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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: This is **Paul N1VTI** - Plimoth Plantation was a great success with 24 Whitman Club members and 6 area HAMS setting up portable antennas, 5 HF Base Stations, two 2-Meter Base Stations and making contact with 278 HAMS in 38 States, 4 foreign countries and 2 Canadian Provinces. There were an additional 26 Whitman Club members who could not make it to Plimoth Plantation but who were able to check in with **WA1NPO** via 2- meters. That is a $50/108 = 46\%$ participation. See the Plimoth Plantation Special Issue newsletter.



Paul Burbine
N1VTI

JOINT MEETING: **Carl Aveni N1FY** arranged for Meteorologist **Mish Michael** to give a presentation on tornados in New England and some of her fascinating job assignments as a TV storm chaser at a joint meeting of the Whitman and Massasoit Club members. Out of the 50 people attending there were at least 24 Whitman Club members.

PROMOTING AMATEUR RADIO: **Mike Supple KB1OEP** set up an amateur radio demonstration at a Boy Scout hobby night for troop 22 in Whitman.

HAVING FUN FOX HUNTING: **John Chase KB1ODS** and his wife **Mary Lou SWL** volunteered to be the Fox. on Nov. 14th and there were 16 Fox Hunters participating. **Kevin Dykes KB1MOC** volunteered to be the Fox on Nov. 21st and there were 13 Fox Hunters participating. **Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN** and **Gary Cumiskey W1GRC** volunteered to be the Fox on December 5th with 13 Fox hunters participating. Come on out and join the fun.

PROVIDING A PUBLIC SERVICE: The Whitman Club members heard participating in the first Monday of the month December RADIOGRAM training session and representing the local cities and towns were **Bruce Hayden N1IX** for Taunton, **Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN** for Bridgewater, **Loren Pimentel N1IQI** for Carver, **Bill Hayden N1FRE**, **Mike Supple KB1OEP** and **Paul Moss KB1MTW** for Whitman, **Ron Smith N1PXX** for Duxbury and **Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ** operating as a home station in Mansfield. SKYWARN operators were active and **Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ**, **Phil McNamara N1XTB** and **Jim Tynan KC1JET** reporting on their operation from the **WX1BOX** National Weather Service Taunton club station during SKYWARN Recognition Day.

Bruce Hayden N1IX reported on a Plymouth Nuclear Power Plant Evacuation Drill held in Taunton and **Roy Logan KB1CYV** reported on a Plymouth Nuclear Power Plant Evacuation Drill held in Bridgewater with **Phil McNamara N1XTB**, **Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN**, **Loren Pimentel N1IQI** and **Bob Bass K1WGU** participating. **Phil McNamara N1XTB** reported on an Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) Resource Drill held Saturday, November 14, 2009.

Congratulations to **Jim Tynan KC1JET** who upgraded to General class. Come to the next meeting and share your radioactive projects with the other members present. **John Duprey KB1SVY** has a 2-Meter HALO antenna to show us. **Bruce Hayden N1IX** will have Plimoth Plantation Special Event Certificates and QSL cards to hand out.

73 From Paul N1VTI

SECRETARY'S NOTES OF THE MEETING OF December 2, 2009 de N1ZZN

OPENING: The members started gathering at the Whitman Public Library, Whitman, MA around 6:10 p.m. President **Paul N1VTI** opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

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



Jeff Lehmann
N1ZZN

K1AWB	Steve Laroe	W1EKG	Ross Hochstrasser		
K1REL	Bob Loring	N1LWK	Ken Desruisseau		
KB1CYV	Roy Logan	KA1JBE	Joe Cesieri (guest)		
KB1MTW	Paul Moss	KB1RXQ	Dino Cesieri (guest)		
N1PXX	Ron Smith	KB1REQ	Jeremy Breef-Pilz		
KB1NAX	Joan Smith	KB1TEH	Richard Metcalf		
KB1QEM	John O'Neill	SWL	Elwood Ireland (guest)		
KB1OAW	Greg Noyes	KB1QKV	Mike Anderson	KB1OAY	Dan Noyes
KB1OEQ	Ron Stundze	KB1ODS	John Chase	KB1PFL	Jim Madden
KB1PHN	John Murphy	KB1SVY	John Duprey	KC1FZ	George Davis
KC1JET	Jim Tynan	N1COP	Bob Woodbury	N1FRE	Bill Hayden
K1WGU	Bob Bass	N1OYH	Carl Davis	N1SOM	Jeff Tracy
N1VTI	Paul Burbine	N1ZZN	Jeff Lehmann	NI1X	Bruce Hayden
W1AXB	Matt Paine	W1GQN	Jim Havens	W1GRC	Gary Cumiskey
WA1MWF	Larry Leblanc	WA1ZKK	Al Craddock	K1MRH	Barbara Rice

