



## **Whitman Amateur Radio Club Meeting June 05, 2024**

<b>Tom Kirkaldy KC1KIT</b> Treasurer	<b>Chris Babbitt N1CFB</b> Vice President	<b>Bob Azanow WA1Q</b> Secretary	<b>Jeff Ayres WK1D</b> President
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### **ATTENDANCE:** 41

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 Ross W1EKG for running ZOOM!!

<b>WA1Q Bob Azanow</b>	<b>N1QE Jack Foley</b>	<b>KC1TNP Peter Bernazzani</b>
<b>AG1B Richard Metcalf</b>	<b>KC1KIT Tom Kirkaldy</b>	<b>W1EKG Ross Hochstrasser</b>
<b>N1IQI Loren Pimental</b>	<b>N1CFB Chris Babbitt</b>	<b>KB1QMZ Dave Beauvais</b>
<b>WK1D Jeff Ayres</b>	<b>W6TOM Tom Murphy</b>	<b>KC1LKB Ernie Bazzinotti</b>
<b>KB1MTW Paul Moss</b>	<b>KC1OZE Ed Warchal</b>	<b>KC1KIS Robert Kirkaldy</b>
<b>W1MWF Larry Leblanc</b>	<b>K1TWH Tom Howey</b>	<b>W1SM Al Drollett</b>
<b>KB1OEP Mike Supple</b>	<b>N1BSO John Laiosa</b>	<b>WA1MAD Mike Davis</b>
<b>W1EDR Eric Dresser</b>	<b>N1SOM Jeff Tracy</b>	<b>KG1U Mike Bennett</b>
<b>N4NMF Barry Kennedy</b>	<b>W1OD Steve Cohn</b>	<b>WB1GSQ Ted Cullen</b>
<b>KC1TNH Adam Faxon</b>	<b>KC1SJS Allen Lipkind</b>	<b>K1UVH Mike Antoine</b>
<b>W1JGR John Ruppel</b>	<b>KB1ODS John Chase</b>	<b>KC1PXL Matt Mackenzie</b>
<b>KC1JMZ Ted Wojcik</b>	<b>WA1RIW Rich Carnes</b>	<b>WA1BEE Allen Hiltz</b>
<b>KC1DD Dennis Diver</b>	<b>KC1RAE John Dorney</b>	<b>KC1PIF Gary Davis</b>
<b>WG1WG Bill Gundel</b>	<b>WC1N Bob Farquharson</b>	

**Note:** 8 members participated via Zoom.

**\*\* SWL = Short Wave Listener \*\*\* = New member**

\* Any missing folks or errors in this report please notify the Secretary to update.

\*\* New Hams & New Callsigns, address, phone or email changes: Please Notify the secretary.

- **Larry Leblanc W1MWF** shortened the original call. Congrats!

**Thank You to all for attending the meeting and all new members and guests!!**

## Secretary's Report:

**President Jeff Ayres WK1D** called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM 06/05/24.

A quorum was present in person and on Zoom with the 4 elected officers.

**Bob WA1Q** posted the May 2024 **meeting notes** on the club website.

A motion to accept was made as read by **Loren N1IQI** with a second by **Brad W1AY**. Motion passed quorum vote as there were no objections.

**Tom KC1KIT** read the May 2024 **treasurer's report** which the secretary emailed to the members. A motion to accept as read made by **Paul KB1MTQ** with a second by **Loren N1IQI**. Motion passed quorum vote as there were no objections.

**Health & Welfare** report by **Richard AG1B**. Richard reports there were 1 card sent. A sympathy card was sent. 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 June 02, 2024 to June 30, 2024:

- June 02<sup>nd</sup>: Jeff WK1D
- June 09<sup>th</sup>: Paul W1GTX
- June 16<sup>th</sup>: Mike KB1OEP Live at Cranland Airport Hanson MA
- June 23<sup>rd</sup>: Bob WA1Q Live Field Day at the Y in East Bridgewater
- June 30<sup>th</sup> Jeff N1SOM

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

**New / returning member John Ruppel W1JGR** has returned to the club. Welcome back John great to see you. Welcome to new member **Larry Genovesi KC1UPX** thank you for becoming a member.

## Committee updates:

### **Training Committee: Ross W1EKG Update**

**Ross W1EKG** Ross mentioned that the last Technician class was successful. The next class tentatively will start after Labor Day Tuesday Sept 3 at 7PM and run for 4 weeks. Ross will confirm the date and report at the July meeting.

Remember the training email address: [Warc.Training@gmail.com](mailto:Warc.Training@gmail.com) and copy to [bavarianradio@comcast.net](mailto:bavarianradio@comcast.net) to sign up for classes. We will update the website with the training dates as they become available.

