

# **SPECTRUM**



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<u>PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:</u> This is **Paul N1VTI –** The Whitman Club members have been busy this summer, first with Field Day and now with the Marshfield Fair and we have another Saftler's Flea Market coming up

HAVING FUN: Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN and Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ set up a portable operation on Sunrise Hill in Attleboro, MA. during the VHF contest in July. Jeremy KB1REQ set up a portable operation while on vacation in Onset, MA. Bruce Hayden NI1X, Roy Logan KB1CYV and Jim Tynan KC1JET participated in the TACGroup Fox Hunt in Taunton. Bruce Hayden NI1X volunteered to be the Fox on July 31st and reported 5 Fox Hunters participating. Richard Metcalf KB1TEH volunteered to be the Fox on Sunday, August 8th and reported 5 Fox Hunters participating. Paul Moss KB1MTW attended the National Scout Jamboree in Virginia.



Paul Burbine N1VTI

**PUBLIC SERVICE: Bruce NI1X** reported that 25 Whitman Club members, representing 5 area cities and towns, participated in the Statewide Hurricane Drill held on August 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Whitman Express published an article, written by **Bill Hayden N1FRE**, on the town of Whitman Hurricane Drill that promoted amateur radio and public service in the community.

Next we have the Marshfield Fair Amateur Radio Exhibit Booth and Special Event Station. Your participation is needed. All area HAMs are welcome. We will provide tickets to those who sign up for a four hour shift. Contact either **Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN** or **Bill Hayden N1FRE** to sign up.

From: Paul N1VTI

**NEW MEMBER:** Jim Doyle KB1SMW lives in Holbrook and is a student at U Mass Lowell. Jim KB1SMW was first licensed in July of 2009 and has upgraded to General Class.

**Jim KB1SMW** reports that he has a Yaesu FT- 450 HF & 6-Meter rig, an ICOM IC-7000 HF / 2-Meters / 440 MHz rig. A dual band 2-Meter / 440 MHz Alnico DR-235 mobile rig and an ICOM IC-W31 handheld.



Jim Doyle KB1SMW



Lou W1XD Marcarelli

**NEW MEMBER:** Louis Marcarelli W1XD just moved to Hanson, MA with his wife Mary. They have three daughters, one grandson, and two granddaughters. Lou W1XD was first licensed in 1956 and holds an Extra Class license.

**Lou W1XD** reports that he has completed 7 band DXCC and that most of his contacts were made using Morse code. **Lou W1XD** also reports that he has a FT-920 HF rig along with a Yaesu FT-857 HF / 2-Meter /440 MHz rig, a Yaesu FT-50R handheld and a Yaesu VX-2 handheld. His next project is to install HF antennas at his new QTH.

## SECRETARY'S NOTES OF THE MEETING OF August 4, 2010 de KB1CYV for 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 6:30 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE:** Thirty-two members / guests were present, including two elected Officers and two Directors. A quorum was present.

KB1MOC	Kevin Dykes	W1EKG	Ross Hochstrassei	r	
N1FRE	Bill Hayden	KB1REQ	Jeremy Breef-Pilz		
KB10DS	John Chase	KB1CHW	John Ćoombs Jr.		
<b>KB1CYV</b>	Roy Logan	<b>KB1TEH</b>	Richard Metcalf		
N1VTI	Paul Burbine	KB1IIU	William Spear (Gue	est)	
KB1SPB	Dan Chase	KB1QEM	John O'Neill	•	Roy Logan
K1WGU	Bob Bass	KB1SMW	Jim Doyle		KB1CYV
W1XD	Lou Marcarelli	KA1KIJ	Bob Azanow		
N1SOM	Jeff Tracy	W1AXB	Matt Paine	N1SON	Bill Tracy
<b>WA1ZKK</b>	Al Craddock	KB1PHN	John Murphy	KB10AW	Greg Noyes
KB10AY	Dan Noyes	<b>WA1YKF</b>	Warren Dickie	N1OYH	Carl Davis
KB10EQ	Ron Stundze	KC1JET	Jim Tynan	W1JGR	John Rupple
KB10EP	Mike Supple	KB1UBX	Karen Trask	NI1X	Bruce Hayden
W1GQN	Jim Havens				-

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The treasurer's report for July was read by **Jeff N1SOM**. **Bruce NI1X** made a motion, seconded by **Bill N1FRE**, that the treasurer's report be accepted as read. The motion was approved.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** A motion was made by **Bruce NI1X** seconded by **John KB1QEM** that the July secretary's report be accepted as published in the newsletter. The motion was approved.

