



The Whitman Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

September 2012

SPECTRUM



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: This is **John KB1SVY** – The Marshfield Fair Amateur Radio Exhibit Booth and Special Event Station was a great success. So was the Labor Day weekend Flea Market. The participation was fantastic. Congratulations to **Ross Hochstrasser W1EKG** who upgraded to Extra.

HAVING FUN: **Jim Tovet W1JT** and **Jeff N1ZZN** reported seeing at least 20 Whitman Club members in attendance at the ARRL New England Convention in Boxboro. **Roy Logan KB1CYV** and **Ron Stundze KB1OEQ** volunteered to be the Foxes on Saturday, Sept. 15th and reported 6 fox hunters participating.



John Duprey
KB1SVY

PROVIDING A PUBLIC SERVICE: **John O'Neill K1JRO** reported 29 area HAMS helped provide communication support for the Run To The Rock Road Race in Plymouth on Saturday, September 8, 2012. **Bruce Hayden N1IX** reported that he along with **Jim Madden KB1PFL**, **Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN**, **Kevin Dykes KB1MOC**, **Paul Moss KB1MTW**, **Bill Hayden N1FRE** and **Barry Kennedy N1EZH** participated in the Monthly communication test with the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency.

73 From: John Duprey KB1SVY

THE LABOR DAY WEEKEND FLEA MARKET WAS A GREAT SUCCESS



The motley crew - taken Sunday morning: Standing Left to Right: **Jeff Ayres KB1WKB**, **Bruce Hayden N1IX**, **Gary Cumiskey W1GRC**, **John Coombs WQ1L**, **Charlie Amico KB1WSZ**, **Dave Kaplan N1LQK**, **Billy Robinson KB1WLX**, **John O'Neill K1JRO**, **Jeff Tracy N1SOM**, **John Murphy WI1G**, **Dave Gurney WA1YZH** and **Roy Logan KB1CYV**. Shown kneeling in front Left to Right: **Karen Trask N1VI**, **Paul Moss KB1MTW**, **Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN** and **Mike Whyer KB1YII**.

SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 5, 2012 BY: The Bruce NI1X

OPENING: The meeting was called to order by **Vice President Paul Moss KB1MTW** in President **John Duprey's KB1SVY** absence at 7:00 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus hall in Whitman, MA. **The Bruce NI1X** volunteered to take the Secretary's minutes in **Karen's N1VI** absence. The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE: 43 members / guests were present, including two elected Officers and four Directors. A quorum was present.

W1EKG	Ross Hochstrasser
N1LWK	Ken Desruisseau
SWL	Fred Birtwell Guest
SWL	Mike Petrou Guest
KB1SRO	Judy Attaya-Harris
N1IQI	Loren Pimentel
KB1TEH	Richard Metcalf
KB1WKB	Jeff Ayres
KB1CYV	Roy Logan
NI1X	Bruce Hayden
K1VU	Bob Johnson
K1WGU	Bob Bass
WA1UMT	Dave Darois
W1JT	Jim Tovet
N1FRE	Bill Hayden
NM1F	Jim Ford
KB1VGN	Stan Rydell
KB1OEP	Mike Supple
N1SON	Bill Tracy
KB1WLX	Billy Robinson
K1JRO	John O'Neill
WA1MWF	Larry Leblanc
KB1MTW	Paul Moss



Jeff Tracy N1SOM Treasurer
Paul Moss KB1MTW Vice President

KB1IKH	Elayne Tovet	KB1WSZ	Charlie Amico
KC1JET	Jim Tynan	W1JGR	John Ruppel
W1G	John Murphy	K1AWB	Steve Laroe
N1EZH	Barry Kennedy	KB1OEQ	Ron Stundze
W1AXB	Matt Paine	W1SM	Al Drollett
KB1MJL	Al Marshall	N1VTI	Paul Burbine
W1AY	Brad Wilson	KB1YII	Mike Whyers
W1GRC	Gary Cumiskey	N1ZZN	Jeff Lehmann
N1JCW	Jim Wolf	N1SOM	Jeff Tracy
K1EF	Evelyn Foley	N1LQK	Dave Kaplan

TREASURER'S REPORT: The treasurer's report for August was read by **Jeff N1SOM**. **Bruce NI1X** made a motion, seconded by **Jim KC1JET**, 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 **Jim KC1JET**, that the August secretary's report be accepted as published in the newsletter. The motion was approved.

HEALTH & WELFARE: **Elayne KB1IKH** reports that a get well card had been sent to **Bill Tracy N1SON** and to **Bill Spear KB1IU**.

