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The 2007 Eyeball is over and a big Thanks to Jim N5OHL and his family for a Great time. May new friendships were made and seeing old friends is always good. Guthrie was a great location to hold the Eyeball with all the activities that were happening, and some great places to eat. We did find out that Jay N0PUI has a hidden talent for shrink wrapping cars, more to come on that latter. I wish everyone had the chance to come and enjoy the hospitality and fun that was had by all in attendance. We held the 5th Annual Antenna Shoot-out on Saturday morning with 14 people testing and a big crowd watching, (Tom we missed you). First place was Bob KI7PM, second was Keith KS9WI, Lon K0WJ had an interesting antenna that used a lot of plumbing material involved, but it turned out that a shower curtain should have been used. We gave out some special awards, first on the list Roy K5WSC received the Pioneer Award for being one of the original Charter signers. The Mobile of The Year went to Doug K5DUG for Professional Driver and Dave KD1EJ for Leisure Driver. We gave out two KD3FM Awards, the first was presented to Jim N5UJB, Jim has served 5 terms as 5th Area Director and that is Service to the club. The second KD3FM Award went to Jack WN5M for all that he has done in the awards department and his job as Net Coordinator. We presented the Presidential Award to Bill WM4SG for all that he does for the club.

A new award presented this year was the K7MFG NCS Award in honor of Gordon Love who became a SK this Year. The recipient of this award was Rick WB5FDP for all the NCS work he does on all the nets. We also gave out awards for NCS on 40 meter early net, that went to Frank K5SVC and it was well deserved. The late 40 NCS was Jeff AL7QQ for the great job he does.

The 75 meter early net award went to Ed K3QX for all the work he has done, and Bob KI7PM received the award for his work on the 75 meter late net. Jim and Linda were also given a mantle clock for hosting a fantastic Eyeball. We hope to have an announcement about next years Eyeball soon, and everyone should try to make plans to attend, if you have never been to one, you are missing a great time. The issue on GlobalQSL was brought up and voted on at the meeting and it was voted that the club would stay with our own QSL Bureaus. If an individual would like to use the service and have the cards sent to them and not our bureaus, that would be ok, but our Bureau Managers have no interest in being involved with the service. Many prizes were given out in the drawings, the big winner was Glen NT0A friend who came along with him, he took home the Ameritron amplifier. Jack WN5M won the equalizer for the early entry drawing. Larry K0HNM granddaughter took home a beautiful stuffed dog that Dwayne KD4POJ had sent down from Greenland. Lots of other great prized were given out, and all had a great time. I know I have missed a lot of things, but updates will be put out later. Again, A Big Thanks to Jim and Linda for putting on a first class Eyeball.

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