



# Piscataquis Amateur Radio Club

Secretary's Report for the August 25th, 2020 Meeting

In attendance were: George-WA1JMM, Karen, Debbie E-K1DAE, Dave R-KB1WRZ, Ray-N1MRT, Ben-WA1PBR, Rob, Kevin-W1KMC  
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 report was accepted as posted on website and the treasurer's report was read and accepted. Treasury had \$ 1,251.59 – Dues received from 3 more (new?) members – Michael and Angela Briggs – KL3UX/KL3VA respectively and Ed King-N4HEK (friend of KB1QU-Chip

Stickney Hill repeater is OK  
K1PQ repeater is OK

**NEW FEATURE:** Taking a page out of the Pine State ARC playbook we have started the "What happened in your shack last month?" segment where we go around the room and tell what we did (contacts, new equipment , whatever). So here Goes.

W1MC/K1DAE (Kevin and Debbie E) – No real activity  
KB1WRZ-Dave – Tried contacts on 6-meters (none). Did make 25-30 contacts on 20-meters.  
N1MRT-Ray – Has a J-Pole up and bought an Icom IC-2250  
WA1PBR-Ben – Has rigged a 3-element beam antenna for 6-meters. Hit 100 beacons on 6-meters. Worked 4 stations , including K1GUP-Jerry (Carmel, ME) and KB1WRZ-Dave (Brownville, ME).  
WA1JMM-George – Having some trouble with a new system (antenna tuner?).

## OLD BUSINESS

## NEW BUSINESS

KB1WEA-Bill would like to do a 6-meter on Wednesdays and is also interested in online activities.

WA1JMM-George is working with Glen Larson who has a tower in Cambridge that needs to be moved.

WA1PBR-Ben has proposed a cookout at Stickney Hill on Sept 13<sup>th</sup> (Sunday) at 12 Noon. Activities may include a fox hunt.

Does the club wish to participate in the SET (Simulated Emergency Test) exercise?  
Overwhelming NO.

There is a petition being done online by MARCS (or whatever they changed their name to now) for an Amateur Radio License Plate to help support Amateur Radio in Maine (Like the Animal adoption, Breast Cancer, or other specialty plates). They need 2,000 signatures to start the process. Is the club interested in supporting this type of plate? This came up as a no.

Reminisces of SK Tom Belvin – WA1LFW

Net Control Stations for the month are:

Aug 26th – WA1JMM-George | Sep 2nd – KB1WRZ-Dave | Sep 9th – KB1WRY-Debbie K | Sep 16 – Call-Name

Acknowledgements:

Being that Milo had a Town meeting, thanks to WA1PBR-Ben for arranging the alternate meeting site at the Kiwanis building for the evening

Next Meeting will be September 22nd, 2020 at 19:00 (7:00pm) at the Milo Town Office.

ADDENDUM:

Respectfully submitted by K1DAE Debbie Ellis – Secretary.