

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: This is Paul N1VTI - I helped man the Club table at NEAR-Fest VIII with John Murphy KB1PHN. We experienced rain on Friday but Saturday was a good day with some wind. We saw 24 Whitman Club members over the two day event.

HAVING FUN: Dave Whitney AD1R volunteered to be the Fox on October 23rd and reported 10 Fox Hunters participating. Joe Casieri KA1JBE along with Dino Casieri KB1RXQ and Laura Valler KB1UTA volunteered to be the Foxes on Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup> and reported 10 Fox Hunters participating. Richard Metcalf **KB1TEH** volunteered to be the Fox on Saturday. November 6<sup>th</sup> and reported 12 Fox Hunters participating.

PUBLIC SERVICE: Roy Logan KB1CYV reported that he participated in a Plymouth Evacuation Drill with the town of Bridgewater. Bruce Hayden NI1X reported that he, along with John Duprey KB1SVY and his wife Michelle SWL and Jim Tynan KC1JET, helped the Taunton Area Communication Group (TACGroup) radio team provide communication support for a road race in Taunton. Ross Hochstrasser W1EKG reported that he and Paul Moss KB1MTW helped out at the Whitman Haunted house. Bruce NI1X reported 7 Whitman Club members participated in the first Monday of the month RADIOGRAM training.

PROMOTING AMATEUR RADIO: Paul Moss KB1MTW reported that he and Neal Harrington KB1LXL participated with the Taunton Area Communication Group (TACGroup) crew at Camp Norse in Kingston during the Scout Jamboree On-The-Air. Jeff Boltz KB1TEG reported that he participated in the Scout Jamboree On-The-Air with Scouts in Halifax. Many Whitman Club members reported talking with the Scouts over the Whitman and area REPEATERs.

At the November meeting we heard a very interesting presentation by Ed Perry SWL – owner of the Marshfield Radio Station WATD - about how he became involved with radio broadcasting over the years. Next we have Plimoth Plantation with antenna crew on Friday, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. and operation on Saturday, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, 28th from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. I hope to see a lot of Club members wearing your blue Whitman Club jackets At the December meeting we will hear a presentation by Phil Temples K9HI, our soon to be (Jan. 1, 2011) ARRL Eastern Mass. Section Manager, and his involvement with the Camp Courage Handiham program.

# 73 From: Paul KB1MTW

**NEW MEMBER: Laura Valler KB1UTA** lives in Whitman and received her Technician Class license in September. Laura KB1UTA reports that she has an ICOM IC-V8 handheld and a Motorola XTS-3000R handheld transceiver and can be heard on the Whitman REPEATER.

Laura KB1UTA has participated in the local Fox Hunts, attended Boxboro and NEARFest and is now studying for the General Class license.

Laura Valler KB1UTA >>>>



Paul Burbine

N1VTI



# SECRETARY'S NOTES OF THE MEETING OF November 3, 2010 de N1ZZN

**Ross Hochstrasser** 

Phil Temples (quest)

**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-six members / guests were present, including three elected Officers and three Directors. A quorum was present.

W1EKG

K9HI

Steve Laroe

Peter George

K1AWB

K1XRB



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WA1UMT	Dave Darois	SWL	Ed Perry (guest)		
KA1JBE	Joe Casieri	KB1REQ	Jeremy Breef-Pilz		<u>Jeff Lehmann</u>
KB1CHW	John Coombs	KB1TEH	<b>Richard Metcalf</b>		N1ZZN
KB1CYV	Roy Logan	N1COP	Bob Woodbury		
KB1IKH	Elayne Tovet	KB1KVL	Ken Kavaljian	WA1ZKK	Al Craddock
KB1MTY	Bob Schmitt	KB10DS	John Chase	KB10EP	Mike Supple
KB10EQ	Ron Stundze	KB1PHN	John Murphy	KB1QEM	John O'Neill
KB1TEB	Lisa Krance	KB1UBX	Karen Trask	KB1UTA	Laura Valler
KC1JET	Jim Tynan	N1FRE	Bill Hayden	N1LQK	Dave Kaplan
N1SOM	Jeff Tracy	N1SON	Bill Tracy	N1VTI	Paul Burbine
N1ZZN	Jeff Lehmann	NI1X	Bruce Hayden	W1AXB	Matt Paine
W1GQN	Jim Havens	W1JT	Jim Tovet	WA1MWF	Larry LeBlanc

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The treasurer's report for October was read by **Jeff N1SOM**. **Bill N1FRE** made a motion seconded by **Ron KB10EQ** that the treasurer's report be accepted as read. The motion was approved.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** A motion was made by **Ken KB1KVL** seconded by **John KB1PHN** that the October secretary's report be accepted as published in the newsletter. The motion was approved.

