Whitman Amateur Radio Club Meeting 12/04/19



Bob Azanow WA1Q Secretary

RandyMills KC1EFF Treasurer

Paul Delory W1GTX President

ATTENDANCE: 33 members and guests were present including 3 elected officers

W1GTX Paul Delory **KC1KIT Tom Kirkaldy** AG1B Richard Metcalf W1MBH Scott Mitchell KA1UFO Patrick Witherell WD1L John Nelson AJ1L Jeff Lehmann N1BSO John Laiosa AA1G Warren Dickie WI1G John Murphy **KB1WNX Steve Lyons** WA1TOM Tom Luckman

WA1Q Bob Azanow KC1KIS Robert Kirkaldy W1VP Larry Kenney WK1D Jeff Ayres **WA1RIW Rich Carnes** WG1L Jim O'Rourke WA1MAD Mike Davis **KC1ITF Mark Hirtle** N1POO Peter Carlson Michael Torres SWL KC1EUJ Kurt Sundwall K1TAE Marty Nugent

KC1EFF Randy Mills KB1FBA Bob Mahoney KB1MTW Paul Moss N1IQI Loren Pimentel **N1SOM Jeff Tracy W1EKG Ross Hochstrasser** W1JGR John Rupple **KB1QMX** Dave Beauvais KC1LKB Ernest Bazzinotti

Secretary's Report:

President Paul Delory W1GTX called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM 12/4/19 with the elected officers at the front table.

A quorum was present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by an attendance roll call.

The Roll call was completed

Treasurer **Randy KC1EFF** presented the Nov. 2019 treasures report. A motion to accept as read made by **John WD1L** with a second by **Jeff WK1D**. Motion passed quorum vote.

Bob KA1KIJ indicated the Nov 2019 meeting notes were published on the club website. Motion to accept as published made by **Jeff WK1D** with a second by **John WD1L**. Motion passed quorum vote.

Health & Welfare report by Richard AG1B

Richard reported that all is well for the Month of November.

Weekly Public Service Net Control volunteers for Nov 2019:

Dec 8th : Paul W1GTX
Dec 15th : Jeff WK1D
Dec 22nd : Jeff N1SOM
Dec 29th : Ross W1EKG
Jan 5th : Jeff WK1D

New Members:

Michael Torres passed in his application to the club with the required 4 signatures. **Paul W1GTX** made a motion to accept Michael's application and made a motion that Michael Torres be accepted as an associate member. Motion passed quorum vote. Michael is now officially an associate member and will become a full member after passing the Technician exam and receiving and assigned callsign from the FCC. Welcome to the club Mike.

Committee updates:

Training Committee: Ross W1EKG reported that the General Class that was tentatively scheduled to start on November will be now starting in Dec and run Jan 2020. See the class dates below. The Dates are posted to the Website.

Tuesday Dec. 10th and Thursday Dec. 12th

Tuesday Dec. 17^{th,} Tuesday Dec. 26th

Tuesday Jan. 7th and Thursday Jan. 9th 2020

Tuesday Jan. 14th

Tuesday Jan. 21th and Thursday Jan. 23d

Tuesday Jan. 28th

The VE Exam will be announced at a late date and will take place shortly after the last day of the class. Ross will inform the crew when it gets closer.

The next (MOTA) Meeting on the air net is scheduled for the Wed of Dec. 18^{th.} with the weekly 28.333mhz Rag Chew net to follow at 8:00PM. The Next MOTA after Decembers is scheduled for Jan. 15th same time.

- Repeater Committee: Jeff N1ZZN reported Status Quo
- Plimoth Plantation: Larry W1VP reported we had 127 HF contacts and 27
 2 Meter check-ins. Bob WA1Q ran the Sunday morning Net at 10:00 AM from
 the Plantation as well. A great time was had by all. We left the Hornblower
 House spotless when we left as well. A photo was taken. A big Thank you to all
 members that volunteered and who participated at the event. We will be
 presenting a Certificate and donation to the Plymouth Plantation.

A special thank you to **Joe K1JMA** for arranging a successful event with the Plantation folks and for arranging the use of the Hornblower house due to the Administration building being under construction as well.

Winterfest 2020

Chris N1CFB was not available for the meeting but folks are signing up The ARRL has generously donated 3 gift certificates for prizes for Winterfest. We also need more folks to sign up as well as well as more give away items.

ByLaws Committee: No Report at this time.

Old/New Business

NEW Business

Mike WA1MAD has arranged for **Fred Hopengarten K1VR** to visit us at the Feb. 5th 2020 meeting. He is a well know author and Telecommunications Lawyer. He is also the New England Director for the ARRL and will be doing a presentation followed by a Q and A session. Please try to attend this important event.

Paul KB1MTW will still looking into inviting a speaker to discuss Skywarn with the group at one of our monthly meetings. Paul also mentioned there is a plan to have Skywarn training in Whitman next year (2020) as well. When he has more information location and dates we will share the info with the group. It was also mentioned that it was Skywarn Recognition day on Saturday Dec 7'th at the Blue Hills Observatory.

Holiday Dinner

Paul W1GTX reported we do not have enough folks signed up for the Holiday Dinner to be able to reserve the function room. He has reserved tables for up to 20 folks at the Meadowbrook Restaurant. The special menu is out. Folks will order of the regular menu. If you have any questions, please contact Paul W1GTX.

Mike WA1MAD Reached out to Dunkin Donuts about supplying coffee for our meetings but they might be giving that practice up and will investigate another option.

Thank you also to **Paul W1GTX** for bringing Coffee and goodies to the December meeting. It was appreciated by all

LASTLY A big **THANK YOU** to **Tom WA1TOM** stepping up to the plate to help replace Loren N1IQI's frozen yagi antenna with a replacement vertical after the Plimoth Plantation setup on Friday. There will be a picture in the Newsletter.

Motion to adjourn made by **John WI1G** with a second by **Jeff WK1D**. Motion passed a quorum vote.

Paul W1GTX adjourned the meeting at 7:43 PM, 12/04/19. Next meeting will be 01/08/2020 at 7:00PM

Note: As a reminder if your callsign changes please let us know.

End Secretary's Report.