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JANUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

January 6, 2012

UST MHC 155

7:00 PM

Logbook of the World

Alan Dewey, KØAD

Alan Dewey, KØAD, will tell us all about the ARRL's Logbook of the World.

Al was first licensed as KN9DHN in Munster, Indiana. Contesters he remembers from those Hoosier days in the early sixties include K1TN (then WA9AUM), W9RE (then WA9BWY) and K9LA (then WA9AVT). Al moved around a little and held the calls W1GBG and W0PFV before settling on KØAD in 1977. He has been an active contesteer for over 40 years often using just wires and verticals. With the addition of a tower and yagi in 2007, he has snuck into a few top ten boxes over the last year. Al recently retired as president of the very active Minnesota Wireless Association and also belongs to the Twin City FM Club, the

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The University of St. Thomas (UST) is located at the intersection of Cretin & Summit Avenues, about 1 mile south of the Cretin Exit on I-94 in St. Paul. In general, on-campus parking restrictions are not enforced after 6:00 PM on Fridays, but do not park in spots with parking meters unless paying or displaying a handicapped placard.

For detailed maps, see www.stthomas.edu/campusmaps.
MHC: Murray-Herrick Campus Center
OSS: O'Shaughnessy Science Hall
Please contact Kim Schumann in Disability Services at 651-962-6315 or kjschumann@stthomas.edu for any accessibility requests.

HAM RADIO GEAR AUCTION

Dale Maroushek, NØPEY
President SPRC

The annual St. Paul Radio Club Auction will be held on Saturday, January 28th, 2012, in the Fireside Room of North St. Paul Community Center, located at 2290 1st St. North. That's located between the Snowman and closer to the wind turbine, just behind the VFW. We will have the same combination of live and silent sales availa-



ble; it is your choice of how you want your items sold.

Refreshments, coffee and pop, hot dogs and chips will be available for sale. Plus Lisa's bars and Mandy's cupcakes, just like Field Day! Just a hint, take a couple treats home for the XYL and while they enjoy the sweets, move your cache into the shack! Your jolly auctioneers will be Mike KØBUD, Ralph NØAWN and Dale NØPEY with others joining in.

New This Year: to save time getting people checked in, you will be able to obtain your Bidder number and take out you're blue lot number tickets for your items at our January 6th meeting. Thus allowing you to walk right in and put your items on display the morning of the sale. The doors will open at 8:30, the Auction will start at 9:30, the silent section closes at 11:30 and we are all out by 1p.m.

A 10% selling fee per lot (maximum of \$10) is collected by the Club and the profits, after expenses, go to the ARRL Spectrum Defense Fund as usual.

Highlights of the all working gear so far

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Dale's Details

by NØPEY

Since this GW is to hit the streets between Christmas and New Year's Day, I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and wish you all a Happy New Year in 2012. Now, on with the Show!

The Board took a break in December and did not have a meeting. We think we have a good handle on the coming activities, and email keeps us tied together very well. So what's coming up?

The January 6th meeting brings you Al Dewey, KØAD, telling us all about the ARRL's Logbook of the World. I intend to take careful notes because I have not registered yet. Let's say I wanted to see if it would work before I jumped onboard, rather than I was too lazy to do it.

Then we have the Auction, Saturday, January 28th. Much more information is printed in this GW and on the Website, plus a few more direct emails as time passes. We have a good starting inventory from Bill Olsen's, WØUPU, gear and the raid on my shack which I will resume soon. A couple more volunteer Auctioneers would be nice, or sell your own items for us.

Winter also brings us back to the CQ 160M Contest, which we have fun with out at the Mining shack. January for CW and February for SSB ops. Check with Ed Jacobson, WØVHF for more info and get the dates on your contest calendar. WOMR was the Multi-op MN top scorer again last year!

Who will be the 2012 SPRC Ham of the Year? Look around and tell us your nominations. The same goes for Officer Candidates for the May elections. The Club needs new leaders to take it forward with new ideas and programs.

If you missed the Holiday Party last month, you also missed Tom Sturm's update about what is happening at UST. In short, we are living in limbo land as construction changes the structures we are in. As spring rolls in, we may have to roll out to another room, somewhere, but we Will be taken care of.

Dale, NØPEY, President

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Twin City DX Association, the A1-Operator Club and CW Ops. His favorite contests are ARRL CW Sweepstakes, NAQP CW, NA Sprint CW, and the NCCC NS Thursday Night Sprints. He also enjoys guest operating at the W0AIH super station as well as roving in the Minnesota QSO Party. Al graduated from Purdue University and is a die-hard Boilermaker fan. He lives with his wife Marianne in Plymouth, MN. Al is currently enjoying his term as editor of the National Contest Journal.