**HEALTH & WELFARE:** Barbara K1MRH reported via email that cards were sent to Joan Smith KB1NAX who is recovering from surgery, and Gil Follett W1GMF who is having hearing trouble. Jim KC1JET reported that John Rupple W1JGR injured his shoulder.

**OLD BUSINESS: Bruce NI1X** reported that the next Fox Hunt will be this Saturday with **Richard KB1TEH** hiding in Abington or Whitman. **Bruce NI1X** made a motion that **Paul N1VTI** and **John KB1PHN** be reimbursed for their tickets for NEAR-Fest, for bringing the Club items up there to sell. **Paul N1VTI** reported that he has been in touch with Plimoth Plantation, and we have permission to operate our special event station there once again this year.

**NEW BUSINESS: Bruce NI1X** made a motion that a new roll of RG-8X coax be purchased. **Jim KC1JET** seconded the motion and it was approved. **Bruce** also made a motion that a roll of flex weave be purchased. **John KB1QEM** seconded the motion and it was approved. **Jeremy KB1REQ** reminded everyone that the Falmouth Amateur Radio Association flea market in Bourne was coming up on Saturday, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>. **Jeff N1ZZN** reported that after a recent power outage and possible surge, he purchased a Tripp Lite Isobar heavy duty surge protector to be used on the repeater, and installed it. **Bruce NI1X** made a motion, seconded by **Jim KC1JET** that **Jeff N1ZZN** be reimbursed for the purchase, it was approved.

# SECRETARY'S NOTES OF THE MEETING OF November 3, 2010 Cont: de N1ZZN

# NET CONTROLS: 11/7: Steve K1AWB, 11/14: Jeff N1SOM, 11/21: Roy KB1CYV, 11/28: Bruce NI1X (10 a.m. at Plimoth), 12/5: Mike KB1OEP

**CLOSE:** President **Paul N1VTI** closed the business meeting at 6:45 p.m. on a motion by **John KB1PHN** seconded by **Richard KB1TEH**. The motion was approved.

**GUEST SPEAKER: Ed Perry** from commercial radio station 95.9 WATD-FM in Marshfield gave a talk about his stories in broadcasting, and how it relates to HAM radio.

# PRESENTATION BY ED PERRY - OWNER OF THE MARSHFIELD RADIO STATION WATD

**Ed Perry SWL** – owner of the Marshfield Radio Station **WATD** - 95.9 FM - give a very informative and humorous talk about his adventures setting up private radio stations over the years. For those who weren't at the meeting - let's just say **Ed** has lived a very interesting and radioactive life.

**Ed** reported that he purchased his first AM radio station transmitter from the military as he left the Military Service and was involved with a home station, college stations and commercial radio stations in Brockton and Falmouth, before settling in Marshfield in 1977.



Paul Burbine N1VTI President of WARC Ed Perry SWL owner of WATD

Ed reported that he truly enjoys operating the community radio station, WATD, which has 2000 watts of FM power and coverage over the South Shore. It gives him a chance to communicate with the public. He has a portable two way radio system that allows remote coverage of events in the community. His radio station is a private business that takes no tax payers money and must sell advertisements to secure funds. Ed reports that – like HAMs - he wants his radio station to be "on the air" during a disaster when all other communication is out of service and people are depending on portable radios to find out what is happening in the community. In closing – Ed told us the story about how, after several failed attempts to permit a station in Marshfield, he had an opportunity to purchase land next to the Marshfield dump. When this location was approved it seemed like the right thing to do at the time to name the radio station WATD "Were At The Dump". A tour of the radio station WATD is in the works.

# DEC. 16, 2010 GENESIS CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

**Ken Kavaljian KB1KVL** has extended an invitation to the Whitman Club members, inviting them to attend the Genesis Club Christmas Party that will be held on December 16<sup>th</sup> at Isaac's Restaurant located at 114 Water Street in Plymouth, MA. 6-7 p.m. cocktails – 7 p.m. dinner – dancing until midnight. For menu and cost contact **Ken KB1KVL** at E-Mail <u>kkavaljian@yahoo.com</u>

# TAUNTON FIRE FIGHTERS FOR MDA CHARITY -- 5K ROAD RACE By: The Bruce NI1X

**Greg Glynn W1VFB** – President of the Taunton Area Communication Group (TACGroup) volunteered to provide communication support for the Taunton Fire Fighters - Multiple Dystrophy Association (MDA) charity – 5K Road Race held on Sunday, October 17, 2010 in the Taunton Industrial Park. **Greg W1VFB** extended an invitation to the area HAMs to join in.

