



SPECTRUM



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE: This is "The Bruce" N11X – The Month of May was a busy month. The Whitman Club held their annual Memorial Day weekend fund raising Flea Market at the Saftler's parking lot where we demonstrated amateur radio to the public, got to socialize with area HAMs and got a little wet. Work projects started and are ongoing at the Clubhouse to clean up the grounds and repair the floor. Members participated in Fox Hunting and helped with the Middleboro YMCA 5K Run and Fun Walk. Members also participated in a Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency - Area II - Hurricane Drill with the Taunton Emergency Management Agency.

Congratulations to **Rob Macedo KD1CY** "Mr. SKYWARN" who received the NOAA Environmental Hero Award and received a certificate for making the final round of nominees for the Boston Executive Board Outstanding Federal Volunteer Award. Also **Pi Pugh K1RV** nominated **Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN** for the Young Ham Of The Year Award.

Field Day is next on the agenda – come on down, set up and join in the amateur related activities.

UPGRADE - EXTRA – EXTRA – EXTRA

Congratulations to **Stu Forman W1SAF** who upgraded to Extra Class license in May and is shown in the photo at the Saftler's Flea market where he stopped by to check out the goodies meet some more of the members.



WAINPO Traffic Messages

Featuring our Traffic Manager, Walt K1BZD
Submitted by Charlet N1VQZ

May 2003 Traffic



Date	Prec	HX	Station of Origin	Check	Location of Orig	Date
05/25/03	R		K1BZD	11	WHITMAN, MA	05/25/03 08:47 est
Message Body						
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Signature: WALT K1BZD						
Rec'd From: K1BZD			On: 05/25/03		On:	

SECRETARY'S NOTES OF THE MEETING OF May 7, 2003 de KB1CYV

OPENING: The members started gathering at the Whitman Public Library, Whitman, MA around 6:15 P.M. President **Bruce N11X** opened the meeting at 6:45 P.M. with a roll call.

ATTENDANCE: Ten members were present, including the four elected officers.

KB1CYV Roy Logan
N1NTZ Ed Meehan
N1OIU Jim Wolf
N1FRE Bill Hayden

N1SOM Jeff Tracy
KC1FZ George Davis
N1ZZN Jeff Lehmann
K1XRB Peter George (Guest)

K1VU Bob Johnson
N11X Bruce Hayden
WA1NYC Bill O'Hara Jr.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's report was read by **Jeff N1SOM**. A motion was made by **Bob K1VU** and seconded by **Ed N1NTZ** that the Treasurer's report be accepted as read. The motion was approved.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: A motion was made by **Ed N1NTZ** seconded by **Bob K1VU** that the Secretary's report be accepted as published in the April Newsletter. The motion was approved.

HEALTH & WELFARE: The members were glad to see **Ed N1NTZ** in attendance as he recovers from a broken ankle. Look forward to seeing you on the fox hunts, Ed.

OLD BUSINESS: A motion to close nominations for the election of officers was made by **Bob K1VU** seconded by **Ed N1NTZ**. The motion was approved. Ballots will be mailed shortly along with closed bid sheets for the tower the club is offering for sale.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bill N1FRE will be mailing out forms for updating autopatch information.

Bruce N11X has requested permission from Ames Nowell State Park for use of the facility for Field Day.

A motion to raise the cost of a table to \$20 at our spring flea market on May 25-26 was made by **Bill N1FRE** seconded by **Ed N1NTZ**. The motion as approved.

Bruce N11X made a motion seconded by **Bill WA1NYC** that **Seth Forman KB1JUL** be accepted as a new member. The motion was approved. Welcome to the WARC, Seth!

NET CONTROLS: 5/4 **Bill N1FRE** 5/11 **Bruce N11X**
 5/18 **Roy KB1CYV** 5/25 **Charlet N1VQZ**

TECHNICAL TOPICS: **George KC1FZ** showed an attenuator he has built for foxhunting. Plans may be found on www.homingin.com. Good luck on the hunts, George.

CLUBHOUSE PROJECTS: **Bruce N11X** will be coordinating the brush removal project and **Bill N1FRE** will coordinate the door and floor repair. Volunteers are needed for both projects.

ADJORNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by **Ed N1NTZ** seconded by **Jim N1OIU**. The meeting closed at 7:45 PM.

SAFTLER'S FLEA MARKET FUND RAISER

The Saftler's Flea Market – Memorial Day Weekend was a success even though we were rained out on Monday. **Jeff Tracy N1SOM**, the Club Treasurer, reports that our expenses were covered and a small profit made.



