

**Butts County Georgia Emergency Communications Auxiliary**

**April 03, 2017**

**Meeting Held at Butts County Fairgrounds Jackson, Georgia**

**Meeting Began at 1900**

**Meeting Concluded at 2100**

**Attendance at Meeting:** Pete Acevedo; Mark Baker; David Burnham; Mark Clark; Mike Crowe; Ed Hoard; Buzz Kutcher; John Lipscomb; Melvin Mosier; Nancy Phillips; Darlene Ragon; Karla Redman; Whit Smith; Elaine Stachowiak; Erion Starker; Anthony Strite; JD VanSickle; Rudy Williams; Glenn Wyatt; Steve Hudson.

**Office of Homeland Security/CERT: Director Glen Goens** No report tonight

**Net Manager's Report: Ken Wallis** Buzz Kutcher volunteered to be Net Control for June 2017

**VE Team: Dan Darsey** No report tonight

**Repeater/Technical Committee: Mike Crowe** The D-Star equipment is here and will be installed tomorrow at Sylvan Grove Hospital

**Skywarn Coordinator: Elaine Stachowiak** There will be a Skywarn Net Wednesday if weather conditions warrant it. There is an online Advanced Skywarn class being offered from the Norman, Oklahoma website.

**CERT Activities: David Ridgeway** No report tonight as David is out due to foot surgery.

**Field Day Committee: Mark Clark** We will be running as class 2A group this year. There will be a Tech Session on May 27, 2017 for D-Star training and using the logging software in preparation for Field Day. Tech Session will be held at Fire Station #7.

**Membership Chairman: Ken Wallis** No report tonight except to notify Ken of the date when your ARRL membership expires. We have to keep our membership participation at a certain percent in order to be affiliated with ARRL.

**Public Information Officer: Mark Clark** The Bluebird/Bluegrass Festival will be held at Dauset Trail on April 22, 2017. Elaine would appreciate if each member attending could make 20 contacts on our special event net. May 6, 2017 is the Jackson High School Football Alumni Club's 5K Race.

**EC Report: Buzz Kutcher** See attached pages for EC Report

**Treasurers' Report: John Lipscomb** General Fund \$741.43 Repeater Fund \$1130.45 Total Funds \$1871.88

**Club Old Business:** None tonight

**Club New Business:** We need program volunteers or suggestions for training topics for August; September and November of this year. Please consider sharing your skills with our Club.

**Coming Events:** Tech Saturday to be held April 15, 2017 at Fire Station #7.  
Georgia QSO Party is the weekend of April 7-9, 2017. Who will win the pig this year?  
Jackson Alive will be held on October 28, 2017  
Our SET will be held in October 2017; details to follow when available.  
May 6, 2017 We are helping with communications again for the Jackson High Football Alumni Club's 5K Race.

**Monthly Program:** Steve Hudson, AA4BW, gave a wonderful talk and shared equipment pertaining to low power communications! Great presentation, many thanks to Steve for coming!

**Raffle Funds Raised this Meeting:** We raised \$42.00 for the Repeater Fund tonight, thanks to everyone!