



Chipola Amateur Radio Club

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Newsletter

July 15th, 2008

REPEATERS

146.670 –
147.045+, 123CG
444.950+, 123CG

CLUB NET

Our club, along with the Jackson County ARES, sponsors a net every Monday night at 7 PM on 146.670-.

CLUB EVENTS

July 15th, Skywarn Training
Aug 19th, Club Meeting
Sep 20th, Meeting/Test Session

OTHER EVENTS

Oct 18-19, JOTA
Nov 8, Montgomery Hamfest

CLUB OFFICERS

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Gary Brown, WW4JDO
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Jeff Hagan, WO4J

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Sep, KF4JZY

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hi folks. Last month's field day was a hoot. We had great fellowship, made a few contacts, and man those steaks were good. Many thanks to Bill for putting the event together and to everyone who contributed to making the field day a success. Next on the agenda for the club is SKYWARN training. I've been looking forward to learning exactly what a SKTWARN spotter does. Thanks to the effort of Brent and others in the club we have that opportunity tonight. We've had plenty of storms around here recently and the hurricane season is upon us. I hope each of you enjoy the training and find it useful in some way. 73.

Gary, WW4JDO



SKYWARN™ is a concept developed in the early 1970s that was intended to promote a cooperative effort between the National Weather Service and communities. The emphasis of the effort is often focused on the storm spotter, an individual who takes a position near their community and reports wind gusts, hail size, rainfall, and cloud formations that could signal a developing tornado. Another part of SKYWARN™ is the receipt and effective distribution of National Weather Service information.

The organization of spotters and the distribution of warning information may lie with the National Weather Service or with an emergency management agency within the community. This agency could be a police or fire department, or often is an emergency management/service group (what people might still think of as civil defense groups). This varies across the country however, with local national weather service offices taking the lead in some locations, while emergency management takes the lead in other areas.

SKYWARN™ spotters are not by definition "Storm Chasers". While their functions and methods are similar, the spotter stays close to home and usually has ties to a local agency. Storm chasers often cover hundreds of miles a day. The term Storm Chaser covers a wide variety of people. Some are meteorologists doing specific research or are gathering basic information (like video) for training and comparison to radar data. Others chase storms to provide live information for the media, and others simply do it for the thrill. ☺



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