OLD BUSINESS; **Jeff N1SOM** has ordered name tags

NEW BUSINESS: Vice President **Paul Moss KB1MTW** led a discussion on lessons learned and new ideas for improving our Club activities and Special Events. (Too many great ideas to list here) **Paul KB1MTW** called for the establishment of individual committees and asked that all members forward their ideas and lessons learned to the committee chairman who will report back at future meetings. The intent is to encourage individual members to join a committee, help improve the event and insure that critical action dates are not missed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR SEPT. 5, 2012 Cont: BY: The Bruce N11X

NEW BUSINESS Cont: Volunteering to be Committee Coordinators

Overall Event Coordinator	– Paul Burbine N1VTI	volunteered to produce a Calendar of Events
Flea Market	– Jeff Tracy N1SOM	volunteered to be the coordinator.
Plimoth Plantation	– Paul Moss KB1MTW	volunteered to be the coordinator
NEARFest	– John Murphy W1IG	volunteered to be the coordinator
Field Day	– Brad Wilson W1AY	volunteered to be the coordinator
Marshfield Fair	– Charlie Amico KB1WSZ	volunteered to be the coordinator

Bruce N11X reported that there would be a Fox Hunt on Saturday, September 15th at 10 a.m. on 146.535MHz simplex and that **Roy Logan KB1CYV** had volunteered to be the Fox and would be hiding within a 7 mile radius of Whitman center.

Bruce N11X made a motion that **Judy Attaya-Harris KB1SRO** and her son **Anthony Attaya-Harris KB1UHV** be accepted as new members. The motion was approved. **Bruce N11X** made a motion that **Michael Dowd KB1PVC** be accepted as a reinstated former member. The motion was approved. **Bruce N11X** made a motion that **Mike Petrou SWL** be accepted as a member contingent on his passing the Technician Class license exam next Saturday. The motion was approved.

Jeff N1ZZN reported that he picked up an Alinco DR-135 transceiver with built in Terminal Node Control (TNC) for Automatic Position Reporting System (APRS) for \$140.00 along with a 23 amp Samlex America Model SEC 1223 switching power supply for \$90.00. A motion was made by **Ross W1EKG**, seconded by **Jeff KB1WKB**, to reimburse **Jeff N1ZZN** \$230.00. The motion was approved. **Paul KB1MTW** volunteered to help assemble an APRS Go Kit that would include case, transceiver, power supply and lap top computer along with a 2-Meter portable antenna.

Jeff N1ZZN reviewed REPEATER etiquette and asked that we all pass the word to new HAMs. **Jeff N1ZZN** will review what other Clubs have posted on their Web pages and report back.

John O'Neill (old call **KB1QEM**) has a new call **K1JRO** and he reported that after the meeting he would be passing out Run To The Rock Tee Shirts and assignment location maps for those participating on Saturday, September 8, 2012

<u>NET CONTROL:</u>	9/9 Roy Logan KB1CYV	9/16 Jeff Tracy N1SOM
	9/23 Bill Hayden N1FRE	9/30 Ross Hochstrasser W1EKG

CLOSE: **John W1IG** made a motion that the business meeting be closed at 8:00 p.m. The motion was approved and the group broke for coffee, socializing, and a Club auction that lasted until 8:30 p.m.

CLUB AUCTION: After the meeting, **Paul Moss KB1MTW** auctioned eight (8) antennas and antenna parts donated by **Paul Swartz N1FWD**. Going home with bargains were **Jim Wolf N1JCW**, **Mike Whyers KB1YII**, **Paul Burbine N1VTI**, **Jim Tynan KC1JET**, **Gary Cumiskey W1GRC**, **Bill Hayden N1FRE** and **Richard Metcalf KB1TEH**.

FOR SALE: **Al Drollett Jr. W1SM** has a YAESU FT-8900R transceiver with cable and software for sale at \$350.00. Contact **Al W1SM** at E-Mail AADrollett@yahoo.com or Tel: 508-465-0020

PINE STREET CLIPPERS: **John Chase KB1ODS** once again joined the ranks of the Pine Street Clippers and volunteered to mow the grass at the Clubhouse. Thanks **John KB1ODS**.

NEW MEMBER: Judy Attaya-Harris KB1SRO lives in Plymouth and holds a General Class license.

Judy KB1SRO reports that she has been licensed for three years and is currently the Vice President of the Genesis Club in Plymouth. She also reports that she is a V-E Examiner in Falmouth and is active in SKYWARN, Fox Hunting, Scout Jamboree On The Air, and several Special Events like Plimoth Plantation, Titanic anniversary, Marconi Anniversary along with last year's Run To The Rock Road Race and plans to participate this year as well.

Judy KB1SRO has a YAESU FT-270 handheld and a Kenwood TM-261 Mobile in the car.



NEW MEMBER: Anthony Attaya-Harris KB1UHV reports that he passed his Technician Class license at 10 years old while attending the Dayton Ohio ARRL National Convention and Flea Market. **Anthony KB1UHV**

is now 13 years old and has a Alinco dual band DJ-560T handheld radio that he uses on Fox Hunts. One of **Anthony's KB1UHV** school projects was on Marconi and he produced a display that has been used at Field Day sites and several Special Event Stations.

