



Piscataquis Amateur Radio Club

Secretary's Report for the July 24th, 2018 Meeting

In attendance were: George – WA1JMM, Bill – KB1WEA, Debbe E. – K1DAE, Ben – WA1PBR, Kevin – W1KMC, Rob -- working on it, Ray – N1MRT, and Don – KC1DUR GUESTS: None

Piscataquis Amateur Radio Club president George Dean (WA1JMM) convened the meeting at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The secretary's and treasurer's reports were read and accepted. Treasury had \$ 1,951.01

Stickney Hill repeater is running fine. Bill reports a good link between Milo and Sebec has been established and is being tested each week on the 440. K1PQ is also running well.

OLD BUSINESS

Hamfest, Rob was given the box of gear for tickets and ARRL stuff, and door prizes to be brought to the August 4th Hamfest. – Don (KC1DUR) is in charge of food: hamburgers, hot dogs, Elaine's donuts. Kiwanis has a grill we can use, we will pay for the propane as needed. ARES meeting will be between 10:00 and 10:30 at the Hamfest, and exams will start at 9:00 AM. Dave (KB1WRZ) will be the 'Gate keeper' Troll (ticket man). George will put the signs up before he leaves on August first, tailgaters are welcome. Mike(?) will be in charge of the fox hunt.

ARES Report – George is considering stepping down as EC due to 'life issues' . After a brief discussion, Bill proposed, seconded by Ben, that PARC remove itself from Piscataquis ARES. During this discussion Kevin brought up that Penobscot ARES is in transition, Penobscot ARES is now meeting exclusively at the American Red Cross on Exchange Street in Bangor. The group has not formally decided to disband or not. That question may be resolved at their next meeting.

George was asking for \$ 200.00 to purchase a generator for club use. However someone (N1MRT Kevin thinks), offered to let the club use his spare generator.

The LogoMotion catalog was brought in so people could see all the wstuff they can put the K1PQ logo on. Hats will be one of them but styles of shirts and such would be a preference. Kevin says style doesn't matter so much as club color is red and logo in Gold/white. Further discussion on new shirts was tabled until August meeting.

K1pq.club is being worked on, Kevin is making slow progress (life keeps getting in the way) – added a visitor tracker and working on 'layout stuff' first.

NEW BUSINESS

Ben attended the New England Forest Rally, held in Sunday River. 200 participants, this kind of rally is bigger in Europe than here. Ham radio is largely involved in communications , mostly 2 meter simplex.

Bill has a new radio he has spent time working with FT8 on 6 meters and so far has worked stations in Puerto Rico, and the Dominican Republic. Bill is using 50.313 MHz.

Net Control Stations for the month are:

July 25 – WA1JMM – George | August 1st – KB1WEA – Bill | 8th – W1KMC – Kevin |
15th – WA1JMM – George | 22nd – KB1WRZ – Dave 29th – W1KMC – Kevin

Acknowledgements:

Ben – for always being there! Great Liasson with the Kiwanis.

Next Meeting will be August 28th at 19:00 (7:00pm) at the Milo Town Office.

ADDENDUM:

We were told of Kathy Smith being in Millinocket Regional and a card was sent to her on behalf of the club by the Secretary.

Secretary also sent out the thank you email to the RF Adapter guy (using her k1dae@k1pq.club email, no less) for his donation of the \$10 gift certificate .

Respectfully submitted by K1DAE Debbie Ellis -- Secretary (and Debbie's joke) W1KMC – Kevin, faithful computer scribe. – now if she'd only get them done earlier so I can POST them ☺