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NOMINATIONS-

A reminder that the time of year for club elections is approaching. Nominations are coming up at the November business meeting and in December the election of club officers will take place.

BUILDING PERMIT-

Thanks to a lot of time and work by K1VJZ, Rocky Pimental, a building permit will be issued to the club. The Dartmouth Board of Appeals voted favorably on the variance requested by the club. The building inspector will be looking over the plans and spec. and will make some recommendations, but after about 20 days the club should be granted a permit.

PICNIC-

Club President WA1KPA, Al wishes to thank all those who helped out in making the event a success. A good time was had by all and the club cleared around \$1200.00 for the building fund. An idea of how the money was made. \$778.00- raffle tickets, approx. \$300.00- junk sales; the rest from food. Some of the door prizes were donated by C.E. Beckman, Martin's Scrap iron and Wally peckham.

It was heard that WA1FPA is going to put out a pamphlet titled "How to throw a flea-market and picnic" for whoever wants to do it next year. THANK YOU AL, FOR ALL YOU DID.

NOVICE CLASSES-

WA1CRI, Larry will be conducting this fall's novice classes at the Dartmouth High School. The classes, beginning on October 5, will be held on Monday and Wednesday evenings. There are 43 applicants attending with a possibility 48 all told. Some statistics from the class:

Youngest: An 11 year old boy
Oldest: A 63 year old man
1 14 year old girl
1 Couple
3 Fathers and sons
1 Couple from Newport
2 Men from Hanover

Main interest for taking course:

1. DX work
2. Two meter F.M.
3. To learn C.W.

Where they learned of class.

1. Mall exhibit
2. Picnic+ Flea Market
3. CB Whaler ad
4. From the membership

T George, WA1SLH will be assisting Larry with the classes.

HAM CONVENTION-BOSTON--

The following people didn't come back empty handed:
WA1CRI-won a tribander WA1VXY-won a Heath-kit walkie
WA1GXV-won a 2 meter 11 element beam
WA1 Foxtrot november mike-won a cordless soldering iron.

REPEATER

Tom, WA1PYX has joined forces with Bill, KLIBR in building the new solid state repeater. They are designing and building a new type logic for the auto patch and control functions. No Date has been set for the completion but it will be installed as soon as it is ready.

Bill has donated a 12 volt battery bank to the club for the solid state machine providing it with plenty of power for a backup in case of power line failure. The charger has been built and the 12 volt supply is ready to go.

Thanks goes out to Tom for building a new alarm system for the club building. The system will be installed when the repeater is ready to accept it. The membership will be notified prior to its installation of the access codes.

CONTESTS AND DX-

For anyone interested in contests or DX there are two clubs in the eastern Mass. area. The New England Contest Club and The So. Eastern DX Association Have recently been formed. Anyone interested contact Art, W1FJI.

This PAST SUMMER

The repeater was utilized to provide emergency assistance and aid this past summer. Mike, W1AQS had a direct line to the Coast Guard via the phone patch after his engine failed in bad weather out in Buzzards Bay. The Coast Guard arranged for a tow and he was safely towed into port. WA1CCM and WA1SLH assisted also. Ralph, W1QUE had the emergency room readied when he had a problem while out riding. Several other stations were heard relaying or reporting accidents, and fires. During the storm watch for Hurricane Belle Woody, WA1NGE; Jerry, W7KDDQ And Dave K1JGV manned W1AEC, keeping communications open and receiving weather information. On two meters, Dick, W1LE was the net controller at the red Cross HQ providing Co-ordination between different emergency units and the media. The storm information was being relayed over W1ADR about 40 minutes before it was heard by the public over commercial stations. Also this summer A marine station mobile in Buzzards Bay found that his wife had left her pocketbook back on the deck in Falmouth. He got on 60-20 and tried to get a phone patch. K1JGV, Dave raised a Hyannis repeater and they relayed the message to the marina. The pocket book "with a lot of money in it" was recovered intact.