

## **NORTHEAST LOUISIANA AMATEUR RADIO Club**

**June 5, 2018**

At the Ouachita Valley Public Library on McMillan

Club President Jim Ragsdale, W5LA, called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. There were 21 present.

Ruth Ragsdale, WM5LA gave a financial report.

### **NELARC NEWS:**

- The June Newsletter is on line at: **<http://NELARC.org/newsletter>**
  - You can get to the newsletters from our home page, NELARC.org.
  - We need more people to submit articles.
- There will be an open house at Scott Dickson's, W5WZ, on June 16, from 11AM till 2PM, burger, chips and water will be provided. If you want anything else to eat, please fill free to bring it. Also, please RSVP to Scott by June 11. Bring your lawn chair.
- There have been some band openings on 10M.

### **ARRL NEWS:**

- New Technician question pool as of July 1, 2018
- Amateur Radio Parity Act language was inserted in the National Defense Authorization Act. For more information, go to ARRL.org and search for "Parity ACT".

### **Duffy Frantom, KD5IDZ:**

- ARES meeting will be June 9, 2018, at 9:00 AM at the O.P. Fire training center.
- The Boy Scouts will be at TL James on June 13, 2018 from 8:30 AM till 5:30 PM.

### **Contest update -**

- Several QSO parties coming up
- 13 Colonies - July 1 - 7
- IARU HF World Championship

### **W5L operation:**

- Total contacts > 2300
- So far 187 requests for QSL. All went out Monday, June 4.
- We got an email back saying, "Many thanks, both for the QSO and the great card you folks created for the special event. It's one of the best I've ever received. 73, Dave Shite, KC2IC"

### **Scott Dickson, W5WZ talked about Field Day prep:**

- Saturday, June 9, at 6:00 AM, Scott needs some help building a crank up antenna.
- Scott will be on KEDM (NPR) radio.
- We will be making flyers to hand out at Kiroli Park entrance gate about the field day operation.
- We will be ordering a new banner.
- Hope to get as many hams involved on field day as possible.

Meeting was adjourned by Jim Ragsdale, W5LA, at 7:15 PM