**HEALTH & WELFARE: Bruce NI1X** reported **John WQ1L** and **Ed N1NTZ** are doing well and have been to breakfast with the group.

**NEW MEMBERS:** Bruce NI1X made a motion seconded by Bob K1WGU that James Doyle KB1SMW and Louis Marcarelli W1XD be accepted as new members. The motion was approved. Welcome to the WARC, guys!

**OLD BUSINESS: Jeff N1SOM** reported the Field Day results as submitted to the ARRL. There were 1422 points accumulated plus an additional 1000 bonus points. Another successful and enjoyable Field Day! **Bruce NI1X** reported on the latest Fox Hunt, where he was hiding in South Weymouth. A poll was taken and the membership chose Sunday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. for the next hunt. Hopefully this will enable more to participate. **John KB1QEM** provided an update on the South Shore Hospital radio group, **KB1UQA**. Plans include a request for a vanity call. An open-house will be held on August 24<sup>th</sup> from 5-7 p.m. Additional volunteers are welcome, contact **John KB1QEM**.

**NEW BUSINESS: Bruce NI1X** is accumulating pictures and statistics on the simulated Hurricane Hudson drill held on August 2<sup>nd</sup>. Plans for the Labor Day weekend Saftler's Flea Market were discussed. **Ross W1EKG** and **Jeff N1SOM** will make the necessary arrangements. A sign-up sheet was circulated for staffing the Marshfield Fair exhibit. Many open slots remain to be filled. Contact **Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN** or **Bill Hayden N1FRE** to be added to the roster. A motion was made by **John KB1PHN** seconded by **Kevin KB1MOC** to cover the fee for participation by the Club. Thanks go to **Karen KB1UBX** for the donation of a first aid kit for Club use. A motion was made by **Bob K1WGU** seconded by **Ross W1EKG** that **Karen KB1UBX** be reimbursed for future purchases. **Pg. 2** 

#### SECRETARY'S NOTES OF THE MEETING OF August 4, 2010 de KB1CYV for N1ZZN

NET CONTROLS: 8/8 Bill N1FRE 8/15 Roy KB1CYV 8/22 Jeff N1SOM 8/29 Bruce N11X

CLOSE: President Paul N1VTI closed the meeting at 7:40 p.m. on a motion by John KB1PHN seconded by **John KB1CHW**. The motion was approved.

## WHITMAN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB -- FIELD DAY STATISTICS

<u>Year</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>
Number of Base Stations	6A	4A	5A	4A	7A	4A	6E	6A	6A	5A
Number of contacts made	690	383	325	257	259	319	424	519	665	627
Number of participants	20	24	22	23	22	18	26	49	31	34

#### TACGroup FOX HUNT -- SUNDAY, JULY 18, 2010

Jim Tynan KC1JET had volunteered to be the Fox for the Taunton Area Communication Group (TACGroup) sponsored Fox Hunt and was hiding In the former St. Mary's Church parking lot at the corner of Power Street and South Worcester Street in the Barrowsville section of Norton.

First in was the team of Bruce Hayden NI1X and Roy Logan KB1CYV in a little over 1 hour. The team made a big u.



Greg Glynn W1VFB

Jim Tynan KC1JET

Bruce Hayden NI1X

Roy Logan **KB1CYV** 

Turn. The initial readings sent the team south, the next readings sent the team west and the final readings were to the north with side trips along the way. The Fox was actually west of the initial starting spot. The signal was fluctuating while the fox was transmitting and not steady for some unknown reason.

Greg Glynn W1VFB had to stop at his home QTH to make a repair to his directional beam antenna and found the Fox in 1 hr and 30 minutes. Don Burke KB1LXH and his boys were out there hunting but did not finish.

#### CQ VHF CONTEST -- JULY 17, 2010

Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN and Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ set up the Club's 11 element 2-Meter beam on Sunrise Hill in Attleboro – the highest point in Bristol County - 390 Feet and operated for a few hours.

## CQ CQ CQ -- THIS IS KB1REQ PORTABLE ~ By: Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ

This summer I set up another portable station, this time on the Massachusetts south coast during a vacation. I was in Onset from the 18th to the 25th of July. While this location is not very far from my home, being right on the water made HF operating very different. I was fortunate to enjoy a week of casual operating and also an entry into the RSGB Islands On The Air contest that weekend.

