



Whitman Amateur Radio Club Meeting 3/03/21

Bob Azanow WA1Q
Secretary

Chris Babbitt N1CFB
Vice President

Randy Mills KC1EFF
Treasurer

Paul Delory W1GTX
President

ATTENDANCE: 24

Members and guests were social isolated on Zoom including 4 elected officers
24 Members and guests attended via ZOOM.

W1GTX Paul Delory	WA1Q Bob Azanow	WK1D Jeff Ayres
K1GMN Bill Heally	KC1EFF Randy Mills	W1ABH Scott Mitchell
N1CFB Chris Babbitt	KC1NNR Joe Patmos	W1EKG Ross Hochstrasser
AG1B Richard Metcalf	KB1QMX Dave Beauvais	KC1LKB Ernie Bazzinotti
KC1JMZ Ted Wojcik	N4NMF Barry Kennedy	AJ1L Jeff Lehmann
KC1KIS Robert Kirkaldy	KC1EFF Randy Mills	N1BSO John Laiosa
KC4JVC Joe Chiusano	KB1OEP Mike Supple	N1SOM Jeff Tracy
KG1U Mike Bennett	KC1FPM Rick Moore	KC1OHR Susan Warchal

** Any missing folks or errors please notify the Secretary

Secretary's Report:

President **Paul Delory W1GTX** called the on the air meeting to order at 7:00 PM 3/7/21 with the 4 elected officers on Zoom.

A quorum was on the present on Zoom.

Bob WA1Q published the Feb. 2021 meeting notes on the club website.

A motion to accept as read made by **Jeff WK1D** with a second by **Ernie KC1LKB**.
Motion passed quorum vote as there were no objections.

Randy KC1EFF provided the Feb. 2021 treasurers report which the secretary emailed to the members. A motion to accept as read made by **Jeff WK1D** with a second by **Ernie KC1LKB**.
Motion passed quorum vote as there were no objections.

Health & Welfare report by **Richard AG1B**

Richard AG1B thankfully reported that no one was sick or left us this past month.

Weekly Public Service Net Control volunteers for Mar 7, 2021 to Apr 14, 2021:

- Mar 07th : Jeff WK1D
- Mar 14th : Paul W1GTX
- Mar 21st : Bob WA1Q
- Mar 28th : Jeff N1SOM
- Apr 04th : Mike KB1OEP
- Apr 14th : Jeff WK1D

New Members and Call sign updates:

Call sign updates

KC1GMN Bill Healy's new call is **K1GMN**

KC1MMH Pete MacPherson's new call is now **NW1W**

Congrats Folks!!

** If we forgot anyone else or you have an updated call or level, please let us know.

Committee updates:

Training Committee: Ross W1EKG Update

NOTE: Due to the Coronavirus crisis any remaining in person classes have been cancelled for now. We will notify everyone when the in person classes will resume.

Ross W1EKG reported he has a good group attending the Extra Class which is currently going on He is still looking for help as well to teach in the future.

Thank you Ross W1EKG, and Ted KC1JMZ.

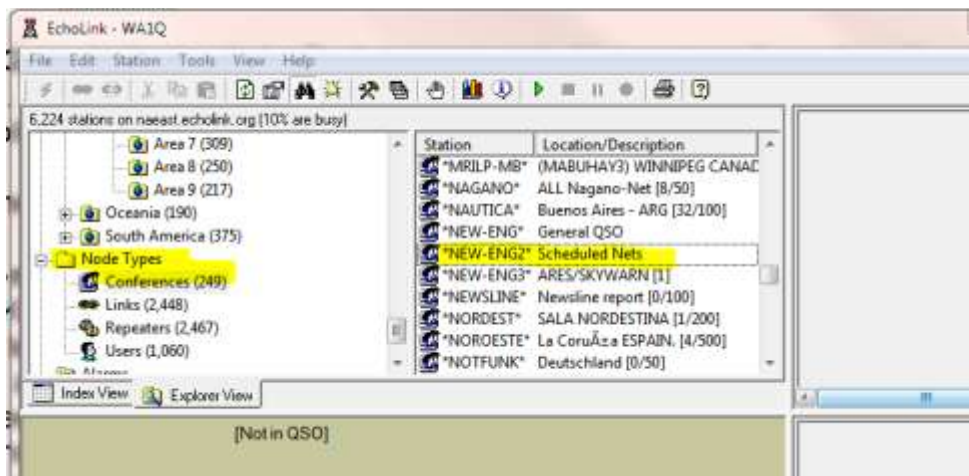
Ross W1EKG would like to start a Technician class in May or June if possible. If not he would like to start it in Sep. We will send emails out the club members and the surrounding clubs again to see if we can get folks for the Tech class. Dates for the Tech class will be announced

Remember the training email address Warc.Training@gmail.com to sign up for classes.

