

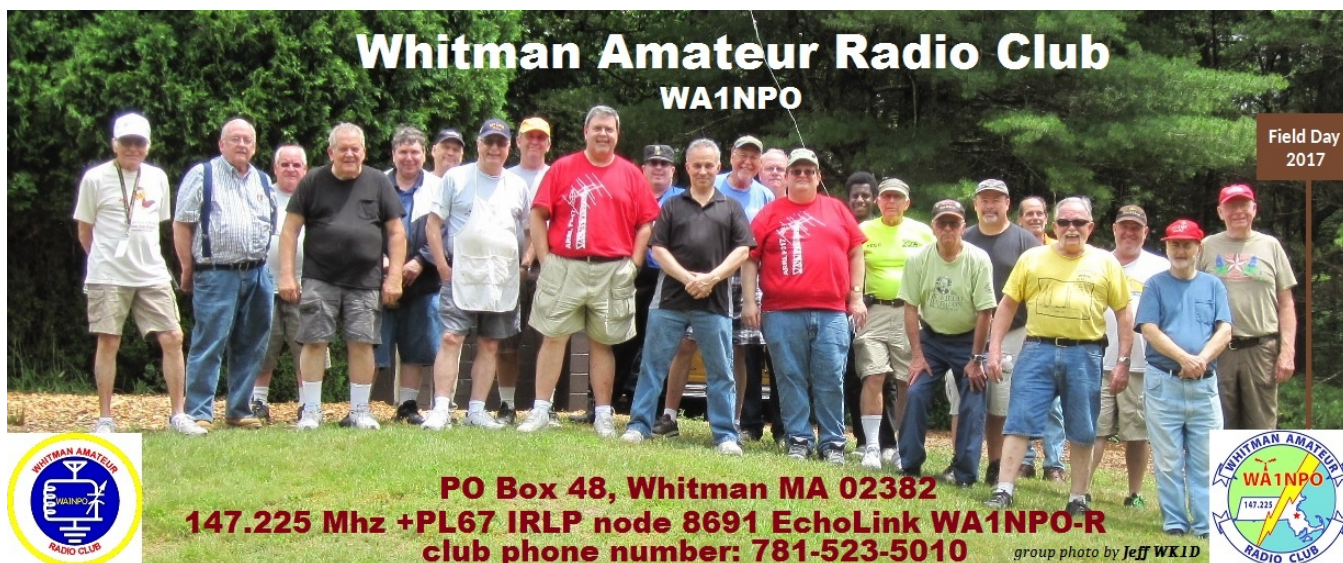


# SPECTRUM



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## Whitman Amateur Radio Club Meeting 06/07/17



**Paul Moss KB1MTW** V.President    **Larry Kenney W1VP** Secretary    **Jeff Tracy N1SOM** Treasurer    **Joe Amorelli K1JMA** President

**ATTENDANCE:** 42 members and guests were present including 4 elected officers

|                      |                       |                         |
|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| KB1MTW Paul Moss     | K1JMA Joe Amorelli    | N1SOM Jeff Tracy        |
| W1JGR John Ruppel    | KB1OEQ Ron Stundze    | AG1B Richard Metcalf    |
| KC1FWV John Barbour  | WK1D Jeff Ayres       | W1OD Steve Cohn         |
| N1EZH Barry Kennedy  | W1JDG John Ginsberg   | WD1L John Nelson        |
| W1GTX Paul DeLory    | KC1EFF Randy Mills    | SWL Leo Mills           |
| WA1YKF Warren Dickie | AB1CQ Gary Cumiskey   | W1EKG Ross Hochstrasser |
| N1ZZN Jeff Lehmann   | K1XRB Peter Q. George | N1OYH Carl Davis        |
| KC1FZ George Davis   | KB1FHS Eric Dresser   | WA1BEE Allen Hiltz      |
| KA1KIJ Bob Azanow    | WA1MAD Mike Davis     | N1LQK Davis Kaplan      |
| KB1IKH Elayne Tovet  | W1JT Jim Tovet        | K1FAB Fred Birtwell     |
| N1IQI Loren Pimentel | K1UFO Billy Robinson  | KC1BHK JonMark Robinson |
| KV1SMC Stephen Cavey | W1GQN Jim Havens      | KC1FWW Zak Henry        |
| KD1X Rayn Merck      | K1WGU Bob Bass        | WG1L Jim O'Rourke       |
| KC1ACF Mark Vess     | N1STV Steve Cote      | W1VP Larry Kenney       |

### **Secretary's Report:**

President **Joe Amorelli K1JMA** called the meeting to order at 7:09pm 06/07/17. A quorum was present.

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

President **Joe K1JMA** asked for 3 volunteers to count all ballots from club members for the clubs yearly officer election. Volunteering members were: **Steve N1STV**, **Mark KC1ACF** and **Jim WG1L** who counted ballots at the back of the meeting hall.

