

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:** This is **John KB1SVY** – The Memorial Day weekend fund raising Flea Market was a success in spite of the fact that Sunday was a wash out. There were 44 Whitman Club members and 10 area HAMs able to stop by and socialize while they helped man the Club table, and help put **WA1NPO** On-The-Air.

There were also 8 Whitman Club members who could not make it to the Flea Market but who were able to check in with the **WA1NPO** Club Station via 2-Meters. We currently have 115 active members and that means we had a (44+8) / 115 = 45% participation at the Flea Market.

Congratulations to **Mike Petrou W1MSP** who upgraded to Extra Class and congratulations to **Fred Birtwell** (call pending) on passing his Technician Class license.

#### From: John Duprey KB1SVY



Paul Moss KB1MTW Vice President



<u>Charlie Amico</u> <u>W1CBR</u> <u>Secretary</u>



<u>Jeff Tracy</u> <u>N1SOM</u> <u>Treasurer</u>



<u>John Duprey</u> <u>KB1SVY</u> <u>President</u>



Roy Logan KB1CYV Term Exp. 2014



<u>Jeff Lehmann</u> <u>N1ZZN</u> Term Exp. 2015



<u>John Murphy</u> <u>WI1G</u> Term Exp. 2016



Paul Burbine <u>N1VTI</u> Past President

#### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS** 

#### SECRETARY'S NOTES OF THE MEETING OF June 5th, 2013 de KB1CYV

**OPENING:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President **John Duprey KB1SVY** at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Whitman, MA.

(Photo by: Jeff WK1D)



Paul MossRoy LoganKB1MTWKB1CYVVice. PresTemp. Sec.

<u>Jeff Tracy</u> <u>N1SOM</u> <u>Treasurer</u> John Duprey KB1SVY President

**<u>ATTENDANCE</u>**: 39 members / guests were present, including three elected Officers and four Directors. A quorum was present.

KB1SVY	John Duprey	N1SOM	Jeff Tracy	KB1MTW	Paul Moss
KB1CYV	Roy Logan	N1VTI	Paul Burbine	W1MSP	Mike Petrou
N1EZH	Barry Kennedy	WK1D	Jeff Ayres	K1WGU	Bob Bass
N1IQI	Loren Pimentel	W1JT	Jim Tovet	KB1IKH	Elaine Tovet
N1SON	Bill Tracy	KB1REQ	Jeremy Breef-Pilz	KB1VGN	Stan Rydell
AG1B	<b>Richard Metcalf</b>	NI1X	Bruce Hayden	N1LQK	Dave Kaplan
KA1CQD	Fred Sanford	W1EKG	<b>Ross Hochstrasser</b>	W1AY	Brad Wilson
K1UFO	Billy Robinson	SWL	Fred Birtwell	K1LJK	Larry Kenney
WI1G	John Murphy	WG1L	Jim O'Rourke	N1ZZN	Jeff Lehmann
W1AXB	Matt Paine	KB10EQ	Ron Stundze	W1GRC	Gary Cumiskey
WA1YKF	Warren Dickie	N1FRE	Bill Hayden	NM1F	Jim Ford
W1CBR	Charlie Amico	KB1ZJW	Bill Hart	KB1MOC	Kevin Dikes
N1JCW	Jim Wolf	KA1DON	Don Cahill	K1BTH	Blake Haskell

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The treasurer's report for May was read by **Jeff N1SOM**. **Jeff WK1D** made a motion seconded by **Jim W1JT** that the treasurer's report be accepted as read. The motion was approved.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** A motion was made by **Barry N1EZH** seconded by **Richard AG1B** that the May secretary's report be accepted as published in the newsletter. The motion was approved.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Ross W1EKG reported flea market vendor information was obtained along with their thoughts on schedule adjustments. **Paul N1VTI** discussed vendor telephone contacts made. Volunteering to assist flea market chairman **Jeff N1SOM** in the fall were **Jeff N1ZZN** and **Charlie W1CBR**. Reporting on the successful repeater repairs were **Jeff N1ZZN** and **Gary W1GRC**.

