



The Whitman Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

September 2008

SPECTRUM



The Voice of the Humble Electron

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: This is **Paul N1VTI** – the Marshfield Fair Amateur Radio Exhibit Booth and Special Event Station **NN1MF** was a great success. Participation was fantastic with 25 Whitman Club members and 4 area HAMS helping to staff the booth over the 10 day period.

The Saftler's fund raising flea market was a financial success and also brought out 31 Whitman club members and 15 area HAMS as well. This was a great social event where we were able to have an eye ball to eye ball QSO and get an update on your radioactive projects.



Paul Burbine
N1VTI

On the Public Service side of amateur radio we have a dedicated group of Whitman Club members who support their local Emergency Management Agencies and were active with RADIOGRAM training, a fire in Whitman and severe weather SKYWARN reporting. On the fun side of amateur radio we had another Fox Hunt and some members reported on their participation in the New England ARRL Convention in Boxboro. I participated in a Volunteer Examiner (V-E) Session in Braintree along with **Jim O'Rourke WG1L**.

At the next meeting we will have some radios for sale. We will also be planning for the Scouting - Jamboree On The Air (JOTA) and our participation in the upcoming NEAR-Fest Flea Market in Deerfield, New Hampshire where **Paul Moss KB1MTW** and I plan to set up a club table. We are approaching 100 members and your support of these and other club activities is greatly appreciated.

From: Paul N1VTI

SOME OF THE SAFTLER'S FUND RAISING FLEA MARKET PARTICIPANTS

Eleven of the 47 participants who helped staff the Saftler's fund raising Flea Market and helped put the Club Station **WA1NPO** On-The-Air are shown on Monday September 1, 2008.

Seen standing L. to R. are **Frank Hayes N1OGP**, area HAM **John Dunn N1VPU**, **Jeff Tracy N1SOM** – Club Treasurer,



Bob Johnson K1VU, **Roy Logan KB1CYV**, **Bob Loring K1REL** and **Loren Pimentel N1IQI**. Seen kneeling L. to R. are **Paul Moss KB1MTW**, **Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN** – Club Secretary, **Jim Ford NM1F** and **Bruce Hayden N1IX**.

SECRETARY'S NOTES OF THE MEETING OF September 3rd, 2008 de N1ZZN

OPENING: The members started gathering at the Whitman Public Library, Whitman, MA around 6:15 p.m. President **Paul N1VTI** opened the meeting at 6:43 p.m.



Jeff Lehmann
N1ZZN

ATTENDANCE: Thirty-one members and two guests were present, including the four elected Officers and three Directors. A quorum was present.

KA1PJX	Don Keene	KB1CYV	Roy Logan		
KB1CHW	John Coombs Jr.	KB1ETW	Jim Halpin		
KB1MTW	Paul Moss	KB1ODS	John Chase		
KB1OEP	Mike Supple	KB1OEQ	Ron Stundze		
KB1OSV	Matt Paine	KB1PFU	Dan Chase		
KB1PHN	John Murphy	KB1QEM	John O'Neill	W5IRW	Jim Gilbert
KB1QKW	Chris Laroe	SWL	Colben Laroe (Guest)	KB1QMX	Dave Beauvais
K1MRH	Barbara Rice	K1WGU	Bob Bass	KC1FZ	George Davis
N1FRE	Bill Hayden	N1IQI	Loren Pimentel	N1NO	Dave Hammond
N1NTZ	Ed Meehan	N1PXX	Ron Smith	N1SOM	Jeff Tracy
N1VTI	Paul Burbine	N1WIG	Sam Webber	N1ZZN	Jeff Lehmann
NM1F	Jim Ford	WG1L	Jim O'Rourke	W1GQN	Jim Havens (Guest)
W1GRC	Gary Cumiskey	W1EKG	Ross Hochstrasser		

TREASURER'S REPORT: The treasurer's report for August was read by **Jeff N1SOM**. **Ed N1NTZ** made a motion seconded by **Barbara K1MRH** 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 **Jim WG1L** that the August secretary's report be accepted as published in the newsletter. The motion was approved.