Treasurer **Jeff N1SOM** read the May 2017 treasurers report. Motion to accept the report as read made by **Jeff N1ZZN** with a second by **Jeff WK1D**. Motion passed quorum vote.

Secretary **Larry W1VP** indicated the May 2017 meeting notes were published online on



the club website and will be included in the upcoming April/May 2017 Spectrum newsletter. Motion to accept the May 2017 meeting notes as published made by **John W1JDG** with a second by **Steve W1OD** Motion passed quorum vote.

### Health & Welfare report by **Elayne KB1IKH**.

Elayne reports no update for this month.

### New Member applications:

**Jeff N1SOM** and **Joe K1JMA** presented 2 new member applications in good standing: **Zak Henry KC1FWW** and **Eric Dresser KB1FHS**. Also noted, **Ron Smith N1PXX** is a returning former club member. Motion to accept these new members made by **Ron KB1OEQ** with a second by **Jeff WK1D**. Motion passed quorum vote. Welcome to the Whitman Amateur Radio Club Zak, Eric and welcome back Ron!

### Net Control for June 2017

- June 11<sup>th</sup> : **Richard AG1B**
- June 18<sup>th</sup> : **John KC1FWV @ Cranland Airport**
- June 25<sup>th</sup> : **Jeff WK1D @ our FieldDay event @ 10am (special time)**
- July 2<sup>nd</sup> : **Bob KA1KIJ**

### Old Business:

### New Business:

- **Mark KC1ACF** updated everyone on the current Field Day plans:
  - Mark is investigating if some setup will be possible Friday evening (after 6pm) June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Folks interested in this at the meeting were **Mike WA1MAD** and **Chris N1CFB**. Mark to advise the club if this is possible.
  - Mark suggested an increased donation amount to the YMCA this year with a motion for a \$300 donation with a second by **John W1JGR**. Motion passed quorum vote.
  - **Jim W1JT** offered storage space for unused non-perishable food items.
  - **Paul KB1MTW** will assure the club BBQ grills are transported to the YMCA upper pavilion and each has a filled propane tank. Paul indicated he'll need help at the Pine St. clubhouse for equipment loading & transport. **John WD1L** volunteered to help. Any others, please contact Paul.
  - **Paul KB1MTW** will bring ICE for the coolers.
  - **Ryan KD1X** offered to donate 10 cases of water, Gatorade and soda for the event! He will arrange delivery at the site by approx 9:15am Saturday morning. Ryan also offered use of several cold barrels (coolers) for the drinks.
  - A general discussion took place regarding the number of stations and antennas which will be in use during the Field Day event. The clubs ft450 and ic756 HF radios along w/the ft8800 2/440 mobile will be brought to the site. Either 4 or 5 stations will be in operation (4A or 5A). The final decision will be made at the event prior to the 2pm start on Saturday.
  - Paper log books will be used to indicate which band should be used at each

station. **Larry W1VP** has the club laptops and will have them ready w/N1MM+ logging software for computer logging. These will be distributed Saturday before 2pm.

- **Steve W1OD** reminded everyone, the VE test session will start at 1pm at the lower pavilion.
  - New member **Eric KB1FHS** can arrange for Whitman/Hanson public access tv notifications of the Field Day event.
  - **Mark KC1ACF** is working to have a state representative stop by the event.
  - **Mark KC1ACF** is still working for Brockton Enterprise and Patriot Ledger newspaper event coverage.
  - **John W1JDG** offered to be the event safety/security officer again this year.
  - **Steve W1OD** indicated a live phone interview w/radio station WATD is possible.
  - **Billy K1UFO** suggested we should have training class sign-up sheets available. **Ross W1EKG** suggested club membership forms be available also.
  - **Joe K1JMA** offered to paint the clubs wooden sign in preparation for use at the Field Day entrance. **John W1JDG** offered to help.
  - **Ross W1EKG** suggested club member **Jack Foley N1BCE** might be contacted to help with signs.
- **Joe K1JMA** updated folks on the August Marshfield Fair plans. Joe indicated **Bill N1FRE** has been involved with the Fair management to confirm our attendance again this year, acquire tickets for volunteers and enroll us in the kids program. Joe indicated **Bill N1FRE** will have a sign-up sheet at the July meeting for volunteers at the booth. Also suggested was use of a PC based Rx waterfall display at the booth. **John KC1FWV** volunteered to help set this up.
  - **Joe K1JMA** reminded everyone that **Ross W1EKG** will be holding a Go-Kit symposium on June 17<sup>th</sup>, 9am-12Noon. Flyers were made available at the front table. **Paul KB1MTW** indicated pairs of draw slides will be given out (free).
  - **Ross W1EKG** indicated the current Extra training class is coming to a close soon, with a VE session taking place on June 15<sup>th</sup> at the Canton Fire Station. Ross plans to start a Technician class in September, followed by a General class in November. Ross also mentioned the possibility a once/month Elmer class by **John KC1FWV** might be planned.
  - **Paul KB1MTW** auctioned off several items:
    - a Windom/Dipole to **Steve N1STV** for a \$40 club donation
    - a 12v power supply to **Mark KC1ACF** for a \$7 club donation
    - a weather station to **Steve KV1SMC** for a \$20 club donation
  - The ballot team presented the details to **Joe K1JMA** who announced the officer positions for 2017:
    - President: **Joe K1JMA**
    - Vice-President **Paul KB1MTW**
    - Treasurer **Jeff N1SOM**
    - Secretary **Larry W1VP**
    - Board Member **Mike WA1MAD**



