

PISCATAQUIS AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
MAY 26TH, 2003

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY CLUB PRESIDENT, GEORGE, WA1JMM.
PRESENT WERE BARRY, KB1ITT, BEN, WA1PBR, RAY, N1MRT, TERRY,
N1RCU, DOTTIE, KB1FOI, PRISCILLA, KB1EIW, GARY, KB1EIX, HOWIE,
WA1SBI, JOHN, KD1YW, BOB, KC1AU, JOHN, KB1IHO & MARILYN,
DONNY, WA1AKV AND MARGI, N1UCN.

GUEST: CLAIRE GRINDEL

NEW MEMBERS: HARRY, AA1QT & BEA

SECRETARY'S REPORT READ AND ACCEPTED
TREASURER'S REPORT READ AND ACCEPTED
PEAK AWARD PRESENTED TO JOHN, KB1IHO
N1BUG'S STATION MANAGER'S REPORT READ BY BEN, WA1PBR
PAUL SUGGESTED AN ACQUISITION OF AN ANTENNA TUNER; MARGI
REMINDS US THAT THE KIWANIS OFFERED TO BUY US A PIECE OF
EQUIPMENT AND THE SECRETARY WAS ASKED TO WRITE THE KIWANIS
PRESIDENT WITH THIS THOUGHT IN MIND.

OLD BUSINESS: 1. FIELD DAY: INVITATIONS TO BE SENT TO LOCAL, STATE &
FEDERAL POLITICIANS BY THE SECRETARY.
2. HAMFEST: AUGUST 9TH, 8 AM UNTIL NOON
3. ELECTION OF OFFICERS: FOR; PRESIDENT-GEORGE,
WA1JMM, VICE-PRESIDENT, TERRY, N1RCU, TREASURER, MARGI,
N1UCN, SECRETARY, BEN, WA1PBR. MOTION WAS MADE TO CAST 1
VOTE FOR THE SLATE OF NOMINEES. PASSED
4. PISCATAQUIS RIVER RACE REVISITED AND TERRY,
N1RCU, MADE SUGGESTIONS IN REGARDS TO NEXT YEAR'S RACE
INCLUDING NEW COAX FOR THE REPEATER, GROUND RODS FOR THE
REPEATER, ANTENNA REPAIR, LOCATING ADDITIONAL LOOKOUTS, TWO
TENTS AT FINISH LINE AND A SAFETY BOAT ABOVE THE FALLS AS WELL AS
BELOW.

NEW BUSINESS: 1. BRIAN MULLIS WILL ATTEND JUNE MEETING AND MAKE A
CERT PRESENTATION.
2. NET CONTROLS: 6/4: GARY, KB1EIX, 6/11: BEN,
WA1PBR, 6/18: MARGI: N1UCN, 6/25: JOHN, KB1IHO.
3. JOHN, KD1YW RESIGNS AS EDITOR OF THE CLUB
NEWSLETTER. RESIGNATION ACCEPTED WITH REGRET.

MEETING ADJOURNED

SUBMITTED BY BEN, WA1PBR

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Name

Call

Barry Knowles Jr.	KB1TTT
George R. Dean	WA1JMM
Bob	WA1PBR
Ray Roberts	N1MPT
Terry Knowles	N1RCU
Dottie Hughes	Kb1Soi
Priscilla Clark	KB1EdW
Mycilla	KB1EdX
Howard C. Waymouth	WA1SBI
JOHN HOWARD	Kd1YW
Claire Brundel	guest
Bob Wilson	KC1AU
HARRY HILTON	AA10T
Beatrice Hilton	
Marilyn Anderson	?? pending
JOHN F ANDERSON	KB1THO
Donald E. Gaudreau	WA1AKV

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From: "N1BUG" [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, May 26, 2003 8:47 AM
Subject: K1PQ Station Manager Report

Ben -- I'm keeping my options open as far as attending the meeting tonight. Here is my report in case I don't make it.

Paul

A month ago we had two HF antennas -- the GAP vertical and an 80 meter dipole. Both had water in the feedlines. The vertical was only usable on two bands. In addition the vertical had suffered damage during the winter.

Today I am pleased to report these problems have been fixed. The GAP antenna has been repaired and moved to a new location which should help protect it from future damage. The 80 meter dipole has been replaced by a new, stronger one that should provide trouble free service for many years. We currently do not have an antenna tuner. The frequency coverage of our antennas is posted in the primary station area. Although the rig we are using has internal protection from high SWR, I would encourage operators to stay within the posted antenna frequency limits. This is a reasonable precaution, and performance outside the specified ranges will be poor as the rig reduces power to protect itself from damage.

I would like to thank Ben for his help. The progress made would not have been possible without it.

We have regained our previous HF capability, but the best is yet to come. Two additional HF antennas are planned. These will expand and enhance our HF capabilities and will likely become the preferred antennas for most purposes. We also have yet to install our new 2 meter antenna.

It may be possible to have the additional HF antennas in place before Field Day but I can't promise that. Mostly it

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depends on whether Clarence has time to do some tower work for us in the next couple of weeks. I will require at least one week (preferably more) AFTER the tower work is done to complete and tune the new HF antennas.

I would like to thank the club for providing generous funding to support these antenna projects. When all the work is completed, we will have an antenna system far better than any we have had before. Consistent with good engineering practice I am making every effort to maximize HF coverage without requiring an antenna tuner.

Nevertheless, given diverse interests of its operators and unforeseen circumstances, any club station should probably have a tuner. I hesitate to ask for additional funding on the heels of my initial request. However, if the club wishes to acquire a tuner, a good one can be purchased for \$150 and I feel this would be a sound investment.

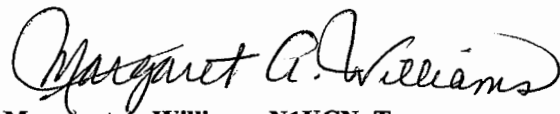
Paul, N1BUG
Station Manager

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**Piscataquis Amateur Radio Club (PARC) Treasurer's Report
Meeting May 26, 2003**

Date	Description	Receipts	Expenses	Balance
April 28, 2003	Balance Monthly meeting	0	0	958.92
April 28, 2003	Dues T. Lambert (2004)	10.00	0	
April 28, 2003	Donation T. Lambert	25.00	0	
April 28, 2003	Dues J. Anderson (2004)	10.00	0	
April 28, 2003	Dues C. & D. Perkins (2004)	15.00	0	
April 30, 2003	Checking account interest	.08	0	
May 3, 2003	Dues B. & H. Hilton (2004)	15.00	0	
May 3, 2003	Dues R. & P. Storey (2004)	15.00	0	
May 25, 2003	Bangor Hydro 05/12/03	0	-19.48	
May 25, 2003	B. Kittredge, Reimburse for EOC Station upgrades	0	-389.90	
May 26, 2003	Total receipts and expense	90.08	-409.38	
April 28, 2003	Balance Monthly meeting	958.92	0	
May 26, 2003	Balance	1049.00	-409.38	Total: 639.62
				Check acct: 558.54
				Petty cash: 81.08

Respectively Submitted



Margaret A, Williams, N1UCN, Treasurer