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ACTIVITIES COMING UP BY TOM STROUD—KD5OPH



May 18th Camp Bandage Broken Arrow / Storm Chasers Appreciation Day Catoosa

May 27th Maple Ridge Run Tulsa Okla

June 1st Tour De Cure Chandler Okla

TRO Events for May and June:

May and June will be very busy for us this year. We have added a few new PR opportunities and will be handling our usual events a well. Let's start with May 18th, so we have two "PR" Public Relations opportunities to get out and bring amateur radio to the Public. Camp Bandage will be from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. What is Camp Bandage you say?. Well Camp Bandage is a Safety camp and community outreach project put on by Broken Arrow, it centered around safety prevention, severe weather safety and first aid information brought to the public. They will have a simulated car crash and it will demonstrate how the police and fire departments respond to the scene and go thru the steps of stabilizing the scene. So yes, you will see fire trucks and all kinds of emergency vehicles on display. In addition their will be over 50 vendors for home safety to storm readiness information. Good things and a great PR opportunity for our club, amateur radio and our members. We can use your help to talk to the public about storm safety, amateur radio, Skywarn and all the things we do when things go bad.

Catoosa Storm Chasers Appreciation Day: This will be a first for us because we will be covering 2 events at the same time. So while we have a team at Camp Bandage about one hour latter at 11:00 am we will have a second team at the Catoosa event for the Storm Chasers Appreciation day and chase vehicle car show. This will start at 11:00 am and go on till 4:00 pm. The event is open to all storm chasers and spotters that would like to attend and it is free to the public. Located at Rogers Point just before you cross the Navigational channel bridge on HWY 66 headed toward Claremore. They will have free food Hot Dogs, Barbeque, chips and drinks. I here tell of 3 live bands from the Tulsa area and the famous Tornado test cannon. You have to see this thing as it fires a 2 x 4 at over 100 miles per hour at doors, different kinds of walls and the big event will be the side door of a car. Two good PR opportunities to bring what we do to those that need to know. We could sure use your help and yes you will have fun and maybe walk away feeling good about the work you have done.

Maple Ridge Run:

May 27th at 6:00 am we will meet up at 25th and Owasso for the annual Fleet Feet Maple Ridge Run, Bike , and Fun Run located in the Maple Ridge Housing Community in Tulsa. Though not a long event as events go, but defiantly a grate opportunity for those that have wanted to work an event of this type and stature but just wasn't sure what to do. If that's you, come on out I don't care if you just bought your HT and took it out of the box. You got to start somewhere and we have plenty of experienced operators to get you through it. Grab that HT blow the dust off and come out, and yes you will have fun. Free T-Shirt to those that help out with event communication. Well that will get us through May.

Toure De Cure:

Lets look at June, On Saturday June 1st , we will meet up at Southcrest Hospital on 81st and 169 some time around 6:00 am would be good. The safety meeting will be at 6:15 and first event starts at 7:00 am. Toure de Cure is put on by the American Diabetes Association to raise money to support Diabetes research. To find a cure for the dreaded affection that takes so many good people each year. Normally we average 250 to 500 bikes in this cross country ride our job is to keep them safe, and provide support as needed. Free T-Shirt, Lunch and Fuel Compensation are provided to those that help out. This event is one of are major events for the year and we will bring everyone and everything to support it. All operators will be set-up with APRS Tracking provided by the club. Mobil radios are probably a better fit for this one as we will be covering 100 miles full span. If you have bike racks bring them. Now if you just have an HT don't let that hold you back because I can still find a spot for you. We need your help and we will not turn anyone away. So put June 1st down for Tour de Cure, you will be glad you did.

That pretty well covers May and June. Don't forget we have our field day in Chandler Park during the last part of June but I will get more into that in my next post.

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The next TRO meeting will be Tuesday, May 28th

starting at 1900 at

Tally's Good Food Cafe

1102 S Yale

Annual Weather Meeting

TRO member-ships were due March 1. If you already renewed, THANKS! If not, please renew as soon as possible.



PREZ SAYS BY STAN CALLAHAN—KE5HPB



Well things are beginning to heat up and its not just the weather!! As we get closer to the Summer the temps are beginning to rise and the storms are increasing every week. We are also getting busier with activities.