NEW MEMBERS: **Ed N1NTZ** made a motion that **Sharon Cumiskey KB1RAA**, **Dave Hammond N1NO**, **John O'Neill KB1QEM**, and **James Tynan KC1JET** be accepted as new members. **Jim NM1F** seconded the motion and it was approved.

HEALTH & WELFARE: **Barbara K1MRH** reported that she sent a card and flowers on behalf of the club to **Jeff N1SOM** and **Bill N1SON** for the loss of their mother and wife.

OLD BUSINESS: **Bill N1FRE** reported that the Marshfield Fair special event was a great success. **Bruce NI1X** had the full report on the participation in the special edition newsletter for the fair. We thanked **Sam N1WIG** for the use of his R5 vertical antenna for the duration of the fair. **Jeff N1ZZN** reported that the contest to contact as many other club members as possible on the air has been canceled due to the many variables that were mentioned at the July meeting. **Roy KB1CYV** reported that the last fox hunt was once again a success. The next hunt will take place on Sunday September 14th from 2-4 PM in the town of East Bridgewater. **Jeff N1SOM** and others reported that the flea market in Sattler's parking lot on Labor Day weekend was once again a great success, with good weather both days. **Roy KB1CYV** reported that the Triathlon at the D.W. Field Park in Brockton will take place on September 21st, contact **Carl N1FY** for details on helping with communications. There will also be another race at Camp Yomechas in Middleboro on September 28th. **Jeff N1SOM** reported that nametags with the club logo along with your name and call sign are available for \$12.00 with an order of 10 or more. **Jeff N1ZZN** suggested that the library's extra chairs be setup before each future meeting.

SECRETARY'S NOTES OF THE MEETING OF September 3rd, 2008 Cont: de N1ZZN

NEW BUSINESS: Paul N1VTI reported that Steve W3EVE (w3eve@arrl.net) is looking for volunteers for the Jimmy Fund walk, which will take place along the Boston Marathon route on September 21st. Paul KB1MTW reported that the Jamboree On The Air will be taking place on the weekend of October 18-19th, with Camp Norse in Kingston being considered as a place to demonstrate HAM radio to the scouts again this year. Paul KB1MTW reported that a set of Drake radios along with the power supply has been donated to the club. Any club members who are interested can submit bids over \$200 to Jeff N1SOM with the bidding to end on the night of the October meeting. Bill N1FRE reported that a former club member is selling an Icom IC-746 with power supply for \$900. Jeff N1ZZN reported that any and all reports are needed and wanted for the National Weather Service SKYWARN program during severe weather. Check in on the Bridgewater 147.180 repeater with any reports during severe weather. Bill N1FRE made a motion that the club make a \$50 donation to the Whitman Public Library for the use of their meeting room. Ed N1NTZ seconded the motion, and it was approved. Jeff N1ZZN reported that a Polyphase lightning arrester for the coax, and a surge protector for the phone line are needed for the repeater. Bill N1FRE made a motion that these items be purchased under the remaining \$200 that was allocated for the repeater project. Paul KB1MTW seconded the motion, and it was approved. Jeff N1ZZN reported that the NEAR-Fest in Deerfield, NH will take place on October 10-11th.

CLUB ANTENNA ANALYZER LOCATION: George KC1FZ's QTH

NET CONTROLS: 9/7: Roy KB1CYV 9/14: Mike KB1OEP 9/21: Jeff N1SOM 9/28: Ed N1NTZ

CLOSE: President Paul N1VTI closed the business meeting at 7:35 p.m. on a motion by Ed N1NTZ seconded by Jim WG1L. The motion was approved.

REINSTATED FORMER MEMBER: Dave Hammond N1NO lives in Hull, has been licensed for 21 years and reports that he graduated, with a Novice Class License, from the Pine Street School of Excellence (Classes were held in the Quonset Hut) in the mid 1980's.

Dave N1NO reports that he currently works at fabricating microwave, satellite and Doppler radar antennas and that he is setting up a Yaesu FT-100D transceiver in his 33 foot power boat that is moored in Hull and plans to be maritime mobile soon.