My station was very similar to before with a Kenwood TS-680s Transceiver and the Outbacker Outreach vertical antenna. However this time I set up the vertical on top of a small seawall with two radials running across the lawn and one running on to the beach. This configuration made for a great time operating, even though the noise floor was higher than I would have liked, I believe due to the marina next door.

I operated mostly on twenty meters but also made contacts on forty, seventeen, and ten meters. Night time propagation was excellent on twenty meters allowing me to work two Australian stations and one New Zealand station even came back to my CQ call.

In total I was able to contact over 25 different countries. I also did well operating stateside working 20 different states including Hawaii. The number of contacts totaled 221, with 84 from casual operating and 137 from



Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ with the Outbacker Outreach vertical antenna with radials



KB1REQ/1 ~ Onset Beach, MA
Portable Vacation Operation
FN41qr Plymouth County
100W Outbacker Outreach Vert.

The special endorsement placed on QSL cards from the operation

the contest. It was fun operating while on vacation and I encourage everyone to give it a try especially when you can take advantage of propagation near the ocean.

73: From Jeremy KB1REQ

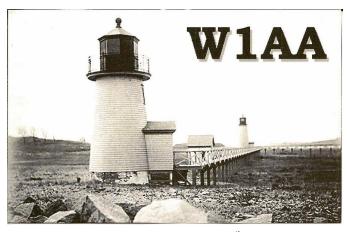
## MARSHFIELD FAIR AMATEUR RADIO EXHIBIT BOOTH AND SPECIAL EVENT STATION -- OPERATORS NEEDED

Sign up for a 4 hour afternoon or evening shift between August 21 and August 29, 2010. The current schedule is posted on the Whitman Club Web page. See <a href="www.wa1npo.org">www.wa1npo.org</a>. Your support is needed. Contact <a href="Jeff">Jeff</a> <a href="Lehmann">Lehmann</a> <a href="Jeff">N1ZZN@comcast.net</a> or <a href="Bill Hayden N1FRE">Bill Hayden N1FRE</a> at <a href="wf.hayden@verizon.net">wf.hayden@verizon.net</a> to sign up. We will provide free passes to those who sign up for a 4 hour shift. Teach children to send their name in Morse code. Explain amateur radio to the public – SKYWARN, ARES, Fox Hunting, QSL card collecting and Public Service. Operate the Special Event Station NN1MF.</a>

## QSL CARD OF THE MONTH -- AMATEUR RADIO LIGHTHOUSE SOCIETY

Area HAMs Henry Brown K1WCC and Whitey Doherty K1VV gave amateur radio operators all over the world an opportunity to collect special Lighthouse QSL cards by activating the Narrows Light (Bug Light) USA-960 and the Lovell's Range Lights USA-456 and USA-1114 in Boston Harbor.

The Amateur Radio Lighthouse Society is promoting Public Awareness of Lighthouses and Lightships through Amateur Radio Operations throughout the world. See <a href="http://arlhs.com">http://arlhs.com</a>



The Bruce NI1X was able to make contact via 80-Meters on Saturday July 24<sup>th</sup> and spoke with Whitey K1VV who was operating as W1AA – the Marconi Amateur Radio Club who was the sponsor of this Special Event.

**DX SUMMIT**: If you have not done so already – you should put the DX Summit on your list of internet "Favorites" and keep an eye out for Special Event Stations like **W1AA**. Even better, help out by spotting the frequency of the Special Event station on the DX Cluster because it updates every 5 minutes and new data replaces old data very quickly.

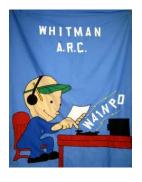
See <a href="http://www.dxsummit.fi/DxSpots.aspx?count=50&range=2">http://www.dxsummit.fi/DxSpots.aspx?count=50&range=2</a>

## 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. You can download the RADIOGRAM message form from <a href="https://www.arrl.org/radiogram">www.arrl.org/radiogram</a> Use one to make up an National Traffic System (NTS) traffic message and send it to a friend.

In July we had 4 sessions with an average of 13 area HAMs checking in each week and 7 messages were sent.



Sending NI1X an update

#### **CLUB NAMETAG:**

If you want to order a Whitman Club nametag and save postage just send \$13.00 to the WARC Treasurer **Jeff Tracy N1SOM**.

When he gets orders for 10 nametags, or more, he will place an order, paying one shipping charge and bring them to the next meeting or Special Event.

