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FIELD DAY PLANNING MEETING

June 21, 2011
7:00 PM

Mining ARC Trailer at Tartan Park

FIELD DAY SET UP

3:00 PM
June 24, 2011

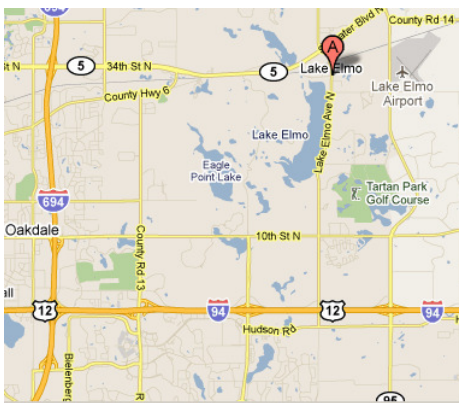
FIELD DAY OPERATION

June 25-26, 2011

FIELD DAY TAKE DOWN

June 26, 2011

All at 3M Tartan Park
Lake Elmo, MN



Sign ups and last-minute details on:

www.stpaulradioclub.org/

Enjoyed the Banquet / Looking forward to the Picnic on June 25th

Twenty-eight people gathered at the University of St. Thomas on May 14 for the 2011 SPRC Banquet. We had a few possible speakers that didn't work out and the normal venue was booked, but it came together in the end. Those that made it were treated to another wonderful meal provided by the UST Dining Service and an entertaining video program put together by Dale Maroushek and Skip Jackson. If you weren't there, you won't know what Minnesota history, blinking sheep, cupcakes, and SHHHH! have in common. To cap it off, Joe Zwirn was presented with the Ham of the Year Award and several members went home with nice door prizes. As always, it is fellowship with friends and family that make it such a nice event.

If you are kicking yourself for missing the Banquet, put the SPRC Field Day Picnic on your calendar right now! We'll be having the normal Saturday night picnic but with a twist. This year the spaghetti is on hold so that Dale and his helpers can serve up meaty treats from the grill. We'll also have the usual potato salad, beans, and other picnic fare. Since the food won't be prepared in advance and will be coming off the grill, we'll say 6:00ish for a dinner time. One thing we haven't changed (much) is dessert. Dale's sister-in-law Lisa and her daughter will be there with baked goodies. These are not your normal PTA cupcakes. As always, it is all free. Bring the family and hang out

Dale's Details by NØPEY

We lived through the Banquet, Tailgate Swapfest and the Sun Sale, a couple of wet days and two very hot ones. Now we have to squeeze by Father's Day and then hit the Field Day Site on the 24th, to get it ready for the 25th. Take a nice Picnic break on Saturday night to get together and have some great food and fellowship.

I'm counting on some more input from the selected chairs of the upcoming events to complete the stories.

Steve Huntsman, AAOP, put together the information on the Elmer follow up team. It needs a better name, like "Who ya gonna call, Ham Busters".

Orcy will be rescheduling the Fox Hunt, after FD. Then she looks into a Special events station with the Transportation Museum.

I'll be looking for a large fish house on the ice for a "freeze your watts off" event in late winter.

I'm very sure we will be having the usual Field Day Final planning meeting at Tartan Park on Tuesday, June 21st, 7 p.m. at the Mining Trailer. All chairs and interested helpers are encouraged to attend.

Dale, NØPEY, President



Fox Hunt Rescheduled!

The foxhunt has been re-scheduled to:

**Saturday, July 16, 2011 -
9:30 a.m.**

Starting point: Highland Park parking lot, St. Paul

Further information will be posted on the website:
www.stpaulradioclub.org

Hope to see you there!!!

Questions, contact
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Special Event

Our **Special Event**, at the **MN Transportation Museum**, will be November 5, 2011. Too many other things going on in the spring to have it then. Further info' will be available soon on the website. We will need committees for antenna raising, refreshments, equipment, and other related activities. Plz put this date on your calendar. A signup schedule will be done this fall, for SSB and CW on HF, and for VHF. There should be a lot of activity on the air, due to many people being interested in trains. Plz plan to participate and possibly to help in other ways.

FFI or to volunteer, contact w0qt@arrl.net

HELP NEEDED: *Ground Wave Editor*

The SPRC is in need of a longer-term *Ground Wave Editor*. The current "Interim" Editor has been at it for over 1-1/2 years and I have some health issues that make it difficult for me at times.

The job is what one makes it and need not be that difficult. Content usually comes from others and needs to be formatted to look nice. The job usually takes me about 3-5 hours/month. A willingness to learn Microsoft Publisher is helpful (and the club will get you a copy if you do not have it), but a nice-enough looking product could be produced with Microsoft Word.

This is a great way for a "behind the scenes" kind of person to help the club — no public speaking, no extra meetings. If you think you could help the club in this capacity, contact the President, Dale, NØPEY.



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: During times of national, state, and local emergency, and for community and public events, amateur radio operators have provided communication resources at no cost to Minnesotans; and

WHEREAS: Amateur radio organizations, such as Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) and Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES), are organized and trained to provide effective emergency communication support; and

WHEREAS: Amateur operators trained in spotting and reporting severe weather assist the National Weather Service and the State of Minnesota through the SKYWARN program; and

WHEREAS: Amateur radio clubs throughout Minnesota provide courses of instruction and assistance to elementary and high school students about amateur radio, enhancing students' interest in science, geography, and physics, and provide an opportunity for students to become licensed amateur radio operators.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim June 25 and 26, 2011 as:

AMATEUR RADIO OPERATOR RECOGNITION DAYS

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 9th day of June.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE



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