Motion to adjourn the meeting made by **Steve W1OD** with a second by **Jeff WK1D**.  
Motion passed a quorum vote.

**Joe K1JMA** adjourned the meeting at **8:09** pm, 06/07/17

**End Secretary's Report**



**Whitman club meeting**

**June 6<sup>th</sup> 2017**

*Photos by Jeff WK1D*









## May 2017 FoxHunt

*by Richard AG1B*

The Explore Rochester Foxhunts were held on Saturday May 13, 2017. **Richard AG1B** operated a hidden mobile transmitter on 146.535 Mhz. from 10:30 AM to 12 Noon, at a conservation area parking lot in Rochester, MA. Also activated was the on-demand **AG1B** Fox Box, transmitting on 146.565 Mhz. The hidden Fox Box transmitter was available for activation over the weekend with a prize certificate for a Baofeng HT located at the flagged sign-in tree .



**Kevin KB1MOC** found the mobile Fox located at the Hartley Conservation Area in 75 minutes and won the drawing for the prize.

The hidden Fox Box transmitter was left in operation through Monday at the Hartley conservation land. No one signed in at the Fox Box to claim that prize.

73, **Richard AG1B**



L-R **Richard AG1B**, Sly the Fox and **Kevin KB1MOC**



## Extra class VE test session

by Ross W1EKG

**Ross W1EKG** concluded the spring 2017 Extra training class started in April by accompanying several of his students at a well attended June 15th VE test session in Canton MA. Attending VE's included **Jeff N1SOM**.



Future training classes include a Technician level class in the fall and a General class in the winter (schedule tbd)



**Ross W1EKG and Jeff N1SOM**



**Taking 'The Test' L-R; Jack N1BCE, Bob KA1KIJ, Paul W1GTX**





L-R: Jack N1BCE/AE, Bob KA1KIJ, Ross W1EKH and Paul W1GTX/AE



Paul W1GTX/AE with his official paperwork

A very well deserved thank you goes to **Ross W1EKH** for all the time, energy, skills and fun, positive learning environment he provides for all his students!

[Thanks Ross. Job well done!](#)

Ross would love to have some volunteers join in with the training. The upcoming fall Technician class is a good place to give it a try. Contact Ross if interested. His is mail is: [bavarianradio@comcast.net](mailto:bavarianradio@comcast.net)





**Ross W1EKG** held the Whitman clubs first Go-Kit Symposium on Saturday June 17th. Several club members attended, showing their Go-Kits. **Paul KB1MTW** kindly arranged use of space at the United Methodist Church in Whitman for this event.



**ATTENDANCE:** 13 members and guests were present

KB1MTW Paul Moss  
N1CFB Chris Babbitt  
WA1MAD Mike Davis  
KC1ADW Mike Tompkins  
W1VP Larry Kenney

W1EKG Ross Hochstrasser  
K1FAB Fred Birtwell  
K1UFO Billy Robinson  
KB1YFQ Wayne Robertson

W1JDG John Ginsberg  
WA1TOM Tom Luckman  
KC1FWV John Barbour  
N1BCE Jack Foley



**John KC1FWV** built his Go-Kit on a single wooden board. He used a QYT 8900 dual-band, quad-standby VHF/UHF mobile radio, battery and speaker.

For demo purposes, he found the mag-mount antenna worked well on a metal folding chair.





**John W1JDG** shows his VHF/UHF HT station comprised of a sturdy, cement base, HT enclosure with an external speaker/mic and elevated mag mount antenna with a ground plane base.







Often seen at CranLand with **Ross W1EKG**, his Alinco DR-590 VHF/UHF mobile radio, battery and external speaker housed in a square tool bag



**Paul KB1MTW** showing is VHF/UHF/HF Go-Kit; very familiar to folks who have attended the Whitman club Field Day and Plimoth Plantation events.

Paul uses a Yaesu FT-8800 VHF/UHF rig and a Yaesu FT450 HF/6Meter rig in his kit.