Judy Attaya-Harris KB1SRO

Anthony Attaya-Harris KB1UHV

FOR SALE: Bump Studley W1BON has an ICOM IC-746 transceiver, desk mike, RIGblaster, and auto-tuner for sale, in good working order, that he would like to sell as a unit for \$900.00 total. An estimated savings of about \$300.00 over the current asking price. Contact **Bump W1BON** at E-mail bumpstud2@verizon.net or phone at 508-222-9361

IC-746 transceiver with 2-Meter, 6-Meters and 10 – 160-Meters with manual - goes for \$700.00

SM-8 desk mike - goes for \$125.00

RIGblaster Pro with cables for IC-746 and manual - goes for \$250.00

IT-100 auto-tuner for the IC-746 - goes for \$100.00

TAUNTON MAYOR'S 5K ROAD RACE - SATURDAY, SEPT. 22, 2012

The Taunton Area Communication Group (TACGroup) has volunteered to provide communication support for the Mayor's 5 K Run in Taunton. **Greg Glynn W1VFB** reports: "Mayor **Tom Hoye** is an avid runner and puts on this annual event to benefit the Mayor's Worthy Cause that helps with many events that are held in the city". **Greg W1VFB** has invited all area HAMs to participate. All HAMs will meet at 8:00 a.m. at the Court Street parking lot in Taunton to get assignments. Talk in on 146.430 MHz SIMPLEX.

BROCKTON D. W. FIELD PARK TRIATHLON – SUNDAY, SEPT. 23, 2012

The Massasoit Club has volunteered to provide communication support for the Brockton D. W. Field Park Triathlon. **Carl Aveni N1FY** has invited all area HAMs to participate. All HAMs are requested to arrive at 7:00 a.m. at the Oak St. entrance. This is the Start and Finish line. The Fox frequency of 146.535 MHz SIMPLEX is the primary, and the Bridgewater REPEATER 147.180 MHz (PL 67) will be the backup frequency.

QSL CARD OF THE MONTH By: Barry Kennedy N1EZH

SPECIAL COAST GUARD TRIBUTE TO George Manning K1CG SK

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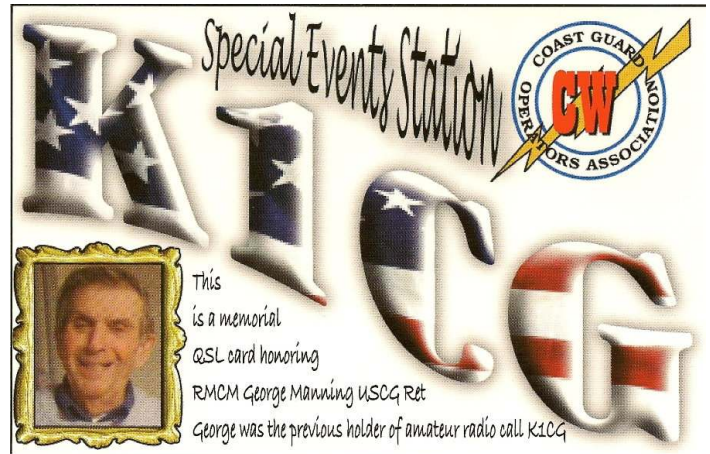
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George A. Manning, RMCM USCG ret. ZUT-1325.
Born 14 July 1931 and crossed the bar on 28 March 2010.
The Master Chief was a fine Coast Guard radio telegrapher and an active member of the Coast Guard CW Operators Association. He was a gentleman and a friend to all that knew him.

COAST GUARD CW OPERATORS ASSOCIATION
424 N. Bagley Creek Road
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The Coast Guard Operators Association secured the call sign **K1CG** and created a memorial QSL card honoring RMCM **George Manning USCG Ret.** **George SK** was the original holder of the **K1CG** call sign and lived in Pembroke, MA.

The QSL card reads: “**George A. Manning**, RMCM USCG ret. ZUT 1325. Born 14 July 1931 and crossed the bar on 28 March 2010. The Master Chief was a fine Coast Guard radio telegrapher and an active member of the Coast Guard CW Operators Association. He was a gentleman and a friend to all that knew him.”

The **K1CG** QSL card was used during the Coast Guard 222 birthday Special Event. Whitman Club member **Barry Kennedy N1EZH** was a **K1CG** Special Event Operator on August 5, 2012.

Barry N1EZH reports: “After reading some information and hearing stories from area HAMs who knew RMCM **George Manning** personally in the weeks leading up to our Special Event, I learned that, among many other things, **George SK** was stationed at U. S. Coast Guard Communication Station Boston for a couple of tours of duty.

I served two tours of active duty at Commsta Boston, first as an ET3 right out of ET “A” School on Governor’s Island, NY (Where I received my Amateur Radio License) in 1978 and again where I retired as an ETC and the Executive Petty Officer in 1997.