**Greg Glynn W1VFB** was Net Control and was set up at the Start / Finish line. The rest of the Radio Team volunteers were positioned at various intersections around the 3 mile Race Course.



Communication was on 146.430 MHz Simplex. There were over 150 runners and walkers participating on a beautiful 50 degree day with the sun peeking out from behind the clouds. The Radio Team kept their eye on the first runner who finished in less than a half hour and on the last walkers who finished in little over an hour. There were turkeys on the race course and very little vehicle traffic. Great location. There was a K-9 demonstration by the police and other activities following the race.



THE PUBLIC SERVICE RADIO TEAM VOLUNTEERS

The Radio Team met for breakfast at the Home Plate Restaurant on Bay Road in Taunton. Shown just before the start of the race are, back row, L. to R. John Frye N1OTY, Michelle Duprey SWL, John Duprey KB1SVY, Barry Kennedy N1EZH and Don Burke KB1LXH. Seen in the front row L. to R. are Greg Glynn W1VFB, Jim Tynan KC1JET, Walter Fitzgerald W1WCF and Bruce Hayden N11X.

# **RECEIVER FOR SALE By: Dick Schwartz N1SZE**

**FOR SALE**: The AR 7030 plus receiver is a 0 thru 32 MHz high grade receiver with 100 channels.

From: Dick Schwartz N1SZE E-Mail rasjan@aol.com



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# THE NEW ENGLAND AMATEUR RADIO FESTIVAL (NEARFest) -- Oct. 15th & 16th

Friday was a wash out with rain (lake Deerfield) but Saturday was a beautiful day with the sun out and the temperature about 50 degrees and windy. On Saturday the trees were turning to fall colors and we saw deer running across the fields on the way to NEARFest.

Paul Burbine N1VTI and John Murphy KB1PHN are shown, all bundled up, manning the Club table when The Bruce NI1X and Richard Metcalf KB1TEH showed up. Paul N1VTI reports that he sold the Club's Kenwood TS-820 and that Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN purchased the new Yaesu FT-450AT transceiver for the Club "Go Kit".



Paul John Burbine Murphy N1VTI KB1PHN Richard Metcalf KB1TEH



## Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN with 6-Meter duplexers

Gary Cumiskey W1GRC

Also setting up vendor tables were **Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN** and **Gary Cumiskey W1GRC**. **Jeff N1ZZN** reports that they picked up a set of 6-Meter duplexers and some 6-Meter folded dipole antennas for the Norwell 53.33 MHz 6-Meter REPEATER. **Gary W1GRC** reported that he sold a Bird Wattmeter, Polycom 6-Meter radio, UHF beam, and misc. parts but didn't buy anything.

Whitman Club members who made themselves known at the Club table were:

N1VTI Paul Burbine W1QWT Bob Callahan AD1R Dave Whitney K1CWS Bruce Billings W1ICU Tom Wilson W1GRC Gary Cumiskey W1JGR John Rupple KB1ODS John Chase KB1SPB Dan Chase NM1F Jim Ford

NI1X Bruce Hayden N1ZZN Jeff Lehman KB1MTW Paul Moss KC1JET Jim Tynan N1SOM Jeff Tracy WA1YKF Warren Dickie KB1PFL Jim Madden KB1PHN John Murphy W1EKG Ross Hochstrasser KB1TEH Richard Metcalf N1COP Bob Woodbury SWL Patricia Woodbury KB1SVY John Duprey SWL Michelle Duprey KA1JBE Joe Casieri KB1RXQ Dino Casieri KB1UTA Laura Valler KB1QEM John O'Neill



Patricia Woodbury SWL Bob Woodbury N1COP



Paul Burbine N1VTI



John Murphy KB1PHN

**Paul Burbine N1VTI** reported that he sold his Kenwood TS-830 transceiver and picked up a Motorola GP 300 handheld.



<u>Laura Valler KB1UTA</u> <u>Joe Casieri KA1JBE</u> <u>Dino Casieri KB1RXQ</u>



<u>Glyn Staples KB1ODL</u> <u>Dave Whitney AD1R</u>



Michelle Duprey SWL John Duprey KB1SVY



<u>John Rupple</u> W1JGR



Jim Tynan KC1JET

John Duprey KB1SVY reports that he picked up a Yaesu FT-8800R mobile rig from Jim Tynan KC1JET. John Rupple W1JGR reports that he picked up a mobile antenna. Jim Tynan KC1JET reports that he picked up an old scanner. John O'Neill KB1QEM reported that he picked up a desk mike for his rig and a power supply for his Go Kit. Al Craddock WA1ZKK reported that he picked up a Kenwood FT-450AT from a local HAM and wants to start practicing Morse code. Paul Moss KB1MTW reported that he picked up a 40 amp switching power supply.

