an organization or individual that is the Trustee of record for an operating repeater in the MRC frequency coordination database with MRC membership dues paid in full at the start of the meeting.

Primary Delegate Call: _____ Name: _____

Alternate Delegate #1 Call: _____ Name: _____

Alternate Delegate #2 Call: _____ Name: _____

Restrict voting privileges: If you wish to be registered for purposes if counting attendance, but do not want your assigned delegate to have voting privileges, check here

Duration of Proxy: Check here to allow this proxy to be used at future MRC meetings. This proxy may be altered or revoked at any time by the regular member. Check here to restrict voting to current meeting.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Regular Member (Trustee)

Please mail this proxy to the Secretary at least one week prior to the meeting. Advance registration is appreciated.