



The Whitman Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

May 2009

# SPECTRUM



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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:** This is **Paul N1VTI** – I am now Motorcycle Mobile with my handheld transceiver. **Paul Moss KB1MTW**, **John Murphy KB1PHN** and I volunteered to set up a Whitman Club table at the NEARFest Flea Market held in Deerfield, NH. We saw 20 Whitman Club members who stopped by the Club table.

**Roy Logan KB1CYV** and **Barbara Rice K1MRH** reported that they were the Foxes and that there were 10 Whitman Club members and 1 area HAM participating in a second Fox Hunt in April.

**Jim Tynan KC1JET** and **Bob "Q" Callahan W1QWT** reported on their participation during the 113<sup>th</sup> running of the Boston Marathon. **Phil McNamara N1XTB** reported that the Bridgewater ARES Command Center was staffed during the running of the Boston Marathon with three other joint Whitman Club and Masasoit Club members participating. **Bill Hayden N1FRE** reported on first Monday of the Month RADIOGRAM Training with 6 Whitman Club members participating. **Bruce Hayden N1IX** reported on Plymouth Nuclear Power Plant Radiological Awareness and Response Training in Taunton with 3 Whitman Club members participating. **Paul Moss KB1MTW** reported on the deployment of the Whitman REHAB vehicle with **Ron Stundze KB1OEQ** and **Kevin Dykes KB1MOC** also participating.

**Jim Madden KB1PFL** and **Tom Wilson KB1TOM** and I brought our SPUDGUNS to the May meeting for Show and Tell. Congratulations to **Tom Wilson KB1TOM** who upgraded to Extra Class in April. Come to the next meeting and share your radioactive projects with the other members present. Next, I hope to see you at the Saffler's Fund Raising Flea Market to be held over the Memorial Day Weekend. Donate some goodies to be sold at the Club Table.

**73: From Paul N1VTI**

## **TECHNICAL TOPICS -- THE SPUDGUN ANTENNA LAUNCHER**



**Ron N1PXX,** **Jeff N1SOM** **Jim Madden KB1PFL**  
**Jeff N1ZZN** **Paul N1VTI**

**Tom Wilson**  
**KB1TOM**

**Paul Burbine**  
**N1VTI**

## SECRETARY'S NOTES OF THE MEETING OF May 6th, 2009 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 6:35 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE:** Fifty members / guests were present, including all four elected Officers and all four Directors. A quorum was present.



Jeff Lehmann  
N1ZZN

K1AWB	Steve Laroe	KB1REQ	Jeremy Breef-Pilz		
K1MRH	Barbara Rice	KB1RXQ	Joe "Dino" Casieri (guest)		
K1WGU	Bob Bass	K4CDR	John Burgholzer (guest)		
KA1EUI	Jim Tovet	KA1JBE	Joe Casieri (guest)		
KA1PJX	Don Keene	SWL	Mary Darois (guest)		
KB1CYV	Roy Logan	W1EKG	Ross Hochstrasser		
KB1IKH	Elayne Tovet	WB4OAU	Sally Burgholzer (guest)		
SWL	Pat Kavaljian	KB1CHW	John Coombs Jr.		
KB1NAX	Joan Smith	KB1ODS	John Chase		
KB1OEP	Mike Supple	WG1L	Jim O'Rourke		
KB1OEQ	Ron Stundze	KB1OSV	Matt Paine	KB1PFL	Jim Madden
KB1PHN	John Murphy	KB1PVC	Mike Dowd	KB1QKW	Chris Laroe
KB1QMX	Dave Beauvais	K1REL	Bob Loring	KB1BTS	Priscilla Imhoff
K1MRG	Mike Canney	KB1KVL	Ken Kavaljian	KB1MTW	Paul Moss
KB1TOM	Tom Wilson	KC1FZ	George Davis	KC1JET	Jim Tynan
KC1ML	Mark Loring	N1FRE	Bill Hayden	N1OGP	Frank Hayes
N1OYH	Carl Davis	N1PXX	Ron Smith	N1SOM	Jeff Tracy
N1VTI	Paul Burbine	N1WIG	Sam Webber	N1ZZN	Jeff Lehmann
NI1X	Bruce Hayden	W1GQN	Jim Havens	W1IRK	Bruce McKim
WA1UMT	Dave Darois	WA1ZKK	Al Craddock	WQ1L	John Coombs



### Some of the 50 members and guests attending the May meeting

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The treasurer's report for April was read by **Jeff N1SOM**. **Bruce NI1X** made a motion seconded by **Jim WG1L** 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 **Barbara K1MRH** that the April secretary's report be accepted as published in the newsletter. The motion was approved.

