

## Meeting Minutes for August 19th, 2023

Meeting opened at 10am with the pledge of allegiance and introductions of visitors and new members.

Treasurer reports that the club is solvent.

Membership report - We have about 80 members, about 10 people signed up the HAMfest in August.

Bruce Campbell, NK5W donated the antenna that Don Woods set up. Don Woods is currently talking to the Caravan club to see if we can use their repeater. Thanks to Rob Summerhill, KI5NBN for all the help he provided to Don Woods in setting up the antenna for the East Mountain group to use.

Mike Chirin, NM5MC provided an update on the question of investing some of the Treasury in a savings account. His research in the tax liabilities shows that there are no restriction on investing in bonds.

Ken Ham, AG5UY is going to bring the unsold items that were at the HamFest and all members can pick up one item free from what is there.

Ethan, KJ5BGT received his free radio for passing his technical license test. He is from the ASK Academy and will be joining the HAM club that is forming there.

New Business.

Hamming around NM will be going to the Moriarty Airport to tour the commemorative planes. They have a café serving hamburgers, etc from 11 to 1 pm. It will be Sat, Oct 28 at 10 am. We will set up radios after lunch in the open field at the airport.

Presentation by Bill Mader, K8TE on Lunar eclipse on Saturday, Oct 14th. Ionospheric Science is looking for: Contester, HF Operators and SWL's He spoke about Ionospheric effects on Lunar eclipse Ham S=Radio Science Citizen Investigation. University Researchers collaborating with the Ham Radio community in Scientific Research.

On Oct 14th around 9am, Albuquerque will experience a Solar eclipse. The Balloon Fiesta is marking the solar eclipse with a balloon glo at 9am. A ring of fire will be visible around the sun. Please remember to wear proper dark glasses to protect your eyes.

Free radio 8 watt BaoFeng hand held drawing held at the end of the meeting.

Meeting closed at 11:40 am.