

Whitman Amateur Radio Club Meeting 10/06/21

Bob Azanow WA10 Secretary

John Murphy WI1G "President"

Chris Babbitt N1CFB Vice President

Randy Mills KC1EFF Treasurer

ATTENDANCE: 30

Members and guests were social isolated at the K of C and on Zoom including 3 elected officers. Members and guests attended in person and via ZOOM. Photo by Jeff WK1D

*W1GTX Paul Delory *KC1EFF Randy Mills *N1CFB Chris Babbitt *W1NBH Scott Mitchell *KC1JMZ Ted Woicik *KB1MTW Paul Moss *KB10EP Mike Supple *KG5VXY Mike Madonna *WI1G John Murphy *KC1ITF Mark Hirtle

*WA1Q Bob Azanow *WA1BEE Allen Hiltz *N1QE Jack Foley *AJ1L Jeff Lehmann *K1FAB Fred Birtwell *N1SOM Jeff Tracv *KC1NZT Gary Smith *K1UVH Mike Antoine

*WK1D Jeff Avres ***KC1ATE Marty Nugent** *KC1PXM Nicholas Caratelli *N4NMF Barry Kennedy *KC1LKB Ernie Bazzinotti *N1IQI Loren Pimental *AC1GA Gary Ahrendts *W1JDG John Ginsberg *N1BSO John Laiosa *KC1NBN James Aiu *WC1N Bob Farguharson *AG1U Mike Bennett

** Any missing folks or errors please notify the Secretary to update

Secretary's Report:

President John Murphy WI1G called the on the air meeting to order at 7:00 PM 10/6/21 with the 4 elected officers in person.

A guorum was on the present in person and on Zoom.

Bob WA1Q published the September 2021 meeting notes on the club website. A motion to accept as read made by Paul KB1MTW with a second by Jeff WK1D Motion passed quorum vote as there were no objections.

Randy KC1EFF provided the September 2021 treasurers report which the secretary emailed to the members. A motion to accept as read made by **Ted KC1JMZ** with a second by **Jeff WKID.** Motion passed quorum vote as there were no objections.

Health & Welfare report by Richard AG1B

A get-well card was sent to Robert Egles W1VU (club friend) for his recent illness. A sympathy card was sent to Joyce Hochstrasser (wife of Ross W1EKG) on death of her father. A sympathy card was also sent to Blake Haskell's KB1BTH (former member) family who became a Silent Key. Thank you to Richard for taking care of the H & W.

Weekly Public Service Net Control volunteers for October 03 2021 to Oct 31, 2021:

- Oct 03rd : Mike KB10EP
- Oct 10th : Jeff WK1D
- Oct 17th : Ross W1EKG @ Cranland International Airport (weather permitting)
- Oct 24th : Paul W1GTX
- Oct 31st : Jeff N1SOM

New Members and Call sign updates:

We had 4 applications for new club membership with the required signatures. **K1UVH Mike Antoine** Hingham MA **KC1NBN James Aiu** Marshfield MA **KB1ZSW Harry Brett** Hanson MA **AC1GA Gary Ahrendts** Attleboro MA

A Motion was made to accept the new members passed quorum vote as there were no objections. Welcome to the WARC. Thank You. We appreciate your membership.

Committee updates:

Training Committee: Ross W1EKG Update

Paul W1GTX reported the results of the "Technician Class" for Ross. 6 folks passed with 6 new Technician class hams..

KC1PXJ Nick LaChanceMiddleboro, MAKC1PXK Jim OlsonScituate, MAKC1PXL Matt MackenzieEast Bridgewater, MAKC1PXM Nick CaratelliBridgewater, MAKC1PXN Lou LaChanceMiddleboro, MAKC1PXO Kurt SoaresSouth Easton, MA

Paul W1GTX reported that the next class "General Class" will start Oct 19th 2021 and run for about 6 weeks with the VE exam to follow the first Thursday in Dec 2nd 2021. Classes will be hybrid via Zoom and in person at the Whitman Police Station.