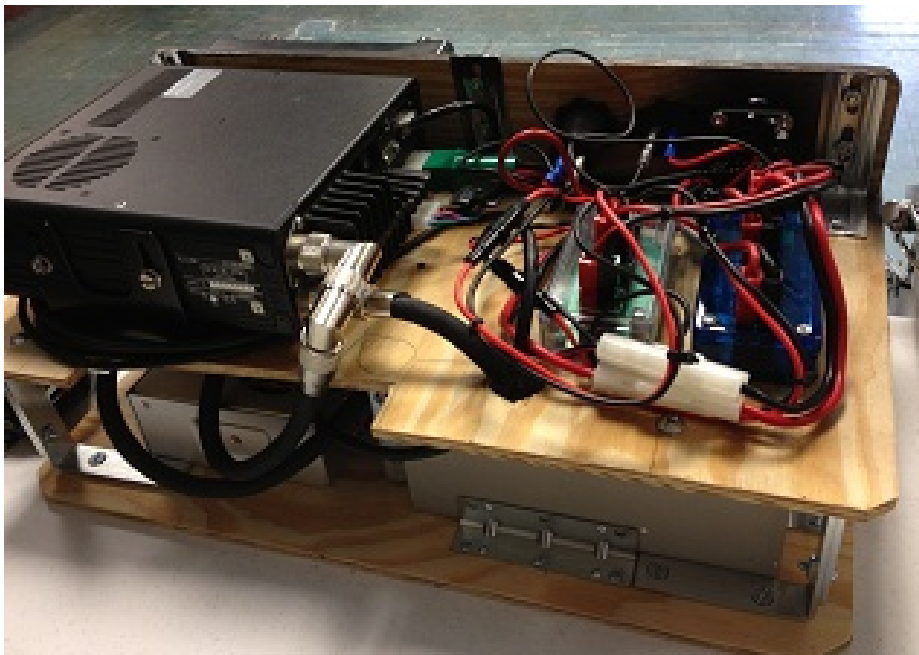


**Chris N1CFB** showing his HF antenna mounting system on his Subaru. Left his Go-Kit containing an Icom IC-2200H FM rig and solar power management hardware. Below left a camera tripod holds his vhf/uhf antenna. Below right, his Bitx40 within a beautiful wooden case.





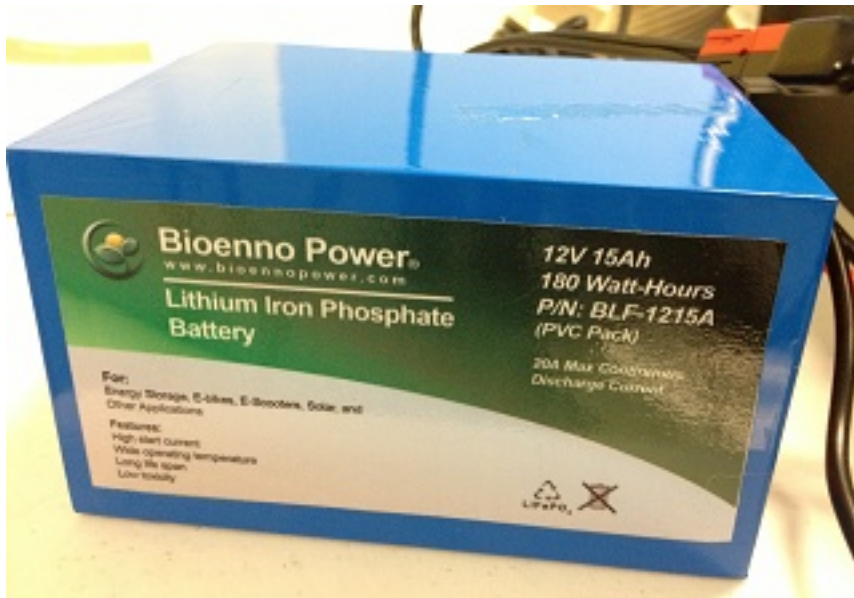
**Tom WA1TOM** shows his Go-Kit comprised of an Icom IC-706MKIIG HF/VHF/UHF rig and LDG tuner. The entire assembly slides out of the case for assembly, repair and modifications. Toms Anderson power poll power distribution and voltage monitoring hardware can also be seen.



