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Whitman Amateur Radio Club Meeting 11/6/19



Bob Azanow KA1KIJ
Secretary

Randy Mills KC1EFF
Treasurer

Chris Babbitt N1CFB
Vice President

Paul Delory
President

ATTENDANCE: 40 members and guests were present including 4 elected officers

W1GTX Paul Delory
KC1EFF Randy Mills
AG1B Richard Metcalf
WK1D Jeff Ayres
KC1FZ George Davis
WD1L John Nelson
N1SOM Jeff Tracy
N1BSO John Laiosa
WA1MAD Mike Davis
WI1G John Murphy
KB1QMX Dave Beauvais
K1WGU Bob Bass
KB1WNX Steve Lyons
Michael Torres SWL

WA1Q Bob Azanow
KC1KIT Tom Kirkaldy
W1OD Steve Cohn
W1MBH Scott Mitchell
KB1MTW Paul Moss
N1IQI Loren Pimentel
K1JMA Joe Amorelli
KC1KIS Robert Kirkaldy
KC1ITF Mark Hirtle
KB1OEQ Ron Stundze
KB1OEP Mike Supple
WA1BEE Allen Hiltz
W1JDG John Ginsberg

N1CFB Chris Babbitt
W1VP Larry Kenney
KB1FBA Bob Mahoney
N1OYH Carl Davis
KA1UFO Patrick Witherell
N1ZZN Jeff Lehmann
W1EKG Ross Hochstrasser
KC1JMZ Ted Wojcik
W1JGR John Ruppel
KG1U Mike Bennett
KB1PFL Jim Madden
KC1KIU Gabriel Newman
KC1FPM Rich Moore

Secretary's Report:

President **Paul Delory W1GTX** called the meeting to order at 6:57 pm 11/06/19 with 4 elected officers at the front table.

A quorum was present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by an attendance roll call.

The Roll call was completed

Treasurer **Randy KC1EFF** presented the Oct. 2019 treasures report. A motion to accept as read made by **Jeff WK1D** with a second by **Steve W1OD**. Motion passed quorum vote.

Bob WA1Q indicated the October 2019 meeting notes were published on the club website. Motion to accept as published made by **Jeff WK1D** with a second by **Joe K1JMA**. Motion passed quorum vote.

Health & Welfare report by **Richard AG1B**

Richard reported a condolence card from the club was sent to **John W1JDG** for the loss of his dad. Richard also reported that a condolence card was sent to **Phil N1XTB** for the loss of his dad. Our sincerest condolences go to both families.

Weekly Public Service Net Control volunteers for Nov 2019:

- **Nov 10th : Paul W1GTX**
- **Nov 17th : Jeff WK1D**
- **Nov 24th : Jeff N1SOM**
- **Dec 1st : Bob WA1Q at 10AM from Plimoth Plantation Special Event**

New Members:

No New Members were added this month.

Committee updates:

Training Committee: Ross W1EKG reported that the General Class that was tentatively scheduled to start on Nov. 5th has run into a scheduling problem at the Whitman Police station. Thursday evenings are not available and might will have to be moved until January 2020. This class normally runs on Tues. and Thursdays for 6 weeks and will conclude with the VE examination. Ross is trying to work something out to possibly start it one night a week and will let us know. Please stay tuned.

The basic Electronics class is completed. Thank you **Ted KC1JMZ** and **Ross W1EKG** for running this class. Ross and Ted reported that they would like to do another class next Fall 2020 with a revised topics. More to come.

The next (MOTA) Meeting on the air net is scheduled for the Wed of Nov. 20th With the weekly 28.333mhz Rag Chew net to follow at 8:00PM. The Next MOTA is scheduled for Dec. 18th same time.