TREASURER'S REPORT: The treasurer's report for November was read by **Jeff N1SOM**. **John KB1PHN** made a motion seconded by **Al WA1ZKK** that the treasurer's report be accepted as read. The motion was approved.

SECRETARY'S R5EPORT: A motion was made by **Bruce NI1X** seconded by **Bob K1REL** that the November secretary's report be accepted as published in the newsletter. The motion was approved.

HEALTH & WELFARE: **Barbara K1MRH** reported that a card was sent to **Bill N1FRE's** wife **Stella**, who is home recovering after health problems. **Ron N1PXX** also reported that area HAM **Lou Vanderstreet N1WNT** of Scituate was not doing well.

NEW MEMBERS: **Bruce NI1X** made a motion that **Bob Woodbury N1COP** and **Ken Desruisseau N1LWK** be accepted as new members. **John KB1SVY** seconded the motion, and it was approved.

OLD BUSINESS: **Bruce NI1X** reported that the Plimoth Plantation special event was once again a success. 30 club members / area HAMs participated in the event. 278 contacts were made during the event. He also made a motion that more QSL cards be printed for the event. **John KB1SVY** seconded the motion, and it was approved. **Paul KB1MTW** suggested that possibly next year we should make a schedule for operators, especially to ensure that there are enough operators for the break down crew on Sunday. **Jeff N1ZZN** reported that the club's laptop, that was fixed by **Jim W1JT**, worked fine for logging during the event, and that we can try having more computers during the next event. **Jeff N1ZZN** reported that he and **Gary W1GRC** will be the Fox during the Fox Hunt on Saturday Dec. 5, at 10 AM, within 5 miles of Whitman center. **Jeff N1ZZN** reported that the preamp for the repeater that we purchased has arrived, and will be installed on Saturday after the Fox Hunt.

SECRETARY'S NOTES OF THE MEETING OF Dec. 2, 2009 Cont: de N1ZZN

NEW BUSINESS: Jeremy **KB1REQ** reported that Saturday (starting at 0:00Z, 7 p.m. Friday local time) will be Skywarn recognition day. **WX1BOX** will be operating at the National Weather Service in Taunton on various local repeaters, EchoLink, and HF.

CLUB EQUIPMENT: Paul Moss **KB1MTW** reports that all club equipment is accounted for. Any club member can contact **Paul KB1MTW** on the repeater, email, or phone if they would like to borrow a piece of the club's equipment.

NET CONTROLS: 12/6: Steve **K1AWB**, 12/13: Bruce **N11X**, 12/20: Roy **KB1CYV**,
12/27: Jeff **N1SOM**, 1/3: Ron **N1PXX**

CLOSE: President **Paul N1VTI** closed the business meeting at 7:20 p.m. on a motion by **John KB1PHN** seconded by **Jim W1GQN**. The motion was approved.



Ken Desruisseau
N1LWK

NEW MEMBER: Ken **Desruisseau N1LWK** lives in Randolph and reports that he was first licensed in 1989. **Ken N1LWK** currently has a Kenwood TS-440 HF rig with dipole antenna.

NEW MEMBER: Bob **Woodbury N1COP** lives in Halifax and is shown with his wife **Patti** at Plimoth Plantation where he was a Special Event Operator. **Bob N1COP** reports that he was first licenced in 1975. **Bob N1COP** currently has an IC-746 Pro and a Yaesu FT-897 HF rig.



Bob Woodbury N1COP
and wife Patti SWL

INTRODUCING BOY SCOUTS TO AMATEUR RADIO

Mike Supple KB1OEP set up an amateur radio demonstration and gave some boy scouts, from troop 22 in Whitman, a chance to get On-The-Air on November 12, 2009 at the scout hobby night held at the Spellman Center in Whitman where scouts were introduced to a variety of activities including amateur radio.