Dave N1NO helped out at the Marshfield Fair and shared with us that he is also a proud new grandfather.



Dave Hammond N1NO

NEW MEMBER: Sharon Cumiskey KB1RAA lives in Bridgewater with her husband Gary W1GRC.

Sharon KB1RAA received her Technician class license in August and we hope to hear her on the air soon.

We met Sharon KB1RAA at the Framingham Flea Market where this picture was taken. I am sure Gary W1GRC can help her out with a starter set.



Sharon
KB1RAA

Gary
W1GRC

NEW MEMBER: John O'Neill KB1QEM lives in Sharon with his wife **Linda. John KB1QEM** received his Technician Class License in March of this year and recently upgraded to a General Class License. With his new General Class privileges **John KB1QEM** is looking forward to working HF and also has an interest in packet communications.



John O'Neill KB1QEM

John KB1QEM reports that he currently owns a Yaesu VX-170 HT and an FT-2800, which he runs as his mobile. "I wanted to get another 2m radio to use as a base at my home QTH but since getting my General Class License I am on the lookout for a good but inexpensive "starter" HF setup."

John KB1QEM also reports that he is a Technical Support Specialist in the Information Systems Department at South Shore Hospital in Weymouth where he has worked for 12 years.

NEW MEMBER: Jim Tynan KC1JET was licensed in May 2008 and lives in Taunton with his wife **Kim** and two young adults **Jessica** and **Eric**. **Jim KC1JET** reports that he has a YAESU FT-8800 mobile rig along with a VR-6 handheld radio and can access the Whitman REPEATER from his home QTH.



Jim Tynan KC1JET

Jim KC1JET is a member of the Taunton Area Communications Group TACGroup and plans to get more involved with the Taunton Emergency Management Agency. **Jim KC1JET** has been attending RADIOGRAM training held on the first Monday of the month in Taunton and paid a visit to the Whitman Club Field Day site.

HURRICANE GUSTOV - RED CROSS VOLUNTEER - Paula Farrales SWL

This update was published in the Livingston-Tangipahoa Writer on September 11, 2008. Our local Taunton - Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) member **Paula Farrales SWL** was helping out during Hurricane Gustov, on September 2, 2008, in a Red Cross shelter that was set up in the North Park Recreation facility in Denham Springs, Louisiana. – next door to Baton Rouge and not far from New Orleans. The article was titled "**Shelter's help evacuees cope**". The part of the article about **Paula SWL** is as follows:

Paula Farrales of Boston, a Red Cross dormitory manager at the shelter, had taken leave from her job as a mental-health worker with the state of Massachusetts to help.

She also volunteered for three weeks in New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina.

For the people at the shelter, Farrales said she tries to provide "some support, answer questions, keep them safe and the kids safe."

"Give them hope – that's all I can do is give them hope" Farrales said.

For those who do not know **Paula SWL** – she is a Taunton Emergency Management Agency volunteer who worked with us during the Taunton Dam Crisis. Of course the Taunton crew have been working on **Paula SWL** to get her amateur radio license. We can all be proud of **Paula SWL** for being "always ready to lend a helping hand". She will make a great HAM some day.

THERE WAS AN ANTENNA PARTY IN HOLBROOK



3 beam antennas and one vertical

Jim Tovet KA1EUI says:

“THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED.
I COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU”.



BREAK

TIME

SNACKS

BY

Elayne

KB1IKH



Kevin O'Donnell K1KOD
Jim O'Rourke WQ1L
Tom Wilson KB1TOM

Jim Tovet KA1EUI
Bob Marchese K1NOK
Pi Pugh K1RV
Alan Knowles SWL

Jim Tovet KA1EUI had help, on Labor Day weekend, installing antennas on his 72-foot crank up tower that included a Diamond V-2000 vertical antenna on top that is good for 2-Meters / 70 cm / and 6-Meters and tops out at 92 feet. Right under that is a 10 element 2-Meter vertical beam. Under that is a 10 element 2-Meter horizontal beam and under that is a Hy-Gain TH11DX 11-element 5 band beam. Jim KA1EUI extends his thanks to his wife Elayne KB1IKH and the following HAMs for all their help. Tom Wilson KB1TOM, Bob Marchese K1NOK, Bill Needham K1WN, Kevin O'Donnell K1KOD, Pi Pugh K1RV, Jim O'Rourke WQ1L and Alan Knowles SWL (Future HAM). For more pictures of this tower project that were taken by Elayne KB1IKH see: <http://picasaweb.google.com/jtovet/TheKA1EUITowerProject#>