- **Repeater Committee: Jeff N1ZZN** reported Status Quo
- **Plimoth Plantation Committee: Joe K1JMA** reported that he will be meeting with the Plimoth Plantation folks to finalize the event. The Schedules will be published on the Website. Event shift hours will be 8AM to 12:30 and 12:30 to 4PM. We will be utilizing the N1MM logging software which is very easy to use. Joe also reported we are at the minimum on the sign-ups and would appreciate if more folks were to sign up. Thank you.
- **Winterfest 2020**

Chris N1CFB reported that we will need give away prizes for the event. We are also scheduled to have VE sessions as well. The Paypal account is all set up

and running with a Link on the Website thanks to **Larry W1VP** and **Jeff N1SOM** and **Randy KC1EFF** for setting that up.

Randy did a test on the Paypal site which was successful.

Chris will also contact the ARRL to see if they could donate prizes as well. He will also ask to have our event posted in the ARRL calendar and hopefully QST.

Bob WA1Q Will bring Flyers to pass out at the Falmouth FARA-Fest event.

- **ByLaws Committee:** No Report at this time.

Old/New Business

Nearfest: Paul KB1MTW & Jeff N1SOM Reported a successful and fun time at the October Nearfest event. They were able to sell **Roy's KB1CYV** 2 meter radio which he generously donated to the club as well as many other items. Thank you again Paul and Jeff and all folks that helped at Nearfest.

Paul KB1MTW reported that that Boy Scouts from Camp Norse in Kingston was successful as well. He wanted to thank everyone that participated. This is their annual JOTA (Jamborie on the Air) which was held on October 19th. Kids from Whitman, Bridgewater and Plymouth participated. Paul had asked if folks could please monitor the repeater the day of the event as they called out looking for contacts. This was a great way to introduce the scouts to Amateur Radio. Paul also reported they had 187 Cub Scouts participating with 9 folks responding to the calls. Thank you again to all who participated.

NEW Business

Steve W1OD reported to the group that Sunday Nov 10, 2019 at 12 Noon there would be a ceremony to dedicate a plaque to honor Sgt. 1st Class Jared Monti at the former So. Weymouth Naval Air Station at the Shea Memorial who died in the line of duty in Afghanistan in June 2006 attempting to save a fellow platoon member. He grew up in Abington and Raynham. Jared was also awarded the Presidential Medal of Honor posthumously.

Jeff N1ZZN Started a discussion on what options we might have with the Member badges and the possibility of elimination. It was mentioned by **Joe K1JMA** that the bylaws would have to be modified if we were to repeal its use. We discussed other lower cost options for next year such as a colored sticker with the year 2020 for example printed on them. We also owe 6 people their membership badges that we must take care of. We will also speak to **Jack N1QE** about getting the needed badges for the folks that do not have theirs.

Paul KB1MTW meant to bring up this request up with the training topics; could we have a Skywarn discussion and look into inviting **Rob Macedo KD1CY** to speak to the group at one of our monthly meetings. The sooner we do this the better and it would be very informative introduction.

Holiday Dinner

Paul W1GTX Paul reported with the end of the year rapidly approaching we might be better off to have our holiday party after the first of the year; A January holiday party. Paul will report in the December meeting the results of talking to the folks at the Meadow Brook Restaurant.

Mike WA1MAD brought up the subject of reaching out to Dunkin Donuts to donate coffee and donuts to our club for our meetings since we are a registered Non profit. Further discussion needed.

LASTLY A big THANK YOU to **Tom Kirkaldy KC1KIT** for supplying the coffee and donuts for the meeting. We sincerely appreciate it.

Motion to adjourn made by **Steve W1OD** with a second by **Jeff WK1D**.
Motion passed a quorum vote. **Paul W1GTX** adjourned the meeting at 7:53 PM, 11/06/19. Next meeting will be 12/04/19 at 7:00PM

Note: As a reminder if your callsign changes please let us know.

End Secretary's Report.