#### SECRETARY'S NOTES OF THE MEETING OF June 5, 2013 Cont: de KB1CYV

**NEW BUSINESS**: Field Day chairman **Brad W1AY** reported having been in touch with the YMCA for permission to use their facility again this year. Motions were made and approved for the purchase of band filters and for a donation to the YMCA. **Larry K1LJK** circulated copies of a possible revision to the WARC logo, which would be phased in over time. **Paul KB1MTW** is refurbishing a string trimmer to be used at the Pine Street clubhouse, donated by **Charlie W1CBR**. **Bruce NI1X** will be the Fox on Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup> in Plymouth. The hunt is being held in conjunction with the Genesis Club to encourage increased participation. **Charlie W1CBR** reported the General Class study program is under way and that Technician Class training will be offered at Field Day. **Charlie W1CBR** also extended an invitation to all to join the Saturday morning breakfast group. Contact **Charlie W1CBR** for details. **John W11G** reported the donated Yaesu FT-101ZD is in good working order and will be auctioned off to the membership. **Matt W1AXB** would appreciate guidance in installing a mobile antenna on a new truck. Materials being used in the new vehicle present mounting problems.

#### NET CONTROL 6/9 Bill N1FRE – 6/16 Jeff N1SOM – 6/23 Bruce NI1X – 6/30 Roy KB1CYV 7/7 Jeff WK1D – 7/21 Ross W1EKG (from Cranland Airport)

**ELECTION**: **Brad W1AY,** spokesman for the ballot counting team, reported the Club Officers for this year are:

President Secretary		John Duprey Charlie Amico	Vice President Treasurer	KB1MTW N1SOM	Paul Moss Jeff Tracy
Director 2014	KB1CYV	Roy Logan			
Director 2015	N1ZZN	Jeff Lehmann			
Director 2016	WI1G	John Murphy			
Director	N1VTI	Paul Burbine (	(Past President)		

A motion was made by **Bob K1WGU** seconded by **Bill N1SON** accepting the election results. The motion was approved.

**NEW MEMBERS**: Ross W1EKG made a motion seconded by **Bob K1WGU** that the following be accepted as new members:

KA1LEE	Mary Talbot	K1BTH	Brett Haskell
KB1ZSW	Harry Brett	KB1WVL	Thomas Scott

The motion was approved. Congratulations to all, and welcome to the WARC!

<u>CLOSE</u>: President John KB1SVY closed the business meeting at 7:40 p.m. on a motion made by John WI1G and seconded by Matt W1AXB. The motion was approved. Following the closing an informative presentation on the logging program to be used for Field Day was given by Jeremy KB1REQ.

<u>AUCTION AT JULY MEETING:</u> The YAESU FT-101-ZD transceiver, donated to the Whitman Amateur Radio Club by **Robert Lucas SWL** of Whitman, was checked out by **John Murphy WI1G** and found to be in working order. **Mr. Lucas** said the transceiver was from the estate of **Brian Pool (Silent Key)** - a past member of the Whitman Amateur Radio Club.

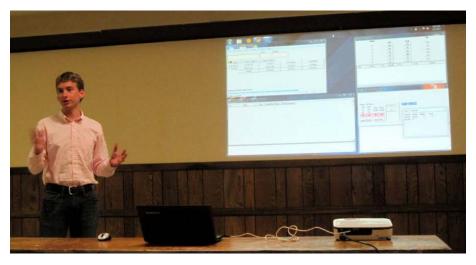


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YAESU FT-101-ZD

#### **TECHNICAL PRESENTATION**

#### LOGGING PROGRAM N1MM By: Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ



(Photo by Jeff WK1D)

#### Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ at the June meeting

Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ reviewed the Club logging program N1MM that will be in used at Field Day this year. This is a contest logging program that produces transaction logs and statistical reports. It is capable of radio interface but we will not be using that feature. See <u>www.n1mm.com</u>

Jeremy KB1REQ explained that once set up for a particular band, all you have to do is enter Control "O" to change the operators name to yours before you start logging. You then enter the call sign and section and then hit enter and the program will tell you if you have a dupe (someone you have already contacted) or accept the new contact. Jeremy KB1REQ will produce a cheat sheet with a few simple commands for changing frequency or modifying bad data.