**Ross Hochstrasser W1EKG** is shown on stage as the radio announcer for the "Pirate Ship" radio station FM 95.1 MHz on your dial. **Ross W1EKG** was asked to raffle off door prices leading up to the grand prize.

**Ross W1EKG** reported that he was pressed into service by **Mr. Mike** (who is in charge of NEARFest) and asked to rent a van and transport all the Pirate Ship radio gear to NEARFest. This included one transmitter system for 650 AM and one for 95.1 FM. Along with the transmitters there were mixer boards, turntables, mikes, processors, speakers, equalizers and antennas.



**Ross W1EKG** did report that he picked up a Johnson 1 KW "Match Box" link coupled antenna tuner.



Bob Callahan W1QWT

Tom Bolus WB1FLA of Kingston

**Ross Hochstrasser W1EKG** announcing the raffle winners



John Chase KB1ODS Dan Chase KB1SPB

**Bob "Q" Callahan W1QWT** reports: "I started buying some HAM sticks because I am setting up to go HF mobile. I also bought a 10-Meter antenna for my 8900 which covers 10M, 6M, 2M, and 70CM (FM). I want to start monitoring the 10-Meter FM calling frequency from my house as the sun spot cycle improves".



Tom Wilson W1ICU Michael Dowd KB1PVC



#### Bruce Hayden NI1X Richard Metcalf KB1TEH

The Bruce NI1X found a Heathkit SA-2000A antenna tuner that he could not go home without. Richard Metcalf KB1TEH picked up 30 feet of aluminum military mast sections and one fiberglass mast section for his 2-Meter beam project. Richard KB1TEH is refurbishing an 11-element 2-Meter circular polarized beam. Soon he will be saying "can you hear me now ?? Pg. 7



Bob Egles KA1BBU Warren Dickie WA1YKF



Bob Keene N1LCY of Randolph



Wes Holmes N1WH of Plymouth



Walter Fitzgerald W1WCF of Raynham Dave Rezendes KA1DTA of Taunton



Karl Johnson NS1N of Scituate Steve Johnson KC1HO of Plymouth



Steve Snow N1KQV of Randolph Paul Foley N1KQR of Brockton

John Nelson WD1L F of Brockton KA

Frank Erauth KA1UOJ of Bktn.

**Jim Ford NM1F** reports: "I was at NEARFest on Friday afternoon. I only had a short time before the rain started to pour. I did pick up a HAM II rotor, a Kenwood TM-411 440 MHz radio to match my TM-211 2-Meter. These are neat radios that have a front panel that can tilt up and down. A Kenwood TR-7950 2-Meter. An old Simpson 260 VOM, Kenwood MC-85 Microphone, big box of crystals, some plug in coil forms and some PL-259 connectors. That's all I can think of, not much compared to what I usually get."

Pi Pugh K1RV was promoting HamTestOnLine (the software that knows you) at a vendor booth at NEARFest. This is a great way to prepare for the Technician, General or Extra class exams. Pi K1RV says: "When you have the right tools, everything is easier"

See www.hamtestonline.com for more information and to check out the software with a free trial run.

John O'Neill KB1QEM reported that he rode up with Paul Moss KB1MTW. "It was a pleasure being chauffeur driven and not having to cope with the rush hour traffic.

Interesting conversations made the travel time go by guickly. This was my first trip to NEARFest and the weather Friday made it just that more memorable. I purchased a clamp on quick antenna mount, an HT antenna, some powerpole connectors and a power supply for a go kit I am constructing. I also negotiated a great deal on a Kenwood MC 60-A base station microphone for my Kenwood TS-680S that I have been searching for. I can't wait for the next one to see what kind of deals I can bring home".

# 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. Make up an NTS traffic message and send it to a friend. We also encourage everyone to try your hand at Net Control. Contact Bill N1FRE or Bruce NI1X for a Net Control handout.

In October we had 5 sessions with an average of 16 area HAMs checking in each week and 11 messages were sent.

Matt Paine W1AXB checked in to the WARPSN NET from the Blue Blue Hill tower at 650 feet.

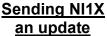
Other out of State and out of country EchoLink and IRLP contacts were heard with:

**Steve Rudin W1WSN** was heard checking in from Florida via EchoLink. Phil Temples K9HI checked in from Indianapolis, Indiana via EchoLink where he was visiting family. Jim Tovet W1JT checked in from Florida via EchoLink while on vacation to Disney World. **Gunner Odom N1RIT** checked in via EchoLink from Michigan, (Formally lived in Brockton) Juergen Lochner DL1NBR checked in via EchoLink from Germany looking for Joe KA1JBE. Joe Casieri KA1JBE was heard checking in from Illinois via his Remote Base. Andy Niles KB1RSR checked in via IRLP from Florida while visiting Disney World. Koos Scheffer GU0GUX checked in from Guernsey, Channel Islands, UK looking for Paul KB1MTW

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Pi Pugh K1RV of Abington



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# FOX HUNT OF SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2010 By: The Bruce" NI1X

**Dave Whitney AD1R** had volunteered to be the Fox on Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> and was hiding in Camp Kiwanee off Rt. 58 in Hanson. The weather was beautiful and there were 10 Fox Hunters participating.