Whitman Club Meeting

November 6th, 2019

Photos by Jeff WK1D



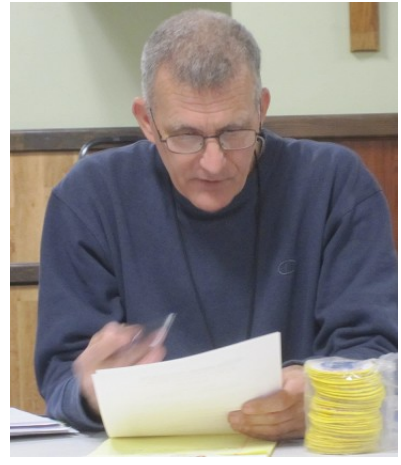




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Tom KC1KIT



Jim KB1PFL



Robert KC1KIS



(l-r) Garry NAIR, Walt WIWCF, Jeff AJIL and Bill NRIFD



Garry NAIR, Walt WIWCF and Jeff AJIL



Steve KCIHO and Bob WA1Q (winner of the door prize: a discone scanner antenna)



Joe K1JMA and Bob WA1Q



Bob W1VU (above and below left purchasing an antenna)



Jim NM1F with his multi-table vendor setup



Above (l-r) Garry NAIR and Warren AAIG

Left: Jeremy KB1REQ

Below (l-r): Steve KC1HO and Dave WB1EVP





*Another fun FARAFEST!
Thanks to those that organized this great fall event.*



Recent changes to Call Signs in use for the past 20 to 40 years!

By Larry W1VP

With the Vanity Call Sign program offered by the FCC, we can change our FCC issued Amateur Radio Call Signs to one of our own choosing. Of course we must adhere to the prefix and structural rules defined by our license class. Also in some cases, we must wait for specific Call Sign availability and time the FCC application submission to **just** the right date. This assures we successfully 'compete' against other hams who also want that particular Call Sign, issued using random selection. This date-critical submission is for the more sought after 1x2 and 2x1 Call Signs available to Amateur Extra class operators. Often numerous attempts for 1x2 and 2x1 calls are needed.

Recently, several local Amateur Extra class operators successfully changed their Call Signs to one of these 1x2 or 2x1 calls. That in itself is not unusual – but these local hams have switched from their original FCC issued Call Signs they've had for some 20 to 40 years! **Best of luck with the new calls!!**



*Jeff had **N1ZZN** for almost 22 years and now has **AJIL***



*Bob had **KA1KIJ** for about 35 years and now has **WAIQ***

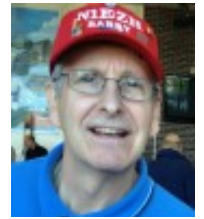


*Bob had **KA1BBU** for 39 years and now has **W1VU***



*Warren had **W1YKF** for 43 years and now has **AAIG***

HAM RADIO LOCAL AREA NETS



If you know of a Ham Radio Local Area Net that is not listed here, a typo on the information, or a Net listed which is no longer active, please contact Barry – N1EZH at: N1EZH@comcast.net , so this list can be updated. All Frequencies are in MHz and 6 Meters (50.0 MHz and up.), are FM Mode unless otherwise noted. Thanks!

