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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:** This is **The Bruce N1X** – great news – more upgrades - **Paul Moss KB1MTW**, **Alice Carlson KB1OAU**, **Bob Loring K1REL**, **Ron Stundze KB1OEQ**, **Joan Smith KB1NAX**, **David Dick KB1DKO** and **Kevin Dykes KB1MOC** all upgraded to General Class in April.

Members participated in Red Cross Shelter training in Taunton. I saw five members at the Amateur Radio Flea Market in Framingham, MA and two members at the Antique Radio Flea Market in Manchester, NH. As usual, members reported participating in RADIOGRAM training at Taunton and Whitman on the first Monday of the month. **Don Keene KA1PJX** and **Jim O'Rourke WG1L** reported that they participated in the Good Friday Walk for Hunger in Hingham. **Paul Burbine N1VTI**, **Ed Meehan N1NTZ** and **Jim O'Rourke WG1L** helped out as V-E's at the Braintree Testing Session. **Jeff Tracy N1SOM** helped out as a V-E at the Norwood Testing Session.



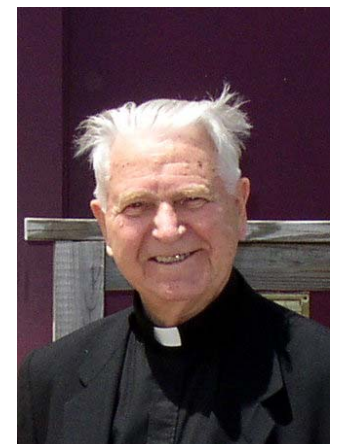
Checking in  
with WA1NPO

**Phil McNamara N1XTB** reports that he gave a presentation at the March meeting of the Boston Amateur Radio Club on his Portable Solar Powered Battery System. I gave a talk and handout about the incoming and outgoing QSL Bureau to the new HAMs at the March meeting of the Taunton TACGroup. **Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN** has been asked to give his presentation on HD and Satellite Radio at the May meeting of the Massasoit Club.

**Greg Noyes KB1OAW** and **Phil McNamara N1XTB** both reported that they helped provide communication support at the Boston Marathon. The night before the Marathon we had a nor'easter with high winds and rain (with 56.8 mph max gust and 3.1 inches of rain recorded at my QTH) that kept the Skywarn Observers actively reporting trees and power lines down to **WX1BOX**. Come to the next meeting and share your radioactive projects with the members present.

**SILENT KEY:** **Rev. Peter Shakalis KA1WGV** of Plymouth, passed away in March at the age of 91. It has been a while since we have heard "this is **K A 1 With God's Vision**" on the local REPEATERS. **Rev. Peter KA1WGV** was a graduate of the Whitman Club's - Electronic School of Excellence and was a member of the Whitman Amateur Radio Club in the early 1990's while pastor of St. Casimir's Church in Brockton.

Some of us last saw **Rev. Peter KA1WGV** when he stopped by the Sattler's Flea market in June of 2004, when this picture was taken. At that time, **Rev. Peter KA1WGV** told us about his trips to Lithuania, for his church, where he had the opportunity to help guide the Lithuanian people, he came in contact with, into a life of freedom and capitalism as they converted their society from socialist communism to a free enterprise system full of new opportunities.



Rev. Peter Shakalis  
KA1WGV

## SECRETARY'S NOTES OF THE MEETING OF APRIL 4, 2007 de KB1CYV

**OPENING:** The members started gathering at the Whitman Public Library, Whitman, MA around 6:15 p.m. **President Bruce NI1X** opened the meeting with a roll call at 6:45 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE:** Twenty-eight members / guests were present, including the four elected Officers and three Directors. A quorum was present.

KB1CYV	Roy Logan	N1WIG	Sam Webber	NI1X	Bruce Hayden
WQ1L	John Coombs	N1VTI	Paul Burbine	KB1MTW	Paul Moss
N1ZZN	Jeff Lehmann	KB1OEQ	Ron Stundze	KB1DKO	Dave Dick
WA1AKS	Bob Mugherini	KB1MJL	Al Marshall	KB1ODS	John Chase
K1BAR	Bob Barbour	KB1OEP	Mike Supple	N1FRE	Bill Hayden
WG1L	Jim O'Rourke	KC1FZ	George Davis	KB1ETW	Jim Halpin
KA1PJX	Don Keene	SWL	Pat Kavaljian	KB1NAX	Joan Smith
N1PXX	Ron Smith	KB1KVL	Ken Kavaljian	K1VU	Bob Johnson
N1SOM	Jeff Tracy	KB1OAW	Greg Noyes	KB1OAY	Dan Noyes
K1XRB	Peter George				

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The treasurer's report for March was read by **Jeff N1SOM**. **Jeff N1ZZN** made a motion seconded by **Bob K1VU** that the treasurer's report be accepted as read. The motion was approved.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** A motion was made by **Paul KB1MTW** seconded by **Jim WG1L** that the secretary's report be accepted as published in the March Newsletter. The motion was approved.

