

Meriden Amateur Radio Club



Secretary Report & Minutes of Meriden Amateur Radio Club (M.A.R.C.) December 2017

Officers present:

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

The December meeting was the MARC club annual holiday party. A total of 48 folks attended which is about the same as past years (2016 - 53, 2015 - 40). 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 Serafino's Restaurant in Wallingford.

Announcements & Recognition-

Ed (W1YSM) kicked the meeting off by Introducing our Club President Bill (W1KKF). Bill proceeded with the activities by having everyone introducing themselves and their guests.

A moment of remembrance for Dan Murphy (W1DMM). Dan was club secretary for many years, drafted the club constitution and was instrumental in building the Nutmeg Hamfest. Dan passed earlier this year.

Steve (K1IIG) has some antennas and coax that he is donating to the club. At the January meeting an auction will be held to distribute these items.

Betsey Doane (K1EIC), Assistant Section Manager, congratulated MARC on our 70th anniversary.

Anne West (K1STM), Section Traffic Manager, congratulated the club on our 70th anniversary and for being such and active club.

Rob (K1RCT), club station manager, gave an overview of our contesting efforts throughout the year. A highlight was having 62 folks participate in Field Day which we place #12 for 2F class in North America and number 2 for the number of participants in North America!

Eric (KB1EHE) announced a contesting station on Aruba that he and Elsie are attending this July. If interesting in learning more about this contact Eric.

Al (N1API) gave a review of 10-10 Castle Craig.

John (K1LYP) reviewed the educational session he held this past year. Several new Amateur Radio folks made it through these classes and are now license holders.

Steve (KC1SA) announced membership growth in 2017 in which we added 18 new members, 4 of these new members attended tonight's party. We now have 92 members.

Dave (K1WJL) gave a quick recap of Key Klix. Dave started writing Key Klix back in 1964! Well done Dave!

Don (KE1AY) gave a review of our VE sessions we held in 2017.

Bill reported The Nutmeg Hamfest was very successful this year.



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Membership -

We voted in two additional members into the club; Scott Mowerson – KC1IIK Matthew Mowerson – KC1IIL This brings the roster to 92!

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 Manager: Rob (K1RCT)

Presentation -

Maria Bouffard, Director of Emergency Management at Yale, gave a very interesting presentation detailing highlights of Yale's Emergency Management and efforts in Puerto Rico in the aftermath of the recent hurricane.

Awards -

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

Elmer of the Year - Steve Allen (KC1SA) Ham of the Year - John Yusza (K1LYP)

Steve and John, congratulations!

Meeting was closed at 9:30 PM

Meeting Attendees on December 14, 2017



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Donald Mitchell KE1AY	
Ralph Ring KE4EYA .	
Al Kaiser N1API	
John Bartscherer N1GNV	
John Collin Jr. N1JRC	
Bob Parisi N1OKF Y	
Frank Ciccone N1OKR	
Gregory Ploski N1POP	
James Savage N1ZN	
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