ST. Mary's County Amateur Radio Association

Amateur Radio Emergency Service

5/29/23 2300Z

Members present: KB2SKP-Chris, AC3CU-Neil, KB1YZ-Jim, N2OMC-Rob, KC3UCB-Anthony, W3OST-Rick, KC3WBR-Robert

Chris opened the net at 2300Z. He asked if anyone had formal traffic for the net. AC3CU has formal traffic. Chris asked if anyone was able to copy the message, he received no response, so he copied the traffic. Neil passed a welfare message to the net. It was successfully passed. Chris also asked if anyone would like to meet in person and if so, when would be a good time, weeknights, weekends during the day or evening.

Neil has no particular day or time restrictions. Weekends would be probably better. He also went over the message that was passed and explained the content. This was a short message to let family and friends know that you were all right. This message as it is passed from point to point, is short and easy to handle. Prior to delivery to the recipient, the ARL numbers are translated to plain English so that the recipient can clearly understand it.

Jim is ready for an in person meet. I inadvertently turned down the volume so I missed most of Jim's response.

Rob is ready for an in person meet. Most week day nights are out but weekends seem to be okay.

Anthony had to leave and do something and didn't make it back to the net. Rick is available anytime.

Robert came in late but is available on week nights except Thursday, and on weekends. He heard the message that was passed and inquired how to pass a message from a remote area.

Chris explained the methods that a message could be passed from the remote area. This would involve Winlink and person to person handling. You could also use APRS with text messaging. Most SOTA amateurs use this quite frequently. We will go over this more in the near future.

Chris closed the net at 2338Z.