## SECRETARY'S NOTES OF THE MEETING OF May 6th, 2009 de N1ZZN Cont:

**HEALTH & WELFARE:** Barbara K1MRH reported that Evelyn Foley K1EF is recovering from a hip replacement. The members present signed a card to be sent to Evelyn K1EF.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Bruce N1IX reported that there will be a Fox Hunt on Saturday May 16<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. in one of the Bridgewater Towns. The fox frequency will be 146.535 MHz. Bruce N1IX also reported that the USA ARDF Championship (fox hunting) would be held in this area this year, June 5-7<sup>th</sup>, at the Blue Hills Reservation. Details can be found at [www.homingin.com](http://www.homingin.com). Jeff N1SOM reported that several items that were donated to the club were sold on ebay. Bruce N1IX reported that he has reserved the special 1x1 call sign W1N for the club to use on Field Day this year. Paul KB1MTW made a motion that \$250 be set aside for food for Field Day. Bill N1FRE seconded the motion, and it was approved. Ross W1EKG reported that he was able to get the permit from the town of Whitman to conduct the Memorial Day Weekend Flea Market (Sunday & Monday) at Saftler's parking lot, at the corner of Routes 14 and 18 in Whitman. Jeff N1SOM reported that he would place the ads for the flea market in the newspapers, and buy the refreshments. Frank N1OGP made a motion that there be a discount for those that sell on both days of the flea market, with the price being \$40. The price will still be \$25 for individual days. Barbara K1MRH seconded the motion, and it was approved. Jeff N1ZZN reported that the information for the Marshfield Fair special event has been submitted to the ARRL, and will appear in the August QST. Jim W1GQN reported that the CW net on 28.290 MHz following the 2-meter net on Sunday mornings has been a success so far.

**NOMINATIONS:** Paul N1VTI was nominated for President, Paul KB1MTW and Ron N1PXX / Vice President, Jeff N1SOM / Treasurer, Jeff N1ZZN / Secretary, Barbara K1MRH, Bob K1WGU, and John KB1PHN / Board of Directors. Nominations were closed at the end of the meeting, and ballots will be mailed out, and counted at the June meeting.

**CLUB EQUIPMENT:** Paul KB1MTW reports that all club equipment is accounted for.

**NET CONTROLS:** 5/10: Bill N1FRE  
5/24 (10:00 AM @ Saftler's Flea Market): Bruce N1IX

5/17: Jeff N1SOM  
5/31: Mike K1MRG

**CLOSE:** President Paul N1VTI closed the business meeting at 7:35p.m. on a motion by Paul KB1MTW seconded by Frank N1OGP. The motion was approved.

**TECHNICAL TOPICS:** Tom KB1TOM, Jim KB1PFL, and Paul N1VTI showed off their new antenna launching devices, and hope to use them to bring our antennas to new heights at Field Day.

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### Frank's N1OGP GUESTS FROM FLORIDA

Frank Hayes N1OGP brought two guests to the May meeting. They were John K4CDR and Sally WB4OAU Burgholzer of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Sally WB4OAU reported that they moved from Quincy, Mass. to Florida in 1969 and were up visiting Frank N1OGP and other old friends.

Over the years, with Frank N1OGP coordinating, John K4CDR has gone out of his way to make HF contact with WA1NPO when the Whitman club has been operating a Club Special Event Station.



Frank Hayes  
N1OGP

John  
K4CDR

Sally  
WB4OAU



## TECHNICAL TOPICS -- THE SPUDGUN LAUNCHER

**Jim Madden KB1PFL** reports: "I just finished building the antenna SPUDGUN launcher as detailed in the March issue of QST - page 67. I am more than happy with it. I can put a projectile over an 80-foot tree with ease. I didn't use the cheap reel. I ended up using a more expensive one, which was much of an improvement over the Zebco 202 specified in the article. If a club member wants to borrow it just let me know".