Repeater Committee: Jeff AJ1L we are happy again to report the repeater is working well.

Ho (Steve) KC1HO and Jeff AJ1L have set up the Echo-Link connection to the W1ATD Repeater in Marshfield. Please spread the word. Please use the Node "New-Eng2" to connect not the W1ATD link as it only allows 9 connections. This is great news for the Great Hill Gang (K1USN) Swap Net that. This meets on Friday evenings at 8PM. A big thank you Jeff for all the work you do keeping all of on the air not just on Whitman but all the other repeaters you service. It takes alot of dedication and we all appreciate it.

Note: See the screenshot from Echo-link below.



NEW & Old Business

Bob WA1Q Reminded folks that the K1USN Great Hill gang will be running an on the Air Swap net Friday evening again pm March 5th,2021 at 8:00PM on the Marshfield W1ATD repeater. Frequency 145.390MHz PL 67.0. This is now a weekly event. Everyone is welcome. Use the Echo-link connection shown above if you cannot connect to the repeater directly over you radio.

Bob WA1Q will follow up with Paul or Rob from the Plimoth Plantation now called (Plimoth Patuxet Museum to see if we have a chance this year of holding our annual Thanksgiving event this year.

Bob WA1Q will be updating the club roster and removing the folks that did not renew for 2021 and also adjusting the mass emailing list. We hope a few folks that did not renew will reconsider. At this point it will be \$30 to renew for this year.

Also last month we discussed one of our new members, **Joe KC4JVC** volunteered to help us revamp the Website as well. This will be highly appreciated. Joe also put together a Welcome document PDF to send to new and prospective members. We would like folks opinions on this.

The next mid-month MOTA will be on Wed March 17th @7:30PM with the weekly 28.333MHz Rag Chew net to follow at 8:00PM.

Randy KC1EFF and **Paul W1GTX** our discussed that we make donation in **Bill Hayden N1FRE's** memory to the Dollar for Scholars fund for Whitman/Hanson High School. Bill was a long time member and did allot for the club. **Jeff AJ1L** made the motion to donate \$100 to the Dollar for Scholars program in Bill Hayden's memory. The motion was second by **Jeff N1SOM** Motion passed a quorum vote as there were no objections.

Discussion by **Jeff N1SOM** to increase the annual donation Dollars for Scholars back to \$200 this year. After discussion **Ross W1EKG** made a motion to increase this year the regular club donation to the Whitman/Hanson Dollars for Scholars scholarship to \$200. This was motion was second by **Ernie KC1LKB**. Motion passed a quorum vote as there were no objections.

Paul W1GTX mentioned that **Mike WA1MAD** mentioned Field Day for June 26-27th 2021. We will discuss it at the April meeting. We will need a Field Day committee as well.

Paul W1GTX brought up the fact he will not be running for President for next year We are looking for nominations for officers and the Board members as well. We will discuss this in the April meeting.

Also discussed is another Quonset Hut/club house cleaning date will be discussed. We have all of donated items to find homes for. Since Near-Fest will not be until October this year we can have a repeat of the open house swap meet we did in the fall.

New member **Joe Chiusano KC4JVC** put together a New HAM package from a number of items. Which also includes a new members application. Joe also updated the logo to make it clearer as well. Also **Joe KC4JVC** and **Bob WA1Q** discussed updating the WA1NPO website to modernize it. We will discuss this more in the April 2021 meeting. Thank you Joe for the nice items you have put together. We appreciate it. **Ross W1EKG** mentioned passing them out to new hams at the VE Sessions as well. We will discuss it next month.

Ross W1EKG reminded us that he has Near-Fest Tickets for October and there will be a special drawing for folks that bought the tickets in advance.

Jeff AGIL discussed doing a mailing to new hams and other hams that are not club members sending a 1 page data sheet on the club.

Motion to adjourn made by Robert **KC1KIT** with a second by **Ted KC1JMZ**. Motion passed a quorum vote as there were no objections over Zoom.

Paul W1GTX adjourned the meeting at 7:58 PM, 02/03/2021

NOTE: The Next meeting is scheduled for Wed April 7th, 2021 at 7 PM and will be a Hybrid In-person/Zoom meeting. The K of C is limited to 100 folks for in-person meetings to meet the state guidelines. The seats will be set up socially distances and face masks are required.

Note: As a reminder if your callsign changes please let us know. License upgrades etc. Please notify if there are any errors in this report and they will be corrected by the secretary.

Screen shot from the Zoom Meetings It will be nice to see each other in person soon.

