

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

The MARC June business meeting opened at 7:30 PM EDST on June 8, 2017 at the Hope Hill Road EOC. There were 22 members in attendance and two guests.

Officers present:

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

The meeting was opened and chaired by President, Bill (W1KKF).

### Announcements –

- Our next meeting is June 22<sup>nd</sup> (activity meeting)
- Field is June 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>
- Tech class is June 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> at the EOC. 9AM to 3PM with a VE session at 3PM on the 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Introductions** – All in attendance introduced themselves.

**Secretary's Report** – The May Secretary's Report was reviewed at the meeting and published on the W1NRG site and was recorded as read.

**Treasurer's Report** – Dave (K1WJL) gave a treasurers report and was accepted as reported.

**Contributions** – none.

### Correspondence –

- Received Vanguard check, withdrawal from account for general expenditures.

**Program & Entertainment** – Ed (W1YSM) reviewed upcoming activity meeting dates and topics.

June 22 <sup>th</sup>	6:30PM – 7:30PM	COCORHS presentation
	7:30PM to 9PM	Field Day preparation
July 27 <sup>th</sup>		Lark in the Park (N1GNV is checking for Hubbard Park availability)
August 24 <sup>th</sup>	6:30PM – 7:30PM	Fox hunt theory
	7:30PM – 8:30PM	Fox hunt
August 26 <sup>th</sup>	8:00AM – 5:00PM	US Islands
October 26 <sup>th</sup>		QSL manger from ARRL to speak

### Scholarship –

The recipient will be presented with the 2017 scholarship at the July business meeting. Please attend this meeting if you'd like to meet the recipient. The recipient is from Wilcox Tech and was 1 of 8 applicants

**Club Station & Facilities** – Rob (K1RCT) presented status for the month.

- Received two Kenwood TMV-71A for go-kits thanks to Wallingford Emergency Management.
- 500' coax donated from Quick Silver Radio to Emergency Management for our use.
- Assembly work on T6 is nearly complete.
- Heil Headset adapters arrived for the 991A's – incomplete
- Settings for the two HF rigs (991A) have been archived.
- 500' rotator control cable donated by W1DQ.

### **Nets** –

- 6M – Al (N1API) reported for Jim (N1ZN) reported, 8 to 10 or so check-ins at the last net. This Net is on 50.175 MHz each Monday at 8PM local time.
- 10M – John (K1VDF) reported the net has been very active with a dozen check-ins. This Net is on 28.375 MHz each Tuesday at 8PM local time.
- 2M – Rob (K1RCT) reported for Todd (K1TDO) and reported about 5 checked in to the 2M net this past Tuesday. This Net is on the 147.360 MHz repeater each Tuesday at 7PM local time.

**Castle Craig** – Al (N1API) stated The Spirit of '76 contest is coming up in July. Al will post an informational section in Key Klix.

**VE session** – A VE session was held on Saturday May 13, 2017. One person attended and passed (General).

**Key Klix** – Dave (K1WJL) is always looking for articles from members so keep the information rolling into Dave. The Lion's Duck race put the KK on the back burner, KK should published within the next few days

**Membership** – Club membership stands at 85

**Interference and Technical** – Nothing to report.

**Repeater** – Not discussed.

**Hamfest** – Event is October 8, 2017 at the Four Points in Meriden.

**Candy Store** – Gold Medal Ideas now has several types of shirts and a hat has been added to our landing page for Meriden ARC on their web page. Here's the link to Gold Medal Ideas: <http://stores.goldmedalideas.com/ygs>

**AuxComm** – Chris (WA1VXH) reported, as part of Emcom/AuxComm and the Emergency Communication Team of Wallingford Amateur Radio Group:

- Take the Core 4 (IS-100, IS-200, IS-700 and IS-800)
  - These can be taken at your own pace at the following site: <https://training.fema.gov/is/>
- Send PDF of your certification to KC1SA to keep on file
- The trailer is being fitted with benches and tables
  - Trailer will be multi-purpose unit and will be used by
    - Fire fighters,
    - MRC
    - Emergency Communication Team

The above trainings should be to be completed if you wish to participate in the simulated training exercise next year.

Swearing in will occur at the Taste of Wallingford/Celebrate Wallingford on October 7<sup>th</sup>. As the date gets closer we'll have more details.