### **Repeater Committee:**

**John N1BSO** reported the backup repeater is working well. The Controller is working well. Our Echo-link connection is working well. The Yaesu repeater is still giving trouble. They are still planning to bring it to Bridgewater to do testing and update us at the next meeting. If it does not work out then adding an MMDVM Card to the controller could give us the Fusion Digital option back.

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 they maintain. Also thank you to **Steve "Ho" KC1HO** for all you do as well.

## NEW & Old Business

**Ross W1EKG** reported that there will be a location change for the fall Near-fest 2024. Near-fest is moving to New Boston, NH to the Fair Grounds.

The 2024 New England Amateur Radio Festival (NEAR-Fest) will be held at the Hillsborough County Agricultural Society Fairgrounds and Youth Center in New Boston, New Hampshire on Friday, October 4 and Saturday, October 5 more information to come. The Web site is <https://near-fest.com/>

**Jack N1QE** also mentioned the Marshfield Fair 2024 is set as well. The dates will be Friday Aug 16<sup>th</sup> to Sunday Aug 25<sup>th</sup>. We will setup on Thursday Aug 15<sup>th</sup> and break down Monday Aug 25. Bob has the website updated to show the schedule. Please let us know as soon as possible what dates you can work and send the updates to the club email. [Wa1npo@gmail.org](mailto:Wa1npo@gmail.org).

**Jeff WK1D** Brought up paying dues via PayPal. We already have a PayPal account which we use for Winterfest. We do not have a link on the page for dues but if you have a PayPal account you can search for Whitman ARC and make your dues payment already. **Bob WA1Q** will look into how to make a link for the website as well.

**Jeff WK1D** brought up the subject of Field Day. As noted last month since **Steve W1OD** and **Karen N1VI** cannot make it this year due to prior commitments, our newest member **Larry KC1UPX** stepped up to do the cooking. **Teddy WB1GSQ** will pick up the food items at BJ's and **Jeff WK1D** and **Bob WA1Q** will pick up the non-perishables such as chips and sodas at Ocean State. Teddy and Larry lead the discussion on what help is needed as well. A big thank you to all that help to make Field Day a successful event. A huge "Thank You" to **Steve** and **Karen** for all the years they took care of us cooking at Field Day as well.

**Mike K1UVH** reported the next Great Hill Gang event at Great Hill in North Weymouth will be Saturday June 15<sup>th</sup> 9AM. Rain date usually the next Saturday. It's always a fun time. Mike NA1XX is usually the chef and brings up an excellent dish. There was a great turnout the last one.

**Bob WA1Q** brought up the subject of Whitman Dollars for scholars which we have been contributing to for many years. A motion was made to donate again this year by **Ross W1EKG** and second by **Allen KC1SJS** for \$250. Motion passed quorum vote as there were no objections

**Jeff WK1D** brought up the subject of elections. With the new bylaws in place A single vote was cast, The motion passed quorum vote as there were no objections. Congratulations and thank you to the officers for stepping up for another year and the directors. Thank you to the outgoing directors **Mike WA1MAD** and **Paul KB1MTW**. Congrats to the new director **Scott Mitchell W1MBH** and former president **John Murphy WI1G**.

From last month **Jeff WK1D** mentioned again the Weymouth food pantry run at Wampatuck State Park on June 15<sup>th</sup>. We are pretty well set for volunteers but we could always use a few more. Please contact Jeff if you can make it. We will use the Norwell 145.250 repeater for communications and 146.535 direct as our back up. We will do a dry run there to make sure that will work.

Last meeting **Dave KB1QMX** brought up an event that he attended last year to represent the club Whitman Day at the park. This year it will be held this Sat June 8<sup>th</sup> from 10AM to 4 PM. He is looking for help again to man the table and to have folks monitor the Whitman repeater for contacts. Please let Dave know if you can help. **Bob WA1Q** will send a link to the members for the event. Thank you in advance. PS Great day to bring the kids

Motion to adjourn was made by **Ted KC1JMZ** with a second by **Mike KB1OEP**.  
Motion passed a quorum vote.

**Jeff WK1D** adjourned the meeting about 8 PM, **06/05/2024**.

**NOTE:** The next meeting is scheduled for **Wed July 03<sup>rd</sup> 2024 at 7 PM** and will be a Hybrid meeting in person and via Zoom.

The June **MOTA (Meeting on the Air)** will be **Wed June. 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:30PM**

The **MOTA** Net will be followed by the **10 Meter 28.333 Rag Chew Net** about 8PM.