## **NEW MEMBER: Blake Haskell K1BTH** lives in Hull with his wife **Deborah.**

**Blake K1BTH** holds a Technician Class license, has been licensed for about 10 years and has been active in VHF / UHF. **Blake K1BTH** is currently participating in **Charlie Amico's W1CBR** General upgrade classes.

**Blake K1BTH** is the Radio Communication Officer for the town of Hull Emergency Management Agency and is an Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) - District Emergency Coordinator (DEC).

**NEW MEMBER: Mary Beth Talbot KA1LEE** lives in Whitman with her husband **David. Mary Beth KA1LEE** reports that she has a Yaesu FT-60 handheld radio.

We hope to hear **Mary Beth KA1LEE** on the Whitman 2-Meter REPEATER and the Whitman Amateur Radio Public Service Net soon.

#### Mary Beth Talbot KA1LEE →





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#### MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND FUND RAISING FLEA MARKET By: Bruce NI1X

EARLY MORNING CREW: Bill Hayden N1FRE and Charlie Amico W1CBR volunteered to be the early morning set up crew and were heard on the air at 6 a.m. Paul Moss KB1MTW was not far behind.



Jeff Tracy N1SOM Charlie Amico W1CBR Paul Moss KB1MTW

John Murphy WI1G **Bob Azanow KA1KIJ Ross Hochstrasser W1EKG** 

Can you hear me now

SUNDAY WAS A WASHOUT



**Bruce Hayden NI1X** at the 2-Meter Base Station - indoors

Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN set up a Club 2-Meter APRS packet station on Monday.

There was no HF station set up this time.

Don Cahill KA1DON Charlie Amico W1CBR Dave Gurney WA1YZH Tom Wilson W1ICU Larry Kenney W1LJK Paul Moss KB1MTW Joe Casieri KA1JBE Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ Brad Wilson W1AY Wayne Robertson KB1YFQ

Sunday was a washout with only three vendors showing up. Outside the sky was overcast and threatening rain and the temperature was about 50 degrees. Inside "The Bruce" NI1X was set up with the 2-Meter Base Station calling for check-ins on the Whitman REPEATER and in the picture, a good size crew was commiserating at a large table inside as well.



#### MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND FUND RAISING FLEA MARKET Cont: By: NI1X

On Monday the weather was beautiful with the sun out and the temperature near 70 degrees. We had 44 Whitman Club members who were able to stop by and I am sure we missed a few. Those logged in at the Club table were:

N1FRE	Bill Hayden	NI1X	Bruce Hayden	KB1MTW	Paul Moss
WI1G	John Murphy	KA1KIJ	Bob Azanow	NM1F	Jim Ford
WK1D	Jeff Ayres	KA1JBE	Joe Casieri	KA1DON	Don Cahill
KB1REQ	Jeremy Breef-Pilz	K1LJK	Larry Kenney	WA1YZH	Dave Gurney
N1PXX	Ron Smith	KB1NAX	Joan Smith	WA1YKF	Warren Dickie
KB1YFQ	Wayne Robertson	KB1SVY	John Duprey	KB1CYV	Roy Logan
N1SOM	Jeff Tracy	W1AY	Brad Wilson	W1ICU	Tom Wilson
W1OD	Steve Cohn	KC1JET	Jim Tynan	KB1ZSW	Harry Brett
N1SON	Bill Tracy	N1IQI	Loren Pimentel	KB1ODS	John Chase
K1CWS	Bruce Billings	N1ZZN	Jeff Lehmann	WQ1L	John Coombs
K1UFO	Billy Robinson	N1POO	Pete Carlson	SWL	Mark Vess
K1JRO	John O'Neill	KB1ZJW	Bill Hart	KB1IKH	Elayne Tovet
W1JT	Jim Tovet	N1VI	Karen Trask	K1XRB	Peter George
N1OGP	Frank Hayes	KC1FZ	George Davis	KA1LEE	Mary Talbot
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Mark Vess SWL Loraine Billings SWL