Barry Kennedy N1EZH

This was an honor and a privilege to have been given the opportunity to be a Special Event Station Operator in memory of **George** during the US Coast Guard’s 222nd Birthday. I cannot think of a more fitting tribute to keep **George’s** Call Sign – **K1CG**, and his dedication to both the US Coast Guard CW Operators Association and Amateur Radio alive during this Special Event.

I received a Certificate for being a Special Event Operator from the CG CW Operators Association and the CG Amateur Radio Club, **W5CGC** of which I am a member, and from which this Special Event came about. Thank you to all who participated!

73 de Barry – N1EZH

FOX HUNT OF SATURDAY, SEPT. 15, 2012 By: The Bruce" NI1X

Roy Logan KB1CYV and Ron Stundze KB1OEQ volunteered to be the Foxes on Saturday, Sept. 15th and were hiding in a parking lot on the north side of Robbins Pond in East Bridgewater.



Bruce
NI1X

Kevin
KB1MOC

Ron KB1OEQ
with Sly the Fox

Richard
KB1TEH

Roy
KB1CYV

First place goes to **Richard Metcalf KB1TEH** in a time of 36 minutes. **Richard KB1TEH** started in Whitman center and worked his way south.

Second place goes to **Bruce Hayden NI1X** in 37 minutes. **The Bruce NI1X** started in Bridgewater at St Thomas Aquinas Church and, after finding the Fox's Den, confirmed that his initial reading was only 20 degrees off.

Making the top teams possible were **Kevin Dykes KB1MOC** and **Bob Brown SWL** in a time of 42 minutes. **Kevin KB1MOC** started at the Hanson town garage and worked his way south.

MASSACHUSETTS EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (MEMA)

MONTHLY COMMUNICATION DRILL

The Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) conducts a communication test of amateur radio equipment with the local cities and towns on the first Monday of the month.

Whitman Club members participating in August were: **Kevin Dykes KB1MOC** and **Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN** for Hanson. **Jim Madden KB1PFL** for Pembroke. **Paul Moss KB1MTW** and **Bill Hayden N1FRE** for Whitman and **Barry Kennedy N1EZH** for Taunton. **Bruce Hayden NI1X** was at Region II.



Doug Forbes Jr. SWL

John Miller N1UMJ

Mike Leger N1YLQ

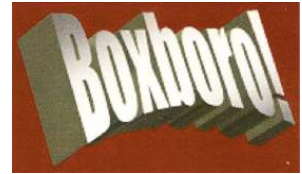
Bruce Hayden NI1X

A SIMPLEX test was conducted to simulate REPEATERS being out of service during a storm.

Doug Forbes Jr. SWL is the MEMA Region II Local coordinator. **Mike Leger N1YLQ** is the MEMA Region II Radio Officer. **Bruce Hayden NI1X** and **John Miller N1UMJ** are MEMA Region II Net Control Operators and operate from the MEMA Region II Headquarters (the Bunker) in Bridgewater, located on the State Prison property.

ARRL NEW ENGLAND CONVENTION IN BOXBORO

It was reported that there were at least 22 Whitman Club members in attendance at the ARRL New England Convention held in Boxboro on August 24th and 25th. Members spotted by **Jim Tovet W1JT** and **Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN** were:



N1ZZN	Jeff Lehmann	W1JT	Jim Tovet	KB1IKH	Elayne Tovet
KB1MTW	Paul Moss	KB1YII	Mike Whyer	N1EZH	Barry Kennedy
N1LG	Ron McKim	KC1JET	Jim Tynan	W1GRC	Gary Cumiskey
WA1YKF	Warren Dickey	K1WN	Bill Needham	KB1WLX	Billy Robinson
W1BON	Bump Studley	W1AY	Brad Wilson	N1COP	Bob Woodbury
K1CWS	Bruce Billings	W1OD	Steve Cohn	KB1PFL	Jim Madden
N1JCW	Jim Wolf	N1XTB	Phil McNamara	KA1JBE	Joe Casieri
KB1REQ	Jeremy Breef-Pilz				

Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ is shown operating the Special Event Station **W1A** at Boxboro.

Jeremy's KB1REQ picture appeared on Page 96 of the September 2012 issue of QST magazine as the recipient of a \$1000.00 ARRL Foundation Scholarship. Congratulations to **Jeremy KB1REQ** who reports that he will be attending Northeastern University this fall.



**Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ →
operating W1A at Boxboro**

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.

On Sunday, September 2, 2012 **Karen Trask N1VI** operated from the Whitman Club Flea Market. Everyone is encouraged to try their hand at Net Control. Contact **Bill N1FRE** or **Bruce N1IX** for a Net Control handout.

In August we had 4 sessions with an average of 18 area HAMS checking in each week and 26 messages were sent.

Juergen DL1NBR checked in with a handheld transceiver from his boat on a canal in Germany where the temperature was in the high 90's



**Karen Trask N1VI
operating from the Flea Market**

Matt Paine W1AXB called from Mount Wachusett with ½ watt and a beam antenna.

