

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING JULY 11, 1985

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m., a standing roll call followed, 24 members and guests were present. Members and guests were welcomed by the President, Harold, ND5F. Two upgrades were announced; Will Findley, KA5WEA, to Technician and Herb Nance, N5GZW, to Advanced. Two new members joined; Clint Gilliland, N5FNA, and Charles A. Reass, KA5WGJ.

Doug, KE5SR, spoke about the picnic to be held at his QTH July 20. It was suggested that each one attending bring a side dish.

Roger, WA5RNL, reported on the MS-150 Bike Tour. \$113,000 was raised, setting 6 national records. The 1986 goal is \$250,000. Our club was given a nice plaque in appreciation for our help. Roger volunteered to chair the committee for the MS event next year.

Harold had several items of importance; 1) Our club bought an ad in the Ham Com flyer. 2) We need to start work on the TS-430S raffle. 3) Ray Wangler, W5EDZ, West Gulf Division Director, will give a program this fall. 4) Harold has the 1984 ARRL annual report which he will make available to all members. 5) There is room in the August 24 exam. 6) So far there are 18 610s in for the July exam, Steve, KE5SC, is the liaison.

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Bobby, WA5CAC, reported 694 Field Day contacts.

Roger reported a world class Triathlon will be held Sunday, September 1, in the Bay Area. The race starts at 7:00 a.m. and ends about noon. To volunteer as a communicator call Bill Shoots, K5BY, at Seabrook, phone 474-3695. There could be as many as 2,500 participants in the swim, run and bike races.

Joe, KA5GTU, asked if the repeater 145.47 will be up soon (it will) and asked also if the club has T shirts (we don't).

Vance, N5FLQ, reported lots of check ins on the CW net.

Stu, WB5IGG, reported communication difficulties as a result of poor propagation with the Philmont Boy Scout Camp in northern New Mexico. Ron, KA5GYG, made one 40 meter contact, all are having fun.

Also reported were 2 hams on board the next space shuttle flight tomorrow. 2 meter communications will be directed mostly to clubs and educational groups. There will be 13 good opportunities during the 111 orbits.

Jack, KA5SQS, reported that Ron Stagno of the National Weather Service will be here two weeks from tonight, July 25, starting at 7:00 p.m. with new material for the Skywarn refresher course.

Steve, KE5SC, reported the reorganization of the Ft. Bend County Emergency Management. Mel Speed is the Emergency Coordinator and Roger Bryant, WA5RNL, the Radio Officer. Steve attended the meeting last Monday night when they discussed the reorganization of the Ft. Bend County RACES. ARES and RACES are now functioning as one group. The net meets at 8:30 p.m. Monday nights.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Following the business meeting, Jack, KA5SQS, Public Relations Chairman, showed the video "Amateur Radio's Newest Frontier", narrated by Roy Neal, K6DUE, a story of the flight of the Columbia, with Owen Garriott, W5LFL.