SAFTLER'S FUND RAISING FLEA MARKET

A special thanks to **Eric Saftler** for granting the Whitman Amateur Radio Club permission to use Saftler's parking lot for a fund raising Flea Market over the Labor Day weekend. Saftler's has been in business for 90 years. Our records show that the Whitman Amateur Radio Club has been granted permission to hold their fund raising flea market at Saftler's since 1976 – that's 32 years.

The participation was fantastic. The 31 club members who stopped by to help staff the club table and keep an eye on the Flea Market were:

KB1MTY	Bob Schmitt	NM1F	Jim Ford	N1POO	Pete Carlson
N1VTI	Paul Burbine	N1FRE	Bill Hayden	KB1MTW	Paul Moss
N1WIG	Sam Webber	NI1X	Bruce Hayden	N1SOM	Jeff Tracy
K1CWS	Bruce Billings	KB1CYV	Roy Logan	N1OYH	Carl Davis
N1OEH	Vic Kairis	N1SON	Bill Tracy	N1OGP	Frank Hayes
W1GQN	Jim Havens	K1VU	Bob Johnson	KB1ODU	Ray Bolduc
K1JXS	Al Molin	K1MRH	Barbara Rice	WG1L	Jim O'Rourke
W1GRC	Gary Cumiskey	N1ZZN	Jeff Lehmann	WA1UMT	Dave Darois
WQ1L	John Coombs	N1NTZ	Ed Meehan	KB1QKW	Chris Laroe
KB1PFL	Jim Madden	K1REL	Bob Loring	N1IQI	Loren Pimentel
W1EKG	Ross Hochstrasser				

A special thanks to all the members and friends of the Whitman Amateur Radio Club who donated goodies to be sold at the club table.

CLUB MEMBERS SET UP TABLES



Bob Schmitt KB1MTY - vendor
Jeff Tracy N1SOM - collecting
Paul Burbine N1VTI - collecting



Jim Ford NM1F - vendor

Paul Burbine N1VTI, **Bill Hayden N1FRE** and **Jeff Tracy N1SOM** had been working behind the scenes to secure the Flea Market permits and make all necessary arrangements. **Paul Burbine N1VTI** had volunteered to greet the vendors at 6 a.m. and direct them to their spots. **Bill Hayden N1FRE** was seen arriving shortly thereafter. **Jeff Tracy N1SOM** and **Paul Burbine N1VTI** made the rounds and collected vendor fees on Sunday. **Jeff Tracy N1SOM** and **Paul Moss KB1MTW** made the rounds and collected on Monday. **Jeff Tracy N1SOM** had volunteered to pick up the soda, bottled water, ice and coolers.

WHITMAN AMATEUR RADIO PUBLIC SERVICE NET (WARPSN)



Jeff Tracy N1SOM
and new club generator

The new club generator got a workout supplying power to the Club Station **WA1NPO**. The size is 2000 watts - inverter type - and it is rated at 13.3 amps at 120-Vac. It is very quiet and ran about 7 hours on one gallon of gas. It also has a plug rated 8 amps at 12- Vdc.

located
at Saffler's



Paul Moss KB1MTW
Net Control Operator for the WARPSN Net

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 August we had 5 sessions with an average of 13 area HAMS checking in each week and 17 messages were sent.