The turn out was great with 21 Whitman Club members able to stop by and log in at the club table. They were:

Bruce Hayden N1IX
Bill O'Hara III KB1IUB
Jim Gilbert W5IRW
Ed Meehan N1NTZ
Dick Schwartz N1SZE
Bruce Weir N1XZD
Vic Kairis N1OEH

Bill Hayden N1FRE
Jeff Tracy N1SOM
Bob Burns K1RB
Walt Johnson W1HA
Stu Forman W1SAF
Jim Wolf N1OIU
Paul Burbine N1VTI

Bill O'Hara Jr. WA1NYC
Bill Tracy N1SON
Roy Logan KB1CYV
Bob Johnson K1VU
Walter Dolson K1BZD
Frank Hayes N1OGP
John Coombs WQ1L

In addition 11 non-members stopped by to socialize and checked in at the Club table.

Paul Whipperman K1MTM of W. Bridgewater
Lou Harris N1UEC of Walpole
Kathie Mandeville N1SGT of Brockton
Carl Rey N1EVT of Randolph
Samatha Harriman N1MJP of Plymouth
Ralph Butler Jr. W1BT of Scituate

Joe Heck K1LBG of Wrentham
Bob Mandeville N1EDM of Brockton
Jim Ford NM1F of Plymouth
Gene Harriman N1EH of Plymouth
Vernon Mitchell WB1CHU of Clinton

2-METER BASE STATION: **The Bruce N1IX** set up a 2-Meter Base station using an ICOM IC-207 transceiver, a "Go-Kit" power supply and a mag mounted vertical antenna. With this Base Station – **The Bruce N1IX** made contact with five (5) Club members who were not able to stop by but were able to check in via 2 meters: They included **Charlet Sherman N1VQZ**, **Chris Tilden N1WWI**, **Bernie Snow N1OQW**, **Steve Rudin W1WSN** and **Bill McInerney N1KBV**.



Jeff N1SOM & Bruce N1IX

The weather on Sunday was damp, cold and misting rain but the crew set up and lasted the day. The Crew also set up on Monday for a few hours and gave up because of steady rain (over 2 inches of rain fell on Monday).

Paul Burbine N1VTI arrived before 6 PM on Monday before the rain started to help **Bill N1FRE** coordinate vendor parking and set-up. A special thanks to **Bill N1FRE** and **Paul N1VTI** for volunteering to coordinate the early arrivals.



Paul Burbine N1VTI

WA1NPO "ON - THE - AIR"

Bill Hayden N1FRE set up his ICOM IC-756 transceiver and connected it to the Outbacker vertical antenna that is mounted on his vehicle. Power was furnished by Saftler's through an outside receptacle giving 100 watts output from the HF Rig. Contacts were made from Saftler's parking lot with England along with New Jersey, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Georgia, and Michigan.

Several special contacts were made. **Bill N1FRE** made a contact with **Tim Helgerson KB1PGT** who was operating aeronautical mobile in a C-117 airplane at 41N and 71W which should put him somewhere over Greenland.

Bruce Hayden N1IX made a contact with **Ivor Toon G4YIT** of March, England who **Bruce N1IX** has made contact with many times over the years.



Bill Hayden N1FRE

Bill Hayden N1FRE made a contact with **Brad Wyatt K6WR** of Los Gatos near San Francisco, California who was operating **Keith Lamonica's W7DXX** Remote Base in No. Easton, Mass. via his computer internet connection. **Keith W7DXX** received an ARRL Technical Excellence Award for helping to design and implement this first of its kind system.



Ed Meehan N1NTZ

Ed Meehan N1NTZ reported he had just moved back into his house the night before the Memorial Day weekend Flea Market following a 10 month restoration project necessitated by a lightning strike and resulting fire, smoke and water damage last July. Now he can start unpacking the new ICOM IC-746 Pro that is still in the shipping box. **Ed N1NTZ** also reports that the cast on his foot should be off by the first week in June.

Frank Hayes N1OGP reports his long wire is still down following maintenance on his home QTH and hopes to get it back up soon.



Frank Hayes N1OGP



Ron Smith N1PXX

Ron Smith N1PXX reports that he will need surgery on his shoulder to correct damage incurred as a result of being hit by a car last December while walking across Rt. 138 in Taunton.

Ron N1PXX reports the car was doing about 45 MPH and that he bounced off the car hood - braking the windshield and lived to tell about it. Truly a miracle as **Ron N1PXX** dodged another bullet so to speak.

MORE PICTURES TAKEN AT SAFTLER'S FLEA MARKET



Jim Gilbert W5IRW set up a table with his wife **Jane**, his daughter **Laura** her husband **Pete**.



Bill O'Hara Jr. W1NYC set up a table and is shown talking with **Dave Gurney WA1YZH**



Bill N1FRE & Bob K1RB

Bob Burns K1RB set up a table and is shown at the Club table with **Bill N1FRE**.

A special thanks to the three Club members **Jim W5IRW**, **Bill W1NYC** and **Bob K1RB** who braved the misty rain and set up tables in support of the Club Fund Raiser.

