



KEY KLIX

Monthly Newsletter of the Meriden Amateur Radio Club



February 2014

February Meetings

2/13/14 Business Meeting

2/27/14 Canceled

*The activity meeting for February 27 is canceled because the building is being used by the Wallingford Medical Reserve Corp for training that night.
The February program will be moved to the March 27 activity meeting.*

Activity Meeting

March 27, 2014

Space Shuttle Mission STS 106

“A personal perspective”

Local ham Dan Burbank, K1BXC, will do a presentation on Space Shuttle mission STS106. STS106 was a mission to the International Space Station via Space Shuttle Atlantis. Dan has a personal interest in that particular mission since his son Dan Burbank was aboard the mission as mission specialist. Dan will be showing a video and also lending additional technical information to the presentation.



Launch of STS106



Dan Burbank

Our January Activity Meeting

On January 23 our friend Andy Poniris gave a presentation of a radio interview he did with ham and adventure journalist Jim Clash. Andy has a radio show on Saturday mornings on Bridgeport station WPKN. During the recorded interview Jim Clash relayed some of the adventures he experienced. He spoke about being a passenger on a Russian Mig on the edge of space and his plan to be a passenger on the first commercial mission into space among other things. The meeting was well attended with a couple of new hams attending for the first time.

April 24 Activity Meeting

We will be trying something different for the April activity meeting. We will be touring club member's shacks via pictures. So I am asking members to send me a picture of your shack, antennas, etc. At the meeting those who submit pictures will tell about their equipment and answer questions from those attending. This should be a great opportunity to find out what equipment others are using and their thoughts on how well it performs. Should be interesting and informative. Send your pictures to N1ZN@arrl.net.

THE FRANK DARMOFALSKI (W1FD) MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Letters have gone out to the schools in Meriden, Wallingford and Cheshire announcing this year's scholarship. This year we will be giving out a \$500 award to a high school senior who will be pursuing a degree in a technical field with emphasis on electronics and radio communications. Preference is given to the child of any club member.

For applications visit the club web site <http://www.W1NRG.com>.

Upcoming Contests

ARRL Inter. DX Contest, CW	Feb 15 to Feb 16
CQ 160-Meter Contest, SSB	Feb 21 to Feb 23
ARRL Inter. DX Contest, SSB	Mar 1 to Mar 2

For a complete contest list visit:

<http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/perpetualcal.php>

DXpeditions

FT5ZM Amsterdam Island <http://www.amsterdamdx.org/>

ARRL 100 Year Anniversary Video

Check out this video on the 100th Anniversary of the American Radio Relay League.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JerSTUDqI7s&feature=youtu.be>

Shack of the Month – N1ZN

This month's featured shack of the month belongs to Jim N1ZN. The reason his shack was chosen is because it was the only shack I had a picture. Send in a picture of your shack to be featured. Include a list of the equipment.

Equipment: Icom IC756 Pro 3 (for HF & 6 meters), Icom IC746 (for 2 meters), Yaesu FT857D (for 70cm), Kenwood TS7950 (for 2 meter FM), Icom 7000 Receiver, Ameritron 600 amplifier (for HF), Tokyo Hypower UL-90U amplifier (for 70cm), MFJ 986 Tuner.



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Web Site: <http://www.W1NRG.com>

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Forum/Bulletin Board:

Repeater: 147.360 (No PL) W1KKF

Meeting Location:

Cook Hill Fire House (Medical Reserve Corp Headquarters)
37 Hall Road, Wallingford, CT 06492

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Club Nets:

6 Meter Net: Mondays, 8:00PM Local Time - 50.175MHz
2 Meter Net: Tuesdays, 7:00PM Local Time – 147.360 Repeater
10 Meter Net: Tuesdays, 8:00PM Local Time – 28.375 MHz