

ST. Mary's County Amateur Radio Association

Amateur Radio Emergency Services

8/7/23 2300Z

Members present: KC3RWE-Brad, KB2SKP-Chris, AC3CU-Neil,
KB1YZ-Jim, N3AK-Jon, N2OMC-Rob

Brad opened the net at 2300Z and asked if there is any formal traffic for the net. There was none. Brad asked for anyone with announcements for the net. Chris mentioned that the skywarn net is active and that the Calvert club will be starting their weekly meeting soon., but skywarn would be running in the background and that if anyone has weather related information that it would be accepted and passed. Brads agenda for tonight's meeting was to over fox hunt times, kit build time and day as well as who would participate, and who would be participating in the SET in October.

Chris and Rachael went to Berryville ham fest and met a person that had an NVIS antenna and as how it performed for short distances. He explained that the max distance seemed to be around 100 miles. He is interested in setting up an NVIS antenna and contacting Jeff in Prince George county and see if we could get some transmissions to him. He said that the kit build could be held in the museum, in the building where the club holds its meeting. He is also looking for participants for the October SET.

Brad remarked that Monday might be good if we start early as it is a work night. He is also interested in the NVIS antenna and how it works.

Neil is interested in the kit build either Monday or Saturday and would like to get involved in the SET in October. I am interested in seeing in how well we could get an HF signal out of the county, or, what we have to do to get a signal out.

Jim check in and is interested in the kit build for any day settled on. He is also looking forward for the SET in October. He mentioned that he needs to get together with Bard and Pete about the budget for the tail-gate fest.

Jon is in for the kit build. He is available for a zoom meeting to go over the budget for the tail-gate fest. He has a little knowledge of the NVIS antenna.

Rob is available for the SET in October. He is good for the kit build, thinks that Saturday would be a good day for it.

Chris on a recheck, mentioned that Calvert is going to be starting their club meeting soon, but the skywarn will run in the background and any weather related information will be passed on. He is also going to learn more about the SET that is upcoming

Brad closed the meeting at 2325Z.