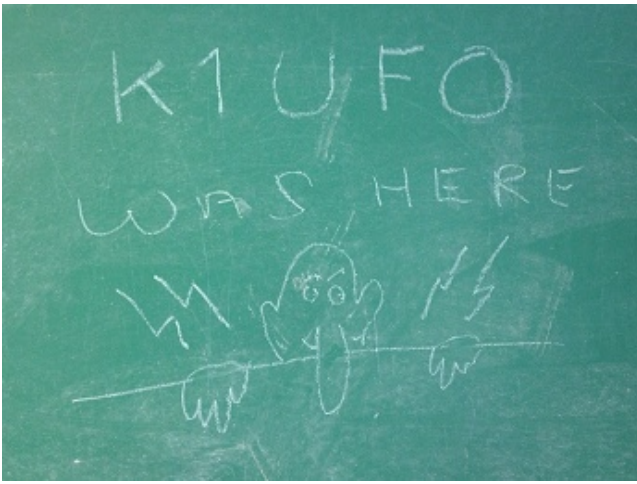




**Fred K1FAB** showed his Go-Kit featuring an Icom IC-703 QRP HF rig powered by a 12v 15Ah Lithion Iron Phosphate (very light) battery, a Buddy Pole HF antenna and Baofeng HT.





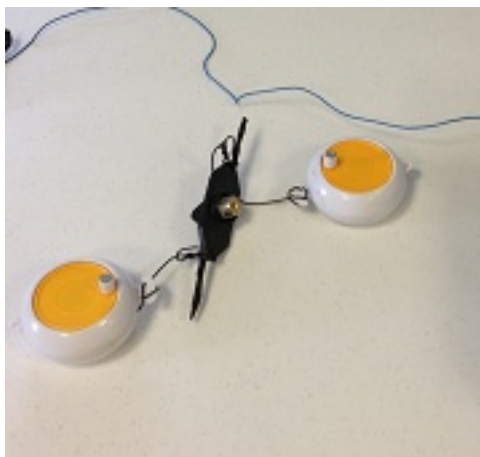


**Billy K1UFO** put together a backpack Go-Kit using his recently acquired (at NEAR-Fest) Elecraft KX-2 QRP rig. Billy's setup also includes a Lithion Iron Phosphate battery, a wire antenna and Yaesu FT1DR Fusion VHF/UHF HT.





**Mike WA1MAD** with his Yaesu FT-450D based Go-Kit. Below left, his Bitx40 QRP kit radio and small portable 'Yo-Yo' dipole







A very nice Yaesu FT-857D based Go-Kit with solar power management and voltage monitoring, assembled by **Allen WA1BEE**



# Museum Ships On The Air June 3<sup>rd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup>

**at K1USN**

Photo's by Larry W1VP



Pi K1RV organized the K1USN Braintree clubs participation in the Museum Ships On The Air event.

Whitman club members **Jeff WK1D** (above), **Chris N1CFB** (below), **Steve W1OD** (not shown) and **Larry W1VP** (not shown) also participated.



Other participating **K1USN** club members were **Marty N1VH**, **Rick N1DC** and **Mike WA1MB**.

Pi reports 860 Q's were logged this year!

A full list of all participating Museum Ships can be found at:  
<http://www.nj2bb.org/museum/>





# ARRL Field Day June 24<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup>

Photo's by Larry W1VP



(Above) **Mark KC1ACF** raising his trailer based tower containing a Cushcraft R9 vertical antenna.

(left) **Jeff N1SOM** in his camper/ham shack

Our rough count of Q's from our logs shows these totals:

Total CW Q's: 207  
Total SSB Q's: 156  
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Total QSO's : 363





**Mark KC1ACF** in his A/C shack tent along with **Jim KB1PFL**. (right) Mark's Cushcraft R9 HF verticle at the top of his portable tower- with the trailer/base shown below.



**Chris N1CFB** in the new BabbComm II camper shack



**John W1JDG** working safety/security for the event





**Richard AG1B** ran an instructional FoxHunt at the Field Day site



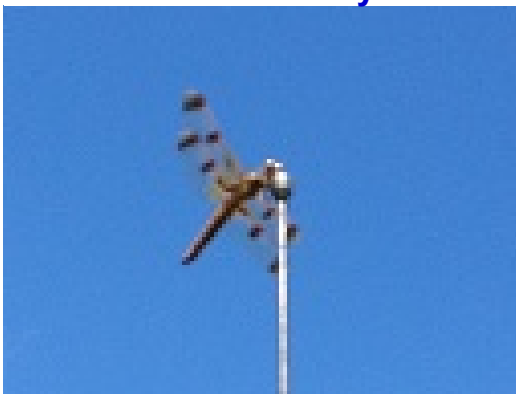
**Jim NM1F** and friend **Bruce W1CVE** on 40M CW



Teamwork needed to get the dipoles into the trees. (l-r) **Jeff N1SOM**, **Jack N1BCE** and **Barry N1EZH**



**Paul KB1MTW** with teh club antenna launcher



The dragonfly's loved the antenna tops...for some reason.



