



Baldwin County Amateur Radio Club (N4MZ)
PO Box 491
Robertsdale, AL 36567

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Club Meeting held August 17, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 18:30 hours CDT by President Joe McIntosh, K4JOM. There were 23 members and 7 guests present. There was a quorum.

Open Meeting, recite pledge of allegiance

Visitors:

Joe welcomed: David Day; Jeannie Day; Miriam Schultz; Linda Linzy; Marion Orgettas; John Ruck; Robert Keen.

Secretary's report- Christine Ryan

Minutes from previous meetings are posted to the website. A Thank You note was sent to Judy Conrad for the donation of her late husband's - Wayne, N5INR - radio equipment to the Club.

Treasurer's Report- Tom Wallace

Tom reported club treasury activity and balances as of 07/31/2023. Remember that you do not have a vote if your dues are not paid up. If you are new, dues are free but you will need to complete an application to receive club emails.

WinLink Activity- John Acton, K7ACT:

John says to remember that the software for Winlink is free. John posts a new question for Winlink Net members every Tuesday. It is posted to the club website: N4MZ.com.

Announcements:

Huntsville Hamfest dates are August 19th and 20th.



VE Report:

The next VE exam is scheduled for 10/07/2023. Confirmed registration is currently full; however a wait list is in place. Candidates on the wait list will move to confirmed registration status as cancellations occur. Wait list candidates should contact Joel directly, W2BJN.

OLD Business:

Personalized Ham Badges: see Greg Powers, WG0MEZ.

Preparations are being made for this year's SET exercise – scheduled for Monday, September 11th. The exercise will involve manning the EOC ham shack and 2 shelters – looking for volunteers! The exercise begins at 8am at the EOC.

New Business:

MS Bike Ride Fundraiser, September 30 & October 1, 2023; Gulf Shores AL. We will need ham operators with their own 2 meter HTs to provide communications between the event HQ and water stations on the course.

Bike MS is the largest fundraising cycling in the world. Each year nearly 50,000 cyclists and more than 5,000 teams ride together to change the world for people with MS. Contact Rich Lee, W2EUS.

Program: Rich Lee, W2EUS, navigating MS Bike Ride website.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm CDT
Submitted, Christine Ryan, Secretary.