FORT WAYNE RADIO CLUB MEETING MINUTES 27 March, 2015

The March meeting of the Ft. Wayne Radio Club was held at the Good Shepherd United Methodist Church on 27 March, 2015, and was hosted by club president Steve Nardin, W9SAN. There were about 40 people in attendance for this meeting, and, after reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, everyone present introduced themselves via their call-sign.

There was no Treasurer's report.

Dan Ward, N9WLW announced that he was looking to recruit (amateur radio) volunteers to provide support functions for the upcoming Indiana Trail 100 foot race event that will occur at Chain-O-Lakes State Park the weekend of 25-26 April. The event features 50 and 100 miles foot races through the park involving 360 runners, and serves as a charity fund raising activity, with the proceeds raised plowed back into the park system. Dan has already recruited 25 of the 65 positions he needs to fill. Anyone desiring to help out is asked to please get in contact with Dan.

Steve Nardin reported that Tom Rupp, KU8T will provide the April meeting program, and it will be a discussion and demonstration of JT-65 digital mode.

Al Burke, WB9SSE gave a brief status update presentation on the upgraded 146.76 and 444.875 repeater systems being installed at Robison Park. Plans are to remove the existing Master II based systems from service Monday evening, 30 March, and install the new equipment Tuesday morning, 31 March.

Following the business meeting, Steve led a program on Hombrewing which included a description on how it was done in the old days, and how it can still be accomplished today despite the demise of firms like Heathkit and Radio Shack. Show-N-Tell discussions regarding five homebrewed items brought to the meeting were then presented by their proud owners. Pictures from this presentation can be found in the file "FWRC March 2015 Meeting" that likewise can be found in the "Photos" tab on the FWRC.info web page.

Respectfully submitted,

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