**HEALTH & WELFARE:** **Bruce NI1X** reported that **Rev. Peter Shakalis KA1WGV**, a former member of the WARC, is now a silent key.

**OLD BUSINESS:** There was no outstanding old business.

**NEW BUSINESS:** A motion was made by **Bill N1FRE** seconded by **Paul N1VTI** to donate \$200 to the Whitman United Methodist Church in appreciation of the use of the church hall for the General class study group. A motion was made by **Bill N1FRE** seconded by **Jeff N1SOM** to increase the amount of the donation to the Whitman-Hanson Dollars For Scholars program to \$400. Both motions were approved.

**NEW MEMBERS:** **Bill N1FRE** made a motion that **Ross Hochstrasser KB1OEO** be accepted as a one-year, dues-free member, seconded by **John WQ1L**. The motion was approved. Welcome to the WARC!

**Ross Hochstrasser**  
KB1OEO >>>>



### **ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

**Bruce NI1X**, **Bill N1FRE** and **Roy KB1CYV** expressed a desire to step down. **Bruce NI1X** nominated the following individuals who expressed a willingness to serve as Officers:

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Paul Burbine	N1VTI	Vice President
Jeff Tracy	N1SOM	Treasurer
Roy Logan	KB1CYV	Secretary

## SECRETARY'S NOTES OF THE MEETING OF APRIL 4, 2007 de KB1CYV Cont:

**ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS:** Bruce NI1X nominated the following individuals who expressed a willingness to serve as members of the Board of Directors: **Bob Johnson K1VU, Paul Moss KB1MTW, Ron Smith N1PXX** and **Mike Supple KB1OEP** for the Board of Directors

Final nominations will be made at the May meeting, with ballots mailed to members in good standing and tallied at the June meeting. As the club continues to grow so does the need for individuals willing to serve. We urge you to come forward and be nominated. (Note: After the meeting **Paul Burbine N1VTI** volunteered to run for President instead of Vice President and **Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN** said he would consider running for Secretary if **Roy KB1CYV** wanted to step down).

**NEW COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS:** Following discussion of various activities **Bruce NI1X** appointed the following volunteers as Committee / Project Coordinators:

<b>HEALTH &amp; WELFARE</b>	- <b>Joan Smith KB1NAX</b>
<b>CLUB HOUSE MAINTENANCE</b>	- <b>Paul Moss KB1MTW</b>
<b>V-E EXAMINATION COORDINATOR</b>	- <b>Paul Burbine N1VTI</b>
<b>E-BAY SALES COORDINATOR</b>	- <b>Jeff Tracy N1SOM</b>

**Bruce NI1X** pointed out that these new volunteers go along with the existing Committee / Project coordinators:

<b>LICENSE STUDY GROUP – INSTRUCTOR</b>	- <b>Bill Hayden N1FRE</b>
<b>REPEATER CONTROL OPERATOR</b>	- <b>Bill Hayden N1FRE</b>
<b>WEB PAGE DESIGN &amp; MAINTENANCE</b>	- <b>Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN</b>
<b>CALL SIGN TRUSTEE</b>	- <b>Bruce Hayden NI1X</b>
<b>NEWSLETTER EDITOR</b>	- <b>Bruce Hayden NI1X</b>
<b>CLUB JACKET PROJECT</b>	- <b>Jeff Tracy N1SOM</b>

In addition, **Bill N1FRE** pointed out that there are individual project volunteers needed from time to time to coordinate one time activities like Saffler's, Plimoth Plantation, Marshfield Fair, Field Day and ARRL updates. **Bob Johnson K1VU** is currently working on the ARRL Affiliated Club update.

**CLUB ANTENNA ANALYZER LOCATION:** Pine Street Clubhouse.

**NET CONTROLS:** 4/1 **Roy KB1CYV** 4/8 **Bruce NI1X** 4/15 **Jeff N1SOM** 4/22 **Bill N1FRE** 4/29 **Mike KB1OEP**. Experienced net control operators will gladly assist anyone interested in running a Net.

**CLOSE:** President **Bruce NI1X** closed the meeting at 7:57 P.M. on a motion by **Roy KB1CYV** seconded by **Paul N1VTI**.