TAUNTON AREA COMMUNICATION GROUP – Update By: N11X

The Taunton Area Communication Group (TACGroup) held their summer meeting / BBQSO at **Rick Emord's KB1TEE** QTH in Middleboro and everyone was invited to bring a radio and operate using **Rick's KB1TEE** beam and dipole antennas. Tents were set up outside and commercial power was available for this Barbeque and Field Day (BBQSO) type activity. Murphy's law – it rained but that was no problem with the sun screen tents and canopies. The rain actually cooled the outside temperature.

Barry Kennedy N1EZH brought his 2-Meter Go Kit – a handheld with tripod mounted mag mount antenna.

Bill Burke NR1FD brought his Go Kit that included an FT-900 with tuner and used **Rick's KB1TEE** dipole antenna.

Rick Emord KB1TEE set up his YAESU FT-450D transceiver (on the beam) and his 2-Meter YAESU FT-1900R transceiver. **Greg Glynn W1VFB** brought his 2-Meter Go Kit.



Joe KA1JBE, Jim N1JCW, Rick KB1TEE & Barry N1EZH
Sitting: Bruce N11X, Bill NR1FD, Greg W1VFB & Lee N1ALL

We met **Rick's KB1TEE** uncle - **Lee Latham N1ALL** of New Hampshire – a Brockton transplant and past Massasoit Club member who **The Bruce N11X** had not seen since High School days. The Crew made a dozen contacts as **KC1TAC** including one with **Karen Trask N1VI** operating as **NN1MF** from the Marshfield Fair and one with **Jim Tynan KC1JET** in So. Carolina via EchoLink..

TAUNTON 220-MHz REPEATER KC1TAC/R:

Barry Kennedy N1EZH reported that the TACGroup has received preliminary coordination for a 220 MHz REPEATER in Taunton. **Barry N1EZH** is the Trustee for this **KC1TAC/R** REPEATER. The frequency is 224.480 MHz with a plus offset of 222.880 MHz - PL 123.0 The REPEATER went "On-The-Air" on Wednesday, August 15, 2012 and is under development..

JAMBOREE ON THE AIR (JOTA) -- OCTOBER 13, 2012

Don Burke KB1LXH, of the Taunton Area Communications Group, has volunteered to coordinate a Scout Jamboree On The Air (JOTA) Special Event at Camp Norse in Kingston on Saturday, October 13, 2012. **Don KB1LXI** reports: "This year will involve the older Boy Scouts and Venture group scouts (boys and girls age 11– 21) that are participating in a Camporee at Camp Norse that weekend".



Contact **Don KB1LXH** if you are interested in participating.
Don's **KB1LXH** E-Mail is DonEB425@verizon.net

RUN TO THE ROCK ROAD RACE IN PLYMOUTH By: John O'Neill K1JRO

The South Shore Hospital Amateur Radio Club (SSHARC) volunteered to provide communication support for the Run To The Rock Road Race held in Plymouth on Saturday, September 8, 2012 on behalf of the Boys and Girls Club of Plymouth

John O'Neill K1JRO (old call **KB1QEM**) put out an invitation to all area HAMS for help covering these three races. One 5K (3 mile) one 10K (6.2 miles) and one half Marathon (13.1 Miles). Race Director **Anne Marie** reported 1526 total registered and 1327 total finished. Their largest field ever.

Volunteers at the Net Control location near the Finish line



Jeff Ayres KB1WKB
Pi Pugh K1RV

John O'Neill K1JRO



John Duprey KB1SVY

Michelle Duprey SWL

Jim Tynan KC1JET

THE PARTICIPATION WAS TERRIFIC WITH 29 HAMS VOLUNTEERING TO HELP

K1JRO	John O'Neill	KC1JET	Jim Tynan
W1SM	Al Drollett Jr.	N1FRE	Bill Hayden
KB1CYV	Roy Logan	KB1WSZ	Charlie Amico
KB1WKB	Jeff Ayres	NI1X	Bruce Hayden
K1REL	Bob Loring	N1VTI	Paul Burbine
KB1VGN	Stan Rydell	N1VI	Karen Trask
KB1MTW	Paul Moss	KB1SVY	John Duprey
SWL	Michelle Duprey	KB1OAW	Greg Noyes
KB1SRO	Judy Attaya-Harris		
KB1UHV	Anthony Attaya-Harris		



K1RV	Pi Pugh	of Abington	N1UMJ	John Miller	of Taunton
KS1Q	John Barbuto	of Hingham	KB1TEE	Rick Emord	of Middleboro
W1VFB	Greg Glynn	of Taunton	K1WCC	Henry Brown	of E. Falmouth
K1NOK	Bob Marchese	of Scituate	AB1PH	Don Rolph	of E. Walpole
N1DG	Don Greenbaum	of Duxbury	KB1VXL	Bill Wormald	of Pembroke
KB1WWC	Mike Hessey	of Everett	KB1WWV	Bob Smith	of N. Attleboro

RUN TO THE ROCK ROAD RACE IN PLYMOUTH Cont: By: John K1JRO

Volunteers in the field



Jeff Ayres KB1WKB



Rick Emord KB1TEE & Bruce Hayden NI1X

John O'Neill K1JRO thanked **Jim Tynan KC1JET** and **Pi Pugh K1RV** for jumping from positions near the start of the race to positions near the end of the race to cover two locations due to last minute cancellations and reassignments. This is called a Murphy's Law work around.