Bill O'Hara III KB1IUB showed up bicycle mobile.



Bill O'Hara III KB1IUB



Jim N1OIU, Walter K1BZD & Vic N1OEH



Bill N1SON & Jeff N1SOM

A special thanks to **Bill Tracy N1SON** and **Jeff Tracy N1SOM** for volunteering to make the coffee and pick up the soda and water to sell at the Flea Market.



Ed N1NTZ

Jeff N1SOM, Joe K1LBG, Walt W1HA & Lou N1VEC

Jeff Tracy N1SOM is shown introducing Joe Heck K1LBG of Wrentham and Lou Harris N1VEC of Walpole to Walt Johnson W1HA. That is Ed N1NTZ in the background. Lou N1VEC has been deeply involved in the development of the Bridgewater Repeater.



Richard Schwartz N1SZE



Roy Logan KB1CYV



Bob Johnson K1VU



Bruce Weir N1XZD & John Coombs WQ1L

Finally Bruce Weir N1XZD and John Coombs WQ1L stopped by the Flea Market and then headed for the coffee shop to get out of the rain. They were easy to track down.

CLUB HOUSE PROJECTS: The Bruce N1X has started cleaning up the outside of the clubhouse while Bill N1FRE and George KC1FC have started preparation to repair the end of the clubhouse around the door. The crew has been working on Saturday 1PM to 3 PM after Fox Hunting. If you cut some brush – The Bruce N1X has volunteered to take it away on Saturday afternoon when the dump is open. Come help clean up the Club House and get it ready for a new paint job.



MIDDLEBORO YMCA 3RD ANNUAL ROAD RACE 5K RUN AND FUN WALK

Six area amateur radio operators responded to a request for communication support for the Middleboro YMCA 3rd Annual Road Race 5k Run and Fun Walk that was held at Camp Yomechas in Middleboro on Saturday May 31, 2003. Seen at the Net Control Station are L. to R. **Allan Cox Jr. K1VQ**, **Bruce Hayden N11X**, **Carl Aveni N1FY** (seated), **Bob Keene N1LCY**, **Gil Follett W1GMF** and **Roy Logan KB1CYV**.



Carl N1FY (Net Control) set up a 2-meter Base Station and talked direct to the other HAM operators who were stationed at various intersections and at the water station at the halfway turn-around point. The weather was beautiful which helped bring out about 150 participants. The race went very smoothly, the HAM operators were thanked for their volunteer effort and YMCA Tee shirts were handed out to all participants and volunteers.

HURRICANE DRILL AT THE TAUNTON EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER

Three area HAMS reported to the Taunton Emergency Operations Center on Monday June 2, 2003 to participate in a Hurricane Drill being directed by the Mass. Emergency Management Agency - Area II Headquarters. Show in the photo are **Bruce Hayden N11X**, **Richard Ferreira** - Director of the Taunton EMA, **Ken Waine KB1INN**, **Richard Tucker** - Assistant Director of the Taunton EMA, and **John Miller N1UMJ**.



Messages were originated and sent via 2-meters by all the participating Cities and Towns in accordance with various developments associated with the scripted Hurricane. It was reported that Whitman and Massasoit club members were heard reporting in from four of the participating communities.

JEFF LEHMANN N1ZZN IS NOMINATED FOR THE “YOUNG HAM OF THE YEAR AWARD”

Pi Pugh K1RV nominated **Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN** for the “Young Ham Of The Year Award” with support from **Bruce Hayden N11X** and **Bob Doherty K1VV**.

The Bruce N11X specifically stressed the volunteer help that **Jeff N1ZZN** has given the Whitman Amateur Radio Club in setting up and maintaining the Club Web Page since the fall of 1998 and especially this years initiative to include the Club Newsletter on the Web page so that, along with the club members, all the non-member “friends of the Whitman Amateur Radio Club” can access the Newsletter. **Jeff N1ZZN** is a very active young man and we wish him all the success as he graduates from High School and enters College.



Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN



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CLUB OFFICERS:

MEETING SCHEDULE
Meetings are held on the first Wednesday
of each month.

*The Next meeting will be held at the
Whitman Public Library which is
located at 100 Webster Street
in Whitman, Mass.*

Next Meeting
Wednesday, June 4th at 6:30 PM
Whitman Public Library

President	Bruce	NI1X
V. President	Bill	N1FRE
Secretary	Roy	KB1CYV
Treasurer	Jeff	N1SOM
Director	Jim	W5IRW
Director	Paul	N1VTI
Director	Steve	W1WSN
Director	Chris	N1WWI

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Club Repeater Station:	147.225 MHz (CTSS 67 Hz)	449.875 MHz (CTSS 88.5 Hz)
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