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NI1X
THE BRUCE

Matching royal blue Club hats are also available from **Jeff N1SOM** for \$15.00

## FOX HUNT OF SATURDAY JULY 31, 2010 By: "The Bruce" NI1X



Bruce Hayden NI1X

Bob Azanow KA1KIJ

Richard Metcalf KB1TEH

Sly - The Fox

Roy Logan KB1CYV

Dave Whitney AD1R

**The Bruce NI1X** had volunteered to be the Fox on Saturday, July 31, 2010 and was hiding at the Negus Ball Field off Pond Street in So. Weymouth, MA.

First in was **Richard Metcalf KB1TEH** in a time of 38 Minutes. **Richard KB1TEH** reported that his initial reading from Whitman was right on. Second place goes to first time Fox Hunter **Bob Azanow KA1KIJ** in a time of 1 Hr. and 16 minutes. **Bob KA1KIJ** was using signal strength with a handheld receiver and a rubber duck antenna. Third place goes to **Roy Logan KB1CYV** in a time of 1 hr. and 53 minutes. Last place goes to **Dave Whitney AD1R** in a time of 2 hrs and 16 minutes. Both **Roy KB1CYV** and **Dave AD1R** had initial readings that sent them in the direction of Norwell first.

## SOUTH SHORE HOSPITAL -- WHERE ARE ALL THE HAMS ??

If you are an experienced Amateur Radio Operator and you are interested in becoming a Radio Communications Volunteer for South Shore Hospital, please join us at an open house on Tuesday, August 24, 2010, from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. in the Private Dining Room on the second floor of the Emerson Building.

For more information, please call **Joan Cooper-Zack**, RN, Emergency Preparedness Manager, (781)-624-4366. Or E-mail **Joan KB1UBZ** at <u>Joan Cooper-Zack@sshosp.org</u> or **John O'Neill KB1QEM** at oneilljr@gmail.com

## STATE WIDE HURRICANE DRILL AUGUST 2ND By: Bruce Hayden NI1X

## TAUNTON EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER

## "THIS IS A DRILL -- THIS IS A DRILL -- THIS IS A DRILL"

A lot of people say we are due for a major Hurricane - What actions would you take before a Hurricane makes landfall ?? Is your amateur radio "Go Kit" ready and do you have a checklist of things to do or stockpile.?? It looks like the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) volunteers will be in demand by the local cities and towns Emergency Management Agency - Emergency Operations Centers, Hospitals and Red Cross shelters.

**PRE--HURRICANE MEETING:** When you know a Hurricane is on the way – it is time for a Pre- Hurricane meeting. The Emergency Management Agencies would find out who is available. Most households would stock up on basic supplies. I would keep the gas tank in my vehicle full and if you have an emergency generator, you should check it out, making sure you have spare gas and oil on hand.

**HURRICANE WARNING** – In this scenario the National Weather Service (NWS) has issued a Hurricane warning and the Taunton EMA is starting to staff up their Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and plot the hurricane path.

Greg Glynn W1VFB logs in to the EchoLink - New England Network – from the Taunton EOC and is on line with the NWS in Taunton and other local city and town EOCs.

Bruce Hayden NI1X and Barry Kennedy N1EZH are looking on and listening in as storm related reports are being sent to National Weather Service in Taunton.



Greg Bruce Barry W1VFB NI1X N1EZH

#### HURRICANE HUDSON ARRIVES IN NEW ENGLAND -- THIS IS A DRILL.



Don Burke KB1LXH

Tony Pinheiro KB1QIN



Rudy Burer KB1LXI
Steve Foster KB1KZW

**Don Burke KB1LXH** and **Tony Pinheiro KB1QIN** activate the 2-Meter transceivers at the Taunton EOC and make contact with the Mass. Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) Region II Headquarters. Earphones are a must in a busy EOC. **Rudy Burer KB1LXI** – Assistant Director of the Taunton Emergency Management Agency and **Steve Foster KB1KZW** are shown preparing a damage report to be sent to MEMA Region II headquarters.