# Bruce Hayden NI1XJoe Casieri KA1JBERichard KB1TEHDave Whitney AD1RLaura Valler KB1UTAJohn Chase KB1ODSDino Casieri KB1RXQRoy Logan KB1CYV

Shown in the front are **Wade Morse KB1TXA** and his son **Grant SWL** with **Sly** the Fox

First in was the team of Joe KA1JBE, Dino KB1RXQ and Laura KB1UTA in 40 minutes. Their first reading was in the wrong direction. Second place goes to **Richard KB1TEH** in 53 minutes who reported that all his readings intersected in the middle of Indian Head Pond – just south of the Fox's Den. Third place goes to **Wade KB1TXA** and his son **Grant SWL** in 57 minutes and they were followed into the Fox's Den by the team of **Bruce NI1X** and **Roy KB1CYV** in 58 minutes. **Bruce NI1X** and **Roy KB1CYV** had a reading of East from Whitman that should have been more south – east and struggled after that. Making the top teams possible was **John Chase KB1ODS** who finished in a time of 1 hour.



# PLYMOUTH NUCLEAR POWER PLANT -- EVACUATION DRILL By: Roy KB1CYV

**Roy Logan KB1CYV** reported that he participated in a practice run of an evacuation drill with the town of Bridgewater that was held on October 20, 2010. There will be a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Graded Exercise held on November 16, 2010.

In the event of an emergency at the Plymouth Nuclear Power Plant the residents of Plymouth and surrounding towns will be instructed to evacuate to reception centers set up in Bridgewater, Taunton and Braintree.



Roy Logan KB1CYV

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# PLYMOUTH NUCLEAR POWER PLANT -- EVACUATION DRILL Cont: By Roy KB1CYV





Carl Aveni N1FY

Pete Curley N1NVV

Alan Cox K1VQ

Amateur radio operators will provide backup emergency communication between the Emergency Operation Centers and the Reception Centers, the Transportation Centers and any shelters that are set up as part of the plan.

To volunteer for the Town of Bridgewater Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) team – contact **Carl Aveni N1FY** – Bridgewater Radio officer - at E-Mail <u>caave@peoplepc.com</u> To volunteer for the City of Taunton RACES team – contact Rudy **Burer KB1LXI** – Asst. Director of TEMA – at E-Mail <u>Tema2@tmlp.net</u>

# TECHNICAL TOPICS

# REMOTE BASE -- USING HAM RADIO DELUXE SOFTWARE By: Joe Casieri KA1JBE

I connected my ICOM IC-746 to the computer with an OPC-478 cable, this is to control the radio via the computer (you can do just about everything from the home computer) and <u>Hamradio Deluxe software</u>. If you want to use the radio remotely you must set it up in the software (easy to do), then you need to put the audio, both transmit and receive into the computer, I used the Signalink USB box, instead of wiring the radio and bringing audios to my sound card in the computer and dedicating it to my radio the signalink is a USB sound card. Then you have to get the audio to the remote computer, I used skype. I found that using a headset style speaker microphone works better than the internal one on the laptop. That's all there is to it.



Joe Casieri KA1JBE

# When I talked with "The Bruce" NI1X on the Whitman REPEATER and Laura

**KB1UTA** I was in Schaumburg, Illinois at the Motorola Headquarters for training on a console that I am going to install coming up. I was sitting in the hotel room going on my laptop connected to my home computer. Along with the Whitman REPEATER, I made contacts on the many repeaters in the area in Massachusetts and many contacts in foreign countries including **VK3MO** Ian near Melbourne, Australia on 14.154 MHz with a 5/9 report.

If you want more detailed information about my remote base setup – just give me a call.

73 From: Joe KA1JBE

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# SCOUT -- JAMBOREE ON-THE-AIR -- By: Don Burke KB1LXH

**WHAT IS JAMBOREE ON THE AIR ?** - The Jamboree-On-The-Air, or JOTA, is an annual Scouting and amateur radio event where scouts from all over the world get to talk with other Scouts via amateur radio. Many Scouts visit a local amateur's HAM shack during JOTA.