**SKYWARN CLASSES:** Club member **Josh MacNeal KB1ODT** has made arrangements with **Rob Macedio KD1CY** – the Skywarn coordinator - to hold a local Skywarn training session at the Whitman – Hanson High School on Wednesday June 6 from 7 – 10 p.m. **Rob KD1CY** likens SKYWARN reporting to “Gathering Disaster Intelligence” and wants to see HAMS in place as the storms develop instead of waiting until after the storm passes by to call out the amateur radio operators.



April Storm Damage

## FRAMINGHAM FLEA MARKET - April 1, 2007

Jim Ford NM1F was a vendor at the Annual Framingham Flea Market and The Bruce NI1X saw Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN, Bill Hayden N1FRE, Paul Moss KB1MTW, John Coombs WQ1L and Ed Meehan N1NTZ along with several area HAMS checking out a fine assortment of goodies.



John Coombs WQ1L  
& ED Meehan N1NTZ



Bruce Hayden NI1X



Jim Ford NM1F

The weather was great and there was a large turnout of vendors and buyers. There were more HAM radios and amplifiers and less computers this year.



Paul Moss KB1MTW  
& Bill Hayden N1FRE



Steve "Ho" Johnson KC1HO  
& Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN

There were a couple of distributors like Quicksilver Radio Products of Meriden, CT. that carry an extensive line of amateur radio parts and accessories that included a display of antenna wire, antenna rope, connectors, adapters, mounts, red / black zip cord, batteries, antennas, rubber ducks, baluns, coax, mag mounts, the High Sierra Motorized antenna, SWR meters, microphones, speakers, Gel-Cell batteries, Hamsticks, insulators, power cables, DC Connectors, Anderson Powerpole connectors and a whole lot of other stuff. See [www.qsradio.com](http://www.qsradio.com)

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### May 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> - NEW ENGLAND AMATEUR RADIO FESTIVAL (NEAR-FEST) Deerfield, NH

Gates open Friday at 9:00 a.m. \$10.00 per person and \$10.00 per vehicle into the Flea Market.  
\$5.00 per person after 3:00 p.m. RV hookups (water and power) \$30.00 per camper  
Take exit 3 off Rt 101 East and head North on Rt 43. Deerfield Fairgrounds is located on Rt 43.

## RADIOGRAM TRAINING - FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH



Seen at the Taunton Emergency Operations Center just after the April RADIOGRAM Training session are - standing L. to R. **Bob Barbour K1BAR** and **Carlos Wharton WP4US**. Seen seated L. to R. are **Don Burke KB1LXH** (the Net Control for the night), **Greg Glynn W1VBF**, **Neal Harrington KB1LXL** and **Bruce Hayden N1IX**.



Taunton RACES Volunteers

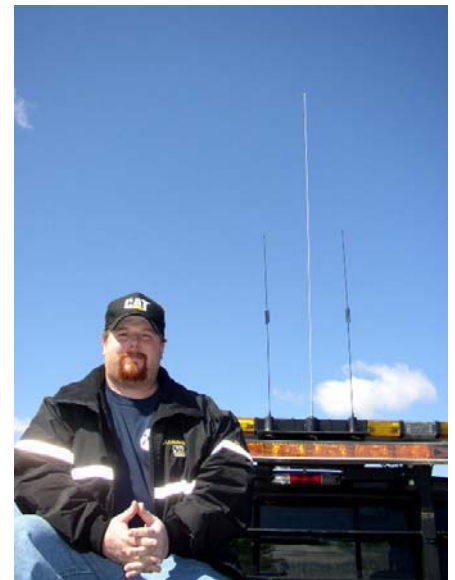
In Whitman, **Bill Hayden N1FRE** and **Mike Supple KB1OEP** (The Net Control for the night) were participating in the RADIOGRAM training and **Bill N1FRE** reported that he delivered the MEMA messages to **Bob Schmitt KB1MTY** the Whitman Emergency Management Agency Director the next day.

## ON THE ROAD WITH 10-METERS

**Kevin Dykes KB1MOC** has installed a Ranger 2950 10-Meters rig in his truck along with a 2-Meter / 440 MHz IC- 208H Icom rig.



If you look closely at the inside of his truck cab, you can see two other identical Motorola rigs – one is used to monitor the Bridgewater REPEATER and the other will be used for work. On the outside **Kevin KB1MOC** has installed two antennas for 2-Meter and one for 10-meters.



Kevin Dykes KB1MOC

## WHITMAN AMATEUR RADIO PUBLIC SERVICE NET (WARPSN)

The **WARPSN** NET meets every Sunday morning at 8:30 a.m. on the Whitman REPEATER 147.225 MHz PL 67. Come join in and share your amateur radio related activities with the other area HAMS and short-wave listeners as well.