The police and medical service coverage was excellent. There was an ambulance following the last runner / walker in each race. There were water stations and amateur radio volunteers all along the race course and with 1500 participants it would be expected that several would not be able to finish for one reason or another. We heard one call over amateur radio for medical assistance and I am sure there were more. A great team effort.

The participants were heard thanking the volunteers for being there to answer their questions and look after their safety. **John O'Neill K1JRO** reminded the HAMS that providing a public service can be fun while protecting the health and safety of the race participants at the same time. We are supporting the Boys and Girls Club of Plymouth which is a worthy cause while we learn to work with the Police and health safety professionals in an organized effort.. During Public Service events we get to check out our equipment in sometimes very adverse conditions and demonstrate our ability to operate under any conditions to the community we serve. This is a win-win situation.

There was a cookout for volunteers and runners following the race at the park adjacent to Plymouth Rock . The weather cooperated and a fun time was had by all.

HAM RADIO LICENSE PLATE

Evelyn Foley K1EF told us at the Memorial Day weekend Flea Market that she wanted to get a HAM radio license plate with her call sign on it. She meant business.

All you have to do is go to the Mass. Registry of Motor Vehicles Web page and download Form 21584 "Application for HAM Radio Operators Plate".



Evelyn Foley K1EF

TAUNTON EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (TEMA)

PLYMOUTH EVACUATION PLAN DRILL By: The Bruce NI1X

The Taunton Emergency Management Agency (TEMA) conducted a Dry Run Plymouth Evacuation Drill involving the TEMA Emergency Operations Center (EOC) only on Wednesday, September 12, 2012.

The **Bruce NI1X** was alerted by a phone messages sent out by the Plymouth County Sheriff's Dept. at 8:37 a.m. to all TEMA registered volunteers and City of Taunton workers participating in the drill.

The TEMA EOC was fully operational a little after 9 a.m. During an evacuation, Plymouth residents would either be sheltered in place or evacuated to one of the designated host communities of Braintree, Bridgewater or Taunton.

As this scenario played out - first there was a precautionary transfer of 10,200 school children from their schools in Plymouth to designated host schools in the City of Taunton. Taunton school officials simulated sending Taunton school children home first. This was followed by a general evacuation that would involve opening a designated Reception Center and Transportation Staging area in Taunton.

Rick Ferreira KB1KWF is the Director of TEMA. **Rudy Burer KB1LXI** is the Assistant Director of TEMA. **Steve Foster KB1KZW** is the TEMA Radio Officer. **Bruce Hayden NI1X** is one of the TEMA Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) coordinators.

The relocated Taunton EOC has no antennas installed at this time. Amateur radio communication was relayed to Region II from a mobile communication vehicle parked next to the Taunton EOC by using the backup Bridgewater 2-Meter REPEATER.



Rick Ferreira KB1KWF

Bruce Hayden NI1X

Steve Foster KB1KZW

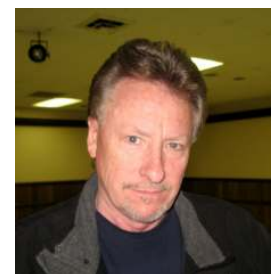
Rudy Burer KB1LXI

NEXT V-E EXAM -- SATURDAY, OCT. 13, 2012 -- IN BRAINTREE

V-E Exams are held the 2nd Saturday of every month, in Braintree. Walk-ins are no longer permitted. V-E Exams will be held at 8:45 a.m. at the Watson building – 85 Quincy Ave. in Braintree, MA. If you know of anyone planning to take an exam, please have them contact **Bill Needham, K1WN**, at 781-843-4400 or via E-Mail at k1wn@aol.com to confirm a reservation”.

V-E Exams – REACHED 1000 APPLICANTS

Bill Needham K1WN reports: “At the September V-E testing session in Braintree, Whitman Club member **Billy Robinson KB1WLX** marked the 1,000 candidate that I have tested since becoming involved with the ARRL V-E Testing. We had our first test session on April 19, 1993 so this coming April I will have been doing this for twenty years. I have made several new friends and have been able to point some new HAMS towards helping their local cities and towns Emergency Management Agencies over the years. Without the help of all the other V-E Examiners this would not have been possible.