**Jim Madden KB1PFL**

At the May meeting - **Tom Wilson KB1TOM** showed the version he improvised and shoots tennis balls. **Paul Burbine N1VTI** showed the version he purchased at NEARFest last October. They are all air operated.

**HEALTH & WELFARE UPDATE:** **Ray Bolduc KB1ODU** has been relocated to the Sachem Skilled Care Rehabilitation Facility in E. Bridgewater center and invites anyone to visit him or call on his phone listed on the roster. **Ray KB1ODU** has his 2-meter base station set up in the room and is monitoring the Whitman 147.225MHz REPEATER at all times. Several members have already stopped by to say hello.

**HEALTH & WELFARE UPDATE:** **Evelyn Foley K1EF** is home recovering from a hip replacement. The next project is to get her up and running on EchoLink. **Ron Smith N1PXX** and **Paul Moss KB1MTW** are helping her set up her computer.

## ANTIQUE RADIO FLEA MARKET April 18, 2009 Manchester, NH - By: The Bruce" NI1X

The New England Antique Radio Club Vintage Radio Show and Swap Meet was held on Saturday, April 18, 2009 in Manchester, NH. Most collectors are selling antique radios like Atwater Kent, Philco, Crosley - real radios that glow in the dark – from the era of tube radios installed in cathedral or tombstone shaped wooden cases. More and more plastic radios from the 1950's are being sold as collectables.



**Jim Ford NM1F**



**Bruce's NI1X toys**



**Ross Hochstrasser W1EKG  
Bruce Hayden NI1X**

**The Bruce NI1X** found **Ross Hochstrasser W1EKG** selling old radios that he had restored to working condition. **Jim Ford NM1F** was found selling a mix of old radios and parts. There are plenty of old radio books along with new books dealing with antique radio restoration and pricing guides. There was a fine supply of radio tubes and tube testers along with components like replacement capacitors, resistors, knobs and speaker grill cloth.

## **FOX HUNT IN BRIDGEWATER - APRIL 18, 2009 By: The Bruce NI1X**

Roy Logan KB1CYV and Barbara Rice K1MRH were the Foxes and were hiding in the Chambers Conservation Area parking lot off High Street in Bridgewater, Mass. The signals were strong on High Street and no matter which direction you went – north, south, east or west they dropped off just like they are suppose to do. The entrance road and sign to the conservation property was hard to see and some of the Fox Hunters drove past the entrance to the Fox's Den several times before spotting it. Great fun.



**Bruce Hayden NI1X**

**The Fox**

**Roy Logan KB1CYV**

**Joe Casieri KA1JBE**

**Barbara Rice K1MRH**

**Dino Casieri KB1RXQ**

**Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ**



Ed Meehan N1NTZ came in first within the first half hour and the rest of the hunters took about 1-½ hours to find the Fox.

Area HAM John Bohane N1AE of Easton joined in the hunt but had other commitments and had to stop hunting after an hour (now we know John N1AE had driven past the Fox's Den on High

Street). John Chase KB1ODS was also out on the hunt and got as far as the Bridgewater State College.



**Paul Moss**  
**KB1MTW**

**Bill Hayden**  
**N1FRE**

The Fox transmits on 146.535 MHz simplex for one minute every 5 minutes. All you need is a receiver with a S-Meter and smaller and smaller paper clip antennas to attenuate the signal the closer and closer you get to the Fox's den. A 2-Meter beam antenna with an attenuator is best. The next Fox Hunt is going to be Saturday, May 16 at 10:00 a.m. in one of the Bridgewater Towns.

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**SILENT KEY:** We were just informed by Bob Mandeville N1EDM that former member and area HAM Bill McInerney N1KBV became a Silent Key on June 18, 2008 – Bill N1KBV SK had been living in Buzzards Bay, MA. for several years.