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include a Kenwood TS-430S w/power supply and AT-130 Antenna Tuner; an old TR-2500 2M HT; Hallicrafters S-120 receiver; a Complete Drake station T-4XC/R-4C/MN-4/MS-4 with extra crystals; and a Heathkit SD-200 Amplifier. Many lots of station accessories and peripheral gear will be on sale also. The complete set of rules and a Map to the location will be available on the Club website, <http://www.stpaulradioclub.org>. Historically, we have observed that some of the best deals on equipment are found here. Lastly, I have just begun my own staging of gear to sell from my 20 year collection of goodies. I plan on at least a Van load, so don't miss this fantastic Auction! We will have our Anconversation. This event is always a lot of fun so be sure to make it this year.

Membership Meeting

December 2, 2011

A meeting of the St. Paul Radio Club membership was called to order on December 2, 2011, at 7:30 PM by President Dale Maroushek, NØPEY.

Signed in on Members sheet: 31

Signed in on Guests sheet: 0

After a long absence due to illness, Fred McCormick was back, feeling better, and glad to be here.

Orcy Lyle, WØQT, recapped the Special Event Station at the Minnesota Transportation Museum which she chaired. There were 151 contacts from 36 states and 2 provinces. Thirty club members attended the event. Thanks to all who helped. Skip, KSØJ, will make the certificates.

The annual auction will be on January 28, 2012, at the North St. Paul Community Center, the same as last year. Dale showed a video a complete ham station that will be auctioned. Sellers may sign up tonight and at the January 6th meeting to save time at the door.

Tom Steele, Treasurer of the local chapter of the QCWA, spoke of his group's use of our repeater (145.31 MHz) for a daily roundtable net announced at 5:00 PM, M-F. All are welcome to join in. The group also has a CW net at 7 AM on 3549 kHz.

VE Exams are tomorrow.

The minutes were approved as published.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

The program was Dan Fish on the amateur radio marketplace.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey A. Iverson, WB9DAN, Secretary

Board Meeting

December, 2011

There was no December board meeting.

Classified Ads

Have something of interest to your fellow hams? Highlight it in the Ground Wave for free.

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St. Paul Radio Club

Wearables Sale

See the B&B Embroidery ad for their
Fall Giveaway special.

**LAST CHANCE TO ORDER IS
DECEMBER 31st.**

The SPRC Wearables color is navy, except for the chambray shirts.

Last chance for a great deal on SPRC Wearables, for SPRC members. The Wearables ad is below. Our color is navy, except for chambray shirts (light blue). The club logo appears on each item of wearing apparel. Club members have ordered short-sleeved t-shirts, long-sleeved t-shirts, polo shirts, sweatshirts, and jackets. The jackets have an optional big logo on the back as well as a small logo on the front. Actually, just about anything on the website can be ordered with the SPRC logo. There is a large range of sizes available

Contact Orcy with any Wearables questions.



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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Meeting locations at UST are subject to change due to changes on The University of St Thomas campus.

Fri Jan 6 7PM Socializing followed by 7:30 PM SPRC Membership meeting. See Page 1 for program info. Rm 155 MHC, UST campus
Sat Jan 7 9AM Circuit Builders. OSS 415 UST Campus*
Sat Jan 7 9AM VE testing followed by EC exams. Roseville City Hall. Contact Leon Dill, W0COE, at 651-688-9964
or W0COE@arrl.net
Fri Jan 13 7PM SPRC Board meeting, OSS 121 UST campus (Alternate location is 2nd floor lounge or OSS 415).
Sat Jan 14 9AM Circuit Builders. OSS 415 UST Campus*
Sat Jan 21 9AM SPRC breakfast. Midway Perkins on University Ave east of Snelling.
Sat Jan 21 After Breakfast. Circuit Builders. OSS 415 UST Campus*
Sat Jan 28 No Circuit Builders
Sat Jan 28 SPRC Auction. Seller setup at 8:30 AM. Auction begins at 9:30AM. North St. Paul Community Center.
See GW for details.
Fri Feb 3 7PM Socializing followed by 7:30 PM SPRC Membership meeting. Rm 155 MHC, UST campus
Sat Feb 4 9AM Circuit Builders. OSS 415 UST Campus*
Sat Feb 4 9AM VE testing followed by EC exams. Roseville City Hall. Contact Leon Dill, W0COE, at 651-688-9964
or W0COE@arrl.net
Fri Feb 10 7PM SPRC Board meeting, OSS 121 UST campus (Alternate location is 2nd floor lounge or OSS 415).
Sat Feb 11 9AM Circuit Builders. OSS 415 UST Campus*
Sat Feb 18 9AM SPRC breakfast. Midway Perkins on University Ave east of Snelling.
Sat Feb 18 After Breakfast. Circuit Builders. OSS 415 UST Campus*
Sat Feb 25 9AM Circuit Builders. OSS 415 UST Campus*

*Circuit Builders is each Saturday morning if someone is available to open the lab and there is no conflicting activity. Check the SPRCCB Google Group to confirm that the lab will be open.