Paul Moss KB1MTW was Net Control for the Sunday morning May 25th **WARPSN Net** and operated from the Flea Market using **Walter's K1BZD** 2-Meter transceiver as a Club Station and using **The Bruce's N1X** Diamond 2-Meter / 440 MHz vertical antenna. Club members who were not able to make it to the Flea Market but who were able to log in with the Whitman Club Station **WA1NPO** over the two day event via 2-Meters were:

KB1OEQ Mike Supple
W1GMF Gil Follett
W5IRW Jim Gilbert
K1AWB Steve Laroe

KB1PHN John Murphy
N1NO Dave Hammond
KB1PFL Jim Madden
KB1QEM John O'Neill

N1PXX Ron Smith
WG1L Jim O'Rourke
KC1FZ George Davis
WA1YZH Dave Gurney

Checking in from the longest distance away was **Dave Gurney WA1YZH** who checked in from Truro, Ma. where he was camping on the tip of Cape Cod. The area HAMS who stopped by were:

K1NOK Bob Marchese of Scituate
N1KQV Steve Snow of Randolph
KB1EKN Mark Duff of Hingham
KB1ISG Geri Duff of Hingham
K1UCY Allan Dunn of Holbrook
N1VPU John Dunn of Holbrook
N1KQZ Doug Cugini of Taunton
KB1DKI Nancy Cugini of Taunton

N1KQR Paul Foley of Brockton
KA1DZA Bob Pratt of Abington
K1XRB Peter George of Whitman
N1EDM Bob Mandeville of Brockton
N1XQX Dennis Girardi of Weymouth
WA1YKF Warren Dickie of Holbrook
K1CG George Manning of Pembroke

Matt Paine KB1OSV operated from Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia and made special contacts with Alaska and Labrador, Canada.. **Matt KB1OSV** reports that 6-Meter was very active. **Matt KB1OSV** checked in during the week via EchoLink from Nova Scotia as **KB1OSV / VE1** portable and reported lots of stormy weather with wind and rain

SAFTLER'S FUND RAISING FLEA MARKET - Cont:

HEALTH AND WELFARE: **Bruce Billings K1CWS** stopped by with his wife **Loraine** and reported that he is on the road to recovery following surgery to repair a torn Achilles tendon. **Bruce K1CWS** reports that he is out of the boot cast, is undergoing physical therapy and is getting stronger every day.

HF CLUB STATION: **Bill Hayden N1FRE** set up his ICOM IC-756 transceiver and connected it to **Sam's N1WIG** Cushcraft R-5 vertical antenna that was lashed to a railing. Conditions were poor. A radio check was made by contacting both **Bill N1FRE** and **John WQ1L** on 20-Meters while they were mobile in Whitman. **The Bruce NI1X** made a scheduled 20-Meter CW contact with **John Alley W1DMD** in Raynham.



Loraine & Bruce Billings
SWL & K1CWS

Bob Johnson K1VU received two contest awards.

One was from the Radio Amateurs of Canada Inc. 2007 Canada Day Contest which read "First Place W1 Single Operator, All Band, phone, 12,960 points".

The second was from the International Amateur Radio Union HF World Championship Award which read "First Place, Single Operator, Phone only, low power, Eastern Mass. Section, Zone 8, 2007"



Bob Johnson K1VU

RADIOGRAM TRAINING

Shown at the Taunton Emergency Operations Center following the Sept. RADIOGRAM Training session were L. to R. **Carlos Wharton WP4US**, **Rudy Burer KB1LXI** – Asst. Director of TEMA & Net Control, **Don Burke KB1LXH**, **Bob Barbour K1BAR**, **Bruce Hayden NI1X**, **Neal Harrington KB1LXL** and **Greg Glynn W1VFB**.

