

**Minutes of the South Alabama Radio Club**  
**April 16th , 2009**

**Call to order:**

Tim Trent – KI4JDV called meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

**Those present:**

**Members**

Tim Trent – KI4JDV  
John Brown – KE4HIE  
Debra Brown – KF4BOR  
Wayne Alday – W4WEA

**Visitors:**

Zach Brown  
Mitchell Brown

**Minutes from previous meeting :**

Minutes were passed out from the March meeting.

Tim Trent – KI4JDV made motion to accept the minutes as corrected and Wayne Alday – W4WEA seconded.

**Treasurer's report :**

Treasurer's Report of **\$477.00** given by Wayne Alday W4WEA.

John Brown – KE4HIE made motion to accept treasurer's report as read.

Tim Trent – KI4JDV made a second to motion. It was also mentioned that checks were written for PO Box Rent (\$40) and Alabama Repeater Council Dues(\$10).

Wayne also said that the P.O. box is now open.

**Old business:**

Pat and Bart signed the agreement to transfer the trusteeship of the WC4M repeater. This has been sent to the ARC.

The SARC Club Dues were due at the end of January. Anyone wanting to remain on the 2009 SARC Membership roster will need to pay their dues.

John Brown – KE4HIE contacted Clay Brown KI4ONH after the April meeting about transferring the hosting of the WC4M website. John gave Clay Bob Lawrence's Cell # and Clay said he would call Bob.

John also mentioned that the Club will need to relocate the Club storage shed, the SARC Field Day Supplies, and other Club material which is currently being stored at John Brown KE4HIE's Home, shed, and in the back of his Jeep.

**Local Repeater reports**

**Opp repeater:** No report

**Crestview repeater :**No report

**Chris John's Repeater-** No report

**Brewton repeater-** No report

**Andalusia repeater :** Still not working well, Replacement antenna and feedline is now at John's QTH and needs to be moved to the repeater site. The Club will purchase new connectors and a grounding kit for the new Andrews feedline from Joe Rose. We still need tower climber(s) to do the testing and repairs after we have all materials needed.

**Committee Reports:** None

**Program Committee**

John KE4HIE will again call the NWS Mobile about a Severe Weather Spotters Class for Covington County. Due to Field Day in June, it was decided that that any severe weather class will be scheduled after Field Day so the May and June meetings could be devoted to Field Day Plans. A motion was made by Tim to devote the May meeting to Field Day Planning with only Minutes and Treasurer's reports. All present agreed.

**Field Day 2009.**

The 2009 SARC Field Day was discussed. The ARRL 2009 Field Day will be on June 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> this year. The group decided that the SARC Field Day will be at Frank Jackson State Park in Opp, AL. again this year. John Brown said he would ask Allen Scofield KG4CNA if he would make a Field Day PSA for this year. Anyone wanting to campout for the event will need to contact the Park to make their reservations early to assure a campsite. Some will be setting up on Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup> and staying till that Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup>. Let the Park know that you are with the SARC Field Day Group when making your reservations. The phone number for Frank Jackson State Park is (334) 493-6988. Be advised that campsite fees are higher than last year so be sure to ask about pricing when making reservations. We discussed a menu for Friday and Saturday evenings, reserving the pavilion for both nights, and the number planning to participate.

John called Malcolm and he said that he and Jr. would do the evening meal for Friday evening. He would do seafood and everyone else needs to bring the fixings. We also need to find out what everyone wants to eat Saturday? We need a head count for Friday and Saturday evening meals so we know how much to prepare. We also need to discuss all the menu and equipment items to find who will bring what? We also need to fill out an operating schedule for the 2 HF radios.

**New Business**

The Alabama QSO Party will be June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009 from 11:00am to 11:00pm local. Contact KC4HW for info or go to: [Alabamaqsoparty.org](http://Alabamaqsoparty.org)

**Events of interest**

Nickie – KI4YKR and Carol – KI4ZZD called the Opp ARC Net Monday.

**Any unique or long distance contacts made by group?** None

**Club Members needs:(antennas built, towers erected, etc)**

John Brown still needs Rotor replaced.

**Adjournment:**

The April meeting of the South Alabama Radio Club was adjourned at 7:56pm.

These minutes submitted by John Brown – KE4HIE