The scouts had a chance to talk with **The Bruce N11X** and **John Duprey KB1SVY** via amateur radio. Seen in the photo is **Mike KB1OEP** with scout **Mickey** talking with **The Bruce N11X** and scout **Jack** looking on. Photo by **John Duprey KB1SVY**.



Mike Supple KB1OEP with Mickey & Jack

FOX HUNT SATURDAY NOVEMBER 14, 2009 By: The Bruce" NI1X



The Fox Hunters standing in the Den

Back row L. to R. **Bruce Hayden NI1X**, **Michelle Duprey SWL**, **Ron Stundze KB1OEQ**, **Mary Lou Chase SWL**, **Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN**, **Wayne Galvin N1MAG**, **Kevin Dykes KB1MOC**, **Roy Logan KB1CYV**, **Ken Desruisseau N1LWK**, **Barbara Rice K1MRH** and **Bill Hayden N1FRE**

Front row L. to R. **John Duprey KB1SVY**, **John Chase KB1ODS**, **Noah Burke SWL**, **Don Burke KB1LXH**, **Riley Burke SWL** and **Jim Havens W1GQN**. Also participating but not present when the picture was taken was **Richard Metcalf KB1TEH**.

This was a great Fox Hunt with the Fox hiding within a 5 mile radius of **Bill's N1FRE** house which is near Whitman Center. The Fox was hiding on high ground in Hanson on High Street under the water tower (the big blue mushroom) near the abandoned Plymouth County Hospital property.

First in was **Kevin KB1MOC** in 46 minutes. Next came **Jeff N1ZZN** in 1 hour and 7 minutes followed by the team of **Bill N1FRE** and **Ron KB1OEQ** in 1 hour and 9 minutes. Fourth place goes to **Team Burke** in 1 hour and 11 minutes with **Don KB1LZH** as the navigator and **Noah SWL** and **Riley SWL** as the Fox Hunters. Fifth place goes to **John KB1SVY** and his wife **Michelle SWL** in a time of 1 hour and 13 minutes. Sixth place goes to **Wayne N1MAG** in 1 hour and 14 minutes. Seventh place goes to the team of **Roy KB1CYV**, **Barbara K1MRH** and **Jim W1GQN** and last place goes to the team of **Bruce NI1X** and **Ken N1LWK**.

Also participating but did not make it to the Foxes Den due to radio problems was **Richard KB1TEH**. Can you spot the big blue Mushroom in the background that the Fox was talking about ??



Mary Lou SWL
& John Chase KB1ODS
The Foxes for the day

FOX HUNT SATURDAY NOVEMBER 14, 2009 Cont: By: The Bruce" NI1X

Don Burke KB1LXH reports: Here are the pictures of **Noah** (dark jacket) and **Riley** (orange jacket) taking part in their 1st Foxhunt; with their driver & navigator **Don KB1LXH**.



Riley SWL & Noah SWL



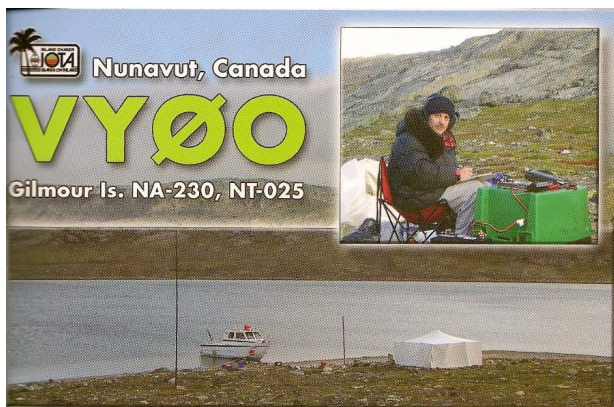
The Fox is that way

Don KB1LXH reports: We started at the white church, around the corner from the library in Whitman Center. I think the opening comment by the fox was blocked due to the church itself. Once we moved to Rt. 14 and 18 (the wrong way) we got a better reading and started heading in the right direction south / east. We made stops at Rt. 14 and 27 then on to the Whitman Hanson High School where we took three reading. We then moved to the Hanson Police Dept; that's where we had to decide... father south or go back and look east? We went south. On our next reading we knew we made a mistake and back tracked to the east... to find the Fox!

