

# Mountain Top Amateur Radio Association

Minutes for 01/05/2022 vis Zoom

## **Welcome:**

President Lorna Polley/KJ6GFS greeted the club members and explained why we were meeting again on Zoom. She then introduced VP Chet Olsen/AE6CO, and he welcomed everyone, wishing them all a very happy New Year.

## **Introductions and Reports:**

Minutes from the past meeting on 12/07/2021 were read by Secretary Debbie Johnson/WB6LVC. Request for articles for the Newsletter was stated. All must be sent to Debbie by 01/11/2022.

Treasurer Nancy Karlson/K6CUB then gave the treasurer's report. Our total at the end of the year was \$11,124.00. Changes in the files and authorization for the accounts are being made. The new authorized members are Lorna Polley/Presidents, Nancy Karlson/Treasurer, and Tracy Lenocker/Trustee.

## **Weekly Nets: Denise, N6DEE, NCO Coordinator**

Mondays at 7:00PM, MTARA Net, MTARA-2

Tuesdays at 7:00, MTARA 220 Net, MTARA-5

Wednesdays at 6:30 PM, Skywarn and at 7:00, Mountain CERT Net, MTARA-2

Wednesday/Monthly on 7.223 and on Zoom, at 7:30, The HF Net

Fridays at 5:00, The YL Happy Hour Net, MTARA-5

## **Club Items:**

- A. Name tags – Harlan Technologies, Name Tags by Gene, (715) 340-1299, [www.hampubs.com](http://www.hampubs.com) Shawn Harlan – KA9BXA, [harlantech@gmail.com](mailto:harlantech@gmail.com)
- B. B. Mouse Pads
- C. T-shirts – Port Authority K42OP – Dark Green, L420 – Dark Green, K100LS=Dark Green: Embroidery, Classic Images, 23723 Rocky Dell Dr., Crestline, (909)338-2281

## **Club Events, Discussions/Information:**

The Grand Prize from the December drawing was a beautifully engraved knife donated by Kenny/KM6WVK. The winner was Dee/N6DEE. Photos of the knife, with newly added information, were displayed for all to see. Kenny shared what the designs were

and told the background of the engraving process. Denise added her thanks for the prize to Kenny and for the additional work to personalize it for her.

Following this, Denise and Gary/AA6GJ gave a brief report on the weather net Denise had set up on 12/30/2021. It lasted for 2 hours. The final report was sent to Tracy. Information was shared on the local news, helping all in the mountain communities.

**Presentation:**

Tracy/WM6T then did a presentation, in two parts, dealing with recent infrastructure failures and Mobil Communications.

Club members shared what issues they had during the recent storms. Lorna discussed the use of a landline, what she had learned about its needed connections. Other added what type of landline you had to have and how to connect to it directly. Gail shared that she only had her iPhone. Dave/WVE shared that he had generator power, land line usage and battery backup for Internet and Spectrum. Jo “manned” her radios and ran a net to check on everyone. Other club members shared what had occurred at their homes during the power outages and snowfalls.

Tracy then presented a slide show on being prepared in an emergency. Ted requested that the slides be made available on the club website. Tracy said he would do that. Slide topics included practicing for emergencies by taking part in weekly nets, doing events such as parades and races, taking part in educational activities and what to have in your car, as well as at your home, to be ready for any emergency. Q and A followed.

**Wrap-Up/Close:**

Lorna and Tracy reminded all club members to renew their membership before the end of the month or they would be removed from the club roster. Tracy also stated that raffles would be done in a different way as we are now back on Zoom. More information to follow.

The meeting closed at approximately 8:45pm.

Next meeting will be on 02/01/2022.

Minutes submitted by: Debbie Johnson/WB6LVC

Approved by: