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Meeting Highlights

The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:40 pm. After the pledge, the roll call revealed twelve members and one guest present. The secretary's and treasurer's reports were both read and accepted.

For committee reports, Bill, K1IBR, of the technical committee, reported he has a new antenna ready. It's a 5/8 inch colinear, with 7 db gain. He will be putting it up Saturday at 8 am, and was looking for a ground crew. He also reported he has been making measurements, and will be reporting on the status of same each month. He noted that he was hoping to change the cable in the fall.

Bill also reported on the rider lawnmower that was donated by Bob Peckham. He had totally dismantled and refurbished it. (It was on display outside the building before the meeting.) Bill spent \$72 on the repairs, and the club voted to reimburse him. The club also voted to allocate up to \$150 to repair the furnace.

Bob, KA1YDG, reported that the driveway had been gray topped, rather than crushed blacktop, as was mentioned at the last meeting.

For new business, Bob mentioned the NOAA hurricane hunter airplane would be on display. He also mentioned the Oklahoma situation, and the bad press that amateur radio was getting. He also mentioned the Fairhaven Road Race was on June 18.

Larry, AA1FS, mentioned that if the club wanted to do field day, he would make a pot of his famous "chilli", and another pot of his famous "favas". The only comment was by an interested eater who said "bring samples to the next meeting." Larry also mentioned that he was looking into the possibility of having a Mother's Day NTS event at the mall. A couple of people volunteered to help with the event.

The meeting adjourned, and was followed by a quick auction of some radio equipment donated by the family of W1SSS. The unsold equipment will be saved for the ham fest.

On The Agenda

Robert Peckham, KA1YDG

Welcome to on the agenda. Thanks to the effort of Bill Miller we now have a new antenna on the tower and a new lawn mower on the ground. With Bill Fields' expertise in the boiler department we also have all the heat we can handle. Thanks to both and all others who assisted. In June we hope to scare up a team to paint the building, provide communications at a road race, staff a new club activity committee and set a date for a club cookout and reunion. Do you have any ideas? Be sure to let us know. See you at the meeting.

147.000 Repeater

The antenna went up smoothly, Bill, K1IBR, had no trouble at all climbing the 160 foot tower first thing Saturday morning. With a couple of people for the ground crew, everything went well.

Bill had recorded some measurements before and after the installation:

Before (old antenna): 2.5 SWR at 146.600
After (new antenna): 1.05 SWR at 146.900

Scandal Time?

The Old Grouch

It has come to the attention of this old grouch, and others who felt they just had to call me, that there are several "scandals" currently in progress which concern the club and it's members.

Now, the severity and the significance of these situations are up for debate. You may not care, or you may only slightly mind. You might possibly be so upset at this report, that you'll just HAVE to call a club officer, or even the club president!

Calling the club president may be appropriate, since the first scandal involves him. Looking at recently received and updated "official membership list" produced by the club treasurer, and provided to me by a party which will remain nameless, I find it was smaller than the previous list, and notably missing were two names, those of the club president and treasurer! Remember now, this is shortly after the MAY club meeting, two months after the traditional grace period of three months. I leave the rest to you.

The next scandal also involves the club officers. They renewed the club's amateur radio license and changed the license trustee, without even notice beforehand to the club, not to mention a club vote. I happen to know that the club officers were made aware two years ago that the license would need to be renewed. Anyway, I give them credit for getting the license renewed before the FCC's grace period expired.

Oh, by the way, the club now has a Technician License! Yes, the new trustee is a technician, and use of the club call will be restricted to his privileges.

That's not that big of a deal, until anyone wants to use the club station, or even use the club call for a special event. Anyone who wants to operate outside of technician privileges will have to use their own call along with the club call. It's all perfectly legal, just a nuisance. Fortunately, the FCC will let you change the club trustee anytime you want. I leave the rest to you.

How do you feel about members, especially those not listed on the official membership list, using the facilities for something like, say a birthday party for a family member, without notifying the club beforehand. If you don't care, then skip this section. If you do care, you might be interested to know that it happened recently.

I bring this up only because I heard a story, in the past, about a club member having a "private" event. Even though the club was duly notified at a meeting and had the opportunity to refuse to allow it, there were complaints after the fact. (Ok, maybe some of the complaints were by individuals who are not listed in the official membership list.)

On one hand, the member notified the club and got grief over it. In the recent case, the non-member (according to the official list), not only still has a key to the club, but uses the facilities without prior notice! Hey,

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this "private" event was only two days after a club meeting! The party was probably planned in advance.

Ok, now let's say this person really is a member, and the official membership list is incorrect. (Maybe, but his spouse is also not listed.) Let's give him the benefit of the possibility. Would it not be common courtesy to notify the membership of his plans? After all, the club building was already being used. I leave the rest to you.

History

From the June 1981 Zerobeat, WA1CCM and K1IBR, Editors

TRUSTEE OF THE CLUB STATION CHANGED

The change in trustee of the club license, W1AEC, has been completed. The new trustee is Bill Pierce, K1YMW, who holds an extra class ticket. This change will allow members to operate the club station as limited only by their own license.

PINE TREES DONATED TO CLUB

Eldredge Hiller donated 20 dwarf pine trees to the club recently. Eldrege is in our novice class going for his first license. Our thanks go out to him for his generous donation.

