
Time Out

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This Month's Meeting

This month's meeting will be held on Friday, June 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, final preparations will be made for Field Day on June 27th and 28th. See article later in this issue.

President's Message

No President's message this month.

Last Month's Meeting

Date: 5-15-2015

Time Started: 7:33 pm

Time Adjourned: 8:00 pm

Attendance

W1ZFG	KB1TBL	KC1CQO	N8FAZ	KB1WEZ	N1EZY
N1JWF	KA1NDE	KC1CWN	KA1KRP	W1PMD	KC1CLK
KB1YNE	AB1NH	KC1BLZ	Linda		

Last Month's Meeting – cont'd

Minutes taken by: Tom Chapman - KB1WEZ

President's Report:

The President was not present. In his place, the meeting was chaired by the Admin VP - Chris (KB1YNE).

Motion to Accept:	N/A	
Seconded by:	N/A	
Aye: All	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0

Secretary Report:

The minutes from the April meeting were emailed by Dan (W1ZFG) to all members as part of the *Time Out*, and additional copies were available for those in attendance. A sign-up sheet was passed around for the June 7, 2015, MS Windsor Bike Tour event.

Motion to Accept	KA1NDE	
Seconded by:	W1PMD	
Aye: All	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0

Treasurer's Report:

Membership dues are coming in – Dan (W1ZFG) reminded all to pay by July 1. All finances in good order.

Motion to Accept	KA1NDE	
Seconded by:	N1EZY	
Aye: All	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0

Admin VP Report:

All *Time Out* copies are now posted on our web site. We now have 47 “likes” on Facebook. The calendar module is not fixed yet, but Bill (KB1KNV) is aware of the problem.

Motion to Accept	KA1NDE	
Seconded by:	KC1CLK	
Aye: All	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0

Last Month's Meeting – cont'd

Tech VP Report:

The Tech VP was not in attendance, as he was participating in the BSA ConnJam.

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

VE Report:

There were 4 candidates: two for the Technician license - and both passed, and two for Amateur Extra - and they also both passed. One of the new Techs tried for the General license but did not pass.

Motion to Accept		
Seconded by:		
Aye: 0	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0

Web Master Report:

The Web Master report was given as part of the Admin VP report (see above).

Motion to Accept		
Seconded by:		
Aye: 0	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0

Old Business:

Both the Fat Tire Classic bike race and the Boateaters Race were discussed. Radio communications for both events were successfully handled by ICRC, and a great time was had by those who attended. The June 7, 2015, MS Windsor Bike Tour event was discussed.

Last Month's Meeting – cont'd

New Business:

The Field Day location has not been set, and Winding Trails in Farmington could not fit us in. Two options remaining are Pete's (KB1KZC) house in Bethlehem, where we held Field Day 2014, and the Andrew's property in Naugatuck, where we held Field Day 2013. Les (KA1KRP) said he would look into getting us at the top of the hill where some ICRC members have conducted VHF contesting. Scott (N1EZY) will once again do the computer log linking, since it worked so well last year.

Motion to Adjourn:	KA1KRP	
Seconded by:	KC1CWN	
Aye: All	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0

Monthly Presentation

There was no presentation made this month due to the large number of people assisting at the BSA ConnJam. Preparations for the MS Ride and Field Day were discussed during the regular meeting.

Bike MS: Praxair Ride

On Sunday, June 7th, members of the ICRC once again provided radio communications for the MS Ride in Windsor. There were 100, 50, 25, and 10 mile courses. After a chilly start, the weather became almost perfect. There were no accidents or injuries, but there were a large number of people requesting pick-ups from the SAG vehicles. This kept both the MS people and us busy for most of the afternoon. We could have used three more radio operators to help handle the load.

Participating from the ICRC were: Peter - KB1KZC, Rick - N1JGR, Dan - W1ZFG, Sue - KC1CLK, Nick - KB1SNL, Ron - KC1CWN, Steve - KB1RRR, Chris - KA1NDE, Tom - KB1WEZ, and Paul - W1PMD.

Also assisting were: Bill - AB1LZ, George - AB1GL, and Karl - WB1FNK.



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Field Day

Plans are still being made for this year's Field Day exercise to be held on Saturday, June 27th and Sunday, June 28th. We have been invited back to the home of our President, Peter - KB1KZC. The address is: 48 Deerwood Drive, Bethlehem, CT 06751.

We still need more people to volunteer for the various committees, such as Bonus Points, and most importantly - Food! We will be providing four meals: Saturday lunch, Saturday dinner, Sunday breakfast, and Sunday lunch. A \$20 fee will be collected to pay for the food. We need a few people to help out with the preparation of the meals throughout the weekend.

If you don't have a lot of experience operating HF radio equipment in a contest/emergency drill atmosphere, this is an excellent opportunity to gain some. Plus there will be the usual good people and good food to enjoy. More information will be available at this month's meeting.

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!

Annual ICRC Dues

The three month grace period will be coming to an end on July 1st. Anyone who has not paid their dues by then will be removed from the membership list.

Monthly Connecticut Section News Summary

For the latest Connecticut Section News, please go to the CT Section Web Page at: <http://ct.arrl.org/>

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