UNION COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY Meeting Minutes for July 18, 2024

Tom McCobb opened the regular meeting at 7:01 PM with 15 members and 3 guests present.

Attendance: See Last page

- 1. Tom McCobb, K3TCM opened the meeting at 7:02 PM.
- 2. Tonight's meeting is held at Pleasant Plains Baptist Church, Matthews, NC.
- 3. Visitors at the meeting: Laura Hultquist, Jill, O'Hara and Sheila Jeffrey
- 4. Meeting minutes for the June meeting were available for review. Motion made by Andy Kabasakalian to accept the minutes and seconded by Christopoher Whitaker. Minutes approved as written.
- 5. The treasurer's report was made available for review. Explanation of expenses given by David Keever. Motion to approve by Kevin Moderow and seconded by Julian Burns.
- 6. David Keever announced that the second Yaesu repeater was shipped to Yaesu for upgrade and expected to be completed end of July.
- 7. Tom announced the results for Winter Field Day. (Finally)
- 8. UCARS has purchased a location at Shelby Hamfest. Location is in the Weathers Building, same as last year. We need volunteers to man the location. (Cattle Building)
- 9. Kevin Moderow gave a Memorial speech about Oscar Norris, W4OXH who passed away on July 8th. Oscar is known as the oldest active Ham in North Carolina was 106. Kevin had introduced him to DMR which allowed him access to the world from his nursing room in Gastonia.
- 10. Chris Whitaker announced there will be a LEPC Metting with a working exercise.
 - a. Hope to get a status update of the antenna installation at the EOC.
- 11. Announced there will be a VE Session Saturday July 20th at Siler Presbyterian Church.
- 12. Tom McCobb presented a summary of the recent Field Day held at Pleasant Plains Baptist Church.
 - a. He explained the antennas used (Fan Dipoles) One home made and a second Alpha Delta commercial antenna. Antenna performed well with reported interference between stations.
 - b. Photographs were shown of Field Day, including the Picnic (a huge success by Gary Stone and Todd Edwards), the operators and special guests.
 - c. The scores were shown, and Tom explained how the total is determined.
- 13. Christopher spoke of his new Quansheng Portable radio and the features that it has.
- 14. 50/50 Drawing was held for \$ 32.00.

a. Gary Stone was the winner of the 50/50 drawing. \$32.00 was donated to the club's treasury.

- 15. The meeting was Adjourned at 7:37 PM.
- 16. Beth Golding KN4RJY, joined the club after the meeting.

Member Attendance:

Tom McCobb, K3TCM David Kurtz, KM4ZDK Lisa Whitaker KF4NYL Dwayne Stone, KC4NHW Jeff Weiss, K4EVT Sheila Jeffery (G)

David Keever, KV4N Gary Stone, KO4NZU Gary Williamson. KN4BRF Julian Burns, K4WKP Ed Stemborowski, KJ4VLI Laura Hultquist (G) Andy Kabasakalian, WB2WZC Christopher Whitaker, AE4WS Kevin Moderow, WA9VFD David Brown, KE7OVG Beth Golding, KN4RJY Jill O'Hara