

cparc e-news for September 2010

CPARC QST ARTICLE WINS AWARD !!!: The following statement was copied from the ARRL web site. "The winners of the **QST Cover Plaque Award** for September are Dave Leavenworth, WV6JPL, and Pete Tiffany, KT4BW, for their article "A Solar Powered Repeater for EmComm." Congratulations Dave and Pete! The QST Cover Plaque award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll Web page."

HOMESTEAD APPLE FESTIVAL 2010: Sixteen CPARC members participated in manning a table at the festival on on 24, 25 and 26 September. Several modes of Amateur Radio communications were demonstrated. CPARC members attending were K4MGE, KI4QBW, KI4MHL, KD4DST, W4NSA, WV6JPL, KA1KIX, WW4TN, W4GKM, KT4BW, KJ4RRZ(W4MJW), KJ4KQW, KJ4NHQ KF4HNV, KJ4KKD and KB1MFO.

CPARC USER GROUP: 22 CPARC members have registered with the "CPARCNET" user group. Club members are encouraged to use the user group to communicate with other members and are also encouraged to post files. The CPARC Constitution, By-Laws and a club roster is posted in the file section.

CPARC WEBSITE: www.cparc.net Check out the many new features that have been added to the website. Buttons for VE Testing information and the Solar Repeater project have been added to the home page. Back issues of the cparc e-news are located in the news area.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: A vote will be taken at the November meeting on a motion to raise the CPARC dues. Please try to attend this meeting and express your opinion on this proposal by exercising your right to vote.

ARES NET: The CPARC ARES net is held on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday evenings, (except the second Tuesday of the month) at 7:30 pm., on the 146.865 MHz repeater. This repeater requires a 118.8 tone. There was a total of 182 check-ins for the approximately 18 nets held in September. 164 of the check-ins were ARES members. Contact Jim W4MJW if you would like to take a turn as net control operator.

VE TESTING: A VE exam session was held at the airport on 9 September. One candidate passed the Technician level test and two upgraded to General class. If you are ready for a Technician level test or an upgrade, contact Dick kb3yr by e-mail or by phone at 931 456 0408. The CPARC VE team is associated with the Laurel VEC. CPARC VE exam sessions are provided at no cost to the applicant.

HAM CLASSES: Ham classes were held on 3 Thursdays during September. The total class attendance for the month was approximately 23 CPARC members. The class on 09/16/10 was on Tube Testers and on 09/30/10 a class on FEMA Course 100-A was held. it was attended by ten CPARC members, nine of whom were ARES members.

Thursday evening classes have been held since 23 October 2008 except for weather, holiday or other conflicts. Subjects covered are: basic electronic theory, test question pool material, ham equipment and ham operating procedures. These classes are held on most Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm. in the conference room at the Crossville airport. Contact Jim W4RRE at 931 484 7600, Dave WV6JPL at 931 788 3363, or Dick KB3YR at 931 456 0408, for information on these classes.

MONTHLY MEETING: The September CPARC meeting was held at the Crossville airport on 09/14/10 at 7:00 pm. The meeting was attended by 14 members.

BREAKFAST MEETINGS: The third and fifth Thursday CPARC breakfasts were held at Shoney's in Crossville on 16 and 30 September. They were attended by a total of 20 CPARC members. These get-togethers start at 8:30 am. every third and fifth (if there is one) Thursday of the month. Significant others are always welcome.

SOLAR PROJECT: Information on the Solar Project can be found on line at the ARRL web site www.arrl.org/qst-in-depth Be sure to check this out. There are still unfinished aspects to this project. Dave and Pete invite any club members who would wish to participate in these activities, to contact them.

REMINDER: The specific location of our repeater and other local repeaters should not be divulged on the air. This, hopefully, should reduce the potential for vandalism at our local repeater sites. If asked the location, just answer "Crossville".

MEMBERSHIP: CPARC's membership continues to grow. It now stands at 47 paid members. The pro-rated dues (\$1.50 per month) for a non-member joining CPARC now would be \$4.50. (\$1.50 for each of the 3 remaining months of 2010).

e-news INPUTS: Please send me items of interest that you would like to place in this monthly newsletter. Help make this newsletter less boring.

CPARC BUY and SELL:

Items advertised in this newsletter should be Amateur Radio related items only.

Please inform me when you wish to remove items from the list.

When you send me your Wanted and/or For Sale items, please list your phone number and/or e-mail address, as that is what I will use for your contact information.

WANTED TO BUY:

I would like to buy any old or unused ham equipment & related items anyone may want to part with.

Larry WB9AZQ 931 707-5294 Lkellough@aol.com

I'm looking for a 12volt gel-cell battery and charger. They would be used to fit in an ammo box for an HT VHF emergency kit. There was an article about this project in QST a couple of months back.

Thanks, Tom N1NDM 931 277-3837

I'd be interested in a used, working 2M hand held transceiver.

Bill Ford KT4CC 931 788-5697 bfordfl@gmail.com

Looking for an 830KW in good condition. Also looking for 6146's and they must be matched pairs along with 12BY7's

Allen KA1KIX 931 456-9141

ITEMS FOR SALE:

I have the following items for sale:

Icom 756 Pro 3 \$1750

Ten Tec Omni 7 \$1650

Vectronics KW Tuner \$375

MFJ SWR Analyzer \$225

MFJ Tunable DSP filter Model 784B \$225

MFJ Code Reader (462B) \$70

Alpha Delta 4 position coax switch \$70

3 position coax switch \$20

73, Don w8iit@comcast.net

For sale:

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>BRAND</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>NOW</u>
VHF/UHF RADIO	KENWOOD TM-733	730	200
TRAVEL TUNER	MFJ-902	100	50
MULTIMODE DATA FILTER	MFJ-781	150	75
ANTENNA 40-80-160	Alpha/Delta DX-A	100	50

Contact: Pete KT4BW Kt4bw@arrl.net

For sale:

1. Yaesu VX-5R tri-band HT \$100.00
2. Astron RS-12A power supply \$45.00
3. Yaesu FT-857D Xcvr, 300Hz Inrad CW filter, DTMF microphone, remote kit and PC cable \$775.00
4. Kenwood TS-820 Xcvr, 500Hz Kenwood CW filter, 2.1KHz Inrad SSB filter and remote VFO \$275.00
5. LDG Z-11 Pro Autotuner, like new \$165.00
6. Alinco DR-112 2M Xcvr, 50W, mobile mount \$50.00
7. Kenwood TM-261 2M Xcvr, 50W, mobile mount \$70.00
8. MH-C777 Universal Charger \$20.00
9. Weller 100/140 watt soldering gun \$12.00
10. Diamond MX-72D Duplexer \$25.00

All are in excellent condx with very low usage.

Contact: Mike W0AG w0ag@arrl.net

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CPARC STATEMENT

CPARC is an Amateur Radio (Ham) organization, dedicated to the enjoyment and educational enrichment of our members through the open sharing of ideas. All officers and directors are elected yearly by a direct vote of the membership. We are a member-driven, member-centric organization that welcomes everyone with an interest in amateur radio communications at any level.

73 Dick kb3yr
President, CPARC