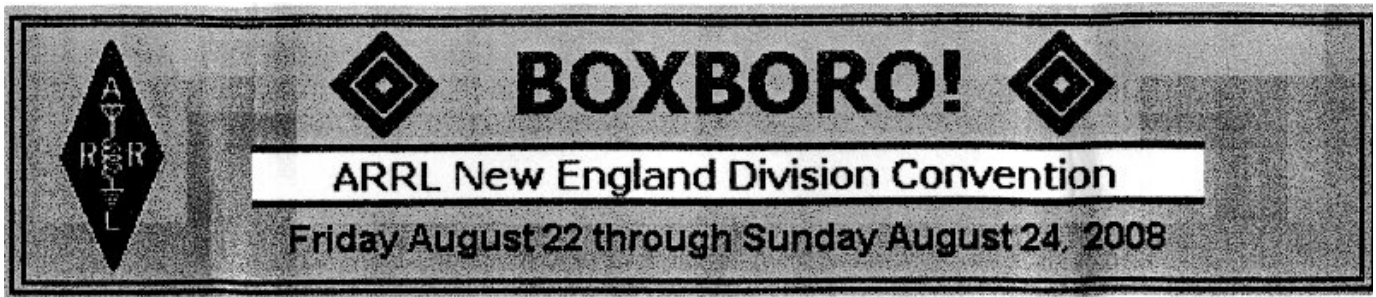


Taunton RACES Volunteers

At the Whitman EOC were **Bill Hayden N1FRE** – Net Control, **Bob Schmitt KB1MTY** and **Mike Supple KB1OEP**. **Paul Moss KB1MTW** later reported that Whitman CERT Team members **Bob Schmitt KB1MTY**, **Skip O'Malley KB1MTZ** and himself were called out to bring the CERT REHAB vehicle to a fire on September 13, 2008. **Ray Bolduc KB1ODU** reported that he took the RADIOGRAM messages for Weymouth.

John Miller N1UMJ sent three messages to the local Emergency Management Agency Directors from the MEMA Region II headquarters located in a bunker on the Bridgewater State Prison property. The next Training session will be Monday October 6, 2008. If you are interested in helping out in Whitman, where additional Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training is being planned – contact **Bill N1FRE** at E-mail wf.hayden@verizon.net

ARRL NEW ENGLAND DIVISION CONVENTION AT BOXBORO



Jim Ford NM1F was set up in the outdoor parking lot with the flea market vendors. **The Bruce NI1X** found both **Tom Wilson KB1TOM** and **Jim Tovet KA1EUI** inside helping **Pi Pugh K1RV** promote his HamTestOnLine software program.

Pi Pugh K1RV

Tom Wilson KB1TOM

Jim Tovet KA1EUI

The Bruce NI1X attended the seminar presented by **Tom Perera W1TP** on the evolution and current value of telegraph keys. **Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN** reported that he attended the seminar on the new 900 MHz REPEATERS in the area. **Dave Beauvais KB1QMX** reported that he picked up a Yaesu FT-7800 mobile rig and antenna to use as a home Base Station. **Bob Loring K1REL** reported that he picked up a new 5/8-wave mag. mount for inside use at his new place in Carver. Also attending were **John Murphy KB1PHN**, **Jim Tynan KC1JET**, **Mark Loring KC1ML**, **Phil McNamara N1XTB**, **John O'Neil KB1QEM** and **Jim Madden KB1PFL**. Everyone attended at different times and I am sure we missed a few.

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Ralph Lanzetta WA1TSL reported that the control head from his FT-7800 mobile rig along with driver and passenger side air bags were stolen from his car.

Paul Burbine N1VTI picked up a Mosley 10-15-20-Meter 3 element YAGI.

Jim Madden KB1PFL picked up another boat anchor – a military AN/TRC-77 CW rig, 3-8 MHz crystal control, 12 volts and Monitors AM voice.

Jim Havens W1GQN sent his older Kenwood TS-430S to be repaired by **Milton Lord N4DA** in Georgia.

PERSONAL ITEMS FOR SALE

ICOM IC-746 TRANSCEIVER: Frank Hayes N1OGP reports that **Father Henry Boivin K1DPH** of Braintree has an ICOM IC-746 transceiver with matching power supply for sale. Price \$900.00 for all. Like new – used less than 50 hours. Contact **Frank Hayes N1OGP** if interested at Tel: 781-447-1277

CLUB ITEMS FOR SALE -

Following the September meeting – **Paul Moss KB1MTW** reports: “The radios and antenna rotor that came to the Saftler's flea market are to be offered to club members on a "high bid" basis. They will be up for bid until our next meeting in October. At that time bids will be reviewed & the high bidder will receive the radio[s]. All bids are to be sent to our treasurer, **Jeff N1SOM**. If it is felt by the "body" that the bids aren't high enough, then the decision will be made to send the equipment to NEAR-Fest for sale at the club table.