## STATE WIDE HURRICANE DRILL AUGUST 2ND By Bill Hayden N1FRE

## "THIS IS A DRILL -- THIS IS A DRILL -- THIS IS A DRILL"

#### WHITMAN EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER





Bill Hayden N1FRE

Ron Stundze KB10EQ John M

Jim Madden KB1PFL

Mike Supple KB10EP

Jeff Tracy N1SOM

John Murphy KB1PHN

Bob Schmitt KB1MTY

B10EP Rich Peterson SWL

N1SOM F C Tim Grenno SWL



Joan Cooper-Zack KB1UBZ

Karen Trask KB1UBX

Jeff Tracy N1SOM



Bob Schmitt KB1MTY

Monday, August 2, 2010, The town of Whitman participated in the 2010 Massachusetts Region II Hurricane drill entitled "Hurricane Hudson". Fourteen trained volunteers participated in Monday night's drill, tracking hurricane Hudson as it made its way up the East coast toward southern New England and reported many adverse conditions from all around town.

The 10 HAMs and 4 other volunteers assembled at the Whitman Emergency Management Agency EOC at the Fire / Rescue Station on Temple Street at 18:30 hrs. to receive assignments and instructions from WEMA Director Bob Schmitt KB1MTY. All of the teams were issued UHF hand held radios set to the WEMA frequency 484.250 MHz. to report directly to WEMA control at the EOC, (Emergency Operations Center). Whitman Fire, Police, and DPW were also monitoring this frequency during this exercise. The WEMA communications center was manned by Bill Hayden N1FRE, Whitman RACES Radio Officer and trained HAM radio operator Jeff Tracy N1SOM and RACES, (Radio Amateur Civilian Emergency Service), radio operators in training Joan Cooper-Zack KB1UBZ and Karen Trask KB1UBX. These volunteers assisted Director Bob Schmitt KB1MTY at the EOC, tracking the storm and writing messages detailing local conditions to give to the radio operators to be periodically relayed back to MEMA Region II headquarters in Bridgewater via "HAM" radio.

## WHITMAN PREPARES FOR HURRICANE SEASON Cont: By Bill Hayden N1FRE

All CERT, (Community Emergency Response Team), members dispatched through out town utilized two-way radios operating on the assigned WEMA UHF frequency. **Mike Supple KB10EP** and **Richard Anderson** were dispatched to the primary shelter, the Whitman Hanson regional high school to report on needs there. Fire Chief **Grenno** reported that our 2<sup>nd</sup> shelter, Whitman Middle School was flooded and unusable. **Ron Stundze KB10EQ** and **Leon Beeloo** were sent to the MBTA railroad station at the South Ave. crossing to report conditions in that area of town. **Mat O'Malley KB1MTZ** and **Ted Petersen** drove the CERT Re-hab unit to various parts of town to report on those conditions. **John Murphy KB1PHN** and **Jim Madden KB1PFL** were patrolling between Carpet Max and Saftler's intersection.

## This is a drill, This is a drill, only a drill.

Unfolding during the drill scenario of events were reports of flooding on Stetson Terace, where residents were transported to a shelter, trees down at Harvard St. blocking access to the Harvard Court housing for the elderly, flooding inside the Regional High School shelter where additional volunteers were required to help move everyone to the Duval School shelter on Regal Street, a tree down across the railroad tracks by South Ave. crossing, live electrical wires down at South Ave. and Franklin Street, flooding by Carpet Max, traffic lights out at Rt's 14 and 18, with a major auto accident. A major fire could not be responded to due to the excessively high winds. All of the towns resources were utilized and a radioed request for assistance with tree removal and National Grid crew assistance with live wires down was sent through Region II MEMA net control.

## This is a drill, This is a drill, only a drill.

Local public safety officials indicated that the drill was well organized and proved to be a valuable training tool for their staffs. **Bob Mims WA10EZ**, Region II Net Control, and **Jim Mannion** Region II Manager complimented all participants and noted that valuable lessons were learned. The operators in the local communities are to be commended for their professional behavior and communications skills "

## **End of report By: Bill Hayden N1FRE**

## STATE WIDE HURRICANE DRILL AUGUST 2<sup>ND</sup> By: Roy Logan KB1CYV

## BRIDGEWATER EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER



Mike Neilsen W1MPN – in back Roy Logan KB1CYV

Mike Neilsen W1MPN, The Eastern Mass. ARRL ARES Section Manager and Carl Aveni N1FY the Eastern Mass. ARES Assistant Section Manager operated out of the Bridgewater EOC along with the help of Roy Logan KB1CYV.



Carl Aveni N1FY

The Bridgewater EOC serves as one of the backup Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) Command Centers in South Eastern New England.

**Carl N1FY** sends his thanks to all the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) volunteers and area HAMs who participated.