**Don Burke KB1LXH** of the Taunton Area Communication Group (TACGroup) organized a JOTA event at Camp Norse in Kingston, Ma. **Paul Moss KB1MTW** of the Whitman Club had volunteered to assist.

**Don Burke KB1LXH** reports: "The 53<sup>rd</sup> Jamboree On-The-Air set another record with 248 contacts by the Scouts from Annawon Council BSA. Eight Amateur Radio operators and five Short Wave listeners volunteered on Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at Camp Norse in Kingston, MA.

The control operators were Andy Niles KB1RSR, Greg Glynn W1VFB, Neal Harrington KB1LXL, and Paul Moss KB1MTW and the

#### Camp Norse JOTA Crew



 Anthony Attaya-Harris KB1UHV
 Christopher White SWL

 Andy Niles KB1RSR
 Bob Winslow SWL

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 Tyler Winslow SWL

 Greg Glynn W1VFB
 Noah Burke SWL

 Paul Moss KB1MTW

**Paul Moss KB1MTW** and they were ready in no time getting **KC1TAC** on the air.



Paul Moss KB1MTW with Riley Burke SWL and Jeffery Carlson SWL



Neal Harrington KB1LXL and Bradley Horderny SWL

The 53<sup>rd</sup> JOTA Group prepared The Craft Cabin for the first wave of excited Scouts by getting three 2-Meter base stations and one HF rig up and running. With the antennas set, feed lines run and transceivers waiting, **Don Burke KB1LXH** made ready the display board.

# SCOUT -- JAMBOREE ON-THE-AIR -- Cont: By: Don KB1LXH



#### DON BURKE KB1LXH WELCOMED EVERY SCOUT AND PARENT

**Don KB1LXH** welcomed every scout and parent to this year's JOTA event. He began by explaining what radio is, a car alarm, garage door openers, cell phones are all forms of radio. Don would tell the boys how Amateur Radio operators' main focus is for emergency communications. We help local, state and the federal government during natural and man made disasters. You will find a HAM Radio operator at every shelter as well at every National Weather Service Station.

**Don KB1LXH** would ask, "Do you like to play hide and seek?" YES!! The boys would answer. "We HAMs play hide and seek too, but not in the back yard or in the basement of your house, we play in sections of Bristol and Plymouth Counties" **Don KB1LXH** would hold up one of the tape measure beams Fox Hunters use and explain how we like to build some of our equipment. He would show the Scouts several antennas used during JOTA that were hand made.



Andy Niles KB1RSR Control Operator



<u>Martin Caron SWL</u> <u>Andy Niles KB1RSR</u> <u>Judy Attaya-Harris KB1SRO</u> <u>Kevin Sullivan KA1UNP</u>

QSL cards are collected by HAMs like patches are collected by Scouts. Each year a special JOTA patch is made to show that a Scout attended the event, just like an Amateur Radio Operator collects QSL cards from the contacts they make.

# SCOUT -- JAMBOREE ON-THE-AIR -- Cont: By: Don KB1LXH

At last the anxious Scouts would be able to talk on air. The control operators would have each Scout give his name, age, rank, pack number and town to his contact. **Bradley Horderny SWL**, **Chris White SWL**, **Noah Burke SWL** and **Tyler Winslow SWL** would record the Scouts info. **Judy KB1SRO** and **Anthony Attaya-Harris KB1UHV** and **Kevin Sullivan KA1UNP** also came to lend a hand with the Scouts.

The Scouts would move thru each station talking to other HAM stations as far off as Tacoma, Washington with **K7IWH** on the USCG Cutter Northwind, with **Bill Jespin MW0BLU** from Holyhead, Wales, United Kingdom and with **Fred Lesnick VE3FAL** from Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada.

**Don KB1LXH** would like to thank all the individual operators who made contact with the **KC1TAC** – JOTA crew and talked with the scouts – A special thanks to:

K1YCQ Byron Piette KB1UUS Bob Power KB1TEG Jeff Boltz KA1OMP Mike Sperry KB1GBQ Peter Laubner

erry N11 aubner K17

N1EZH Barry Kennedy K1AWB Steve Laroe

JOTA Crew - Standing L. to R >>>>>> Greg Glynn W1VFB Andy Niles KB1RSR Don Burke KB1LXH

Seated – Paul Moss KB1MTW

Sitting in front L. to R. Christopher White SWL Noah Burke SWL

Thank you to the JOTA stations of:

N1GFS	Ron Ellis - Troop 53
WA1NPO	Jeff Boltz - Pack 239
W1SMH	Old Colony Council
WA1EMA	Narragansett Council
W1EXP	Cape and Island Council



# **Camp Norse JOTA Crew**

And most especially, **Don KB1LXH** would like to thank all the Trustees and members of the local REPEATERS who allowed us to use their machines for this year's JOTA Special Event. Without you this would not be possible.