## THE 113<sup>TH</sup> RUNNING OF THE BOSTON MARATHON -- April 20, 2009

As you can imagine – the Boston Marathon is a huge event to coordinate with 26,000 runners and 500,000 spectators involved. Amateur Radio plays an important part by establishing a Net Control Station and positioning amateur Radio Operators throughout the entire 26.2 mile course.

**Steve Schwarm W3EVE** reports that 250 amateur radio operators were participating with amateur radio operators assigned to the start in Hopkinton, each First Aid station and Water Station along the route and at the finish in Boston. Other HAMs were on standby – monitoring the Marathon communication and public service channels from MEMA headquarters in Framingham and The ARES Command Center in Bridgewater.

**Pi Pugh K1RV** reports that this was the 14<sup>th</sup> consecutive year that he has volunteered his support for the Boston Marathon and was assigned as Team Leader at the Athlete's Field in Hopkinton, MA. and operated a NET Control Station within the Athletic Village.

**Bob "Q" Calahan W1QWT** reports: This was my second year and I was assigned to the Athlete's Village with **Pi K1RV**. My job was to be with **Peter Bundy SWL** the "voice of the marathon". He was the announcer and made announcements over the sound system such as when runners with certain bib numbers should head out to their corrals. Most people asked that announcements be made asking their friends to meet them in front of the large Poland Spring water bottle. I received special announcements from the command post over the HAM radio for **Peter** to make. It was wicked foggy early and wicked cold but it was fun.

**Jim Tynan KC1JET** Reports: "This was my first year and I was assigned to the Athlete's Village Command Post with **Pi K1RV**. My specific assignment was at the Medical Tent with the Doctor, Nurse and Physical Therapist from the Newton Wellesley Hospital who were tending to the runner medical needs. I was there to communicate back to the Command Post the needs of the medical staff and reports of injuries etc. So I was only a small part of the whole picture".

The weather was cool and the runners were looking for plastic bags to use as windbreakers before the start of the race. As is the practice - the sweat shirts and warm up pants left at the start of the race were to be collected and recycled.



### Some of the Athlete's Field volunteers



**Bill W1WRA**

**Henry K1WCC**

**Bob Callahan W1QWT**

**Pi Pugh K1RV**

**Larry KB1ESR**

**Bill AB1AV**

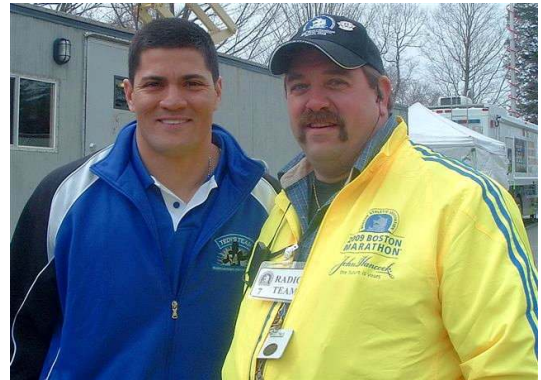
### Medical Tent – Athlete's Field



**Jim Tynan KC1JET**

## THE 113<sup>TH</sup> RUNNING OF THE BOSTON MARATHON -- April 20, 2009 Cont:

**Don Burke KB1LXH** Reports: "This was my second year and I was assigned to the Hopkinton Common at the information booth where I shadowed **Dottie Ferrier**, the Hopkinton Marathon committee chairwoman. She was a busy woman as she moved from the info tent to the starting line and all points in between. **Dottie** hosted many dignitaries at the starting line and it was great to be part of the communication support radio team.



**Bill Rogers**

**Dottie Ferrier**

**Dmitri Kyriakides**

**They're off and running**

**Tedy Bruschi**

**Don Burke KB1LXH**

**Don KB1LXH** also reports: "The flame from Marathon Greece was on display this year with **Dmitri Kyriakides**, grandson of **Stylianios Kyraikides**, winner of the 1946 Boston Marathon passing the torch to the four time Boston and New York Marathon winner **Bill Rogers**. **Bill Rogers** ran his first marathon in 10 years in 4:05:49. Patriots linebacker #54 **Tedy Bruschi** paid a visit and addressed the crowd. **Tedy's Team** is a group of runners raising money for the American Stroke Association".