Billy Robinson
KB1WLX

LABOR DAY WEEKEND FLEA MARKET By: The Bruce” NI1X

The Whitman Amateur Radio Club held it's Labor Day weekend fund raising Flea Market on Sunday, September 2nd and Monday, September 3, 2012 at the Whitman Knights of Columbus parking lot on Rt. 18 in Whitman, MA. The weather was beautiful both days.

CLUB MEMBERS AND AREA HAMS SET UP VENDOR TABLES



Jim Ford NM1F



Richard Metcalf KB1TEH



Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN - on APRS

Mike Whyer KB1YII – on HF



Gary Cumiskey W1GRC

Area HAM Fred Reynolds W1BZE

What is that loop antenna ?
any good for Fox Hunting ?

CLUB STATION -- WA1NPO

Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN set up the Automatic Position Reporting System (APRS) station and APRS contacts were made with **Tom W1ICU**, **Jim W1JT**, **Carl K1CKK** and **Jeff N1ZZN**. The set up crew installed the Club's off-center-fed Windom antenna and connected to the Club's ICOM IC-756 Pro transceiver. **Mike Whyer KB1YII** and **Bob Azanow KA1KIJ** made 9 HF contacts including one with Scotland. The crew also set up the Club's 2-Meter FT-8800 transceiver and made contact with 39 Members and / or area HAMS as they put **WA1NPO** On-The-Air.

LABOR DAY WEEKEND FLEA MARKET Cont. By: The Bruce" N11X

THE PARTICIPATION WAS TERRIFIC

There were 45 Whitman Club members and at least 15 area HAMs (60 HAMs total) who were able to stop by the Flea Market and sign in at the Club table and I am sure we missed a few.

KB1SVY	John Duprey	N1LWK	Ken Desruisseau	KB1PVC	Mike Dowd
N1SOM	Jeff Tracy	KB1WSZ	Charlie Amico	N1ZZN	Jeff Lehmann
N1VTI	Paul Burbine	NM1F	Jim Ford	KB1YII	Mike Whyer
KB1TEH	Richard Metcalf	KB1MTW	Paul Moss	N1VI	Karen Trask
N1SOM	Jeff Tracy	KB1WKB	Jeff Ayres	KB1CYV	Roy Logan
W1JT	Jim Tovet	N1FRE	Bill Hayden	K1JRO	John O'Neill
KB1IKH	Elayne Tovet	KA1JBE	Joe Casieri	WI1G	John Murphy
WA1YZH	Dave Gurney	W1AY	Brad Wilson	KB1WLX	Billy Robinson
N1LQK	Dave Kaplan	WQ1L	John Coombs	KB1IUU	Bill Spear
K1CWS	Bruce billings	KA1KIJ	Bob Azanow	N1SON	Bill Tracy
WA1UMT	Dave Darois	N1OGP	Frank Hayes	K1EF	Evelyn Foley
K1AWB	Steve Laroe	W1ICU	Tom Wilson	N1NTZ	Ed Meehan
KB1PFL	Jim Madden	K1VU	Bob Johnson	K1XRB	Peter George
KB1YFQ	Wayne Robertson	W1GRC	Gary Cumiskey	WA1YKF	Warren Dickie
KC1JET	Jim Tynan	N1IQI	Loren Pimentel		
W1EKG	Ross Hochstrasser				

Some of the area HAMs who checked in at the Club table were:

"HO" Johnson	KC1HO	of Plymouth	Paul Foley	N1KQR	of Brockton
Steve Snow	N1KQV	of Marlboro	Dan Chase	KB1SPB	of E. Bridgewater
Fred Reynolds	W1BZE	of Quincy	Pi Pugh	K1RV	of Abington
Walter Fitzgerald	W1WCF	of Raynham	Pete Curley	N1NVV	of Plymouth
John Barbato	KS1Q	of Hingham	Ed Monahan	KB1UDZ	of Whitman
Bob Egles	KA1BBU	of Holbrook	Greg Glynn	W1VFB	of Taunton
Joel Tenenbaum	N1JIY	of Brockton	Bob Pratt	KA1DZA	of Abington
Peter Butler	W1UU	of Falmouth			

A special thanks to all who helped pass out flyers and advertise the Flea Market.

Bill Hayden N1FRE volunteered to design the notice that was printed up and handed out all over town.

Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN sent the Flea Market notice to the Whitman Hanson Express and they printed the Flea Market announcement in the local paper.

Bill N1FRE helped secure the Feather Flags that were seen prominently flying at the Flea Market entrance on Rt. 18.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 2

Flea Market. Sponsored by the Whitman Amateur Radio Club, Inc., a non-profit organization, at the K of C Hall, Route 18 in Whitman starting at 7 a.m. Seller spaces are \$25 for one day, or \$40 for two days. For info call: 508-588-3216 or email wa1npo@gmail.com.



WHITMAN -- HANSON EXPRESS FULL PAGE ARTICLE

The following is part of a full page layout that included eight photos (with captions) taken at the Whitman Club Flea Market by **Tracy Seele** of the Whitman-Hanson Express. Thanks **Tracy**.