- Sunday:** **WA1NPO – WARPSN Net, 8:30 AM, Whitman ARC Rptr, 147.225 +, PL 67.0**
6 Mtr AM Net, 5:00 PM, 50.400.0 AM, Scituate
NE Cracker Barrel Net, **6:00 PM Daily** (Matt – W1AEM, NCO on Sun), 3.921.00 MHz LSB
Pilgrim Amateur Wireless Assoc. 10 Meter Net, 7:00 PM, 28.375.0 USB
Cape & Island Traffic Net, Every Night at 7:30 PM, Falmouth N1YHS Rptr, 147.375 + PL 110.9
Genesis ARC CW Training Net, 7:00 PM, Plymouth N1ZIZ Rptr, 146.685 – PL 82.5
Eastern MA 2 Mtr Traffic Net, Every Night at 8:00 PM, Boston W1BOS Rptr, 145.230 – PL 88.5
Norfolk County Radio Association Net, 8:00 PM, Walpole Rptr, 146.895 – PL 123.0
- Monday:** Cape and Islands Weather Net, 6:00 AM, Mon – Sat, Dennis K1PBO Rptr, 146.955 – PL 88.5
Fairhaven Weather Net, 8:00 PM, SEMARA Rptr, 147.000 + PL 67.0
Norfolk County Emergency Preparedness Net, 8:00 PM, Walpole Rptr, 146.895 – PL 123.0
Falmouth ARA Net, 7:30 PM, Falmouth K1RK Rptr, 146.655 – PL 88.5
Boston ARC Rag Chew Net, 9:00 PM, Boston W1BOS Rptr, 145.30 – PL 88.5
- Tuesday:** Massasoit ARA Net, 8:00 PM, Bridgewater W1MV Rptr, 147.180 + PL 67.0 (**Except 3rd Tue!**)
Genesis ARC 2 Mtr Rag-Chew Net, 7:30 PM, Plymouth N1ZIZ Rptr, 146.685 – PL 82.5
Fairhaven Weather Net, 8:00 PM, SEMARA Rptr, 147.000 + PL 67.0
Norwood Amateur Radio Club Net, 8:00 PM, Norwood Rptr, 147.210 + PL 100.0
220 MHz Day! Try to find a 220 Repeater near you and give a call out!
- Wednesday:** Taunton ACG, KC1TAC, 2 Mtr Simplex Net, 8:30 PM, 145.770
Whitman ARC 10 Meter Rag-Chew Net, 8:00 PM, 28.333.0 USB (**Except 1st Wed!**)
Blackstone Valley ARC , 2 Mtr Simplex Net, 7:00 PM, 146.565
Fairhaven Weather Net, 8:00 PM, SEMARA Rptr, 147.000 + PL 67.0
Cape and Islands ARES Net, 8:00 PM, Dennis K1PBO Rptr, 146.955 – PL 88.5
Waltham Wranglers Swap Net. 9:00 PM, Waltham W1MHL Rptr , 146.64 – PL 136.5
- Thursday:** Fairhaven Weather Net, 8:00 PM, SEMARA Rptr, 147.000 + PL 67.0
Genesis ARC CW Training Net, 7:00 PM, Plymouth N1ZIZ Rptr, 146.685 – PL 82.5
10 Mtr General Class Rag-Chew Net, 8:00 PM, 29.470.0 FM
Sturdy Mem. Hosp. ARC ARES Practice Net, 8:30 PM, K1SMH Rptr, 147.195 + PL 127.3
900 MHz Day! Try to find a 900 Repeater near you and give a call out!
- Friday:** Fairhaven Weather Net, 8:00 PM, SEMARA Rptr, 147.000 + PL 67.0
- Saturday:** South Shore Skywarn Net, 8:00 PM, Bridgewater W1MV Rptr, 147.180 + PL 67.0
VKEMCOMM Echolink Conference node: 270177/IRLP 9508 (due to *WX-TALK* Echolink conference node: 7203/IRLP 9219 outage) Refer to: <http://www.voipwx.net/>

The **WARPSN** NET meets every Sunday morning at 8:30 a.m. on the Whitman REPEATER 147.225 MHz (PL 67). Come join in and share your amateur radio related activities with the other area HAMS and short-wave listeners as well. We need your updates for the newsletter.

As part of our training, we encourage everyone to practice sending routine RADIOGRAM messages. Make up a National Traffic System (NTS) traffic message and send it to a friend. We also encourage everyone to try your hand at Net Control. Contact **Bill N1FRE** for a Net Control handout or visit our website at:

www.wa1npo.com and follow the link for the Sunday Public Service Net
 (http://www.wa1npo.org/index.html#Sunday_Public_Service_Net_Control)



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 December 4th, 7pm
 Whitman Knights of Columbus**

NEXT MOTA/Repeater MEETING

**December 18th, 7:30pm
 on the Whitman 147.225 +67 repeater**

CLUB OFFICERS

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