
Time Out

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This Month's Meeting

This month's meeting will be held on Friday, September 19th at 7:30 P.M. at the American Red Cross, 209 Farmington Ave. (Rte. 4), Farmington, CT in the First Floor Meeting Room. All are welcome. Bring a friend.

There will also be a VE Test Session held by the ICRC sponsored VE team starting at 6:00 P.M, also in the First Floor Meeting Room.

After a *short* business meeting, there will be a planning session for the upcoming Calhoun Cancer Bike Ride on Sunday, October 5th. The ICRC will be assisting ARES with radio communications for this event.

President's Message

No message this month.

Last Month's Meeting

Date: 8-15-2014

Time Started: 7:30 pm

Time Adjourned: 8:05 pm

Attendance					
W1ZFG	KB1TBL	KA1NDE	KB1RRR	AB1NH	KB1WEZ
KB1KZC	KB1VPY				

Last Month's Meeting – cont'd

Minutes taken by: Tom Chapman – KB1WEZ

President's Report:

The club is in great shape. We have two upcoming communication events – the MS Hartford bike ride and the Calhoun event. We will further discuss the MS bike ride under New Business.

Motion to Accept:	KB1TBL	
Seconded by:	KB1RRR	
Aye: All	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0

Secretary Report:

Last month's minutes are included in the most recent "Time Out", which Dan emailed to the members on August 9.

Motion to Accept	KA1NDE	
Seconded by:	KB1VPY	
Aye: All	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0

Treasurer's Report:

All accounts are good; we are paying the bills.

Motion to Accept	KB1VPY	
Seconded by:	AB1NH	
Aye: All	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0

Last Month's Meeting – cont'd

Admin VP Report:

The Admin VP (Chris) was absent, but sent an email to the President who read it to the members present. There was a question on our Facebook page from Zachary Lange about nets. The President (and the VP's email) asked is anyone knew Mr. Lange, and all in attendance said no. According to Chris' email, tonight's meeting was posted on Facebook and we have 34 "likes".

Motion to Accept	KB1VPY	
Seconded by:	KB1RRR	
Aye: All	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0

Tech VP Report:

The Tech VP was on vacation, but reported to the President that all the repeaters were working well with no noise problems. The noise appears to be atmospheric/seasonal related and may reappear in the fall or winter.

Motion to Accept	KA1NDE	
Seconded by:	AB1NH	
Aye: 6	Nay: 0	Abstain: 2

VE Report:

We had two candidates, both for technician class. Both candidates passed, one with a perfect score. One of the candidates also filled out an ICRC membership form.

Motion to Accept	KA1VPY	
Seconded by:	KA1NDE	
Aye: All	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0

Last Month's Meeting – cont'd

Web Master Report:

(See Admin VP report)

Motion to Accept	KB1VPY	
Seconded by:	KB1RRR	
Aye: All	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0

Old Business:

There was no Old Business.

Motion to Accept	N/A	
Seconded by:	N/A	
Aye: N/A	Nay: N/A	Abstain: N/A

New Business:

The MS Hartford bike ride is being held on Saturday September 13 at the Hartford Boathouse located in Riverside Park at the end of East Service Road (off Liebert Road). We will meet in the parking lot at 6 am to begin setup of the antennas. We will move to the checkpoints at 7 am. We will need at least 14 licensed radio operators: 6 checkpoints, 3 SAG wagons, 2 on the Arrigoni Bridge, 1 to shadow Michelle (Chris – KB1YNE), and 2 net control (Pete – KB1KZC and Dan – W1ZFG). We will also need two non-hams to work the start/finish line to record bib numbers and communicate using FRS radios. There will be a radio test session prior to the event – day and time to be announced. Route maps were passed out to those in attendance. The ICS205 forms will be finalized and distributed.

Motion to Accept	AB1NH	
Seconded by:	KB1RRR	
Aye: All	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0
Motion to Adjourn:	KB1RRR	
Seconded by:	KB1TBL	
Aye: All	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0

Monthly Presentation

A short presentation was made by Pete – KB1KZC about the upcoming MS Ride in Hartford on September 13th.

ICRC Sponsored VE Team

On the 3rd Friday of each month beginning at 6pm, the Insurance City Repeater Club sponsors amateur radio exam sessions at the American Red Cross in Farmington, CT. Walk-in examinees are welcomed. There is no need to pre-register. Examination fee is \$15 cash or check made payable to **ARRL VEC**. Please visit this link for information on what you need to bring to the exam session: <http://www.arrl.org/what-to-bring-to-an-exam-session>. More information is available by emailing our VE Liaison (Jim, AB1NH) at AB1NH@mindspring.com
Good luck!

A.R.R.L Club Commission Program

Are you an ARRL member whose membership is about to expire? Are you a former ARRL member whose membership has lapsed for more than two years? Are you interested in joining the ARRL for the first time? If you can answer yes to any of those three questions, then you are in a position to help the ICRC. Since the ICRC is an ARRL Affiliated Club, the ARRL will pay us a commission for every member who joins or renews their ARRL membership thru the ICRC. Here is how it works: If you are a brand new member or your membership has lapsed for 2 years or more, the club will get to keep \$15 of your ARRL dues. If are renewing a current membership or if your membership has lapsed for less than 2 years, the club will get to keep \$2 of your ARRL dues. It will not cost you a penny more to participate in this program. It's a great way to get the club some extra money for doing something that you were probably going to do anyway. Just see Dan or Pete for a membership application or download one from the ARRL website, club section. Make checks payable to the ICRC and include "ARRL Dues" in the comment line. It's that easy!

Elections for Board of Directors/Officers

Once again it is time to think about elections for next year. The Nominating Committee is preparing a slate of proposed Board Members and Officers, which will be presented at the October meeting. The elections will be held at the November meeting, where the proposed slate will be voted on. Any member may challenge any of the positions by nominating another person and the selection between the two candidates shall be determined by secret ballot.

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Monthly Connecticut Section News Summary

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