

OUARC on-air meeting
21 Sept 2006

Reminders

1. Next in-person meeting: 5 October 2006, 7:30p in Cross Center.
2. Next activity: antenna raising day, 30 Sept 2006, 10a in Cross Center. Be on the lookout for an email with a list of equipment that is needed for the antenna raising.
3. Dues (\$15/year) are due to Jud Ahern office in the Geology department, located in Sarkeys Energy Center. Make checks payable to "OU Amateur Radio Club".
4. Questions? Comments? Nasty remarks? Send email to ouarc@ou.edu and Jud Ahern will forward it to the right person.

Minutes

1. Antenna raising day

- * OUPP initially gave roof access permission and then rescinded it due to impending construction. The workday is still planned. Dave suggested using a mounting bracket on the side of the building or putting up a wire antenna.

- * Dave suggested that Jud or Robin should speak in person with the roof contractor and chat with them to find out their concerns about antennas on the roof, explain the club's needs, and work towards a compromise.

- * Dave will be celebrating his birthday on September 30 and will not be at the shack day.

- * Robin, Jud, and Keith will coordinate over email to make a formal list of equipment needed for an antenna raising day and send it out to the email list to solicit volunteers. For instance, we probably need ladders, and Robin has a 16ft ladder but no way to transport it. Many members probably have drills, soldering irons, etc. Even if no antennas are raised on Sept 30, this list will be useful later.

- * Plan A is to get antennas on the roof of Cross Center. Plan B is to look into Jud's gracious offer to use part of his personal property as a backup antenna site.

- * University rules state that no university funds given to clubs can be used to purchase equipment. Since the club is being used as part of the Storm Ready program, the club might be able to request and receive equipment from OUPP. Also, the club might be able to get an exception to the University rules because of its involvement with Skywarn.

2. Committee reports

- * Website committee: Slackers. Will start discussions over email.

- * Skywarn committee: Dave will send contact information to Robin about a Skywarn representative who may come to the October meeting and talk about how OUARC can be utilized.

- * Repeater committee: No representatives present. Expect an update at the next meeting.

3. Other business

- * Storm Readiness. Chris and Chip have acquired information on what it means to be "Storm Ready". They have not yet set a date to check the campus for compliance. They expect to have more information at the next meeting.