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## AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE (ARES) COMMAND CENTER

**Carl Aveni N1FY** – the ARES Assistant Section Emergency Coordinator - opened the Bridgewater Emergency Operations Center (EOC) as the ARES Command Center during the 113<sup>th</sup> running of the Boston Marathon.

Along with **Carl N1FY** was **Phil McNamara N1XTB** – the ARES South Shore District Emergency Coordinator and **Roy Logan KB1CYV** with **Bruce Hayden N1IX**, **Chris Laroe KB1QKW** and **Colben Laroe SWL** stopping by to lend support and check things out.

The object was to monitor the public service frequencies for any major events along the Marathon route and anywhere else in the State.



**Carl Aveni N1FY**

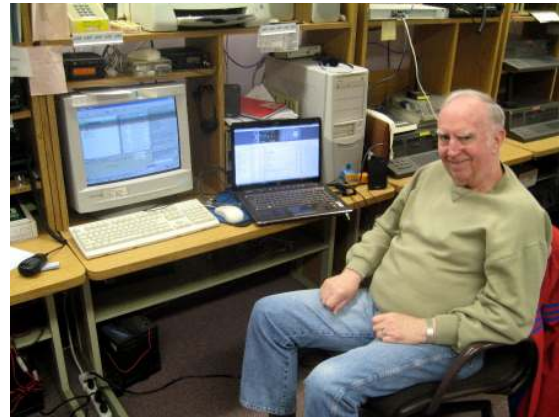


## AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE (ARES) COMMAND CENTER Cont:

The Boston Marathon was operating a Directed Net on the local REPEATERS with the Marathon volunteers and all other HAMs being asked to stand by and keep the frequency clear for Marathon traffic. **Steve W3EVE** had secured the call sign **W1M** for the event.

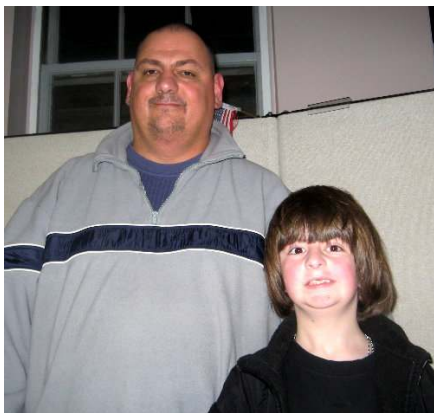


**Phil McNamara N1XTB**



**Roy Logan KB1CYV**

Along with separate 2-Meter transceivers monitoring REPEATERS in Framingham, Southboro, Boston, Brookline, Walpole, Weston and Quincy there were several other modes of communication being used to monitor the situation.



**Chris Laroe KB1QKW**  
**Colben Laroe SWL**



**Bruce Hayden N1IX**  
**Carl Aveni N1FY**

**Carl N1FY** had a computer set up and running a program called ProScan that looks like a Uniden Bearcat scanner and is loaded with Public Safety, Police, State Police, Logan and Fire frequencies and distributed over the internet.

EchoLink - New England Gateway conference linked **Rob KD1CY** at the marathon Net Control location with **Carl N1FY** at the Bridgewater ARES Command Center and **Tom Kinahan N1CPE** at the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in Framingham. They were also monitoring the Web EOC Monitor – The staff at the MEMA Headquarters in Framingham administers and posts messages from local EOCs on the Web EOC - a bulletin board that is available to local Emergency Operations Centers. Telephone was also an option being used.

Most of the radio traffic heard was the amateur radio operators who were collecting information about the number of runners requiring bus pickup at the various first aid stations along the route. **Carl N1FY** says there were no major incidents to report this year.



**THE WHITMAN EXPRESS PUBLISHED AN ARTICLE ON**  
**COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT) TRAINING**

## Preparing for the worst

Town's Emergency Response  
Team graduates its fourth class

Participating in the fourth Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training for the Town of Whitman were Whitman Amateur Radio Club members **Kevin Dykes KB1MOC** along with **Jeff Tracy N1SOM**, **Ron Stundze KB1OEQ** and **Mike Supple KB1OEP**.