## STATE WIDE HURRICANE DRILL AUGUST 2<sup>ND</sup> By: Kevin Dykes KB1MOC HANSON EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER



Jim Wolf N1JCW of Hanson



Bob Brown SWL Highway Supervisor

<u>Jerome Thompson SWL</u> Fire Chief / EMA Director

**Kevin Dykes KB1MOC** has recently helped the Town of Hanson set up an amateur radio station at the Hanson Emergency Operations Center (EOC).

Kevin KB1MOC installed two of his own ICOM IC-702H 2-Meter transceivers at the Hanson EOC. One to monitor the Norwell REPEATER and one to communicate with other Hanson volunteers. Kevin KB1MOC reported that he installed two temporary vertical antennas on 20 ft. masts to get the stations on the air.

**Kevin KB1MOC** has also installed his own ICOM IC-718 HF rig at the EOC and the next project is to mount a beam antenna on a utility pole that is already installed on the property.



**Kevin Dykes KB1MOC** 

## STATE WIDE HURRICANE DRILL AUGUST 2<sup>ND</sup> By: Jeff Boltz KB1TEG

## HALIFAX EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER

Jeff Boltz KB1TEG reports: "Lisa Krance KB1TEB is part of Halifax / Plympton Community Emergency Response Team (CERT). She was in Carver to see how other Emergency Operations Centers (EOCs) operate and get ideas for us. From what I understand, Carver has a nice setup.

In Halifax, the Police Chief, Fire Chief and the Halifax / Plympton CERT members attended, but no other HAMs. I was using my HT (Yeasu FT 270 R) first on a mag. mount antenna, but then switched to the 2-Meter antenna on the Police Station / EOC.



Jeff Boltz KB1TEG

I am hoping to get a better base rig for emergency communications".

## STATE WIDE HURRICANE DRILL AUGUST 2<sup>ND</sup> By: Phil McNamara N1XTB

## **CARVER EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER**











Loren Pimentel N1IQI

Bob Loring K1REL

<u>Lisa</u> <u>Krance</u> KB1TEB

Al Drollett W1SM

<u>Phil</u> McNamara N1XTB

Rule number one is take care of your family first. In the case of HAMs living near the coast - you may have to evacuate your family or move them to relatives further inland. Some families even have a plan to designate one relative, located outside of this area, as their own Net Control - a person for all to check in with, keeping them informed as to the status of each family members.

For those HAMs who have not registered as volunteers for specific communities and want to be on standby in case of an emergency – be sure to sign up and register your equipment and availability with the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES). You can log into the ARES Data Base by going to <a href="http://ares.ema.arrl.org">http://ares.ema.arrl.org</a> and click on (left side) "join us"

## STATE WIDE HURRICANE DRILL AUGUST 2<sup>ND</sup> By: Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ

## MANSFIELD EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER

Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ reports that he is a volunteer at the Mansfield Emergency Management Agency and was at the Mansfield Emergency Operations Center (EOC) with Matt Brennan NM1B during the Hurricane drill.

**Jeremy KB1REQ** reports that they switched from the Dartmouth repeater used by section 2A, Bristol County to the Sharon repeater used by section 2D. We had no issue with the Dartmouth repeater we just wanted our members who use handhelds to be able to access the NET on their own.



Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ

## STATE WIDE HURRICANE DRILL AUGUST 2ND By: Jim Tynan KC1JET

#### NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE TAUNTON

Jim Tynan KC1JET reports that he participated at the National Weather Service Taunton office with Rob Macedo KD1CY and Phil McLaughlin KB1CYO.

**Barry Kennedy N1EZH** reports: Here is the link for the American Red Cross Atlantic Hurricane Chart that was used at the Taunton EOC Hurricane Drill on Monday Night.



Jim Tynan KC1JET

http://www.nws.noaa.gov/os/hurricane/images/atlchartshpmillclr.pdf

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## HELLO FROM SOUTHERN FLORIDA By: Steve Rudin W1WSN

**Steve Rudin W1WSN** reports: "Ah, Yes...**Bruce N11X**, I am on Hurricane Preparation here in south Florida from June 1 to November 30 every year!!! Have had a number of tropical depressions and storms, but otherwise, thank heavens, it's been quiet. Only 4 more months to go! Needless to say, all HT batteries are charged, mobile rigs have been tested, and the bathtub in the guest bathroom is full of emergency battery, food and water supplies. We even have battery-operated fans and a Coleman stove. Don't forget an old-fashioned can opener just in case!"

