



## Secretary Report & Minutes of Meriden Amateur Radio Club (M.A.R.C.) December 2016

Officers present:

Bill (W1KKF), Al (N1API), Dave (K1WJL)  
Steve (KC1SA), Rob (K1RCT).

The December meeting was the MARC club annual holiday party. Attendance was up from last year; the 2015 party had 40 folks attend, this year a total of 53 attended and a good time was had by all. The cash bar opened at 6PM and the buffet started at approximately 7:15PM. Attending members and guests shared stories over drinks and excellent food at Brother's Restaurant in Wallingford. Food was a buffet of Roasted Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Ziti, Sausage & Peppers, Chicken Marsala, Cod Fish, Tossed Salad, Rolls and Ice Cream.

**Introductions** – All in attendance introduced themselves and their guests.

### **Announcements** –

Bill (W1KKF) kicked off things at the party with everyone introducing themselves and their guests. We had a few folks from the league present as well:

Tom Gallagher (N12RF) – ARRL Chief Executive Office  
Steve Ford (WB8IMY)\* – QST Editor/ARRL Publications Manager  
Chuck Motes (K1DFS) – Section Manager  
Betsey Doane (K1EIC) – Assistant Section Manager  
Anne West (K1STM)\* – Section Traffic Manager  
Douglas Sharafanowich (WA1SFH) – Section Youth Coordinator

\* Member of MARC

### **Officers for 2017 -**

As a reminder, officers for 2017 remain the same as 2016;

President:	Bill (W1KKF)
Vice-President:	Al (N1API)
Treasurer:	Dave (K1WJL)
Secretary	Steve (KC1SA)
Station Activities Manager:	Rob (K1RCT)

### **Presentation** –

Tom Gallagher addressed the group with an excellent presentation detailing the direction the ARRL is taking in this second century of the ARRL existence. LoTW, Education, QSO management, and IT management were a few of the topics touched during the presentation. At the end of the presentation there was a short Q&A session with some good questions brought up by our members.

### **Awards** –

Bill (W1KKF) presented the two MARC awards this year to:

Elmer of the Year - James Surprenant (AB1DQ)  
Ham of the Year - Rob Cichon (K1RCT)



James and Rob, congratulations!

**Meeting was closed at 9:20 PM**

## Meeting Attendees on December 8, 2016

Callsign	FirstName	LastName	Present
AB1DQ	James	Surprenant	with guest
K1IIG	Stephen	Tripp	with guest
K1LHO	Mike	Ash	y
K1LYP	John	Yusza	y
K1MVM	Mike	Macri	with guest
K1PU	Mark	Mokoski	y
K1SEZ	Paul	Ciezniak	y
K1STM	Anne	West	y
K1THP	Dave	Karpiej	with guest
K1VDF	John	Blevins	y
K1WJL	Dave	Swedock	y
KB1FYL	Robert W.	Carruthers	y
KB1GWP	Joseph	Rish, Sr.	with guest
KB1TJD	Gaianne	Jenkins	y
K1RCT	Rob	Cichon	with guests
KC1CYC	Harry	Shaefi	y
KC1GLM	Robert	Steers	y
KC1SA	Stephen	Allen	with guest
KE1AU	Robert	Kaczor	y
KE1AY	Donald	Mitchell	y
KE4EYA	Ralph	Ring	with guest
N1API	Al	Kaiser	y
N1GNV	John	Bartscherer	y
N1HCA	Susan	South	y
N1OKF	Bob	Parisi	with guest
N1OKR	Frank	Cicccone	y
N1ZN	James	Savage	y
W1DQ	John	Elengo	y
W1KKF	Bill	Wawrzeniak	y
W1YSM	Ed	Snyder	with guest
WA1JKR	John	Rogus	y
WA1TRY	Rich	Aubin	y
WA1VXH	Christian	Sievert	y
WA1ZVY	Tony, Jim	Martin	y
WB1GYZ	Bob	Biancur	y
WB8IMY	Steve	Ford	y
WV2LKM	Steve	Waldmann	with guest
N12RF	Tom	Gallagher	Guest Speaker
K1DFS	Chuck	Motes	Guest
K1EIC	Betsey	Doane	Guest
WA1SFH	Douglas	Sharafanowich	Guest