## Old Business:

### Skywarn

- May 25<sup>th</sup> date was the date for the event
- Well attended by 60+ people, 10% were Amateur Radio
  - Had a lot of interest in radio
- Excellent article in the Record Journal on the event

### Introduction to Amateur Radio

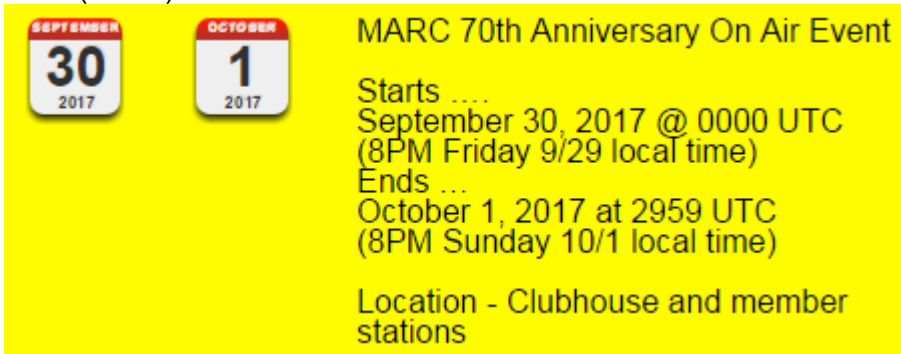
- Held June 5<sup>th</sup> at Wallingford Public Library – well received and attended by 18 people.
- Very interactive with lots of questions by attendees
  - Thanks to club members who helped out and supported the event.

### Christmas Diner

- Date is set for December 14, 2017 at Serafino's in Wallingford
- \$25 / person
- 6PM Cash Bar / 7PM Buffet Diner
- W1YSM will search for speaker / topics and present at a future meeting

### 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

- Open format much like the 13-Colonies
- Announcements have went out to QST and CQ
  - Will be in the October QST (which we get in September)
- A single call sign, most likely W1NRG
  - Must sign up if you are going to operate
- Mark (K1PU) is the coordinator



The graphic features two calendar icons on the left: one for September 30, 2017, and one for October 1, 2017. To the right of the icons, the text reads: 'MARC 70th Anniversary On Air Event', 'Starts .... September 30, 2017 @ 0000 UTC (8PM Friday 9/29 local time)', 'Ends ... October 1, 2017 at 2959 UTC (8PM Sunday 10/1 local time)', and 'Location - Clubhouse and member stations'.

### Library

- Six ARRL technician license manuals were picked up by AI (N1API).
- Books to be loaned out to members and to folks attended technician class.
  - Sign them out from the librarian (WV2LKM)
- Books are good through 6/30/2018

### Coffee Maker

- Purchased a 20-40 cup coffee maker
  - Can be loaned out to club members much like our other club owned equipment

### Field Day

Steve (KC1SA) reported

- Operating as 2F
- Have CW schedule
- Let N1ZN if you want to operate SSB (there are slots open)
- KC1SA Field Day captain
  - W1KKF is CW captain
  - N1ZN is SSB captain
- CW station gets the G5RV
  - All 24 is covered but if you'd like to operate we'll put you in
  - Let W1KKF know if you'd like to participate
- SSB station gets 'other' antenna
- KB1EHE and KB1FZ are captains of the GOTA station
  - May be located in the garage OR in the trailer if it's ready

### CW class

Five people started the class and two 'graduated'.

### **New Business**

Islands on the Air – August.

- Will be held on Fireworks Island. Date is August 26<sup>th</sup> 8AM.
- Looking for a team captain to organize the event.

**Meeting was closed at 8:30 PM.**

### **Meeting Attendees on June 8, 2017**

FirstName	LastName	Callsign
Gregory	Ploski	
John	Yusza	K1LYP
Mark	Mokoski	K1PU
Rob	Cichon	K1RCT
John	Blevins	K1VDF
Dave	Swedock	K1WJL
Eric	Olsson	KB1JL
Carl	Nilson	KC1GEV
Stephen	Allen	KC1SA
Robert	Cartier	KD1JG
Donald	Mitchell	KE1AY
Ralph	Ring	KE4EYA
Al	Kaiser	N1API
Frank	Cicccone	N1OKR
James	Savage	N1ZN
Dave	Tipping	NZ1J
John	Elengo	W1DQ
Bill	Wawrzeniak	W1KKF
Ed	Snyder	W1YSM
Raymond A.	Irwin	WA1FFT
Christian	Sievert	WA1VXH
Tony, Jim	Martin	WA1ZVY

Two guests: Seth and Patrick Kolansinki