Bruce Billings K1CWS K1UFO N1SOM WA1YZH N1FRE

Billy Jeff

Dave Bill

Those Whitman Club members who could not make it to the Flea Market but who were able to log in via the Whitman 2-Meter REPEATER were:

N1EZH	Barry Kennedy
K1AWB	Steve Laroe
WA1ZKK	Al Craddock

WG1L K1WN W1MSP

Jim O'Rourke Bill Needham Mike Petrou

N1JCK **Diane Kennedy** N1JCW Jim Wolf

Jim Ford NM1F set up his vendor table both days.

Pete Carlson N1POO dropped off some old QST magazines and Charlie Amico W1CBR spotted an article in a January 1975 QST, under Station Activities, that read: "The Massasoit and Whitman Club had a nice banquet at Ridder Country Club".



Jim Ford NM1F at his vendor table

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#### MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND FUND RAISING FLEA MARKET Cont: By: NI1X

MONDAY MORNING CREW



#### <u>Charlie Amico W1CBR</u> <u>Don Cahill KA1DON</u> <u>Billy Robinson K1UFO</u> <u>Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN</u>

<u>Jeff Tracy N1SOM</u> <u>Ross Hochstrasser W1EKG</u> <u>Brad Wilson W1AY</u> <u>Paul Moss KB1MTW</u>

The area HAMs who were able to attend the Whitman Club Flea Market and who were logged in at the Club table were:

Pete Curley	N1NVV	of Plymouth
Paul Foley	N1KQZ	of Brockton
Steve Snow	N1KQV	of Marlborough
Adam Vaughn	<b>KB1YTN</b>	of Westford
Bob Chasen	WB2EQO	of Weymouth

Bob Pratt	KA1DZA	of Abington
Dennis Foley	SWL	of Brockton
Bob Egles	KA1BBU	of Holbrook
John Barbuto	KS1Q	of Hingham
Greg Glynn	W1VFB	of Taunton

A 2-Meter **c**ontact, via EchoLink, was made with former area HAM **Ernie Guimares KA1VY** who now lives in Naples, FL. Other area HAMs who checked in with **WA1NPO**, via 2-Meters, were:

Art Wilcox Jr. KA1YAP from Dennis Andy Niles KB1RSR from Raynham

Paul Moss KB1MTW was seen wearing his Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) Tee shirt.



<u>Paul Moss</u> <u>KB1MTW</u>

Addison Entremont AD1OR from Lynn



Paul Foley N1KQZ Steve Snow N1KQV Dennis Foley SWL

Charlie Amico W1CBR was heard talking to the "Tube" people - Dennis Foley SWL and Paul Foley N1KQZ and exploring the possibility of another tube presentation at a Whitman Club meeting and of a tube display for the Marshfield Fair Amateur Radio Exhibit Booth.

#### 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, May 26<sup>th</sup> **Charlie Amico W1CBR** ran the WARPSN Net from inside the Whitman K of C building at the Whitman Club Flea Market site.

This was **Charlie's W1CBR** first time as Net Control and he did a great job. As part of our training we encourage everyone to try your hand at Net Control.

Contact **Bill N1FRE** or **Bruce NI1X** for a Net Control handout.

In May we had 5 sessions with an average of 15 area

HAMs checking in each week and 12 messages were sent. In May, Whitman Club member Loren **Pimentel N1IQI** sent 483 NTS messages from his home QTH.

Juergen DL1NBR checked in from Germany via EchoLink.

After the Net - Jim Tynan KC1JET checked in from Franklin County Ohio on the way to Dayton.

#### UPDATES RECEIVED

**Michael Petrou W1MSP** upgraded to Extra Class and **Fred Birtwell** (call pending) passed his Technician Class license exam in June. Congratulations to both.

**Don Cahill KA1DON** picked up some 900 MHz gear. An MCS 2000 Mobile, a MTX 9250 handheld portable, and is using a 900 GTX mobile as a home base station.