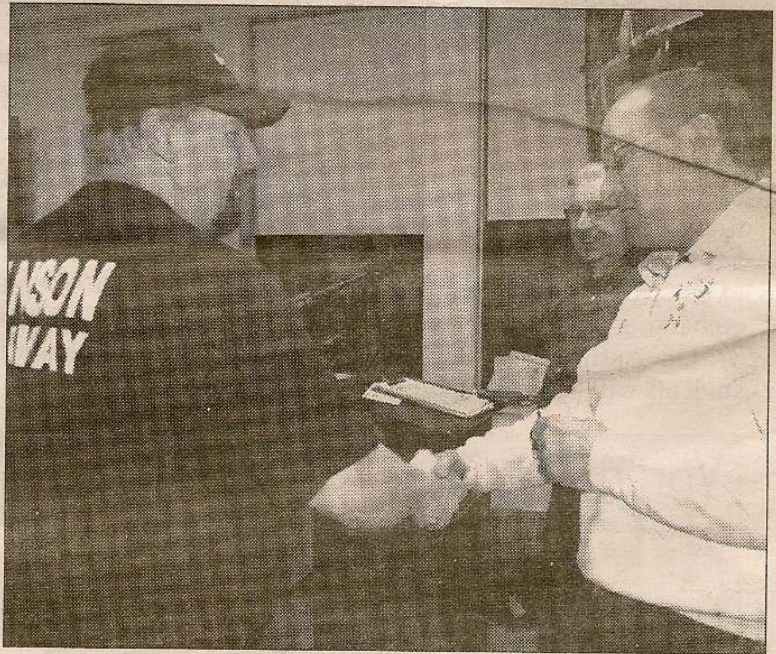
**Mike's KB1OEP** wife **Susan SWL** also graduated with the class.

The class instructors were Lieutenant **Bob Hover** and **Bob Schmitt KB1MTY** – the town's Emergency Management Agency Director and Whitman Club member.

The article pointed out that the dozen CERT graduates were preparing themselves for a possible disaster or local emergency. The topics covered disaster preparedness, medical operation, basic first aid, search and rescue, fire and disaster psychology. The course also covered the use of Automatic Electronic Defibrillator (AED) and CPR along with other topics like floods, local community shelters and identifying the potential of hazards of downed wires. **Jeff Tracy N1SOM** reports that they also took the National Incident Management System (NIMS) – Incident Command System ICS-100 and ICS-700 online courses.

This training started in California where the possibility of earthquakes exist. How would you respond if you were the first on the scene with trees down blocking the roads and buildings collapsed and no immediate help available for hours ?? – Just like what could happen in an earthquake or hurricane. The CERT training helps you to – **Be Prepared**.

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Kevin Dykes received his graduation certification from Lieutenant Robert Hover and Bob Schmitt.

Thursday, April 9, 2009

**Kevin Dykes**  
**KB1MOC**

**Bob Schmitt KB1MTY**  
**Bob Hover SWL**

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**SKYWARN TRAINING IN TAUNTON - May 18, 2009** **Greg Glynn W1VFB** reports that the Taunton Area Communication Group will sponsor a SKYWARN Training session at the Morton Hospital on Monday, May 18, 2009 between 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. If you have not taken the SKYWARN Observer Training Course – this would be a great opportunity to get on board. Sign up with **Greg W1VFB** – President of the TACGroup at E-Mail [gglyn@comcast.net](mailto:gglynn@comcast.net)



## THE NEW ENGLAND AMATEUR RADIO FESTIVAL - NEARFest-V



**John Murphy KB1PHN**

**Jim Madden KB1PFL**



**Paul Burbine N1VTI**

**Paul Moss KB1MTW**

NEARFest V was held outdoors at the Deerfield Fairgrounds in Deerfield, NH on May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. The weather was threatening with a few sprinkles on Friday – a little rain overnight – but it cleared up on Saturday with the sun peeking out. It was reported that there were about 2150 tickets sold this year – down a little from past years - and only two buildings had manufacturers inside.

Paul Burbine N1VTI, Paul Moss KB1MTW, John Murphy KB1PHN and Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN spent the night. John KB1PHN set up his mobile ICOM IC 703 plus, 10 watt transceiver with a 20-Meter HAM stick mag. mount on the roof of his truck and made contacts with Mike KB0NMQ in Iowa and Nick G0VQO in England.