## ***ARRL Field Day June 24<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup>***

Photo's by Jeff WK1D



(l-r) Jim WG1L, Al W1SM, Garry AB1CQ, John WD1L, Bob KA1KIJ, Warren WA1YKF, Steve W1OD, Jack N1BCE, Larry W1VP, John W1JDG, Joe K1JMA, Mike WA1MAD, Jim NM1F, Jeff N1SOM, Zak KC1FWW, Jeff WK1D, Paul KB1MTW, Steve N1STV, Bruce W1CVE, Mark KC1ACF, Chris N1CFB, Loren N1IQI, Richard AG1B

Attending the Field Day event but not pictured above:

Paul W1GTX, Barry N1EZH, Jim KB1PFL, Tom WA1TOM, Ryan KD1X, Elayne KB1IKH, Jim W1JT



Lunch is served at the upper pavilion on Saturday





(l-r) Garry AB1CQ, Richard AG1B, Al W1SM, Jack N1BCE and Jeff N1SOM



(l-r) Chris N1CFB, Larry W1VP, Mike WA1MAD, Zak KC1FWW, Steve W1OD, Joe J1JMA and Loeren NIQI



(l) Steve N1STV joins the table



Paul KB1MTW



Jim NM1F and Bruce W1CVE scope where to install a vertical HF antenna





(l-r) **Paul KB1MTW** with the clubs antenna launcher, **Steve W1OD** and (above) a dipole in the trees!



(l-r) **Bob KA1KIJ**, **Tom WA1TOM**, **Jeff N1SOM**, **Larry W1VP**, **John WD1L**, a local news photographer, **Paul KB1MTW**, **Barry N1EZH** and **Steve W1OD**



**Steve W1OD**



Outside of **N1CFB Chri's** Babbcomm II camper shack and **Buddy Pole/Tripod** antenna





The dipole installations continue...



(l) Jim KB1PFL assured the US Flag is properly hung. (below) Mark KC1ACF with his R9 and tower/trailer. Jim and Paul W1GTX helping with the setup





# ARRL Field Day June 24<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup>

Photo's by Warren WA1YKF



(above) Mark KC1ACF with his generator, (r) working 20Meters



more dragonflies...



Bob KA1KIJ, Larry W1VP joined Warren WA1YKF for a visited to the W1BOS Field Day site at the Bare Cove Fire Museum in Hingham





# ARRL Field Day June 24<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup>

Photo's by Richard AG1B



group meeting on the hill just before kickoff at 2pm



above and left: lunch!. Below **Jeff WK1D** setting up for the group photo. Also **Paul KB1MTW** and **Zak KC1FWW** with Dipole work Below, left **Jeff**, **Jack N1BCE** and **Mike WA1MAD** also working the Dipole installations







The Field Day site was a good place for club members to get acquainted with hidden transmitter hunting and with radio direction finding techniques. I had my three element tape measure beam connected with a variable offset attenuator. I gave a short lesson on using the equipment and let interested members try too find the nearby **AG1B** Fox Box on their own. Everyone who tried was successful in finding the Fox Box.

73 Richard AG1B





## ***Go-Kit Symposium and ARRL Field Day Flyer***

by John W1JDG

John W1JDG kindly provided this flyer highlighting the then upcoming Go-Kit Symposium and the ARRL Field Day event. Thanks John.



### ***WHITMAN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB*** ***WHITMAN, MASSACHUSETTS***

PO Box 48, Whitman, MA 02382

Club call sign: WA1NPO

Repeater: WA1NPO, 147.225 MHz, +PL 67.0, Whitman, MA

IRLP Node: 8691 Echolink Node: WA1NPO-R

Club Phone No: 781-523-5010

[W1JDGR@gmail.com](mailto:W1JDGR@gmail.com) [john.d.ginsberg.pls@gmail.com](mailto:john.d.ginsberg.pls@gmail.com)

For the month of June, 2017, we are pleased to inform you that we have two events that will take place. We believe the public may be interested in visiting the event venues, and learn more about the flexibility and adaptability of Amateur Radio.

Sat, June 17, 09:00 – 12:00 United Methodist Church 503 South Ave Whitman MA

At this event, we are holding a “Go-Kit” Symposium, where members of the club will be displaying various builds of Amateur Radio equipment that are designed to be portable, versatile, and highly functional. These portable radios can be used in public events such as marathon races, and especially for emergencies of various kinds. Other exhibits detailing other interesting facets of Amateur Radio will also be on display here too.

June 24, 25, ARRL Field Day, YMCA, E. Bridgewater field (campout and cookout)

At this event, from 2 PM local time Saturday to 2 PM local time Sunday, we will be holding ARRL Field Day. This is a contest in which HF (Short Wave) radio stations around the United States compete with one another to attempt to make the most contacts with each other, using a prescribed format. Club members and the public are cordially invited to come and see how Amateur Radio works in this way. There also will be a session in which any person who wishes to attempt the Amateur Radio License exams will have that opportunity. The VE (Volunteer Examiner) Session will test candidates for Technician, General, and Amateur Extra classes.

Further information will be gladly furnished upon request by contacting the club at the phone number above. Thank you for your time and attention.