**Charlie Amico W1CBR** reported that he has 3 students in his General Upgrade Class.

**George Davis KC1FZ** attended the Braintree Historical Society get together to see a functioning 45 Hp - 125 year

old Steam engine that was made by the Fore River Engine Co. and can be run on compressed air. The Fore River Engine Company was owned by Thomas Watson and was the forerunner to the Fore River Ship Yard.

**Jim Tynan KC1JET** went to the Dayton, Ohio Hamvention where he reports that he purchased a Kenwood TM-D 710A dual band 2-Meter / 440 MHz transceiver that has a built-in TNC and is set up for APRS mode of operation. **Jim KC1JET** also reports that he has been connecting to the packet station on board the International Space Station on a regular basis.



Charlie Amico W1CBR WARPSN Net Control at the Flea Market



Fred Birtwell (Technician Class) Mike Petrou W1MSP Extra Class



Jim Tynan KC1JET

#### WHITMAN REPEATER ANTENNA MAINTENANCE

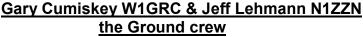
Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN and Gary Cumiskey W1GRC hired a friend of theirs, John Baker (JB) to climb the REPEATER tower to see if he could find any loose connections, bolts, etc on Saturday morning, May 18, 2013.

**Jeff N1ZZN** reported: "**John** found at first that the 3 radials on the bottom of the antenna had been bent down, making intermittent contact with the tower leg mounting hardware. This could have accidentally happened during other work that has been done on the tower in the last year.

Also, the tie wraps that had been used to hold the hard-line to the tower had mostly failed. This left the cable swinging in the breeze in places, including the top 20 feet or so. We got some 12 gauge wire to make ties, which should hold up much better.

Time certainly flies, we looked back at an old newsletter and found that it was 5 years ago, June of 2008, when we moved the repeater from **Bill's N1FRE** house to the new site".







#### John Baker (JB) climbing the tower

**John** could see the Blue Hills and the Boston Skyscrapers to the north and the cooling towers at the Brayton Point Power Plant in Somerset to the south.

Talk about line of sight

#### NEXT V-E EXAM -- SATURDAY, July 13, 2013 -- IN BRAINTREE

**V-E Exams** are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of every month, in Braintree. Contact **Bill Needham**, **K1WN**, at 781-843-4400 or via email at <u>k1wn@aol.com</u> Walk-ins are no longer permitted. They will be hosting V-E exams at 8:45 a.m. at the Watson Building located at 85 Quincy Ave. in Braintree. If you know of anyone planning to take an exam, please have them drop a note to **Bill** - <u>k1wn@aol.com</u> to confirm a reservation.

#### FOX HUNT OF SATURDAY, MAY 25, 2013 By: "The Bruce" NI1X

**The Bruce NI1X** volunteered to be the Fox on Saturday, May 25, 2013 and was hiding on the Wheaton Farm Conservation Area property located off Bay Road in Easton, MA. about a ½ mile west of Easton 5 corners. The temperature was 51 degrees and the weather was on and off rain - drizzle.



# Richard Metcalf AG1B John Ch Fred Sanford KA1CQD Ju Kevin Dykes KB1MOC Mary Lou Chase SWL

<u>John Chase KB1ODS</u> <u>Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ</u> <u>Mike Petrou W1MSP</u> <u>NL</u><u>Bruce Hayden NI1X</u>

First place goes to **Kevin Dykes KB1MOC** and his friend **Bob Brown SWL** in a time of 14 minutes. **Kevin KB1MOC** (seen holding **Sly the Fox**) started at Lowe's on Rt. 106 in West Bridgewater and headed toward Easton 5 corners where he got a great signal. While driving by -**Bob SWL** happened to spot the headlights on "**The Bruce's**" **NI1X** vehicle which was about a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> mile from the main road, down a long dirt road, in a field by the woods, and they decided to check it out.

Second place goes to **Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ** in 25 minutes. **Jeremy KB1REQ** reported that he started at the school complex and got a wrong reading sending him north.