**Jim Madden KB1PFL**  
**with his handheld**



**Mark Loring KC1ML**

**Bob Loring K1REL**



**Ross Hochstrasser W1EKG**  
**with his Collins transmitter**

Jim Madden KB1PFL picked up a 6-Meter military type AN/P-6 Handtalkie. Mark Loring KC1ML and Bob Loring K1REL both picked up "call sign belt buckles".

Ross Hochstrasser W1EKG picked up a Collins ART-13 transmitter. Dave Beauvais KB1QMX picked up a 900 MHz – 30 watt -mobile rig. John Ruppel W1JGR picked up a 900 MHz radio.

Jim Tynan KC1JET picked up a carrying case for his radio.

Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN picked up a oscilloscope and power supply

Jim Ford NM1F reported that he picked up a 2-Meter Kenwood TR-7950 handheld, a 2-Meter Yaesu FT-208R handheld and a Radio Shack 2-Meter HTX-252 handheld along with a Heathkit WHW-12 80-Meter transceiver and lots of other chassis, cabinets and parts.



**Dave Beauvais**  
**KB1QMX**



**THE NEW ENGLAND AMATEUR RADIO FESTIVAL - NEARFest V**  
**MORE PICTURES**



**Jim Tovet KA1EUI**  
**Elayne Tovet KB1IKH**  
**Tom Wilson KB1TOM**



**Bruce Billings K1CWS**      **Warren Dickie WA1YKF**  
**Bob "Whitey" Doherty K1VV**  
**Bob "Q" Callahan W1QWT**

This was a great social event and a chance to pick up a few hard to find goodies at the same time. There were at least 20 Whitman Club members participating and there were many other area HAMs who stopped by the Whitman Club table to say hello. The crew helped **Bob "Q" Callahan W1QWT** celebrated his birthday – the cake was delicious.



**Bruce Hayden NI1X**  
**Jim Ford NM1F**



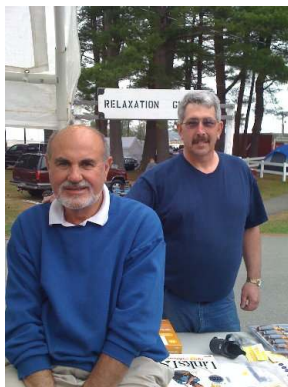
**Gary Cumiskey W1GRC**



**Jim Tynan KC1JET**  
**John Ruppel W1JGR**



**Matt Paine KB1OSV**  
**Jed Barton N1JBC**



**Bob Marchese K1NOK**  
**Sam Webber N1WIG**



**Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN**



# TEMA

## TAUNTON EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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### PLYMOUTH NUCLEAR POWER PLANT EVACUATION TRAINING

About 50 Taunton Emergency Management Agency volunteers participated in a training session on Radiological Emergency Awareness & Response that focused on Dosimeter use & Exposure Control. There were three Whitman Club members participating, **Bruce Hayden N1IX**, **Tony Pinheiro KB1QIN** and **Neal Harrington KB1LXL**, along with at least six other area HAMS – **Rick Ferreira KB1KWF** – TEMA Director, **Rudy Burer KB1LXI** TEMA Asst. Director, **Richard Sproul KB1MBW**, **Steve Foster KB1KZW**, **Barbara Foster KB1KZX** and **Carlos Wharton WP4US**.

One part of the “Evacuation Plan” requires that there will be backup amateur radio communication between the Emergency Operations Center in the Host Communities of Taunton, Bridgewater and Braintree and the designated Reception Centers, the designated Transportation Staging Areas and the designated Host Schools. If you are interested in volunteering contact **The Bruce N1IX**.

### FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH RADIOGRAM TRAINING

Four messages were sent from the Mass. Emergency Management Agency Region II Headquarters in Bridgewater to the local city and town Emergency Management Agency Directors. Taking the messages in Whitman were **Bill Hayden N1FRE**, **Mike Supple KB1OEP**, **Jeff Tracy N1SOM** and **Paul Moss KB1MTW**. Taking the messages for Carver & Bridgewater was **Phil McNamara N1XTB**. Participating from home was **Jeremy Bref-Pilz KB1REQ**.

