

# Whitman Amateur Radio Club Meeting Sep 07,2022

Chris Babbitt N1CFB Paul Delory W1GTX

Treasurer

**Bob Azanow WA1Q**Secretary

John Murphy WI1G

President

## **ATTENDANCE:** 35

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. New Photo by **Jeff WK1D** Thank You Jeff

W1GTX Paul Delory
KC1ITF Mark Hirtle
N1BSO John Laiosa
Joyce Hirtle Guest
KZ1J Jim Campbell
KC1KIT Tom Kirkaldy
KC1EFF Randy Mills
WK1D Jeff Ayres
KC1PXN Lou Lachance
K1UVH Mike Antoine
WC1N Bob Farquharson
N1QE Jack Foley

Vice President

WA1Q Bob Azanow
Joyce Hirtle Guest
N1IQI Loren Pimental
K1FAB Fred Birtwell
K1BG Bruce Blaine
N4NMF Barry Kennedy
KB1ODS John Chase
C1JMZ Ted Wojcik
N1SOM Jeff Tracy
WD1L John Nelson
AC1GA Gary Ahrendts
N1ZZQ Bill Gundel

N1CFB Chris Babbitt
SWL Jack Sidlauskas
KB1QMX Dave Beauvais
KB1OEP Mike Supple
W1EKG Ross Hochstrasser
KC1KIS Robert Kirkaldy
KB1MTW Paul Moss
KC1OZE Ed Warchal
KC1RAE John Dorney
KC1RAD Eric Twiss
AG1B Richard Metcalf

# Secretary's Report:

**Treasurer Paul Delory W1GTX** called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM 09/07/22. A quorum was present in person and on Zoom with the 3 elected officers.

<sup>\*</sup> Any missing folks or errors in this report please notify the Secretary to update

<sup>\*\*</sup> New Hams New Callsigns. Congrats!! Thank You to all for attending the meeting!!

**Bob WA1Q** published the July and August 2022 meeting notes on the club website. . A motion to accept as read made by **Jeff WK1D** with a second by **Ross WC1EKG**. Motion passed quorum vote as there were no objections.

**Treasurer Paul W1GTX** provided/reviewed the Aug 2022 treasurers report which the secretary emailed to the members. A motion to accept as read made by **John WD1L** with a second by **Jeff WK1D**. Motion passed quorum vote as there were no objections.

### Health & Welfare report by Richard AG1B

Richard AG1B reported sending Get Well cards to **Jack N1QE**, **Bob KB1FBA** and **Barry N4NMF**. We hope for a speedy recovery and everyone is feeling well now.

Thank you to Richard for taking care of the H & W.

#### Weekly Public Service Net Control volunteers for Sep 04, 2022 to Oct 02, 2022:

• Sep 04th : Jeff WK1D

• Sep 11th : Jeff N1SOM

• Sep 18th: Bob WA1Q at Cranland International Airport ( weather permitting )

Sep 25<sup>th</sup>: Mark KC1ITF and Mike KB10EP

• Oct 02<sup>nd</sup>: Jeff WK1D

#### **New Members and Call sign updates:**

Congratulations on any new callsigns and passing the VE Exams. Please notify us if your license Status changes. There were no new members in August. Thank you.

### **Committee updates:**

**Training Committee: Ross W1EKG Update** 

**Ross W1EKG** Reported that the Tech training class is going well. The Training group is planning to start a new General Class sometime in Oct. Permission has been given by Ross's contact at the Whitman Police Station. The Technician Class started on Thursday Sep 1, 2022 and will run for 4 weeks with a VE Test Session at the end. Date for the test was set for Thursday Sept 29<sup>th</sup> 2022. Ross requested that we please spread the word. The next class after the Tech class as mentioned will be a General Class. Dates TBD **Note:** Ross invited future hams to our meeting as well. Thank You Ross and Crew.

Instructors have been Ross W1EKG, Ted KC1JMZ and alternate Paul W1GTX. John N1BSO started instructing as well. A big Thank you for all your hard work training and keeping the hobby alive.

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: John N1BSO and Jeff AJ1L reported all seems to be working well with the backup repeater. John also discussed coverage as well. The Repeater is in a secure site and antenna modifications can not be made. It has good coverage for location but as John mentioned if you are in an area not covered do not be bashful about switching to another repeater. Allot of the

repeaters in the area are underused. The SS Hospital 147.345 is a good one to use. Bridgewater 147.18 is a good one to use. The NA1R 146.775 in West Bridgewater is an excellent repeater as well. We will be notified when the repeaters can be swapped out to reinstall the Yaesu Fusion Repeater.

A big "Thank You" as always to Jeff AJ1L and John N1BSO for all they do for the club and other club's repeaters in the area that you maintain.

#### **NEW & Old Business**



**Jack N1QE** reported we had a successful Marshfield Fair. Thank you to all who helped set up / Take Down and volunteered to work the shifts.

We also had a raffle for a gift card to HRO which was drawn at the Sept meeting and won by Mike KB10EP. Congrats Mike.

We had a special guest representing the **ARRL Bruce Blain W1BG.** Bruce complimented the Whitman club and Ross and the training crew for their continued hard work promoting ham radio and volunteering their time. Bruce mentioned that the model for training is one that he promotes as well. Congrats guys for the great job you do.

#### From last month

**Mike WA1MAD** mentioned an event in Sept. **Rick KB1TEE** will on the **USS Massachusetts** on Saturday Sept 24, 2022 to celebrate the launching of the USS Massachusetts we encourage folks to contact Rick to let him know if you can attend. Operations are in a side room the Galley area on the main deck.

09/24/2022 | Celebrating the Launch of the USS Massachusetts BB59
 Sep 24, 1400Z-2000Z, NE1PL, Fall River, MA. USNR. 20 meters 40 meters. QSL. Rick Emord KB1TEE, 135 Wareham st, Middleboro, MA 02344. Anyone can make contacts or come down and operate. We'll be on 20 and 40 meters and other bands as equipment and operators allow. www.ne1pl.org

**Bob WA1Q** Shared photos via ZOOM and on the screen of Field Day 2022 and Marshfield at the end of the meeting.

Motion to adjourn made by **Paul KB1MTW** with a second by **Jeff WK1D** Motion passed a quorum vote.

Paul W1GTX adjourned the meeting about 8:00 PM, 09/07/2022.

**NOTE:** The Next meeting is scheduled for **Wed Oct 05**<sup>th</sup>, **2022 at 7 PM** and will be a Hybrid meeting in person and via Zoom.

The next MOTA (Meeting on the Air) will be Wed Sep 21st at 7:30PM