

**Minutes – CNHARC Steering Committee
On-The-Air Meeting – July 11, 2005**

The July meeting of the CNHARC Steering Committee was held on the air using the club repeater (147.390). present were;

Bob – KB1JCL, Dave – KA1VJU, Cliff – N1RCQ, Mark – W1DDI, N1EO – Ed, N1LT – Dick, Jack – WA1zDV and Doug – K2ITX.

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM by President Dave. He has several copies of the Weirs Times that had the article on Field Day. Jack would like to have 2 copies for the club historian's files.

Doug has 50 to 60 membership renewals and believes there must be more that have been mailed to the club's Laconia PO Box. He also needs 2 sheets of blank membership cards.

Jack announced that a program for the membership meeting on August 2 will include tuning of antennas. Doug will bring a multiband vertical to be tuned. The meeting will be held at the usual site – Gilford High School – for which we will have to pay \$50 for use of the school; since it is not normally open in August

Cliff suggested a program on power surge protection which can be a problem, especially at this time of the year. Dick had given this program some time ago and it is well worth repeating. Cliff suggested that we find someone who could help Mark in keeping the club web page up to date. Mark does so many other things for the club that we need to help by finding someone who is willing to help with web site postings.

Dick needs the results of field day contacts. Dick will also assemble photos taken on field day. Doug has given his to Sam (N1OVA) to add to those that he already has on a CD.

Dick also announced that reservations are needed for the club picnic on August 13. He will provide a notice for the August Communicator

Cliff announced that ARES reorganization will result in W1CNH call sign being used for our district during net operations. Cliff also reminded the committee that a form needs to be submitted to the Gilford High School requesting use of the school during the next school year.

Mark announced that the link to Echolink is being moved to a new location. This will be a cable network connection and will cost \$16 per month. Peter Nicola (N1DYL) will check out the backup repeater which will then be put in service so that the main repeater can also be checked out by Peter.

Bob announced that the 6 meter net is going well and that he will be putting up a vertical antenna at his net control station to improve reception from certain areas.

Up coming events involving club participation include:

CNHARC picnic – August 13 at bill combs' farm.

Mt. Washington bicycle Hill climb – August 20

Mt. Washington bicycle race around the mountain – August 21

Reach The Beach relay race September 16 and 17

Lake Winnepesaukee Fred brown Relay Race – September 24

NH Marathon in Bristol – October 1

Operators are needed for all these activities. For 1 or more of these events, Echolink will be tried to connect 2 repeaters together in order to provide better coverage.

Jack is looking for those members who would like to take the FCC code test. A date will be set if there is enough interest. Jack would also welcome any ideas to involve YIs and XYLs in meetings and even separate events.

The next Steering Committee meeting will be on-the-air at 7:00 PM on August 8.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:04 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Doug Mertz – K2ITX, Secretary