

Mountain Top Amateur Radio Association

Minutes for 7/11/2023
Lake Arrowhead Presbyterian Church

Welcome: (Prior to Opening, there was a sale of items brought in by a community member-Esteban. These were items from a SK, his uncle. Tracy explained what items were available and then we went to the official Opening.)

Lorna called the meeting to order at 19:35. She welcomed all returning members and had members, new members/visitors and guests introduce themselves. We had 3 new members: Ryan McConnell/KO6OLD, Katie Blount/No Call and Richard Blount/No Call.

Introductions and Reports:

Secretary Debbie Johnson/WB6LVC had no minutes as she had been absent from the last meeting. She did, however, share about the new individual who was now doing the embroidery for the club shirts. She also asked for any articles someone might want to contribute to the upcoming Newsletter.

Treasurer Nancy Karlson/K6CUB gave a report of the club's funds. She reported that the balance, as of 6/30/2023, totaled \$13,664 with monthly deposits consisting of dues, donations and ticket sales equaling \$475. She added that total expenditures were \$2,570 and related mostly to Field Day.

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 Shawn Harlan – KA9BXA, harlantech@gmail.com

B. Mouse Pads

C. T-shirts – Port Authority (NOTE: order numbers have changed due to shirts being discontinued Check with her as to what she is ordering now. She will also do hats.)
* Embroidery, Hurt Ink, 6751 Coleen Lane, San Bernardino, Ca, 92407, 909-815-6852, Hurtink815@gmail.com and www.hurtink.com.

Club Events, Discussions/Information:

Follow-up comments from Field Day were shared.

Presentation: Tracy gave a presentation on Event Communication: Planning and Operations Training for the Real Thing. He did a slideshow of photos and lists that contained the basic setups, needs, charts of stations, and mapping and communications needs.

Nancey/ K6CUB and Gail/KM6GBN did a demonstration of an antenna setup in the field. A “Q and A” session followed.

Tracy shared and demonstrated a location application for the smart phone and desktop computers. It is called What3Words. Vic participated in the presentation with mapping his current location and sharing two rescues using the app.

Tracy additionally announced that a NOAA representative will be joining us at our August meeting and providing Skywarn training.

Wrap-Up/Close:

Raffles were held and prizes awarded before the end of the meeting.

Lorna then took back the meeting, thanking all for their attendance.

The meeting closed at approximately 21:12. Next meeting will be on 8/1/2023 @7PM at the Lake Arrowhead Presbyterian Church.

Minutes submitted by: Debbie Johnson/WB6LVC

Approved by: