



Whitman Amateur Radio Club Meeting Feb 2, 2025

Tom Kirkaldy KC1KIT Chris Babbitt N1CFB
Treasurer Vice President

Bob Azanow WA1Q Jeff Ayres WK1D Secretary President

#### **ATTENDANCE:** 32

Members at the K of C and on Zoom including 4 elected officers. Members and guests attended in person and via ZOOM. Photo by OWL Thank you **Ross W1EKG** for running ZOOM!!

WA1Q Bob Azanow
KB1MTW Paul Moss
W6TOM Tom Murphy
N1BSO John Laiosa
KC1DD Dennis Diver
WA1MAD Mike Davis
N1SOM Jeff Tracy
W1OD Steve Cohn
WA1RIW Rich Carnes
N4NMF Barry Kennedy

N1CFB Chris Babbitt
KB1QMZ Dave Beauvais
W1TGM Larry Genovesi
KM1TWL Jim Ashley
KB10EP Mike Supple
KC1JMZ Ted Wojcik
NK1U Jim Whedbee
W1VP Larry Kenney
KG5VXY Mike Madonna
N1MWF Larry Leblanc

WI1G John Murphy
WK1D Jeff Ayres
W1EKG Ross Hochstrasser
N1IQI Loren Pimentel
KC1KIS Robert Kirkaldy
AG1B Richard Metcalf
KC1KIT Tom Kirkaldy
W1AY Brad Wilson
N1NTM Mike Nye
KC1LKB Ernie Bazzinotti

Note: 11 members and friends participated via Zoom.

- \*\* SWL = Short Wave Listener \*\*\* = New member
- \* Any missing folks or errors in this report please notify the Secretary to update.

Thank You to all for attending the meeting and all new members and guests!! Congrats to all the folks who upgraded their licenses at the General Exam!!!

# **Secretary's Report:**

**President Jeff Ayres WK1D** called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM 02/05/25. A quorum was present in person and on Zoom with the 4 elected officers. **Bob WA1Q** posted the Jan 2025 **meeting notes** on the club website.

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

A motion to accept the Jan 2025 as read made by **Larry W1TGM** with a second by **Paul KB1MTW.** Motion passed quorum vote as there were no objections.

The Jan 2025 Treasurer's Report was completed and read by our temporary Treasurer **Jeff WK1D** due to **Tom KC1KIT** was not being available yet. A motion to accept the Jan 2025 TR report as read made by **Brad W1AY** with a second by **Loren N1IQI**. Motion passed quorum vote as there were no objections.

**Health & Welfare**: A Get-Well card was sent to Brad W1AY. Glad to hear Brad is feeling better. Thank You Richard for taking care of H & W.

#### Weekly Public Service Net Control volunteers for Feb 02, 2025 to Mar 02, 2025:

Feb 02<sup>th:</sup> Jeff WK1D
 Feb 09<sup>th:</sup> Paul W1GTX
 Feb 16<sup>th:</sup> Allen KC1SJS
 Feb 23<sup>rd:</sup> Jeff N1SOM
 Mar 02<sup>nd:</sup> Jeff WK1D

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

**New** Member. No new members at the February meeting.

### **Committee updates:**

**Training Committee: Ross W1EKG Update** 

Ross W1EKG Ross confirmed the General class went well.

Ross reported the **Extra** class will start Tuesday Feb 11'th. Classes run on Tues and Thurs evening from 7 to 9PM for 6 weeks. The last Thursday will be the VE exam. A **Tech** Class will start Tuesday April 1'st and run 4 weeks. With a VE session the last Thursday night. Best luck to all. A big thank you from the club to the training crew and the students as well.

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** reported the backup repeater is still working well. The Controller is working well. Our Echo-link connection is working well. IRLP is working well. No more interference from the drummer. If any interference occurs, please let Jeff AJ1L or John N1BSO know. They will take the repeater off line if necessary. Hopefully not needed.

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**

**Richard AG1B** mentioned he is looking for a new person to take over the sending of the cards as needed. Richard has been doing this for a long time and would like someone to take it over. Thank you, Richard for all the years you have been doing this. We greatly appreciate it.

**Mike K1UVH** reported the next Great Hill Gang event at Great Hill in North Weymouth will be Saturday Feb 15<sup>th</sup> 9AM. Rain/Snow date usually the next Saturday. It's always a fun time. There was a great turnout the last one.

K1USN Update: There are some plans in the works and the club will be notified as soon as they are official.

Good News **Tom KC1KIT** is back in action again. It's been a long road and we are glad to have you back in the Treasurers seat. A big Thank you **Jeff WK1D** for stepping in while Tom was not available.

**Jeff WK1D and Chris N1CFB** brought up the subject of **Winterfest 2025**. A review of the sales was discussed.

**Bob WA1Q** reminded folks that they can still use PayPal to pay their dues. Remember it is now \$30 with the \$5 late fee.

**Ross WK1D** mentioned that in March coming up is the **New** England Vintage Electronics Expo 8 on Sunday, March 2, 2025 at the Castleton Banquet & Conference Center in Windham, New Hampshire! Held rain, snow, sleet or shine!! Info will be sent by email.

**Note:** The Algonquin ARC Flea will be held Feb 15'th in Marlborough MA. **Bob WA1Q** will send info out to the membership

ARRL Field Day: Confirmed at the East Bridgewater Y Sat/Sun Jun 28th & 29th

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by **John WI1G** second by **Dennis KC1DD**. Motion Passed by a quorum vote.

**Jeff WK1D** adjourned the business meeting about 7:35 PM, **2/05/2025**.

**NOTE:** The next meeting is scheduled for **Wed Mar 05**<sup>th</sup> **2025 at 7 PM** and will be a Hybrid meeting in person and via Zoom.

The MOTA (Meeting on the Air) will be Wed Feb 19th at 7:30PM.

The **MOTA** Net hosted by **Ross W1EKG** will be followed by the weekly **10 Meter** 28.333mhz Rag Chew Net also led by **Ross** will start about 8PM which except on the first Wed meeting night.

PS Do not forget the Thick as a Brick Net on **75 Meters** 3923. Khz on Monday evenings led by **Ross W1EKG.**