Third place goes to **Wade Morse KB1TXA** and his son **Grant SWL** in a time of 35 minutes. **Wade KB1TXA** reported that he came in on Rt. 106 from Milton and was using signal strength.



Wade Morse KB1TXA and son Grant SWL find Sly "The Fox"

Fourth place goes to **Fred Sanford KA1CQD** in a time of 1 hr and 2 minutes. **Fred KA1CQD** came In on Rt. 123 from the east..

Fifth place goes to **Richard Metcalf AG1B** in a time of 1 hr and 3 minutes. **Richard AG1B** reported that he started in Stoughton and said he had strong readings when he arrived at Easton 5 corners where spent a lot of time checking out all the hiding places behind the mall buildings.

Sixth place goes to **Mike Petrou W1MSP** in a time of 1 hr and 8 minutes. This was **Mike's W1MSP** second time Fox Hunting and the first time alone. **Mike W1MSP** came in on Rt. 106 and was using signal strength. Next project a directional antenna.

Making the top teams possible was the team of **John Chase KB10DS** and his wife **Mary Lou SWL** in a time of 1 hr and 23 minutes.

#### **MIDDLEBORO YMCA - CAMP YOMECHAS**

#### 10K & 5K TISPAQUIN RUN AND 3 MILE WOODY'S WALK

The Massasoit Club volunteered to provide communication support for the Middleboro YMCA 10K & 5K Tispaquin Run Road Races and 3 mile Woody's Walk, held at Camp YOMECHAS in South Middleboro on Saturday, June 1, 2013.

**Carl Aveni N1FY** set up Net Control at the Start / Finish in Camp YOMECHAS and reported about 220 runners / walkers participating. The rest of the Radio Team were positioned at various intersections around the race course. The Radio Team used 147.420 MHz SIMPLEX - with the Bridgewater REPEATER as backup.



(Photo by Roy KB1CYV)

Radio Team Participants

Pete Curley N1NVV

- Jessica Miller KB1ZWZ holding son James SWL
- John Miller N1UMJ

Roy Logan KB1CYV

Walter Fitzgerald W1WCF



**Carl N1FY** reports: "The hot weather was really of concern. We did have one runner who was overcome a bit and needed to be cooled down with ice. They recovered fine".

**Doug Forbes Jr. SWL** (the MEMA Local Coordinator for amateur radio at the MEMA Region II Headquarters in Bridgewater reports: "On Saturday I participated in the 5K Tispaquin Run in Middleboro with many family members. I was able to visit with **Carl Aveni N1FY** and talk to the other HAMs by radio before the race started. I am proud to say that my grandson **Duncan**, age 14, won the entire 5 K race. The HAMs did a super job keeping track of the runners on a very hot day. They are to be commended for their efforts".

**John Miller N1UMJ** reported: "I'm glad everyone was smart and paced themselves or pulled out before they had a problem if they thought they might".

(Photo by Doug Forbes)



<u>Carl Aveni N1FY – Net Control</u> <u>Doug Forbes Jr. SWL</u>

#### MUSEUM SHIPS ON THE AIR WEEKEND

**Pi Pugh K1RV** reports: "During Museum Ships weekend amateur radio operators (HAMs) operate on the amateur band waves from retired maritime vessels, from all over the world. As the originators of this worldwide event, **K1USN** has been participating each year since 1997 and this is a wonderful operating activity that draws attention to the great work done by many volunteers who have helped preserve these historic ships and the memory of those who served onboard them. Since 2006, The Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Station has assumed sponsorship.



Steve Cohn W1OD



#### Jeff Ayres WK1D

Henry Brown K1WCC was transmitting as WW2MAN near the two man midget German submarine that is located near the USS Salem in Quincy, MA.

Also participating were Jim Tovet W1JT, Mike Dowd W1PVC and Tom Wilson W1ICU.