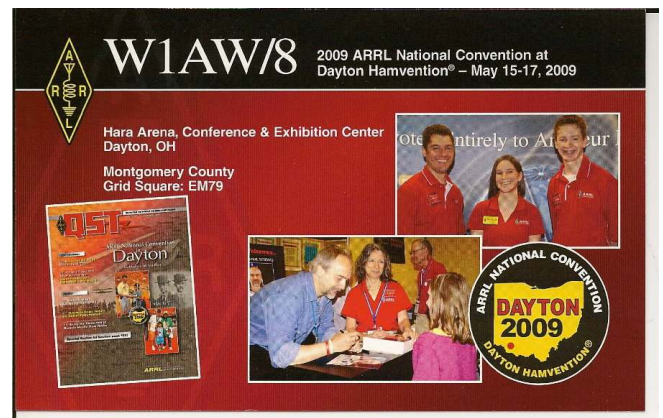
Riley wanted to go again; right then and there! He wanted to know "Who's hiding now?" Noah enjoyed the actual hunt, quickly pulling into the a parking lot, taking the reading, then moving on... I think he felt it was a mission. We hope to do it again".

73's Don KB1LXH and Team Burke

QSL CARD OF THE MONTH



The Bruce NI1X and AI WA1ZKK worked the Gilmour Island DX-Pedition from the Saftler's Flea Market Club Station



Some of the Whitman Club members went to the Dayton Ohio ARRL convention and Flea Market but all I got was a QSL card

**METEOROLOGIST MISH MICHAELS PRESENTATION ON TORNADOS IN NEW ENGLAND
AND SOME OF HER FASCINATING JOB ASSIGNMENTS**

Carl Aveni N1FY of the Massasoit club had made arrangements for **Mish Michaels**, WBZ meteorologist, to talk on tornados in New England. **Paul Moss KB1MTW** had made arrangements to hold the talk at the Whitman Hanson High School on November 18, 2009 at 7 p.m. **Josh MacNeil KB1ODT** operated the video equipment.

Carl Aveni N1FY reports: I first met **Mish** a few years ago when we first began reaching out to the media to promote the SKYWARN program. She loved the concept and frequently featured us on her nightly weather segments. When she left WBZ, I figured she would have more time to make such a presentation to a group of SKYWARN observers, so I asked her. She obviously said yes.

Mish Michaels reported that she wanted to show her gratitude to those who serve the public through such programs as SKYWARN and was more than happy to grant **Carl N1FY** his request to give a presentation at a joint meeting of the Whitman and Massasoit Amateur Radio Clubs.



Carl Aveni N1FY
Rob Macedo KD1CY
Mish Michaels

Mish Michaels took us on a video journey that included chasing tornado in Indiana, Hurricane hunting as she flew through the eye of Hurricane Isabel and recorded the “Center Fix” location, walking through storm debris and finding evidence of a Tornado in New Hampshire and reporting from the top of Mount Washington during severe cold and windy winter conditions.

The participation was terrific. There were 24 Whitman club members in attendance and included:

K1MRH	Barbara Rice	KB1CHW	John Coombs Jr.	KC1JET	Jim Tynan
N1PXX	Ron Smith	KB1IKH	Elayne Tovet	K1REL	Bob Loring
KC1ML	Mark Loring	W1GQN	Jim Havens	NI1X	Bruce Hayden
KB1CYV	Roy Logan	K1AWB	Steve Laroe	KB1QKW	Chris Laroe
SWL	Colben Laroe	N1SOM	Jeff Tracy	N1SON	Bill Tracy
K1WGU	Bob Bass	KB1SVY	John Duprey	SWL	Michelle Duprey
N1ZZN	Jeff Lehmann	KB1REQ	Jeremy Breef-Pilz	SWL	Nancy Breef-Pilz
W1AKN	Jack Buckley	KB1KVL	Ken Kavaljian	KB1ODT	Josh MacNeil
KA1PJX	Don Keene	KB1ETW	Jim Halpin	KB1MTW	Paul Moss
SWL	Dot Anderson				

Other area HAMs present were:

N1FY	Carl Aveni	KD1CY	Rob Macedo
KB1KQW	Jim Palmer	W1VFB	Greg Glynn
N1LCY	Bob Keene	N1EZH	Barry Kennedy
W1BT	Ralph Butler	K1RV	Pi Pugh
W1DGD	Harry Ketler	K1KOD	Kevin O'Donnell
SWL	Mrs Ketler	KB1FVN	Joanne McLaughlin

Meteorologist **Mish Michael** told of her passion for “Thunder Storms” and how her New Hampshire license plate, shown here, helped her land a dream job.



