

MERRY CHRISTMAS HAPPY CHANNUKAH HAPPY KWANZA HAPPY RAMADAN AND A JOYOUS "FESTIVUS" FOR THE REST OF US A HAPPY 2015 NEW YEAR

Business Meeting Thursday Dec 11, Cancelled at the Firehouse..... In lieu of... Christmas Party—Thu. Dec 11, Brothers Restaurant, 33 North Cherry St. Wallingford 6pm-7pm Cash Bar, Dinner at 7pm Cost of event is payment of your 2015 dues, Spouses / Guests pay \$5/person Activity Meeting Night Cancelled for December

Marc Club Officer Elections:

Nearly 99.8% of the precincts have reported in and it is safe to say that the 2015 term of Officers have been duly elected and certified.

They are:

President Bill Wawrzeniak W1KKF

Vice President Al Kaiser N1API

Secretary Steve Allen KC1AXJ

Treasurer Haggie Winslow KB1HCC

Station Activities Manager Rich Aubin WA1TRY

Congratulations to all the elected officials and to all who came out on a record attendance for the Elections, hope to see you all at our regular meetings.

Club News:

W1DMM Dan attended the first meeting in a long time and soon made up for it, but We still love you.....The Club Nets keep chugging along on 2, 6 and 10 meters, try checking in to keep up on operating skills and club news...W1CTN Dave turned into another super score on the CQ WW DX Contest and is expounding on the fact he didn't use a key all weekend (from an ole timers standpoint, that's just wrong but this is 2014).....Joe KB1GWP has a better signal on the ten meter net after fixing his antenna, now if he only knew what he did to fix it, he could do it again next time??? (Murphies Law...speaking from 50 years of experience).....Bob WB1GYZ is still looking for that VFO to go on to his antique crystal controlled radio......Rob KC1ACN has a winter project brewing, he is rebuilding a Moseley TA-33 that he recently purchased...

ARRL 2015 Kids Day - Sunday January 4th 1-7pm EST

Would anyone be interested in introducing kids to ham radio?Twice a year, ARRL offers an event designed to promote Amateur Radio to our youth. Share the excitement with your kids or grandkids, a Scout troop, a local school or the general public! <u>http://www.arrl.org/kids-day</u> My initial thought was to setup a couple stations (HF and VHF/UHF) at the clubhouse. I'm also hoping that Paul (K1SEZ) will be interested. I helped him at a school event earlier this year and he does a great job getting kids interested. We can make some flyers and send them to local schools, scout troops, post at library, local clubs and hopefully get some of the kids and grandkids of our current members involved. If anyone is interested in setting up a couple stations (HF and VHF/UHF) for the event, let me know! Joe KC1BAQ

Reply from Rob KC1ACN

I asked a fourteen year-old (Stuart) what would "hook him" into wanting us to drive him to such an activity or presentation. His reply, "if it involved Outdoors Hiking, Camping or other activity which I already like". I thought of SOTA. He also said, "like a lock-in activity". In Scouting, we offered "Lock-In" activities to our Troop several times a year. They were usually an earned thing. If they performed a certain number of service projects, performed exceptionally well at a Scout Show or Camporee, Summer Camp Awards, etc. The Lock In was mostly reward based and included whatever activities they wanted. The Lock -In was conducted at our Meeting Site with permission from our Sponsor (Immanuel Lutheran Church on Cook St. Meriden). There, they would be dropped off by their parent and All would be "Locked In" for the evening. Then the Night was theirs to execute the SPL's Plan (his plan for Activities: The Scouts were ALWAYS required to plan activities. Adults only supervised). We would usually provide Pizza, Soda and Snacks. We were always lenient on curfew but there was ALWAYS a curfew. Sometimes even 1 or 2 AM but again, that was Their Plan. Once, the SPL (Senior Patrol Leader - The Troops' Boy Leader) organized a Networked LAN Party with other Scouts Computers connected to a Central Gaming Server. They Gamed all night. Other activities they organized were Basketball, Volleyball Tournament, Modern Board Games and RPG's, Card Games.

One Activity they seemed to like was a Hobby Night where they brought in whatever Hobby they liked most or maybe All of their Hobbies. As a Scouting Activity, we could get our Council or District involved as a Merit Badge Activity. There are a few Merit Badges which could be offered. Getting Club Members Registered as a Merit Badge Counselor would be a first step and is relatively easy. I have been a Merit Badge Counselor for 18 Merit badges for years. Not everyone would be required to be a Merit Badge Counselor but each Adult that would be present would be required to apply for membership to the BSA and undergo a background check and vetting process.

