



Piscataquis Amateur Radio Club

Secretary's Report for the June 25th, 2019 Meeting

In attendance were: KB1QU-Chip, KB1WEA-Bill, WA1PBR-Ben, W1KMC-Kevin, Karen, Rob, KB1WRZ-Dave R., KB1WRY-Debbie K., WA1JMM-George, K1DAE-Debbie E.

GUESTS: None

Piscataquis Amateur Radio Club president George Dean (WA1JMM) convened the meeting at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The secretary's and treasurer's reports were read and accepted. Treasury had \$ 1,264.27. with expenses of \$58.00 for Field Day food and \$32.02 for Emera

Stickney Hill repeater is Working fine.

K1PQ repeater is working fine also.

PRESENTATION

Ben bought a new radio which he brought in to show. It is an Icom IC-9700 All Mode VHF/VHF rig similar to the IC-7200 HF All Mode Rig. This is a good radio for weak signal work.

OLD BUSINESS

Field Day: we had 125 SSB Phone, 150 CW and 15 Digital contacts and extra points, 100 Email to Section Manager, 100 Training on FT8 Digital mode, and 100 for the ARRL Radiogram sent by George, through Kevin to the Seagull Net on Saturday evening.

Thanks again to Dave and Debbie for the hospitality, food and transportation. Dave made 8 trips.

Locations discussed for Field Day 2020 some sites suggested were the Whoopie Pie Festival, Kiwanis building (hamfest site), something with community involvement, maybe American Legion or school. We will discuss it again at the July meeting

HamFest – August 3rd, 2019: We have door prizes of 2-\$50 GC from ARRL, 2-\$25 GC from ARRL, and a GC from the RF Adapter Guy – adapterguy.com redirects to <https://squareup.com/market/the-rf-adapter-guy> -- this is probably better for him – uses Square for Credit cards (Kevin does too).

We need to come up with a Grand Prize though. Chip started a discussion about a Yaesu HT for \$79.99 at HRO – Kevin misinterpreted this as the FT70DR, Kevin was wrong [I admit it ☺] with an accessory package, with an approximate value of \$130.00 – Kevin will work with Ben on finding such a radio/package. ** Since meeting George should be

sending out an email as to what was found – FT65R with goodies for just over that price – watch for George’s email. **

Don St. Cyr will take care of hot dogs and hamburgers

NEW BUSINESS

Where is all the PARC owned stuff? Those who have club stuff, please send Bill (kb1wea@arrl.net) an email with what you have and he will compile a list of what is where. Ben says he has a Keyer, and Dave R. says he has a 2-meter rig and a power supply. Bill has the new Kenwood radio, power supply, and antenna.

Monthly Saturday breakfasts: We had done 2 or three of these prior to the Piscataquis River Race and some of us (Kevin and Rob) thought this was to be an ongoing thing. Kevin said that the first Saturday may not work for those on Social Security (on the 3rd), and that the second Saturday may work better. Also state this may be a way to get others, who for one reason or another can’t make evening meetings to still be able to participate in the club on a different day.

We should discuss this on the Wednesday on the air meeting (N1BUG) for more input. (Kevin: If this does become a regular thing, then I will make minutes on the Saturday Breakfast meetings available on the website as well.)

Net Control Stations for the month are:

06/26 – WA1JMM-George | 07/03 – KB1WRZ-Dave | 07/10 – KB1WEA-Bill | 07/17 – KB1WRY-Debbie K.

Acknowledgements:

Bill – for running the Pre-Net Net on the K1PQ 444.950 / Echolink repeater
Dave and Debbie – for the food and transportation on Field Day

Next Meeting will be July 23rd at 19:00 (7:00pm) at the Milo Town Office.

ADDENDUM:

Respectfully submitted by K1DAE Debbie Ellis – Secretary.