Hy-gain rotor

ITEM 1: Telex Hy-gain heavy-duty antenna rotor / control box in working condition-Model T2X. Not sure how base mounts to tower.



Drake T-4XB

Power supply



Drake R-4B



Gonset Communicator

ITEM 2: R.L.Drake Co. Model T-4XB transmitter and Model MS-4 speaker / power supply along with a R.L.Drake Co Model R-4B receiver - minimum bid \$200.00. The operating condition of the radios is unknown, except the receiver, which was powered up & did have noise & squelch”. All radios have been sitting around for years. A good restoration project.

ITEM 3. Gonset Communicator IV Model 3341 2-Meter AM crystal controlled transceiver.

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 21ST - BROCKTON - D. W. FIELD PARK - TRIATHLON: The Massasoit Club has volunteered to provide communication support at the Triathlon to be held in the D. W. Field Park in Brockton on Sunday September 21 and are looking for additional support. We will all meet at 7:30 a.m. at the Oak Street entrance to get assignments. Talk in on the Bridgewater REPEATER

September 28th MIDDLEBORO - CAMP YOMECHAS - MARATHON: The Massasoit Club has volunteered to provide communication support for the Middleboro YMCA Marathon to be held at the YMCA Camp Yomechas on Rt. 28 in South Middleboro on Sunday September 28, 2008 and are looking for additional support. We will meet at the Dunkin Donuts at the Junction of Rt. 28 and Rt. 105 between 8:00 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. to get assignments. Talk in on the Bridgewater REPEATER.

October 10th and 11th—NEAR-Fest - DEERFIELD, NH - FLEA MARKET -

Located in Deerfield, NH at the Deerfield fairgrounds on Rt. 43 approximately 15 miles east of Manchester, NH. Take Exit 3 off Highway 101 and follow Rt. 43 north to the fairgrounds. Gates open Friday at 9:00 a.m. \$10.00 per person & \$10.00 per vehicle (RV's, Campers & Trailers - \$20.00). Saturday \$5.00 per person. See www.NEAR-Fest.com for details.



The Fox Hunting Crew

Roy Logan KB1CYV volunteered to be the elusive Fox on Sunday September 14th and he was hiding in the conservation area parking lot of the Frank Johnson Memorial Riverfront Area on Bridge Street in E. Bridgewater. The rain had stopped but there was a Red Sox game in progress.

Shown just following the hunt are L. to R. **Bruce Hayden N11X**, **Roy Logan KB1CYV** – The Fox for the day – **Mark Loring KC1ML**, **Ron Stundze KB1OEQ**, **Bill Hayden N1FRE**, **Kevin Dykes KB1MOC** and **Paul Moss KB1MTW**. Not present when the picture was taken, but also participating, was **Mark's KC1ML** daughter **Patricia**.

All you need is a receiver with an S-Meter. The Fox transmits for about one minute every 5 minutes on 146.565 MHz simplex. A beam antenna with an attenuator is best for direction finding but smaller and smaller paperclip antennas work just as well.

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SKYWARN REPORT – TO CLOSE FOR COMFORT: **John Coombs WQ1L** reported that an oak tree fell down in his yard and took down the power cable and telephone line to his house. **John WQ1L** reported that he was only without power for 5-½ hours. **Paul Burbine N1VTI** and **Paul Moss KB1MTW** offered their help and cut up the tree while **John WQ1L** made some repairs to his roof. HAMS are always ready to lend a helping hand.

900 MHz REPEATER UPDATE

Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN reports that has set up a 900 MHz REPEATER in Marshfield,, **Dave Hill N1GXV** has set up a 900MHz REPEATER in Pembroke, **Walt Fitzgerald W1WCF** has set up a 900 MHz REPEATER in Bridgewater and that **John Miller N1UMJ** plans to set up a 900 MHz Repeater in Taunton.

Jeff N1ZZN reports that some area HAMS are purchasing Motorola MTX-9000 handheld radios for use with the 900 MHz repeaters.



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, Oct 1st at 6:30 p.m.
Whitman Public Library

CLUB OFFICERS

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