**Pi K1RV** also reports: "We made just under 800 QSO's this year which was pretty good



**Billy Robinson K1UFO** 

#### (Photos by Jeff WK1D and Larry K1LJK)



**Bob Azanow KA1KIJ** 



Larry Kenney K1LJK



Henry Brown K1WCC as WW2MAN



#### Pi Pugh K1RV Bruce Anderson W1BWA

considering the poor band conditions after the massive solar flare wiped out most bands for 24 hours".

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#### WORLD RADIOSPORT TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP - 2014 - UPDATE

Jeff Ayres WK1D has been keeping us updated on the World Radiosport Team Championship (WRTC) station tests held last summer and just attended a training and recruiting session in June in preparation for this summer's station tests. About 12 sites were set up in 2012 and about 30 sites will be set up in 2013. In 2014 there will be approximately 50 sites assembled to support 50 two-person teams of amateur radio operators competing in a test of operating skill.

Attending the June 1, 2013 recruiting and training session for volunteers in Medford, MA. were Jeff Ayres WK1D, Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ, Billy Robinson K1UFO, Fred Birdwell SWL from the Whitman Club and area HAM Greg Glynn W1VFB. The next testing (site evaluation) will be held in July 2013.

All contest teams are required to use identical antennas from the same geographic region, eliminating all variables except operating ability. The region is New England and the sites stretch from Miles Standish to the south to various locations up Rt. 495 (Mansfield Airport is one) to the north.

**Billy K1UFO** reports: "It was a wonderful day. They had several teams working on different aspects of the project. Aerial crews who assembled the antennas and towers and ground crews responsible for erecting the tents, out-houses, and hooking up the generators. I would say the keyword for the project would be 'teamwork'.

I took advantage of purchasing a station that will be available after the contest in July 2014. I will be getting the tower, rotor, beam, dipoles, tent, outhouse, misc. tools, and a 2k watt Honda generator with the add-on aux. extended gas tank, all for about \$1,250.00 bucks (June 1, 2012 sale price) ...good deal".

**Jeff Ayres WK1D** reports" I was invited to attend the WRTC 2014 training event that was held at Milara, Inc, in Milford, on Saturday, June 1st. I was lucky to get a ride

with **Billy K1UFO**, and **Fred SWL**. We met up with my boss **Bob WA1DRQ**, his wife **Ellen KB1UGK**, and **Jeremy KB1REQ**. I estimate we had about 150 or so HAMs there"

<u>Greg Glynn W1VFB Left (Gray shirt)</u> Jeff Ayres WK1D Right (Orange shirt)

(Photos by Jeff WK1D)

Fred Birtwell SWL Billy Robinson K1UFO



Jeremy Breef-Pilz KB1REQ





#### WORLD RADIOSPORT TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP - 2014 – UPDATE Cont:

**Jeff WK1D** also reports: "After coffee & doughnuts, there was a brief indoor class review of the station setup process, and of the improvements from last year. We then went outside and assembled two complete 40 foot Rohn towers and antennas. Other teams assembled three tents and one "camp toilet". The antennas were tested, the generator was hooked up to the rotor, and both were tested. During this process, the procedure and changes were carefully analyzed, and further improvements / changes suggested. A person was assigned to each team to record all the notes and suggestions

After a great BBQ lunch, followed by desert a la Ben & Jerry's, we returned outside, where we took down the towers, tents and toilet facility.

After this we returned to the meeting area, where additional information was relayed. Here we learned that we had cut approximately two hours off the tower / antenna assembly time, from the four hours it took last year. There were various door prizes awarded, from an ARRL gift certificate, to a transceiver to a complete station! (minus the radio equipment).

Many thanks go to the WRTC 2014 group, the YCCC group, and to **Krassy Petkov K1LZ**, and his employees, for a great learning experience, and a fun time".