As part of our training, we encourage everyone to practice sending routine RADIOGRAM messages. In March we had four (4) sessions with an average of 10 area HAMS checking in each week and 7 messages were sent.

## RED CROSS SHELTER TRAINING – 2-METER GO KIT TESTED

**Rick Ferreira KB1KWF** the Director of the Taunton Emergency Management Agency (TEMA) had arranged for Red Cross Shelter Training in Taunton at the East Taunton Elementary School Gym in March as part of an ongoing training program for TEMA volunteers.

### Red Cross Shelter Training participants



The participants in the training, shown standing, are L. to R. **Dick Sproul KB1MBW**, **Rudy Burer KB1LXI**, **Angelo Pinheiro**, **Kelly McMorro**, **Greg Glynn W1VFB**, **Dave Souza W1DFS**, **Bob Barbour K1BAR**, **Dawn Snow** (Red Cross - Instructor) and **Don Burke KB1LXH**. Shown seated L. to R. are **Steve Foster KB1KZW**, **Jim McDermott**, **Nancy Snell**, **Rick Ferreira KB1KWF**, **Paula Farrales**, **John Miller N1UMJ**, **Carlos Wharton WP4US**, **Tony Pinheiro**, **Nick Hambridge** (Red Cross - Director Services). All HAMS listed are TEMA RACES Volunteers. Photo by **Don Burke KB1LXH**.

Red Cross Shelter work stations, including cots, were set up. Along with the amateur radio communication station, the operation of the Shelter Manager Office, Registration, First Aid, Mental Health Services, Food Prep and Food Serving Area, Snack Table, Sleeping Area and Recreation Area were explained. A mock drill was simulated on paper.



TEMA Go Kit



TEMA IC-706



Rudy KB1LXI & John N1UMJ

**Bob Barbour K1BAR** and **John Miller N1UMJ** brought one of the Taunton Emergency Management Agency (TEMA) amateur radio Go Kits and set up the ICOM IC-706 transceiver along with the 2-Meter Diamond vertical antenna mounted on it's portable stand. Lessons learned - earphones were needed because of the noise and extension cords were required to relocate outside of the Shelter Living Quarters.

## NEW ENGLAND ANTIQUE RADIO CLUB - VINTAGE RADIO SHOW AND SWAP MEET



**Jim Ford NM1F**



**Ross Hochstrasser KB1OEO**



**Bruce Hayden NI1X    Tony Federico  
& Kathy Magee**

**The Bruce NI1X found club members Jim Ford NM1F and Ross Hochstrasser KB1OEO selling goodies at the Antique Radio Flea Market in Manchester, NH on April 21<sup>st</sup> along with his friend Kathy Magee and her brother Tony Federico.**

**The Bruce NI1X picked up an Atwater Kent radio (real radios glow in the dark) and a power supply. You can receive a free copy of Antique Radio Classified (ARC) by writing to ARC P.O. Box 2 Carlisle, MA 01741-0002 and requesting a free copy.**

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## SCUTTLEBUTT - SCUTTLEBUTT - SCUTTLEBUTT

**Ed Meehan N1NTZ** is looking for the where-a-bouts of his long handle (8ft) post-hole scoop shovel that was being stored at the Club House.

**Steve Rudin W1WSN** reports he has permission to install an HF antenna on his condo complex in Florida and we should be hearing him on HF soon.

**Ray Bolduc KB1ODU** has purchased a YAESU FT-8900 2-Meter / 440/MHz / 6-Meter / 10-Meter mobile rig for his car and has picked up a Kenwood FT-71 handheld.

**Greg Noyes KB1OAW** reports that he volunteered to help provide communication at the Boston Marathon and was put in charge of communication for a medical sweep bus.

**Phil McNamara N1XTB** reports that he also volunteered to help provide communication at the Boston Marathon and was assigned to First Aid Station 17 that was located at mile 22 just after Heartbreak Hill.

**NEXT V-E TESTING SESSIONS:** The 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in May at 8:30 a.m. at Saint Clare's Church on Liberty St. in Braintree. Also on the third Thursday in May at 7:30 p.m. at Canton Fire Station.



# WHITMAN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC.

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## 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, May 2nd at 6:30 p.m.  
Whitman Public Library

## CLUB OFFICERS

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V. President	Bill	N1FRE
Secretary	Roy	KB1CYV
Treasurer	Jeff	N1SOM
Director	George	KC1FZ
Director	Paul	N1VTI
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