**METEOROLOGIST MISH MICHAEL'S PRESENTATION ON TORNADOS IN NEW ENGLAND
AND SOME OF HER FASCINATING JOB ASSIGNMENTS**

Colben Laroe SWL was prepared and asked for two autographs. **Chris Laroe KB1QKW** reports: "I downloaded pictures of **Mish** from the WBZ website and printed them out. **Colben SWL** just happened to be doing a tornado project for school and had mentioned the presentation to his teacher. So, he had **Mish** sign two autographs. One for him and the other for his teacher".



Colben Laroe getting autographs



Mish Michaels and Colben Laroe

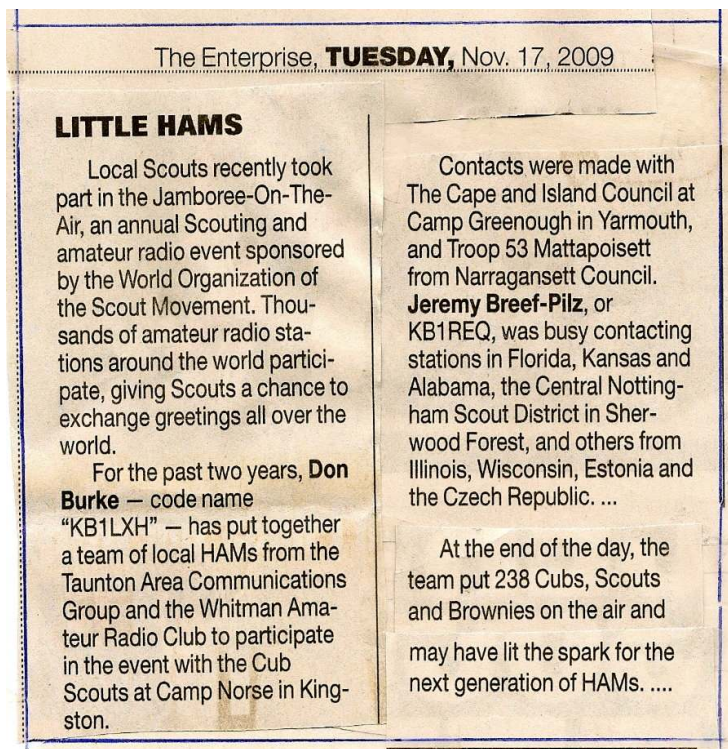
Pi Pugh K1RV volunteered to send **Mish Michaels** a years subscription to Ham Test On Line in appreciation of giving her talk. We hope she gets her HAM license so that we can talk with her later down the log.

JAMBOREE ON THE AIR

ENTERPRISE ARTICLE

The Whitman Amateur Radio Club and the Taunton Area Communication Group received some publicity through an article that was published in the Enterprise.

Don Burke KB1LXH had submitted an article to the Enterprise along with several pictures taken at the October Jamboree-On-The-Air



FOX HUNT OF NOV. 21, 2009 By "The Bruce" NI1X



THE NOV. 21, 2009 FOX HUNTERS WITH THEIR TRUSTY TAPE MEASURE BEAMS

Shown in the Foxes Den that was located in Camp Kiwanee off Rt. 58 in Hanson are L. to R. **Bruce Hayden NI1X**, **Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ** kneeling, **Joe Casieri KA1JBE**, **Dino Casieri KB1RXQ**, **Paul Moss KB1MTW** kneeling, **John Murphy KB1PHN**, **Roy Logan KB1CYV**, **Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN** kneeling, **Gary Cumiskey W1GRC**, **Kevin Dykes KB1MOC**, and **Ken Desruisseau N1LWK**.

Kevin KB1MOC is showing **Ron Stundze KB1OEQ** the 2-Meter beam antenna he was pumping 110 watts into from his commercial MCS 2000 Motorola mobile rig. The beam was pointed north west across a pond and **The Bruce NI1X** reported a great signal at the intersection of Rt. 14 and Rt. 58. **Ron Stundze KB1OEQ** reported a great signal on Beech Hill in Rockland. This was not your average Fox Hunt..

