

RV2WaySat Rally 2006 Survey Summary:

1. Which presentations did you like most, and why?

Barb Nolley – slides, knowledge, presentation A+++
Glenn Simpson – maintenance tips – clear, concise, good & much needed info
Troubleshooting
Wireless seminar dealing w/ routers & security
Stan Miller's presentation on Knoppix
Antenna pointing
All great
Walk around

2. Which presentations did you like least, and why?

Overhead views would have been helpful
Beginning networking – too much info on history
Networking – could not see typing on screen and results
SkyMed – not appropriate
The one where the man sat and read his presentation – I'm sure it was good information & well prepared
Presentation of money prizes – took too long & impacted time to visit w/others – draw ahead of time and post results
Beginning programming – not a programmer – most of it went over my head
Toss up – Stan Miller's exploring DW6000/7000 & Vic Gray's satellite technology – both clearly knowledgeable but put off by presentation style & highly technical material

3. Which presentations didn't have enough time?

Barb's presentation
Ron Daves' presentation + demo – lots of good info but not enough time
VoIP – should have been demo, not a Q&A
Security issues
Many of the panels – but it would be hard to get enough time for everything
Solar power
All were long enough – any longer, people would have left – too much to absorb

4. Which presentations had too much time?

5. What would you like to see on the schedule next year, and why?

Barb's presentation done earlier
Ron Daves done earlier
More on software or virus protection & how to set up security for maximum protection to our modems
A handout & discussion on web sites to go by category
Visit solar site installations
Attempt to arrange schedule to chronologically set up satellite system
Need more space to critique presentations both pro/con on survey
Would like to see actual setup of a few tripods – share tricks or suggestions to group – I also would like to see a motosat setup
More of the same
I liked the variety you had this year
More stuff on troubleshooting systems – errors
More labs
Planning & advance notice to Elks lodge for dinner night there
More newbie stuff – basic info on what's a satellite – simple explanation of how it works
Topics appear to cover enough for average person – Perhaps a discussion w/physical setups of the different tripod offerings w/some objective pros and cons
More stuff for the ladies – tours of local attractions – an overview of the DW Corp.

6. Are you willing to volunteer next year? If so, please include your name and email address and a preference, if you have one.

7. Are you willing to present next year? If so, what and how much time would you like on the schedule?

8. Do you have any suggestions for social activities next year? If so, what?

We enjoyed the activities this year
Tour of the plant north of town
Trips – casino – bombing range – museum – dinners out, shrimp farm
Pizza night

9. Comments:

All presenters were very good overall
Ron Daves did a great job
Ron Ruward did great job
Lots of good info, but material covered not info I wanted
Need more detail on virus & security

Meals should not start before posted times – it's pretty upsetting when you arrive 15 mins early & folks are finishing their meals and the line is $\frac{3}{4}$ around the room

Food line problems & more tables – need 2-sided lines for better flow
I must have missed the swap meet – vendors are welcome – although I really enjoyed the fire safety & solar presentations, it was a stretch to include them as appropriate for the rally

As a newbie at the rally it was a great experience

Have folks put cell phones on vibrate

Advise Elks club of rally dates and remind them when we arrive

We bought our dish 2 weeks ago and are new at this – this was a great opportunity for both of us to learn and have support – we appreciate the contacts & resources we have gained here

This is our 1st yr here – very informative – learned more than we thought we would – people friendly & helpful

Really appreciated the opportunity

Gear presentations for audience – have some newbie stuff at start of presentation then allow them to leave when more advanced part starts