

Whitman Amateur Radio Club Meeting Nov 01, 2023

Tom Kirkaldy KC1KIT Chris Babbitt N1CFB Treasurer

Vice President

Bob Azanow WA1Q Secretary

Jeff Ayres WK1D President

ATTENDANCE: 31

Members and guests were social isolated at the K of C and on Zoom including 4 elected officers. Members and guests attended in person and via ZOOM. Photo by Mike K1UVH Thank You Mike.

WA1Q Bob Azanow **N1QE Jack Foley N1IQI Loren Pimental** WK1D Jeff Ayres W1AY Brad Wilson **KC1KIT Tom Kirkaldy KC1JMZ Ted Woicik KC1SJS Allen Lipkind** W1MBH Scott Mitchell **WA1BEE Allen Hiltz N1CFB Chris Babbitt**

NK1U Jim Whedbee WB1GSQ Ted Cullen AG1B Richard Metcalf **N4NMF Barry Kennedy** N1SOM Jeff Tracy **KC10ZE Ed Warchal KC1RAE John Dorney** WG1WG Bill Gundel **SWL Nathan Lachance **KB10DS John Chase**

WI1G John Murphy W1EKG Ross Hochstrasser **N1SYC Bob Holland W6TOM Tom Murphy** KC1TNP Peter Bernazzani **KC1KIS Robert Kirkaldy** N1BSO John Laiosa **KC1PXN** Lou Lachance **KC1TNH Adam Faxon** KC1EFI Alan McPhee

Secretary's Report:

President Jeff Ayres WK1D called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM 11/01/23. A quorum was present in person and on Zoom with the 4 elected officers.

^{**} SWL = Short Wave Listener *** = New member

^{*} Any missing folks or errors in this report please notify the Secretary to update as the second signup sheet was misplaced.

^{**} New Hams & New Callsigns, address, phone or email changes: Please Notify the secretary. Thank You to all for attending the meeting and all new members and guests!!

Bob WA1Q published the Oct. 2023 meeting notes on the club website. A motion to accept as read made by **Ross W1EKG** with a second by **Tom W6TOM**. Motion passed quorum vote as there were no objections. Thank you, Jeff, also for the reviewing the notes!!

Tom KC1KIT read the Oct. 2023 treasurer's report which the secretary emailed to the members. A motion to accept as read made by **Brad W1AY** with a second by **Allen WA1BEE**. Motion passed quorum vote as there were no objections.

<u>Health & Welfare</u> report by Richard AG1B. Nothing to report this month Please let Richard know if there is anyone we should be sending a card to. Thank you to Richard for taking care of the H & W.

Weekly Public Service Net Control volunteers for Nov 05, 2023 to Dec 03, 2023:

Nov 05^{th:} Jeff WK1D

• Nov 12th: Mike KB10EP

• Nov 19^{th:} Bob WA1Q

Nov 26^{th:} Jeff N1SOM

Dec 03^{rd:} Jeff WK1D

***New Members and Call sign updates:

NO new members for the November meeting.

From the Oct 2023 Meeting:

Great news! New member **Peter Bernazzani KC1TNP** has passed his Technician Class exam and received his call sign. Non-member **Adam Faxon KC1TNH** also passed his Technician Class exam and received his call sign. Congratulations to both gents. **Bob Holland N1SYC** has submitted his application for membership and will be officially voted during the November meeting. Welcome to new member **John Mahon N1PYN** from **Brockton** who was voted in at the October 2023 meeting.

Committee updates:

Training Committee: Ross W1EKG Update

Ross W1EKG reported that the Technician Class was a success with 6 people passed. Ross attempted to start the General Class Tuesday October 24'th (Halloween), but no one showed up. If no one shows up for the General Class then an Extra class will held late February early March 2024. Information will be posted on the Website.

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.

Ross W1EKG also mentioned at Near-Fest in Oct a 12-year-old young lady passed her **Extra** exam. There is hope for the hobby!!!! Her dad and older brother are also Extra's.

Repeater Committee: John N1BSO reported the backup repeater is working well. John reported the Yaesu Fusion repeater still has a problem. Jeff AJ1L and John N1BSO will do more investigating and get back to us. It still looks like a diode issue. The Controller is working well. Our Echo-link connection is working well. 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. Note: A new Repeater would about \$3000.

NEW & Old Business

Scott W1MBH Ross W1EKG



Ross W1EKG

Jeff WK1D brought up the subject of the AED. Paul KB1MTW has left a message with the Whitman Fire Dept but has not heard back yet. Paul will check back with them again. Mike WA1MAD asked if we have to vote again. It will be about \$600 of club money plus the \$1000 of donation money to purchase. Jeff stated it should cost about \$1500. but if we could set aside \$1K of club money just in case. Also, Jeff will order the extra pads and a water proof case. Teddy WB1GSQ made a good point. Why are we debating this, when we have already approved it?

Bob WA1Q reported that we are all set for Plimoth Patuxet Museums annual event. We still need to send a list of the folks that are attending to Rob Kluin and Paul there. We will take care of that. We line up at 10:00AM for the picture. Then install the 2-meter antenna and feed line at the Visitors Center first. We will set up the HF antenna and 2-meter antennas at the Horticulture Building right after. Tom W6TOM has a friend in California that will try to contact us along with the yearly regulars.

Paul KB1MTW mentioned that at Near-Fest he stopped by a setup that 2 young gents were running a 2-meter station with a vertical home-brew antenna that looked unique and worked great. It used a tape measure for the radiator. Paul is interested in doing a club project if we can get enough folks interested. He had a good show of hands of folks interested in doing this. This would be a 2024 project. It can be built for 6 meters and up. Paul will work up the details on what it would cost.

Motion to adjourn was made by **John WI1G** with a second by **Brad W1AY**.

Motion passed a quorum vote.

Jeff WK1D adjourned the meeting about 7:45 PM, 11/01/2023.

NOTE: The Next meeting is scheduled for **Wed Dec. 07, 2023 at 7 PM** and will be a Hybrid meeting in person and via Zoom.

The Nov MOTA (Meeting on the Air) will be Wed Nov. 15th at 7:38PM.

The MOTA Net will be followed by the 10 Meter 28.333 Rag Chew Net.