

FCC-MVPA Members,

The drought between Southern Outpost newsletters is over. The Secretary agreed to revamp the newsletter into a more complete document that includes the quarterly meeting minutes and current (at time newsletter is drafted) list of upcoming events. Dick Deren will continue to distribute the FCC Activity Schedule.

The plan is to distribute the newsletter shortly after each quarterly meeting. The preferred method of distribution is email, saving printing and postage costs, and providing timely delivery. For the few members don't have email; a copy will be printed and mailed to them.

Several meetings ago, it was agreed that Associate members would receive free business card size advertisement in each issue while their membership was current. Larger ads would be at a negotiated (minimal) cost. The cards of the two Associate members in this issue are the only two cards the secretary has received. If you are an Associate member, please forward a card, via email or snail-mail, to the Secretary - see forms in newsletter for address.

This first issue is being sent via email from the Secretary; the board is investigating the use of the service provided by "Constant Contact", a firm that specializes in publishing and distributing web-based newsletters. The content will still be controlled by the board.

Finally, two requests:

1. Talk to members you know and ask if they received this email; and if they haven't, suggest that they contact the Secretary. Six envelopes from the May mailing were returned as "Not Deliverable" and approximately 25 emails still bounce back as undeliverable.
2. Take a look at the attached newsletter (in .pdf format) and provide feedback, positive or negative, to the Secretary or any board member.

Thanks,
Stan Kinmonth
FCC-MVPA Secretary