Check out: WWW.WRTC2014.ORG

#### SOUTH SHORE HOSPITAL AMATEUR RADIO CLUB (SSHARC) UPDATE: By John K1JRO

**John O'Neill K1JRO** reports that during the first Saturday of the month (June) Hospital Communication Test the following SSHARC members were able to participate:

KB1MTW	Paul Moss	KS1Q	John Barbuto	N1VI	Karen Trask
K1JRO	John O'Neill	KB1VGN	Stan Rydell	W1CBR	Charlie Amico
W1SM	Al Drollett	KC1JET	Jim Tynan		

Net Control for June's Eastern MA Hospital Net was the Falmouth Amateur Radio Association operating from the Falmouth Hospital. At the microphone was **Jim Rubin KC2LMH**.

**John K1JRO** also reported that In June the SSHARC installed a 220 MHz antenna and began testing a 220-MHz REPEATER. The frequency is 224.58 MHz PL 100.

#### MASSACHUSETTS EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (MEMA) COMMUNICATION TEST

Paul Moss KB1MTW reported that he checked in to the First Monday of the month MEMA Communication Test and heard the following Whitman Club members participating: Barry Kennedy N1EZH for Taunton, Jim Madden KB1PFL for Pembroke, Jeff Lehmann N1ZZN and Kevin Dykes KB1MOC for Hanson along with Bill Hayden N1FRE and himself - Paul Moss KB1MTW for Whitman.

**JUNE 15<sup>TH</sup> – WOMPATUCK STATE PARK ROAD RACE: John O'Neill K1JRO** and the South Shore Amateur Radio Club will be looking for additional HAMs to volunteer to help provide communication support for the 4th annual Set The Pace Road Race that is sponsored by the South Shore Hospital Cardiovascular Unit. To be held at the Wompatuck State Park on - June 15, 2013. Interested parties should send an email to John K1JRO at <u>ssharc@gmail.com</u> to sign up.

#### FOX HUNT SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2013 By: "The Bruce" NI1X

**"The Bruce" NI1X** volunteered to be the Fox on Saturday, June 8, 2013 and was hiding in Plymouth at the request of the Genesis Club. **The Bruce NI1X** took Exit 4 off Rt. 3 and traveled about 4 miles south on Long Pond Road then turned east on Jordan Road to the Forge Field Recreational Area – a huge complex. **Richard Metcalf AG1B** was helping the Fox. The Fox started at 50 watts and went to 25 watts, 10 watts, 5 watts and finally 1 watt from a handheld, Signals were reported as great all over Plymouth.



 Bruce Hayden NI1X
 Judy Attaya-Harris KB1SRO

 Roy Logan KB1CYV
 Sly The Fox

 Ron Stundze KB1OEQ
 John Williams II KB1EVY

 John Wittey N1PRK
 John Chase KB1ODS

 Anthony Attaya-Harris KB1UHV
 Richard Metcalf AG1B

First place goes to the Team of Judy KB1SRO and John KB1EVY in 1 hour 32 minutes.

Second place goes to the team of **Roy KB1CYV** and **Ron KB10EQ** in 1 hour 52 minutes.

Third place goes to the team of Anthony KB1UHV and John N1PRK in a time of 2 hours.

Making the top teams possible was John KB10DS in a time of 2 hours and 12 minutes.

#### FIELD DAY 2013 -- SATURDAY JUNE 22<sup>ND</sup> AND SUNDAY JUNE 23<sup>RD</sup>

The Whitman Amateur Radio Club members will participate in a national emergency preparedness exercise, called Field Day 2013, over the weekend of June 22 and 23, 2013. The members will mobilize at the Old Colony YMCA property in East Bridgewater to set up portable antennas, radios, generators and tents at 9 a.m. on Saturday morning rain or shine.



The object of the exercise is to see how many other amateur radio stations can be contacted in a given 24 hour period that will start at 2 p.m. on Saturday afternoon and end at 2 p.m. on Sunday afternoon.

There will be six HF base stations set up along with a 2-Meter base station. This is a great chance for Technician Class operators to operate on the HF bands under the supervision of a higher class Control Operator. There will be a cookout Saturday afternoon. Come on down. This Special Event is open to the public. **Charlie Amico W1CBR** and his team will be offering hands on training all weekend to anyone interested in getting an amateur radio Technician Class license.



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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, July 10<sup>th</sup> 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

Club EchoLink Node 484193

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