Arriving at the Foxes Den were:

1. **Jeff N1ZZN** and **Gary W1GRC** in 30 minutes.
2. **Roy KB1CYV** and **Ken N1LWK** in 43 minutes.
3. **Joe KA1JBE** and **Dino KB1RXQ** in 45 minutes.
4. **Richard KB1TEH** in 47 minutes.
5. **John KB1PHN** in 1 hr and 3 min.
6. **Bruce NI1X** and **Jeremy KB1REQ** in 1 hr and 13 min.
7. **Paul KB1MTW** in 1 hr and 24 min.
8. **Ron KB1OEQ**. Last but not least..



Kevin Dykes
KB1MOC

Ron Stundze
KB1OEQ

Another great Fox Hunt with a new twist.



PLYMOUTH NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

EVACUATION DRILL PREPARATIONS IN TAUNTON By: The Bruce NI1X

The city of Taunton, along with the town of Bridgewater and the town of Braintree, is one of the three “Host Communities” that are included in the Plymouth Nuclear Power Plant Evacuation Plan. Next year there will be Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) graded exercises for the Reception Center and Emergency Operations Center in Taunton.

One part of “The Evacuation Plan” requires that there will be backup amateur radio communication between the Emergency Operations Centers in the Host Communities and the designated Reception Centers, the designated Transportation Staging Areas, the designated Host Schools and the designated Mass Care Shelters.

TEMA HAMs L. to R.

Barbara Foster KB1KZX
Steve Foster KB1KZW
Bruce Hayden NI1X
John Miller N1UMJ
John Viveiros MEMA
Marianne Pierce MEMA
Rudy Burer KB1LXI
Asst. TEMA Director
George Bradford KA1BLF



Photo by: **Rick Ferreira**
KB1KWF TEMA Director

Taunton RACES volunteers and MEMA trainers

It is interesting to note that at least 18 Whitman club members are signed up and registered as volunteer amateur radio operators helping out at the local Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in Taunton, Bridgewater, Whitman, Carver, Pembroke, Plymouth and Brockton. These are dedicated volunteers who are able to actively support their local community’s emergency preparedness efforts at this time.

John Viveiros, a Mass. Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) Region II Lead Planner, reminded us that the important thing is that we have a plan in place and that we will have to work around all the unknown events like a vehicle accident that blocks a main highway or our equipment that decides to fail at the wrong time.

I hope you will join your local city or town Emergency Management Agency if it has a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) or amateur radio emergency communication program in support of the Plymouth Nuclear Power Plant evacuation plan. For further info contact **Bruce Hayden NI1X** at E-Mail ni1x@arrl.net

PLYMOUTH NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

EVACUATION DRILL PREPARATIONS IN BRIDGEWATER By: Carl N1FY

Carl Aveni N1FY reports that there were 10 HAMS that reported to the Bridgewater Emergency Operations Center (EOC) for a Plymouth Evacuation Drill. This drill was organized by Mass. Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) Region II for the new people who will be working at the Bridgewater EOC. Bridgewater has a new Emergency Management Agency Director in charge of the EOC and that is Chief **George Rogers** of the Fire Department and the new Director of Operations is **Scott Allen**. This Drill was in anticipation of the scheduled FEMA graded exercise that will take place next year.



Jeff Lehmann
N1ZZN



Pete Curley
N1NVV

Loren Pimentel
N1IQI



Peter Sgro KB1TDX
Jeanne Spalding KB1TEI
Roy Logan KB1CYV

During an evacuation of Plymouth residents, communication via amateur radio will be established between the Reception Center at the Bridgewater State College, a Transportation Center, Host Schools and Mass Care Shelters. Communication will also be established between the Bridgewater EOC and MEMA Region II headquarters located at the State Prison complex in Bridgewater and with the other area Town Emergency Operations Centers.



Phil McNamara
N1XTB



Carl Aveni
N1FY



Bob Manderville
N1EDM

Bob Bass
K1WGU

If you are interested in registering as an Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) volunteer, please contact **Phil McNamara N1XTB** at E-Mail n1xtb@powersrvcs.com and he will help you sign up.