More to think about

Who left the antennas behind the club building? Who arranged the chairs and tables in the building? Did you

Net Directory

Sun	8am	14,262	General	Thu	8pm	147,180+	Trivia
Sat	8am	7,237	UFO	Sat	1800G	14,300	Cst Grd
M-F	8am	28,375	General	4th Sun	9pm	449,575	EM-APPL
Sun	3pm	28,470	UFO	Daily	8pm	145,23-	EM-NTS
Daily	7pm	146,55	General	Please report any regularly scheduled nets to the editor!			
Thu	7pm	14,264	UFO				
Sat	7:30p	3,978	UFO				
M-F	8pm	145,490+	Weather				
Tue	8pm	3,978	UFO				

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notice that the "band" seems to move things wherever they like? And they block the closet access, too! And what about that "food" in the back fridge? Is that door to the hut supposed to be open or closed? What's a 25 week club? Who's the hamfest chairperson? And where are those pine trees?

For Sale

Standard C108 mini hand held. 200 mw output. Uses 2 AA alkaline batteries. No larger than a pack of cigarettes. Call Don, WA1PLT.

H-2782 (Mass. PRB-1 Bill)

H-2782 has passed the House and is now in the Senate. The Senate Steering and Policy Committee is scheduled to release the bill to the Senate floor for debate in the first week of June.

It's time to contact your senators in support of this bill! Call the Senate Clerk's office at 617-722-1276!

If you'd like to be an official "Local Government Liason" for the ARRL Eastern Mass. section, call Shawn, K3HI at 508-877-7635 or Larry, AA1FS, at 508-991-6055.

Boy Scout Net

The Boy Scouts of America has established a new net called BSA Net International. It meets every Sunday at 20:30 UTC on 14.290 MHz. KB8OCC will act as net control.

Packet Directory

144.990 NS1N	145.050 WA1ZUF	145.090 KC1CE
145.010 Fara Digi	145.070 WQ1O	145.090 KD1NU
145.010 N1CSI	145.090 AA1FS	145.710 KC1KM
145.030 N1JFU	145.090 K1UGM	145.710 N1LDY

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Repeater Directory

145.150 - WA1DGW, Fall River	442.350+ N1QWW, New Bedford
145.490 - KA1WBF, Fairhaven	443.450+ K1MYL, Westport
146.700 - WA1RBT, Cranston	443.600+ NS1N, Norwell
146.655 - WA1GPO, Falmouth	443.800+ N1RFH, New Bedford
146.685 - N1OEG, Plymouth	444.250+ WA1GPO, Falmouth
147.000+ W1AEC, S. Dartmouth	444.350+ W1ACT, Fall River
147.045+ WA1AIC, Yarmouth	444.550+ WA1ZUF, Bridgewater
147.135+ ND1N, Taunton	446.325 - KA1CLX, Plymouth
147.180+ N1FDX, Bridgewater	446.625 - NC1K, Plymouth
147.315+ N1BBT, Wareham	447.075 - N1DZD, Kingston
	448.675 - N1FPH, W Greenwich
441.400+ WG1U, Assonet	
442.200+ NY1D, Fall River	

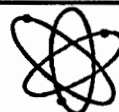
Know of any local repeater frequencies not listed here? Send them in to the editor!

VE EXAMS

		May
26:	Holyoke, MA	Ann, 413-245-3228
27:	Lynn, MA	Herb, 508-468-2780
27:	Slatersville, RI	Bob, 401-333-2129
30:	Newport US, RI	Dave, 508-998-5914*
		June
3:	Marlborough, MA	Barrie, 508-443-5991
3:	Middletown, RI	Jack, 401-683-2250
4:	Shirley, MA	Tom, 508-425-6672*
5:	Boston, MA	Bob, 617-593-1955
7:	Acton, MA	Charles, 508-562-5622
8:	Providence, RI	Judy, 401-231-9156
10:	Braintree, MA	William, 617-843-4400
10:	Brewster, MA	Henry, 508-255-2818
10:	Falmouth, MA	Geoffrey, 508-548-0969
10:	Marlborough, MA	Bill, 617-891-9079
11:	Athol, MA	John, 508-249-5905
11:	Gloucester, MA	Rick, 508-283-2278
14:	Billerica, MA	Bruce, 508-851-2886
17:	Melrose, MA	Scott, 617-322-7654
18:	Shirley, MA	Tom, 508-425-6672*
21:	Cambridge, MA	Nick, 617-253-3776
21:	Lunenburg, MA	Tom, 508-534-9377*
23:	Holyoke, MA	Ann, 413-245-3228
24:	Framingham, MA	Dick, 508-877-0563
24:	Lynn, MA	Herb, 508-468-2780
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1:	S. Dartmouth, MA	Ray, 508-995-0334
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3:	Boston, MA	Bob, 617-593-1955
8:	Braintree, MA	William, 617-843-4400
8:	Falmouth, MA	Geoffrey, 508-548-0969
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CALENDAR

May	July
28: ARRL EMA Net, 9pm	6: 7:30p, SEMARA Meeting
June	8-9: WRTC-95 event, DC
1: 7:30p, SEMARA Meeting	16: MIT Flea, Cambridge
4: AIDS Pledge Walk	28-30: ARRL NE Div Conv, NH
16-17: 10-10 Net Convention, AL	August
18: Fairhaven Road Race	3: 7:30p, SEMARA Meeting
18: MIT Flea, Cambridge	20: MIT Flea, Cambridge
24-25: Field Day	September
25: Harvard Bike Race	7: 7:30p, SEMARA Meeting
28: Special Olympics	10: Ham Fest, So. Dart.

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