

FIELD DAY 2008 MEETING MINUTES

FIELD DAY IS SATURDAY AND SUNDAY-JUNE 28TH AND 29TH, 2008

The second planning meeting for Field Day 2008 was held on *Saturday MAY 10, 2008* at the Executive Diner in Hawthorne. The meeting started at 9 am.

In attendance were:

Richard KC2HZ Director of Field Day Operations
Eugene AE2F
Cindy KC2PTO
Russ N2AMP
Norman N2GKM
Ron N2TJE
Tom WB2NHC

A discussion centered on OLD Business was initiated by Richard, KC2HZW

The approved insurance application has been received by the club.

At the last meeting, the charges agreed upon to help defray the food costs are:

Saturday Lunch	\$ 5.00
Saturday Dinner	\$10.00
Sunday Breakfast and Lunch	\$ 5.00

Meal costs for children 16 and under (excluding infants and toddlers) would be 1/2 of the adult cost.

It was also agreed upon that second servings will NOT be automatic. The availability of "seconds" will be announced and available after first calls are complete. Portion control steps will be instituted this year to help ease the serving congestion of prior years.

Different colored "bracelets" will be used again this year to gain entrance into the "dining area". Ron N2TJE will coordinate this effort.

The list of VIPs to receive Field Day invitations, updated by Tom, WB2NHC, is available for mailing which should be done in the next few days. Richard, KC2HZW will coordinate the text and mailing effort with Ann, KC2MFF.

Richard and Peter N2TFC have incorporated the latest rule changes into the logging software. Peter is programming the computers and will oversee the field installation. Richard will coordinate and assist in the effort.

As agreed upon at the last meeting, the following vehicles/trailers will be required for the weekend. The County Field Com will not be used this year.

- 2 Tower trucks
- 1 Light generator
- 1 Tower trailer

Tom will coordinate the effort to obtain drivers for the vehicles and is Allan N2YBK will again be asked to tow the Tower trailer.

Russ N2AMP will order the 25 eight foot tables and 100 chairs that will be required for the event and will bring them to the field. He will also pick them up and return them. Ron N2TJE will assist him.

The numbers and kinds of antennas required for the event was finalized. The design is similar to that used last year. The following list of equipment and providers was agreed upon.

Type	Band	To provide antenna
Inverted 'L'	80	Eugene
Vertical	80	Eugene
LPA	40	Bob
Slopper	80	Bob
6 m beam	6	Richard
2 m beam	2	Eugene
A4S	10, 15, 20 meters	Richard
C4SXL	10, 15, 20	Eugene
C4SXL extension	40	Eugene
Dipole (or equivalent)	40	Bob

Eugene AE2F will bring his ORION AND MP radios.

Richard will bring his Mark 5 radio.

Bob N2DVQ has offered to bring his MP radio to the event.

A radio for the GOTA station has to be obtained.

Eugene has offered to bring the four band pass filters he has. One more is needed. Tom will investigate the option of the club purchasing the one filter needed.

Norman, N2GKM has agreed to bring a rotor for the tower trailer and beams for 2m and 440. In addition he will bring a UHF/VHF radios.

Richard will bring a back-up generator for the event.

The following tasks and equipment needs will be discussed at the next meeting:

Isobars, panel strips, temporary lighting, bug spray, coax-12-15 lengths. (Eugene has some 250 ft lengths.)

Tom will obtain a few swimming pool “noodles” which will be cut and tie-wrapped over cable connectors to make them water proof.

Ron will coordinate the transportation of the mosquito netting with Jim N2WQG.

The Transmission of Field Day messages provide bonus points. A volunteer to perform this effort is being sought.

Material for public display will have to be printed. The “WECA Organizational Overview” brochure is of special importance. Tom has agreed to oversee this effort.

The meeting ended at 10:30 am. A brief, final meeting is scheduled to follow the conclusion of the June membership meeting.

All WECA members are invited to attend the Planning Meetings and participate in this year's FIELD DAY activities. For details visit the club website at www.weca.org.