Hope you had a good Drill! - From: Steve W1WSN

#### TIME TO UPGRADE -- SELL TWO KENWOOD RIGS AND BUY ONE YAESU FT-450





VFO -820 Kenwood FT-820

**Kenwood FT-830** 

As discussed at the August meeting - the plan is to sell a Club owned Kenwood FT-820 and a Club owned Kenwood FT-830 and then purchase one Yaesu FT-450 transceiver to be used at Club Special Event Stations. The minimum bid was set at \$300.00 each. It was decided to post this sale in the Whitman Club newsletter and review all bids at the September meeting.

You can contact **Paul Burbine N1VTI** at <a href="mailto:n1vti@comcast.net">n1vti@comcast.net</a> to check on the condition of the transceivers and to submit your bid.

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

August 15<sup>th</sup> FLEA at MIT

Cambridge, MA

**Nick** 617 253 3776

<u>August 20<sup>th</sup> thru August 29<sup>th</sup> Marshfield Fair</u> Amateur Radio Exhibit Booth and Special Event Station. Contact **Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN** or **Bill Hayden N1FRE** to sign up. See: <a href="https://www.wa1npo.org">www.wa1npo.org</a>

#### August 27 - 28 - 29, 2010 Boxboro New England Division ARRL Convention 2010

The ARRL Convention 2010 will be held at the Holiday Inn in Boxboro, Mass. There are many outstanding speakers participating in this year's forums. The exhibit hall will be loaded with equipment and there will be plenty of PRIZES, too! See: <a href="https://www.boxboro.org">www.boxboro.org</a>

<u>September 5 – 6<sup>th</sup> SAFTLER'S FUND RAISING FLEA MARKET</u> Plan to donate some goodies to be sold at the Club table. Better yet – set up your own vendor table. Cost \$25.00 per day or \$40.00 for two days.

<u>September 19<sup>th</sup></u> BROCKTON FIELD PARK TRIATHLON. The Massasoit Club have volunteered to provide communication support for the Brockton Field Park Triathlon. All area HAMs are invited to participate. Contact Carl Aveni N1FY at E-mail <u>ccave@peoplepc.com</u> for more details and to sign up.

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## FOX HUNT OF SUNDAY, AUGUST 8, 2010 By: "The Bruce" NI1X



Roy Logan KB1CYV

Richard Metcalf KB1TEH

Kevin Dykes KB1MOC

Bruce Hayden NI1X

**Richard Metcalf KB1TEH** volunteered to be the Fox on Sunday, August 8, 2010 and was hiding in the West Meadows wildlife management area off Spring Street in West Bridgewater.

The Bruce NI1X had a good first bearing, pointing north from the Scotland section of Bridgewater. Steve Laroe K1AWB had a good reading of west from his QTH in Hanover. Jim Havens W1GQN also reported a westerly reading from East Bridgewater. Bill Hayden N1FRE was getting bad readings (reflections) from his QTH in Whitman.

First in was the team of **Bruce NI1X** and **Roy KB1CYV** in a time of 41 minutes. Second place goes to the team of **Kevin Dykes KB1MOC** and **Bob Brown SWL** in a time of 1 hr. and 5 minutes. Also participating was **Jim Madden KB1PFL** who we did not realize was out on the Hunt.

### PAUL MOSS KB1MTW ATTENDS NATIONAL SCOUT JAMBOREE

**Paul Moss KB1MTW** reports that he participated as a maintenance volunteer in the aquatic area and watched as 40,000 scouts arrived at the National Scout Jamboree which took place July 26 thru August 4 at Fort AP Hill, Caroline County, Virginia.

A myriad of exhibits and activities awaited the Scouts, leaders and staff that came from all 50 states -- and even territories and foreign countries. They all had the opportunity to live, work and play together in an





Paul Moss KB1MTW

atmosphere of Scouting fellowship. Area HAM **Drew Niles KB1SRP** of Raynham was also in attendance. The National Scout Jamboree event does feature Amateur Radio. **K2BSA** was activated as a Special Event demonstration station at the

Jamboree and Whitman Club member **John Murphy KB1PHN** reports that he made contact with **K2BSA**. Scouts were given the opportunity to earn the Radio merit badge. Scouts were also able to take Technician license classes and take the Amateur Radio licensing exams.



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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, Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Whitman Public Library

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