

Piscataquis Amateur Radio Club

Secretary's Report for the August 27th, 2019 Meeting

In attendance were: WA1JMM-George, Karen, KB1QU-Chip, WA1PBR-Ben, KB1WRZ-Dave, KB1WRY-Debbie K., KB1VAV-Bryant, K1CWO-Neal

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 report accepted as posted (link is on k1pq facebook page, leads to k1pq.club website) and treasurer's report was read and accepted. Treasury had \$ 1,571.37

Hamfest made \$455 and WA1PBR sold an antique microphone online.

Bill, KB1WEA was not present but sent WA1JMM-George an email noting that the repeaters were working fine but underutilized. Bill noted that the Hiram Percy Maxim 150th runs August 31 to September 8. Rules online, ARRL members can use their own call or K1PQ/150.

If operating under club call, pleas list operating mode, band, and times on K1PQ Facebook to avoid simultaneous operation. Free event log available from N3FJP.

He noted he has the following PARC equipment at his house; 2 power supply's, 1 Baofeng dual band link radio, 1 Kenwood dual band radio, 1 Diamond dual band antenna, one 440 MHz Yagi for Echolink belongs to Bob Campbell, 1 Signalink interface, one MFJ-259B antenna analyzer (N1BUG tested, not worth fixing).

OLD BUSINESS

Three Rivers Ham Fest: Feedback

Everyone thought the event went well with a good profit and 6 folks testing at the VE session. Weather was great and attendance good. Discussed having it on a different date next year...Decided that there would always be conflicts and everyone is used to the 1st Saturday in August for our hamfest, so we decided to keep it the same next year. Ben will make reservations at the Kiwanis again for us.

Where is the club equipment/material. Didi Ben get feedback and has a list?

Reiterated that if you have any club equipment, please let Ben know so he can produce a list. Ben suggested that we have it all in one place...like at Bill, KB1WEA's house with Bill being our "Equipment Steward". I noted that I have a battery charger and the club enclosure. Ben had some club equipment he brought to give to Bill and I said I would get it to Bill.

Breakfast meeting?

Will discuss when Debbie and Kevin are at the next meeting, but the breakfast meeting we have had were well attended and fun.

Field Day Location for 2020

We discussed where would be a good place to have the 2020 Field Day next year in Dover. The parking lot next to the court house, the parking lot next to the Dover Police Department and the park behind the YMCA were discussed.

We decided that the locations by the court house and police department would be better than the YMCA because that would be closer to where the Whoopee Pie festival folks would be. The YMCA would be too isolated to be good place to encourage people to see our operation.

George said he would check on the two locations with the majority thinking the police department parking lot would be the best location. We will revisit during the September club meeting to see what others think of the police department being the best location. We should also register with the Whoopee Pie Festival coordinator.

NEW BUSINESS

Equipment for sale

Ben brought several pieces of equipment for sale. Folks were looking/buying when I left but not sure what did or did not sell.

Hiram Maxim Contest

Note above comment by Bill about the contest. Be sure you coordinate with Bill if you use K1PQ/150.

Other New Business

Dave, KB1WRZ has about 12 gallons of older ethanol gasoline to give away. See him if you are interested. He also has a 2 meter beam with a rotor that he got from Bill, who used to live in East Millinocket.

Net Control Stations for the month are:

 $08/28-KB1QU\text{-}Chip \mid 09/04-WA1JMM\text{-}George \mid 09/11-KB1WRZ\text{-}Dave \mid 09/18-KB1WRY\text{-}Debbie K.$

Acknowledgements: Everyone who help prepare and run our 2019 Hamfest!

Next Meeting will be September 24th, 2019 at 19:00 (7:00pm) at the Milo Town Office.

ADDENDUM:

Respectfully submitted by K1DAE Debbie Ellis – Secretary.

** K1DAE and W1KMC were not at meeting – WA1JMM took the notes, Thank You George.