All classes start at 7PM and run about 2 hours. The "Extra Class" class, will take place in early 2022 dates TBA. Instructors will be **Ross W1EKG, Ted KC1JMZ and alternate Paul W1GTX.** Remember the training email address <u>Warc.Training@gmail.com</u> and copy to <u>bavarianradio@comcast.net</u> to sign up for classes. We will update the website with the Training dates as they become available.

Repeater Committee: Jeff AJ1L reported that all seems to be working well. The Echo-link connection is working well but will need a little tweak on the audio level the next time he is able to visit the site. A big **"Thank You"** as always to Jeff for all he does for the club and other club's repeaters in the area that you maintain.

NEW & Old Business

Bob WA1Q contacted Rob at Plimoth Patuxet (formerly Plimoth Plantation) to see if we can have the annual event this year at Thanksgiving. So far it has been a positive response. We will need to provide a list of attendees and no drop-ins are allowed this year due to contact tracing and Covid protocol.

Bob WA1Q also mentioned that **AB1OC Fred Kemmerer** from the Nasua Radio club and candidate for regional director will tentatively visit us at the Nov 3'd meeting to do a presentation on mentoring young folks into the hobby.

Reminder that **Jack N1QE** has received the T-Shirts for the club members and had them available for the Marshfield Fair. Price is \$15 each. Now that the Fair is over, please let us know if you would like to order one or two etc. We have them stored in a safe place. Thank you, Jack, for taking care of the ordering and delivery to the fair and club. We appreciate it.

Paul KB1MTW reported that he had ordered parts to repair the club's large canopy that that got damaged at the Marshfield Fair. Thank you, Paul. We may have to look at a replacement at some point.

Paul KB1MTW Update on Near-Fest we have access to a large truck this year to move equipment up to Deerfield NH Fairgrounds. A big thank you to **Kevin KB1MOC** who was able to procure a truck for the event. It was also mentioned that the Near-Fest committee has let everyone know that old CRT monitors and non-working LCD monitors are not wanted. NEAR-Fest dates this year are

WA1MAD Mike and **WI1G John** brought up a Scouting event Called JOTA that was shared to use by **AJ1L Jeff** via our Facebook page. Mike contacted a Scouting leader in Scituate who invited us to do a presentation for 2 groups of young scouts about Ham Radio. A fun time was had by all. We asked for folks to be listening to the Marshfield Repeater 145.39 to talk to the scouts when the radio demonstration was performed.

N1CFB Chris reported that Winterfest 2022 "The First Best Flea Market of the Year" will be held Saturday January 15th, 2022 Entry fee will be \$5.00 table fee \$15 per table. Chris is working on a Flyer. We will need help with bringing items from the Clubhouse as well. Paul mentioned posting signage as well. We will need help with the tables. Hot Dogs will be available as well. We have to work on door prizes. Gift certificates will be a. Time is 9AM to 1PM.

K1UVH Mike reported that the Great Hill Gang Saturday morning meetup will be Saturday October 9th at Great Hill in Weymouth. Mike sets up early after 7AM. Come up and visit. This also will not conflict with Near-Fest the following weekend. There is a Facebook Group just search on Great Hill Gang. A reminder also there is a 2 Meter sideband net on Monday evenings 19:00 Hours on 144.244USB. Reminder of the Great Hill Gang Swap Net Friday evenings @ 8PM on the Marshfield repeater 145.39.

The 50/50 was won by Loren N1IQI. Congrats Loren.

The next mid-month MOTA will be on Wed October 20th @7:30PM with the weekly 28.333MHz Rag Chew net to follow at 8:00PM.

Motion to adjourn made by **Paul W1GTX** with a second by **Ted KC1JMZ**. Motion passed a quorum vote as there were no objections over the air.

Chris N1CFB adjourned the meeting at 7:55 PM, 10/06/2021.

NOTE: The Next meeting is scheduled for Wed Nov 03rd, 2021 at 7 PM and will be a Hybrid meeting in person and via Zoom.

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.