## Whitman Amateur Radio Club Meeting 07/05/17



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| KC1EUJ Kurt Sundwall | WA1MAD Mike Davis    | N1CFB Chris Babbitt     |
| KA1KIJ Bob Azanow    | WA1YKF Warren Dickie | N1OYH Carl Davis        |
| WI1G John Murphy     | KB1QMX Dave Beauvais |                         |

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**Health & Welfare** report by **Elayne KB1IKH**.



Elayne reports Get Well cards were send to **Steve W1OD** and **Randy KC1EFF**

### New Member applications:

**Jeff N1SOM** and **Joe K1JMA** presented a new member application in good standing for **Michael Tompkins KC1ADW**. Motion to accept as a new member made by **Mark KC1ACF** with a second by **John W1JDG**. Motion passed quorum vote. Welcome to the Whitman Amateur Radio Club Michael!

### Net Control for July 2017

- July 9<sup>th</sup> : **John G. W1JDG**
- July 16<sup>th</sup> : **Ross W1EKG @ Cranland Airport**
- July 23<sup>rd</sup> : **Jeff N1SOM**
- July 30<sup>th</sup> : **Bill N1FRE**

### Old Business:

- **Joe K1JMA** apologized for being very busy lately and not as available for club activities as he would like.
- **Joe K1JMA** mentioned assembling a committee to investigate our possible club change to a 501(C)(3) entity and will be speaking with potential volunteers in the near future.
- **Ross W1EKG and Paul KB1MTW** summarized the recent Go-Kit Symposium activities on June 17<sup>th</sup> held at the United Methodist Church in Whitman. A general discussion took place regarding the event with suggestions for improving attendance and possibly adding vacuum tube radios. It was also noted a new club member joined at the symposium. **John W1JDG** made a motion to donate \$50 to the church, with a second by **Ross W1EKG**. Motion passed a quorum vote. **Paul KB1MTW** noted the church could be available for other events in the future and noted this could also include an outdoor event, using the clubs large pop-up tent.
- A general review of the ARRL Field Day event took place. Thanks were given to **Mark KC1ACF** for organizing the event for the club, to **Steve W1OD** for organizing and executing the Saturday cookout, to **Paul KB1MTW** for equipment management, to **Ryan KD1X** for the drinks and coolers delivered to the field, to the station operators who made all the "Q's" and to everyone who helped with setup, take down and participation in the event. **John W1JDG** offered to review the ARRL rules available for next years event and have them available if needed.

### New Business:

- **Bill N1FRE** updated everyone on the current plans for the August 18<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> Marshfield Fair special event.
  - Bill has confirmed our attendance again this year with the Fair management, acquire tickets for volunteers and again enrolled us in the kids program.
  - Bill highlighted the need to fill the shifts at the booth during the event, again

- broken up in 2 shifts per day. 12:00pm-4:30pm and 4:30pm-9pm.
  - It's expected we'll have HF and 2 Meter stations operating as usual using the **NN1MF** call. Volunteers to stand by at home on the Whitman repeater and talk to visitors to the booth will also be needed.
  - The antenna and equipment setup day is Thursday August 17<sup>th</sup> and take down is Monday August 28<sup>th</sup>.
  - Bill passed around a booth sign-up sheet during the meeting. Booth sign-up via Email is also possible (to either Bills email: [wf.hayden@verizon.net](mailto:wf.hayden@verizon.net) or the clubs email: [wa1npo@gmail.com](mailto:wa1npo@gmail.com)) or by leaving a msg on the clubs voice-mail at 781-523-5010.
  - Also mentioned was the intended setup of a PC/Monitor at the booth showing a receiver waterfall display to attract the public's attention.
  - **Bill N1FRE** expects to have free tickets at the August club meeting for all who volunteer at the booth.
  - **Kurt KC1EUJ** recommended scheduling an experienced person at the booth with new volunteers who haven't participated in this event before.
  - **Bill N1FRE** mentioned a give away/gift for the kids visiting the booth would be a good idea. A general discussion followed.
  - The club hand stamp was mentioned and will be used again this year. It should be stored at the club house.
- **Paul KB1MTW** informed everyone of the passing away of Mark Loring's wife Mary Elizabeth Loring on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Paul will find their address so a condolences card can be sent on behalf of the club.
  - It was asked what the current condition of **John Coombs WQ1L** is. **Paul KB1MTW** offered to find out.
  - **Paul KB1MTW** mentioned several visits were made to clean out equipment from the home of **Ed Meehan N1NTZ/SK**. A final visit is expected this fall. **Jim W1JT** and **Mike WA1MAD** both suggested an equipment list be put together.
  - **Mike WA1MAD** reminded everyone of the July 23<sup>rd</sup> Middleboro road race needing volunteers for communications. **Rick KB1TEE** or **John N1UMJ** are the contacts.
  - **Bob KA1KIJ** mentioned Bob Gurney would have more ham equipment available soon.
  - **Jack N1BCE** thanked **Ross W1EKG** for running the recent Extra training class and in general for all the work running the recent classes. The club joined Jack in thanking Ross. Ross mentioned that the next Extra class will be run with 2 classes per week for 8 weeks, rather than just 1 class per week. Ross further explained he intends to hold a Technician class in the fall, probably starting in September, followed by a General class probably in November. The next Extra class would start in Spring 2018.
  - **Jeff N1ZZN** (by way of a txt msg) informed everyone that a P25 upgrade had