Thursday, September 6, 2012

Whitman-Hanson Express - 9

Whitman hams hold Labor Day flea market

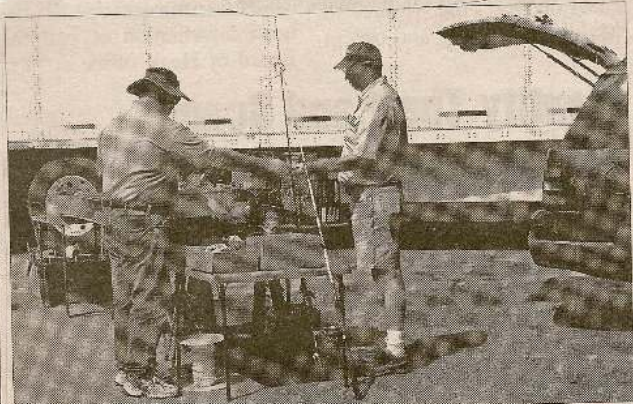


COMMUNICATING A NEED: Members of the Whitman Amateur Radio Club including (seated from front left) Evelyn Foley, Bruce Hayden and Frank Hayes sold refreshments, talked with other ham radio operators and provided information about their volunteer work with area emergency management agencies and the National Weather Service's SkyWarn program which charts severe weather and the damage it causes.

Photos by Tracy Seelye



RADIO TALK: Members of the Whitman Amateur Radio Club Bruce Hayden, left, and Frank Hayes talk in the club's booth at its annual Labor Day flea market. The event aids club activities including an annual scholarship offered to Whitman-Hanson students.



SOLD: Ham radio operator Richard Metcalf of Rochester, Mass., right, makes a sale at his table where he sold various wares, from radio parts to fishing rods.

WHITMAN CLUB -- GENERAL CLASS STUDY GROUP

Charlie Amico KB1WSZ volunteered to conduct a General Class Study Group and made arrangements to hold the Classes at the Whitman Public Library - 100 Webster St. Whitman, MA.

Schedule -- Note -- All classes will be held between 6:30 p.m. and 8 p.m.

Tuesday, September 18th
Tuesday, September 25th
Tuesday, October 2nd
Thursday, October 4th
Tuesday, October 9th
Thursday, October 11th

Saturday, October 13th
V-E Testing session in
Braintree

The Text book is the Gordon West General Class book. Available at Amazon \$24.95 Plus shipping = \$28.94



General Class Study Group participants

Shown after the first class are back row: L. to R. **Don Cahill N2DEC**, **Carl Davis N1OYH**, **Bob Azanow KA1KIJ** and **Bruce Hayden NI1X** – instructor. Front row L. to R. **Charlie Amico KB1WSZ** – coordinator / instructor, **Paul Burbine N1VTI** - instructor and **Jeff Martin KB1TJI**. Not present when the picture was taken was **Dave Kaplan N1LQK**.

Charlie KB1WSZ has purchased the **Gordon West** General Class book and software package. You only need to purchase the General Class book. The plan is to use the **Gordon West** General Class book as a home study guide and listen to and discuss the **Gordon West** CD lessons and share information as part of the Study Group classes. The goal is to be ready for the Oct. 13th V-E testing session in Braintree,

All area HAMs are welcome. Attend as many sessions as you can. We have plenty of room. If you are interested please let **Charlie KB1WSZ** know your name and e-mail address so any changes can be sent along without delay. **Charlie's KB1WSZ** E-Mail is sfccamico@gmail.com and his phone number is 774-203-6905 (call before 8:00 p.m.).

NEW ENGLAND AMATEUR RADIO FESTIVAL (NEAR-Fest XII)

Friday, October 12th and Saturday, October 13th

NEAR-Fest XII

Ross Hochstrasser W1EKG has advance tickets for sale at \$10.00 per person and \$10.00 per vendor vehicle. The NEAR-Fest Web Site lists the cost for tent sites as \$15.00 and for campers it is \$30.00 (campsites available after 3 p.m. Thursday). Gates open at 9 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 12th and it's all over on Saturday, Oct. 13th at 3 p.m. See: NEAR-Fest.com

John Murphy W1IG is the coordinator for NEAR-Fest activities. **John W1IG** reports that the Club has little to sell at NEAR-Fest this October – In order to improve our NEAR-Fest experience, a suggestion was made to ask the members to donate one or more of their surplus radio related items to be sold by the Club at NEAR-Fest.



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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 Knights of Columbus, which is
located at 1195 Bedford Street
(Rt. 18) in Whitman, Mass.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, Oct. 3rd at 7:00 p.m.
Whitman Knights of Columbus

Club REPEATER 147.225 MHz PL 67

Club IRLP Node 8691

Club EchoLink WA1NPO-R Whitman MA USA -- Club EchoLink Node 484193

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