MAARS Club Meeting – August 9th, 2019 Attending: Ashley Benteman – KEOIQV 24 People in Attendance

Officer Reports:

President

 Clay Center Amateur Radio Club announced on their facebook that they took their repeater off the air due to malicious interference.

Vice President

No new report

Treasurer

- \$2,072,33
 - o Cash in hand \$60.00, Checking Account \$688.67, Repeater Fund \$1,330.66
 - Took in \$60 (\$9 in dues & \$51 for repeater fund)
 - o Future Expenses: none

Old Business:

Kansas QSO Party, August 24th-25th

• Volunteers are needed. There will be two stations using the KOY call sign like last year. Please see Ryan if you are interested

Test Session, September 14th at 9am

• The next test session will be September 14th in the library

Ham Camp Out

• There is interest in another ham camp out on September 28th. More information will be to come as the date gets closer.

New Business:

Bleeding Kansas Bike Ride

• Jim contact information has been given to the organizers if they would like assistance. They are getting started with organizing and don't know if they will need radios or only support vehicles. At next month's meeting, we will have a better idea of what is needed.

Reno County Ham Fest, September 21st 8-3

• The reno county radio club absorbed the Salina ham fest.

Fox Hunt, October

- The next fox hunt will be in October and ran by Mike & Suzanne.
- Jason has offered to run a BBQ at the finish line. He will need a head count to make sure there is enough food. Currently there are 8 people interested.

Bumper Stickers

• Suzanne has found vintage MAARS bumper sticks that are up for grabs with a donation to the repeater fund.

Batteries

• Used batteries may be given away by a hospital's Bio-Medical Department or Clinical Engineering.

New Repeater

• John will follow up with Leon through Pat and Lori to see if we can put the new repeater on top of the current EM building.

Vertical Antenna

• Bill has shared plans of an 160 meter vertical antenna. Anyone that is interested and get in contact will Bill.