FOX HUNT OF SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2009

Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN and Gary Cumiskey W1GRC had volunteered to be the Fox and were hiding in Holbrook in a playground parking lot off Linwood Street. They had a beam antenna pointed south and the signal was great on North Quincy Street at the intersection of the Brockton, Abington and Holbrook line. First in was **The Bruce NI1X** in 32 minutes. Second place goes to **Joe KA1JBE** and **Dino KB1RXQ** in a time of 1 hr. and 17 minutes. Third place goes to **Roy KB1CYV** and **Barbara K1MRH** in 1 hr. and 21 minutes. Fourth place goes to **Richard KB1TEH** in 1 hr. and 53 minutes. Fifth place goes to **John KB1SVY** and **Michelle SWL** in 1 hr. 57 minutes. Sixth place goes to **Bill N1FRE** and **Ron KB1OEQ** in 2 Hours and last place goes to **John KB1ODS**.

Shown L. to R.

Bill Hayden N1FRE
Ron Stundze KB1OEQ
Dino Casieri KB1RXQ
Joe Casieri KA1JBE
John Chase KB1ODS
Kneeling

Gary Cumiskey W1GRC
Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN
Michelle Duprey SWL
Kneeling

John Duprey KB1SVY
Richard Metcalf KB1TEH
Bruce Hayden NI1X



THE FOX HUNTERS OF SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2009



Gary Cumiskey WGRC
Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN



Barbara Rice K1MRH
Roy Logan KB1CYV

The next Fox Hunt will be Saturday, January 9, 2010 at 10 a.m. - weather permitting The Fox frequency is 146.535 MHz simplex. The Fox will transmit for about 1 minute every 5 minutes. Coordination on the Whitman REPEATER 147.225 MHz. Come on out and give it a try. All you need is a handheld receiver with smaller and smaller paperclip antennas. A directional beam and attenuator works best.

Whitman's Citizens Emergency Response Team (CERT)

Help at Winterfest By: Bill N1FRE

WINTERFEST activities in Whitman on Sunday, December 6, 2009, included fifteen CERT and HAM volunteers that reported to assist with the events. 10 of the 15 were Whitman Amateur Radio Club members. **Bob Schmitt KB1MTY**, WEMA Director, and Whitman Fire Chief **Grenno** coordinated activities from ground level. Retired Chief **Travis** manned the hot chocolate factory and distribution center in the ambulance bay of the fire station where this valuable commodity was being dispatched to many strategic locations in the Whitman down town area through out the afternoon.



Bill Hayden N1FRE & Frank Hayes N1OGP



Ron Stundze KB1OEQ & Jeff Tracy N1SOM

The WEMA EOC radio communication center was activated and manned by **Bill Hayden N1FRE** and **Frank Hayes N1OGP** during the event. WEMA Motorola public safety radios were assigned to each volunteer team. The WEMA UHF radio frequency of 484.250 MHz, was used through out the event for two way communication. **Jeff Tracy N1SOM** and **Ron Stundze KB1OEQ** were at the hay ride event helping people at the town park location getting in and out of the horse-drawn wagon.

Mike Supple KB1OEP and his wife **Susan SWL** also at the town park, were helping people at the trolley ride event. **Paul Moss KB1MTW** was assisting all over town wherever needed. **Debbie Cullity SWL** was at the Mutual Bank location dispensing hot chocolate while helping out with the long lines waiting to have their picture taken with 'Santa', as well as keeping an eye on the Moon-Walk attraction. **Gloria Chiamonte KB1OAV** helped out with the pony ride event. **Steve Langenfeld SWL** monitored the rock climbing event as well as providing additional eyes and ears for security personnel.



Mike Supple KB1OEP

WHITMAN WINTERFEST ACTIVITIES Cont: By: Bill N1FRE

During the event the Whitman police and fire personnel were also tied into the WEMA radio frequency via their radio systems as part of the "interoperability test", and were able to communicate directly with the EOC and WEMA volunteers during the event. Once again this big step forward for the town, "interoperability test", was coordinated by **Bob Schmitt KB1MTY**, WEMA Director and Whitman ARC member. The Emergency Operations Center, located on the 2nd level of the Fire - Rescue station, monitored the Whitman police and fire frequencies as well, so as to be aware of any of their normal activities that may affect the volunteer's mission as 'helpers'.



Michelle Duprey SWL
John Duprey KB1SVY



Jeff N1SOM **Kevin KB1MOC** **Don** **Debbie** **Steve** **Paul KB1MTW**

The Whitman ARC repeater station was also monitored by our HAMs on the scene as well as at the EOC, located on the 2nd level of the Fire - Rescue station. All of these radio modes of communication were available at the EOC on a priority basis.