WA1NPO Whitman	W1AEC Dartmouth	W1EXP Dennis	W1SMH Attleboro
WA1EMA Acushnet	W1MV Bridgewater	N1ZIZ Plymouth	NN1D Fall River

Jeff Boltz KB1TEG reports : "We had 6 Cub Scouts and their families at the Halifax EOC on 2-Meters and on JOTA EchoLink stations around the world. We made many local Scout contacts as well as in WV, PA, CA, TX, Canada, Brunei, Netherlands, Wales and Australia. WA1NPO QSL cards were sent out for stations found in QRZ. The Scouts had a great time and earned the 53rd JOTA anniversary badge commemorating 100 Years of Scouting in America. Thanks to the WARC Club and to Bruce NI1X for letting us borrow the WA1NPO call sign and Morse code practice keyer as well as the Morse code pamphlets. Thanks to the trustees of the local REPEATER stations and area HAMs for letting us use the local frequencies to introduce young people to HAM radio. Special thanks to Don Burke KB1LXH for coordinating the local Scout contacts".

# FOX HUNT OF OCTOBER 30, 2010 By: The Bruce NI1X

The team of **Joe Casieri KA1JBE**, **Dino Casieri KB1RXQ** and **Laura Valler KB1UTA** volunteered to be the Fox and they were hiding beside a pond off Plymouth Street in Pembroke – just north of Cranland Airport between Rt. 58 and Rt. 36.



John Chase KB1ODS Mary Lou Chase SWL Roy Logan KB1CYV

#### <u>Richard Metcalf KB1TEH</u> <u>Dino Casieri KB1RXQ</u> <u>Joe Casieri KA1JBE</u> <u>Laura Valler KB1UTA</u>

<u>Dave Whitney AD1R</u> <u>Dick Jolls K1GUG</u> <u>Bruce Hayden NI1X</u>

First in was **Dave Whitney AD1R** in a time of 30 minutes. Second place goes to **Richard Metcalf KB1TEH** in a time of 45 minutes. Third place goes to the team of **Bruce Hayden NI1X** and **Roy Logan KB1CYV** in a time of 1 hour and 15 minutes. Fourth place goes to first time Fox Hunter **Dick Jolls K1GUG** in a time of 1 hour and 45 minutes. Making the top teams possible was **John Chase KB1ODS** and his wife **Mary Lou SWL** in a time of 1 hour and 50 minutes.

# FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH RADIOGRAM TRAINING

The Taunton Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) volunteers were operating mobile - out of TEMA2 – an ambulance, converted to accommodate people and radios and supplies. They included **Bruce Hayden NI1X, Rudy Burer KB1LXI** Asst. TEMA Director and **Steve Foster KB1KZW. Kevin Dykes KB1MOC** was heard operating from the Hanson EOC. Loren Pimentel **N1IQI** was heard checking in for Carver and Bridgewater. **Bill Hayden N1FRE, Jeff Tracy N1SOM** and **Mike Supple KB1OEP** were heard operating from the Whitman EOC. Jeremy Breef-Pilz **KB1REQ** was heard operating from the Marshfield EOC. The next RADIOGRAM training will be held on Monday, December 6, 2010. Listen in on the Norwell REPEATER 146.250 PL 77 and copy along.

# FOX HUNT OF SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2010 By: The Bruce" NI1X

**Richard Metcalf KB1TEH** volunteered to be the Fox on a cool (45 degree) Saturday, November 6<sup>th</sup> and added a new twist to Fox Hunting. **Richard KB1TEH** was a bicycle mobile Fox starting at the Abington Train Station and moving to the Whitman Train Station in the first 15 minutes of the hunt. **Richard KB1TEH** was operating with a 5 watt handheld and circling the Whitman train station parking lot on his bicycle when most of the Fox Hunters found him. No car or truck in sight. Not present when the picture was taken was **Gary Cumiskey W1GRC**.



Bruce Hayden NI1X	Richard Met	tcalf KB1TEH	
Wade Morse KB1TXA	Dino (	Casieri KB1RXQ	
2-1/2 yr old Grant	SWL	Ron Stundze KB10EQ	
Bill Morse k	(B1GVB	Joe Casieri KA1JBE	
Laura	a Valler KB1U	JTA Dave Whitney AD1R	
	<u>Sly the Fox</u>	<u>Roy Logan KB1CYV</u>	

First to find the Fox was **Ron Stundze KB1OEQ** who just happened to pull into the Power Company switching station lot on Rt. 58 to get a reading just as a bicycle rider stopped under the power lines on the other side of the street and started saying "This is the Fox come and find me. **Ron KB1OEQ** found the bicycle mobile Fox in 8 minutes and followed him to the Whitman train station parking lot. Next in was **Gary Cumiskey W1GRC** in 38 minutes. **Gary W1GRC** was in Whitman on Essex Street and saw the train go by and then 2 minutes later heard the train whistle on the Fox frequency when the Fox transmitted and figured that the Fox was at the Whitman train station. Talk about being in the right place at the right time.