By the time you read this we will have just finished Camp Bandage. This is a new event similar to the Scout Fall festival. It is a static event showing and letting people participate on Ham radio usage and a Storm Chasers display for kids and their parents. This event also shows first aid and how emergency responders interact on real emergencies.

This month is also Maple Ridge Run on Memorial Day near 21st and Peoria. This is an easy event and a great training for beginners for working events as these are stationary posts and you work side by side with a Tulsa Police Officer.

Tour-de-Cure is on June 1 @ Hillcrest South, 91st and Mingo area. Roll call is about 6am. Fuel is reimbursed on this event. This is a bike run supporting the Diabetes Assoc.

With all of these events coming up so soon and with the recent tragedy with the Boston Marathon last month, security will be beefed up at all these events now. There will be more Police presence at all events from now on. We are also a part of this, we need to be more aware of our surroundings and crowd activities as well as the events taking place. We are looking at the possibility of producing photo ID badges for TRO members participating in these activities as another security enhancement for all events. This would be 1 badge that will be worn with all events that we are working that would transfer from event to event. This is something that maybe should have already taken place but it is sad that we as a nation fix things after a tragedy.

Now on to Field Day. This year Field Day is June 28 - 30 @ Chandler Park. We are teamed up with TARC again for this years event. New this year will be TEAMA at Field Day. They have a new mobile ops trailer that they will be debuting.

We are still looking for someone to take over the monthly newsletter. If you are interested PLEASE contact me and/or Steve Miller.

Stan Callahan KE5HPB

TREASURER'S REPORT BY STEVE MILLER—AA5V THROUGH 05/15/2013

TRO Beginning Accounts Balance :		\$4233.66
Checking beginning balance:		\$2019.04
05/10 Deposit 2-renewals	+\$55.00	
Checking ending balance:		\$2074.04
Beginning savings balance:		\$1913.14
Interest:	+\$0.31	
Ending savings balance:		\$1913.45
PayPal beginning balance:		\$301.48
1 renewals	+\$30.00	
Fees	-\$1.17	
PayPal ending balance:		\$330.31
TRO Ending Accounts Balance :		\$4317.80

NEW TRO MEMBERS:

Ned Elzo—N5JHB in March 2013

Welcome to our new members on the repeaters and to join into any and all TRO activities.



MEETING MINUTES BY Ed Compos—K5CRQ

Tulsa Repeater Organization Meeting 4-23-2013

TRO Club meeting for 4-23-13 was called to order by President Stan Calahan KE5HPB at 1900 hrs.

Minutes of the 3-26-13 meeting were read by Secretary Ed Compos K5CRQ and a motion by Ben Joplin WB5VST was made to accept as read and seconded by Stan KE5HPB. Motion passed on vote of the members.

Treasurers report was read by Steve Miller AA5V and a motion to accept it as read was made by Bart Pickins N5TWB and seconded by Brian Gnaid KB5TSI. Motion passed on vote of the members.

Steve AA5V reported that the .94 repeater has some audio issues and he is working on it. He also realigned the city plex duplexer. They are going to check out the coax and antennae at the Sunco site before installing .94.

Joe Gorkos N5TEX reported that the 146.805 machine needs a new antennae to get better gain and a G7 would be preferred.

Tom Stroud reported that Camp Bandage will be May the 18th, 2013 at 71st and 145th E AVE in Broken Arrow Okla. A motion was made to help out with this activity by Tom Stroud KD5OPH and seconded by Paul Young KE5EHM. Motion passed on vote of the members. So call Tom KD5OPH and help him out with this. Police, Fire, EMS, Hams, helicopters etc will be there.

Maple Ridge will be 5-27-2013 in the Maple Ridge Edition at 21st and Cincinnati. Be there about 6 am police block it off early.

June 1, 2013 is Tour De Cure , Tulsa Tough is June 8th and 9th . Contact TARC to assist with the Tulsa Tough.

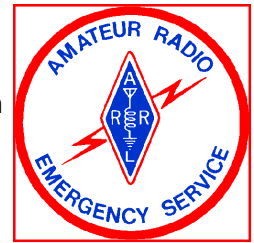
Hospital Net test was discussed by Bart N5TWB it will be Saturday 4-27-13 and since it is over it went well and Bart will discuss it at the next meeting.