Gloria Chiaramonte KB1OAV
Paul Moss KB1MTW



Steve Langerfeld SWL



Kevin Dykes KB1MOC
Don Taylor SWL

This fun event proved to be a great test of the Whitman Emergency Management Agency - CERT and Whitman HAM community's improved capability to help out when called upon, whether in time of need or, on this 'WINTERFEST' day, just for fun as practice.

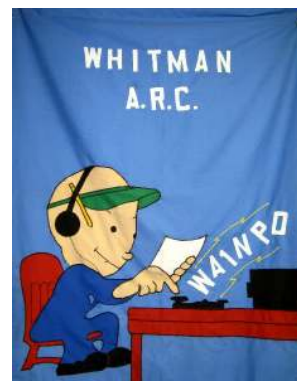
WHITMAN AMATEUR RADIO PUBLIC SERVICE NET

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. We need your updates for the newsletter.

As part of our training, we encourage everyone to practice sending routine RADIOGRAM messages. In November we had 5 sessions with an average of 18 area HAMS checking in each week and 9 messages were sent. Make up an NTS traffic message and send one to a friend.

Jim Tove **W1JT** has changed the EchoLink connection to the Whitman REPEATER to **WA1NPO-R Whitman, MA**. **Koos Scheffer GU0GUX** checked in from the Guernsey Islands In the United Kingdom via EchoLink looking for **Paul KB1MTW**.

Steve Hanks WZ1J made a 2-Meter contact with the Whitman REPEATER from Brunswick, Maine and sent **The Bruce NI1X** the QSL card shown here to confirm the contact. A distance of about 150 miles.



Sending NI1X
an update



RADIOGRAM TRAINING FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH

Shown at the Taunton Emergency Operations Center following the December RADIOGRAM Training session are standing L. to R. **Steve Foster KB1KZW** and **Rudy Burer KB1LXI**. Seen seated L. to R. is **Barbara Foster KB1KZX** and **Bruce Hayden NI1X**.

Other Whitman Club members heard participating in the first Monday of the month December RADIOGRAM training session and representing the local cities and towns were **Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN** for Bridgewater, **Loren Pimentel N1IQI** for Carver, **Bill Hayden N1FRE**, **Mike Supple KB1OEP** and **Paul Moss KB1MTW** for Whitman, **Ron Smith N1PXX** for Duxbury and **Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ** operating as a home station in Mansfield.



Taunton RACES volunteers

CORRECTION / ADDITIONS: Whitman Haunted House – **Ron Stundze KB1OEQ** and **Josh MacNeil KB1ODT** also participated in the Whitman Haunted House and were inadvertently left out of the November newsletter article.

SCUTTLEBUTT: Matt Paine (Old KB1OSV) has a new call sign **W1AXB**

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SKYWARN RECOGNITION DAY

Rob Macedo KD1CY and several SKYWARN Net Control Operators were invited to operate SKYWARN Recognition Day from the **WA1BOX** National Weather Service (NWS) - Taunton Amateur Radio Club Station located at the NWS Taunton office. The Special Event started on Friday, September 6, 2009 at 7 p.m. and lasted through Saturday, September 7th at 7 p.m.



Greg Glynn W1VFB



Rob Macedo KD1CY
Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ



Carl Aveni N1FY

The crew put **WX1BOX** On-The-Air by accessing the local 2-Meter REPEATERS and making contacts all across the United States using EchoLink, IRLP and the HF bands.



Jean Spalding KB1TEI Dennis Dura K2DCD Phil McNamara N1XTB



Jim Tynan KC1JET

2009 EMA ARES "RESOURCE" MINI EXERCISE By: Phil McNamara N1XTB

Phil McNamara N1XTB reported on a short notice mini-exercise held on November 14, 2009 and sponsored by Eastern Mass. Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES). The exercise simulated a disaster on the Cape that required relief operators from our area. The purpose was to gather information on who would be available to deploy from our area to Cape Cod for 8 hour shifts.

Phil N1XTB reported that there were 72 checkins via all modes. A total of 50 HAMS indicated availability for various functions and deployments. **Phil N1XTB** reported that there are 473 total ARES member records and 72 checkins gives a 15% participation. In conclusion - **Phil N1XTB** reports South Shore ARES could support relief operations on Cape Cod during a disaster. Pg. 15



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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, Jan. 9th at 6:30 p.m.
Whitman Public Library

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