KC1ACN - Rob

2014 SSB Club Sweepstakes

Congratulations are in order for the newly formed Meriden Amateur Radio Club Contesting group who participated in the recent ARRL Phone Sweepstakes from the clubhouse and managed to get a clean sweep. We have inadvertently lost the data on the event (scores, operators, etc) and will place it in the next issue. The contesting fever is growing with a planned full blown participation in the 10 meter DX Contest.

10 Meter DX Contest

The 10 Meter ARRL DX Contest is from 0000z Saturday Dec 13 (Friday 7pm local) to 1159z Sunday Dec 14, (local Sun 7pm), rules are located at the following link www.arrl.org/10-meter. The committee has formed the contest team and the operating schedule can be seen on the next page. John N1GNV held a beam construction event at his Quicksilver Radio Empire Hdqs. And the team had a great time. The rigs, computers antenna's etc are all being tweaked as we speak. 10 meters has been super lately and it should be a really great weekend of DX Contesting...

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Starts 00:00 UTC Saturday 12/13/2014 Ends 23:59 UTC Sunday 12/14/2014

7:00 PM Friday 6:59 PM Sunday

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2	9:00 PM	11:00 PM	OFF		
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3	11:00 PM	1:00 AM	OFF		
	Fri - Sat				
4	1:00 AM	3:00 AM	OFF		
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5	3:00 AM	5:00 AM			
	Saturday		Rob	KC1ACN	
6	5:00 AM	7:00 AM			
	Saturday		Rob	KC1ACN	
7	7:00 AM	9:00 AM			
	Saturday		John	N1GNV	
8	9:00 AM	11:00 AM			
	Saturday		Steve	KC1AXJ	
9	11:00 AM	1:00 PM			
	Saturday		Bill	W1KKF	CW - Steve will Log for Bill
10	1:00 PM	3:00 PM			
	Saturday		John	K1VDF	
11	3:00 PM	5:00 PM			
	Saturday		Joe	KC1BAQ	
12	5:00 PM	7:00 PM			
	Saturday		Bob	KE1AU	
13	7:00 PM	9:00 PM			
	Saturday		John	K1LYP	
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	Saturday		Mike	K1MVM	
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18	5:00 AM 7:00 AM					
	Sunday	John	K1VDF			
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	Sunday	Haggie	KB1HCC			
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	Sunday	Mike	K1MVM			
21	11:00 AM 1:00 PM					
	Sunday	Bill	W1KKF	CW - Needs a Logger		
22	1:00 PM 3:00 PM					
	Sunday	Rich	WA1TRY	cw		
23	3:00 PM 5:00 PM					
	Sunday	Steve	KC1AXJ			
24	5:00 PM 6:59 PM					
	Sunday	Joe	KC1BAQ			

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MARC I	MEMBERS
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NO PL TONE (OPEN REPEATER)

147.36MHZ +600 OFFSET

AB1HB	Charlie Dudac
AF1HS	Art Fregeau
K1LHO	Mike Ash
K1LYP	John Yusza
K1MVM	Mike Macri
K1PU	Mark Mokoski
K1SEZ	Paul Ciezniak
K1TDO	Todd Olsen
K1TG	Roger Kuchera
K1THP	Dave Karpiej
K1VDF	John Blevins
K1WJL	Dave Swedock
KB1CIW	Bob Stevens
KB1FYL	Robert W. Carruthers
KB1GWP	Joseph Rish, Sr.
KB1HCC	Jonathan Winslow
KB1MMS	Ronald Slack
KB1SIT	Teresa Stevens
KB1TJC	Leonard Butkiewicz—SK—
KB1TJD	Gaianne Jenkins
KC1ACN	Rob Cichon
KC1AXJ	Stephen Allen
KC1BAQ	Joseph Hamm
KE1AU	Robert Kaczor
KE1AY	Donald Mitchell

28.375MHZ TUESDAYS 8PM N1API AL

N1API	Al Kaiser
N1BF	Patrick Dionne
N1GNV	John Bartscherer
N1GY	Geoff Haines
N1HCA	Susan South
N1LGH	Barbara Stone
N1NAN	Helen Spokes**
N10KF	Bob Parisi
N1VTE	Sarah Kaczor
N1ZN	James Savage
W1CTN	David Arruzza
W1DMM	Dan Murphy
W1KKF	Bill Wawrzeniak
W1NHS	Fred Ring
W1POP	Fred Liedke
W1VCU	Nelson Denison
W7FUR	William Spokes**
WA1JKR	John Rogus
WA1TRY	Rich Aubin
WB1GGP	Jerry Sheppard
WB1GYZ	Bob Biancur
WB8IMY	Steve Ford
WV2LKM	Steve Waldmann
WY1U	Timothy Mik
KJ4PV	Gary Bleasdale