December 20, 2011 WARES General Meeting
Meeting held at Sir William Stephenson Library

Meeting began 7:00 pm VE4MBQ presiding

After introductions, VE4MBQ introduced Jim Townsend VE4CY and Wayne Warren VE4WR. VE4CY is the Municipal Emergency Coordinator for Municipalities of Rockwood, Rosser, Woodlands, Armstrong, and the Town of Teulon.

VE4CY explained his role at Emergency Coordinator, the radio equipment used, the Emergency Operations Centres, and possible use of ARES, in case of emergencies.

VE4WR followed up with a presentation on ERTS (Emergency Radio Transmission System). This radio system is set up in remote areas of Manitoba. The system uses transceivers with multiple frequencies, and can be used in case of disasters, or search and rescue, and other uses.

End of education program 8:00 pm

During the break, VE4GWN won the 50/50 draw. WARES and VE4GWN each won $20.00
5 other members won RAC-ARES hats, donated by VE4JS

Business Meeting began 8:08 pm VE4GWN presiding

 Minutes of November 15 meeting approved as e-mailed to membership
>   Moved   VE4GKS
>   Seconded   VE4JAH
>   CARRIED
No business arising

Treasurer's Report

Presented by VE4SYM. See attached report

VE4HK announced that he had sold the TS440S bequeathed to Winnipeg ARES by the estate of Jim Ross VE4AJR. WARES should receive about $375.00, once expenses are covered. [$377.63 jd]

EC Report

Presented by VE4MBQ. See attached report

New Business

VE4GWN announced that VE4EIH volunteered to coordinate the WARES Silent Auction at the Flea Market

VE4SYM stated that someone should assist VE4EIH

VE4MBQ recommended an experienced Silent Auction coordinator mentor VE4EIH.

A discussion ensued

VE4DAR made an Educational Report. Nine people graduated from the recent amateur classes with Basic +
A CW class will commence January 10, with VE4SN and VE4GR instructing.
There is no news on an advanced course
VE4VB may be holding another basic course. There are a few people signed up. Anyone interested should e-mail VE4VB soon
VE4DAR is holding an Introduction to Amateur Radio course with an army cadet corps. This is a first step prior to taking the basic course. 2 introductory lessons. He is designing a 12 hour course for army cadets.

No further business

Adjourn 8:20 pm VE4GWN

Minutes taken by VE4HK