Field day was discussed by Stan KE5HPB and a motion was made to have it at Chandler Park with TARC.. Motion made by Stan KE5HPB to have it at Chandler and seconded by Steve AA5V. Motion passed on vote of the members.

No New business.

Motion to closed meeting was made by Brian KB5TSI and seconded by Bart N5TWB and passed by vote of the members. Closed at 20:16 hrs

Ed Compos K5CRQ, Secretary



ARES/RACES Net Thursday evenings at 2000 local time on the 443.85 Super Link System.

NOTICE:

Members, your club needs a few people to step up and help out as committee members. The Membership Chair and Public Relations Chair are both open. Please check the responsibilities in the club's by-laws on our webpage at <http://www.tulshamradio.org/trobylaws.htm>.

What's Happening With The Repeaters?

Steve Miller—AA5V

Joe—N5TEX is getting things together as your new Engineering Chairman finding out contacts, club equipment and a plan to get repairs going on and at the repeater sites.

Trustee: Merlin Griffin—WB5OSM

TRO REPEATER STATUS		
Frequency	PL	Status
146.34/94	none	Down
146.28/88	88.5 141.3	Up Up
146.205/805	none	Up
449.1/444.1	88.5	Down
449.725/444.725	88.5	Up
449.95/444.95	none	Up
ATV 421.25	none	Up

AREA AMATEUR RADIO TESTING

<p>Third Thursday of odd numbered months. 7:00 P.M. at the Red Cross building at 11th & 169.</p> <p>Contact Merlin Griffin Phone 918.520.7668 or email wb5osm@hotmail.com</p>	<p>First Saturday of odd numbered months. 0915 to 1100 at Hardesty Regional Library 8316 E 93rd Street Tulsa, OK 74133 2013 Schedule: January 5th March 2nd May 4th July 6th September 7th November 2nd</p> <p>Walk-ins Welcome until 0945 Contact Loyd—AE5MM AE5MM@arrl.net or 918.638.2393 (text msg or voice)</p>	<p>Second Saturday of even numbered months, 9:30 A.M. at the Church of Christ, 505 E Kenosha Street, Broken Arrow. Walk-ins welcome. Contact: Don Doyle—AC5II at ac5II@arrl.net or 918.379.0962</p>	<p>Last Saturday of even numbered months 10:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. at the Martin East Regional Library 2601 S Garnett Road Tulsa, OK. Contact: John—K5ENA at K5ENA@cox.net or 918.346.8284.</p>
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Tower Properties (CityPlex)
Tulsa Tech College
Bates Realty
City Of Tulsa
City of Skiatook
Liberty Fire Department



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<p>Saturday, May 18 10:00 AM</p>	<p>Camp Bandage - 400 N Aspen in Broken Arrow - Contact Tom Stroud at KD5OPH@tulsahamradio.org to help with the ham radio demonstration at Camp Bandage.</p>
<p>Saturday, May 18 11:00 AM</p>	<p>Storm Chaser Appreciation Day in Catoosa - Weather Spotter/Chaser Car Show - Where? Rogers Landing Public Recreation Area (Route 66 at the Verdigris River just north of Catoosa) If you'd like to bring your car for the show - Contact Tom Stroud at KD5OPH@tulsahamradio.org to help with the ham radio demonstration.</p>
<p>Monday, May 27 7AM thru 11AM</p>	<p>Maple Ridge Run—Maple Ridge Neighborhood</p>
<p>Monday, May 28 7:00PM</p>	<p>TRO meeting—Meeting at Tally's Good Food Café, 1102 S. Yale</p>
<p>Saturday, June 1 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM</p>	<p>Tour de Cure - American Diabetes Association Bicycle Tour</p>
<p>Saturday, June 8</p>	<p>Tulsa Tough - TARC to provide communications</p>
<p>Sunday, June 9</p>	<p>Tulsa Tough - TARC to provide communications</p>
<p>Saturday & Sunday June 22 & 23 12PM thru 12PM</p>	<p>TRO & ARRL Field Day—at Chandler Park together with TARC.</p>



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