**Paul Moss KB1MTW** reported that he took out the Whitman REHAB vehicle to a brush fire in Hanover on Saturday, April 18th with **Kevin Dykes KB1MOC** and several other CERT participants.

The WEMA CERT REHAB vehicle with **Paul KB1MTW** and **Kevin KB1MOC**, along with 4 other CERT members was also summoned to a house fire in Abington on Thursday, April 29, 2009 - 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. to support the Firemen and other personal. Four towns sent fire apparatus.



**Paul Moss KB1MTW and the Whitman REHAB Unit**  
**Photo by: Stephanie Spyopoulos**

The CERT crew provide beverages, snacks and shelter under a canopy at the fires.

**MIDDLEBORO YMCA - CAMP YOMECHAS ROAD RACE** – Saturday, June 6, 2009: The 9<sup>th</sup> annual Middleboro YMCA Tispaquin Run and Woody's Walk, a 5K and 10K run and 5K walk at Camp Yomechas located at 375 Wareham Street in Middleboro, MA. on Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m. rain or shine. The Massasoit Club members have volunteered to provide communication support along the race course. All other area HAMS are welcome to join in this Public Service Event. Meet at 8 a.m. at the Dunkin Donuts on Rt 18 and Rt 105 for assignments. Talk in on the Bridgewater REPEATER 147.180 MHz (PL 67).



## 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. We need your updates for the newsletter.

As part of our training, we encourage everyone to practice sending routine RADIOGRAM messages. In April we had 4 sessions with an average of 17 area HAMS checking in each week and 7 messages were sent. Make up an NTS traffic message and send one to a friend.

**ECHOLINK CONNECTION:** Jim Tovet KA1EUI has volunteered to host the EchoLink connection to the Whitman REPEATER at his home in Holbrook. Connect to EchoLink Node **KA1EUI-R Whitman Repeater**



**Sending NI1X  
an update**

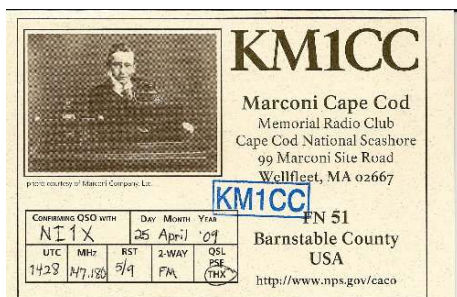
**TOUR OF ARRL HEADQUARTERS:** Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ reports that he had the opportunity to tour the ARRL Headquarters in Newington, CT. over the April School vacation week. **Jeremy KB1REQ** also reports that he got to operate the **W1AW** Headquarters Station where he is shown making a 6-Meter contact with a HAM in New Jersey.

While on vacation, **Jeremy KB1REQ** set up the Club's YAESU FT-817 QRP rig while camping on Bear Mountain in New York.



**Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ  
Operating W1AW**

### QSL CARDS OF THE MONTH:



**MARCONI SPECIAL EVENT  
Cape Cod National Seashore**



**The Bruce's NI1X QSL Card  
from Pai VU2PAI in India**



**Tom's KB1TOM QSL Card  
from Minot's Ledge Light**

This is **The Bruce NI1X** - We all have too much equipment sitting around gathering dust. My goal is to make one contact a day and then go on to do my other chores and errands. In April I made two great contacts – one with the Marconi Special Event Station in Eastham, Mass. and the second was from the other side of the world with **Pai VU2PAI** in Mangalore, India. **Tom Wilson K1TOM**, **Jim Tovet KA1EUI** and **Mike Dowd KB1PVC** checked out **Whitey's W1AA** Lighthouse on the air Special Event Station at Minot's Ledge Light in Cohasset, MA. **Tom KB1TOM** and the crew qualified for the **W1AA** Special Event QSL card shown above.

**SCUTTLEBUTT:** Ron Smith N1PXX and his wife Joan KB1NAX have relocated to Duxbury and Ron N1PXX reported that Ken Kavaljian KB1KVL helped him get his 2-Meter antenna up for his Home Base Station.



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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 3rd at 6:30 p.m.  
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