Gary W1GRC was followed closely by the team of Joe KA1JBE, Dino KB1RXQ and Laura KB1UTA in 39 minutes. The Bruce NI1X and Roy KB1CYV headed north from Saftler's parking lot and then got a good reading north east towards the Abington train station. After checking out Ames Nowell State Park (not there) and hearing a train whistle on the Fox frequency – The Bruce NI1X and Roy KB1CYV got readings pointing southeast back towards Whitman. The team of Bruce NI1X and Roy KB1CYV found the Fox in 53 minutes, followed closely by Dave AD1R in 54 minutes. Making the top teams possible was the team of Wade Morse KB1TXA, his son Grant SWL and his father Bill Morse KB1GVB in 1 hour. Great Fox Hunt.

# FOX HUNT OF SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2010 Cont: By: The Bruce" NI1X

**Richard KB1TEH** reports: "I parked my car at the Whitman library about 9:30 a.m. and rode my bike towards the Abington Rail Road (RR) station. I arrived just in time for the 10:00 a.m. start. I made my first transmission which included the statement that I was putting a new "spin" on the Fox Hunt by simulating a stuck portable mike situation every five minutes for a minute or less. I then closed with - This is the Fox mobile, let's mount up and ride. I headed west to RT. 58 then south. I pulled to the side of RT. 58 under power lines for the 10:05 a.m. transmission. I finished and heard a horn beep. I went over to the car that stopped and got **Ron's KB10EQ** information. He heard and saw me making the end of the 10:05 a.m. transmission. We talked a little and I explained I was heading to the Whitman RR station and for him to go there for the Fox's Den. I next stopped at 10:10 a.m. on Essex St, Whitman. During this transmission I announced that "the Fox mobile had been found on the road, on the way to the Den", and that the Fox would be at the Den for the rest of the Fox Hunt".

"I then met **Ron KB10EQ** at the Whitman RR station and transmitted at 10:15 a.m. from there. I then made all the other transmissions from the RR station property as I rode around the two parking lots on my bike. I lucked out with a train coming through just in time for me to key the mike. I figured that would be discounted as a recorded sound. I gave other hints like riding around the empty parking lots, having a different vehicle, being a very visible Fox, being out of breath and stopping to rest. I thought that because of the smaller search area that the Fox Hunters wouldn't call foul because of the short deception at the start. In the real world we probably would be tracking a moving stuck mike more than a fixed one. I liked the way things turned out. I think being found on the road was the highlight."

# Happy Hunting - From: Richard, KB1TEH

**NOV. 13<sup>th</sup> FARA-Fest FLEA MARKET:** The Falmouth Amateur Radio Association will hold it's 12<sup>th</sup> annual FARA Fest – Flea Market from 9 a.m. till 12 noon at the Upper Cape Regional Technical School located at 220 Sandwich Road in Bourne, MA.

# PLIMOTH PLANTATION SPECIAL EVENT

**NOV. 26<sup>th</sup> ANTENNA PARTY**: There will be an antenna party on Friday, November 26<sup>th</sup> Meet in the lower Plimoth Plantation (Bus) parking lot at 10 a.m. Talk in on the Whitman REPEATER frequency 147.225 MHz SIMPLEX. This should take about 2 hours. Admission is free for the Radio crew. Wear your blue Whitman Club jacket if you have one.

**NOV. 27<sup>TH</sup> & 28<sup>TH</sup> OPERATIONS**: Operations will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, November 27 and Sunday, November 28, 2010. There will be a take down crew needed on Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup> between 3 p.m. and 4 p.m. We encourage everyone to attend. Technician Class licensed operators will be put On-The-Air" under the supervision of a higher class Control Operator. Enjoy the fun of telling the story of the Plimoth Plantation as a Plimoth Plantation Special Event operator.

**DEC. 4<sup>th</sup> SKYWARN RECOGNITION DAY**: SKYWARN Recognition Day 2010 will be on Saturday December 4th, 2010 from 0000-2400 UTC (this is Friday late afternoon / evening into Saturday, late afternoon / evening for much of North America). Details can be seen at the following link: <u>http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/mtr/hamradio/</u> 73, **Rob Macedo KD1CY**. Director of Operations for the VoIP Hurricane Net



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

Club REPEATER 147. 225 MHz PL 67

**Club IRLP Node 8691** 

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