been done to the Whitman and Bridgewater 900Mhz repeaters. A general discussion took place. It was also mentioned the new Abington 900Mhz repeater was the former Pembroke repeater.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by **Jim W1JT** with a second by **Steve W1OD**. Motion passed a quorum vote.

**Joe K1JMA** adjourned the meeting at **8:04pm**, 07/05/17

End Secretary's Report

## Whitman club meeting

July 5<sup>th</sup> 2017

Photos by Steve W1OD and Larry W1VP





# CranLand Sunday July 16th

Photos by Larry W1VP



The Whitman Amateur Radio Public Service Net at CranLand airport. (l-r) **John W1JDG**, **Ross W1EKG** net control, **Paul W1GTX** and **John KC1FWV**



A fantastic formation fly-over!







**Ross W1EKG** continuing w/net control duties as he watches the fly-over







(l-r) **Bob KA1KIJ** and **Mike KB1OEP** near the runway



(l-r) Local pilots **Bob K1NOK** and **Tom K1TH** getting ready to return to Plymouth in Toms beautiful Piper





Some pictures from past Marshfield Fairs so the new club members can see for themselves how we setup and operate at the Fair. Above **Mark KC1ACF** and **Mike WA1MAD** man the booth. Also some of our station antennas are shown. Below left is **Mike KB1OEP** and on the right **Chris KC1BZK**





## ***Marshfield Fair: an invitation from Bill N1FRE***

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### ***Marshfield Fair 2017 Invitation***

***August 18th thru August 27<sup>th</sup> – 12noon > 9:00pm***

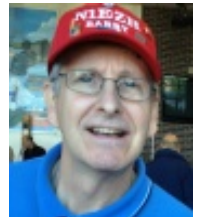
Get on the schedule ***early*** !! <> Free passes are available, w/ ***free*** inside parking for everyone willing to spend a 4-1/2hr. shift helping out at the booth. We can always use help setting up, Thursday 8/17 @ 10:00 and breaking down on Monday 8/28 @ 09:00.

**ATTENTION ALL HAMS \*\* YOU ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN HELPING US REPRESENT OUR AMATEUR RADIO ACTIVITIES BY JOINING US AT OUR WHITMAN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB BOOTH AT THE 150<sup>th</sup> MARSHFIELD FAIR.**

**WE WELCOME EVERYONE'S SUPPORT. NO EFFORT IS TOO SMALL. CONTACT BILL N1FRE, [wf.hayden@verizon.net](mailto:wf.hayden@verizon.net) OR [wa1npo@gmail.com](mailto:wa1npo@gmail.com) YOUR CALL WILL BE RETURNED SO WE CAN FIT YOU INTO THE SCHEDULE YOU DESIRE. WE ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE 'KIDS' PASSPORT PROGRAM AGAIN THIS YEAR. HUNDREDS OF KIDS AND PARENTS WILL SEEK OUT OUR NN1MF RADIO STATION FOR THE "RADIO ANSWER" AND MAYBE GET ON THE AIR WITH OUR NN1MF STATION OPERATOR DEMONSTRATING OUR FASCINATING HOBBY. RADIO GRAMS SENT TO ANYWHERE IN THE USA WILL BE OFFERED TO ALL. AN INFORMATIVE HANDOUT WILL BE GIVEN TO ALL STOPPING BY. OFFERED ARE FREE QST MAGAZINES AND OTHER LITERATURE. IN ADDITION WE WILL HAVE ON DISPLAY SEVERAL INTERESTING SHOW AND TELL ITEMS.**



Note: new addition: The NorthEast Cracker Barrel net, daily 7pm on 3921 Khz



## 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](mailto: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, **7:00 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, 145.230 – PL 88.5

**Tuesday:** Massasoit ARA Net, 8:00 PM, Bridgewater W1MV Rptr, 147.180 + PL 67.0 (Except 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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](http://www.wa1npo.com) and follow the link for the Sunday Public Service Net  
([http://www.wa1npo.org/index.html#Sunday\\_Public\\_Service\\_Net\\_Control](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, August 2<sup>nd</sup> 2017  
Whitman Knights of Columbus

### NEXT MOTA/Repeater MEETING

Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m  
on the Whitman 147.225 repeater

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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