

April 8, 2006

Polk County Amateur Radio Club breakfast/meeting.

The April 8, 2006 breakfast at the Fox Den in Balsam Lake, WI, was attended by 16 people. After breakfast club members met at the Mobile Command Center parked at the Justice Center in Balsam Lake, WI. A tour of the MCC was given and Steve and Rick secured the RACES power supply, transceiver, and Anderson power pole strip. They also reworked the feed line as well as fitted the dual band antenna onto the command center ladder. All worked well. Thank you Steve and Rick for that accomplishment.

A club meeting was held in the EOC room. Discussed were the ongoing NIMS training and training schedule, the recent EOC training session and possible implication to the amateur community, the recent SKYWARN class and how we implement communications pertaining to severe weather, and a discussion on how the County Emergency Coordinator will contact the radio group if needed. RACES/ARES registration passes were discussed and registration forms passed out. An updated roster was passed out with instructions that it will be updated more often because it is also used as a call up roster for emergencies. County communications update was presented by the County Emergency Coordinator. The Monday evening 9PM NET was discussed. A simplex net will be attempted in the near future. Feed line removal in the old EOC was mentioned. Field day was mentioned and a volunteer asked from the group to head it up if there is interest. HAM operating, building projects, etc., were asked for. The next club breakfast/meeting will be held on May 13, 2006.
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