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Business Meeting

First business meeting of 2016 will be on Thursday Jan 14, 7:30pm at the Medical Reserve Building. The activity meeting will be on Jan 28, activity still to be determined.....

Christmas Party

The 2015 MARC Christmas Party is now history and it was a great night. Haggie KB1HCC, our new "President of the North Carolina Chapter of the MARC" was awarded the MARC Ham of the Year and Rob KC1ACN was presented with the Elmer of the Year. Special presentations were made to Rich WA1TRY who was presented with a Lifetime Achievement Award (a Lifetime membership status in the MARC) and a special memorial clock for his many years of service to the club. Also, special awards to Rob KC1ACN and Steve KC1AXJ for their efforts in the 2014 ARRL 10M contest with W1NRG (MARC) awarded 1st place for Multi-operator Connecticut section. Pres. Bill W1KKF awarded plaques to 6 club members for the August US Islands Committee event for getting CT-035L (designated as North Farms Island) on the map. W1KKF, N1ZN, KC1ACN, N1GNV, KC1AXJ, KB1HCC (Commodore). Paul (K1SEZ), who volunteers at the ARRL, presented the club with two hard cover text books from the ARRL. The books are 2015 Handbook and 2015 Antenna book. We voted in a new member, Jim Surprenant AB1DQ who attended with his wife and sat with John W1DQ and his wife at the same table. (K1VDF will get these two straight, on the net in about a year or so.)

Membership report

The Christmas Party was also the kick-off for the 2016 dues collecting season and we did a banner business that night. To Date we have 62 members (with 2 more waiting to be voted in), which includes 4 Life members (W1KKF,W1DMM,W1VCU & WA1TRY) and the possibility of losing two members who have moved from the area. Members owing for the 2016 year total only 16 which is a vast improvement over last year at this time. Reminder..... that our dues are \$15 per year for Kids (in this club, that's actually anyone under 65) or \$10 for Seniors(65 & over---most of the club) and additional family members at \$5 each. Please make checks out to the MARC and send to M.A.R.C. POB 583, Meriden CT 06450 or better yet, attend a meeting and hand it to your treasurer personally. Multiple year Dues will be accepted. Your Editor / Treasurer will now place a year after your call on the last page in the Member List to denote what year your dues are **paid up through**. So if you see a 15 after your call, you owe for 2016 etc....

WB1GYZ interviews.....

Bob is looking for interview volunteers, please send him an email if your interested.. The members really like learning about one another and it is a very popular segment of the Key Klix. Please email him at RGDP@sbcglobal.net



Secretary Report & Minutes of Meriden Amateur Radio Club (M.A.R.C.) December 2015

Officers present: Bill (W1KKF), Al (N1API), Dave (K1WJL), Steve (KC1AXJ), Rob (KC1ACN).

The December meeting was not a business meeting but rather the club's annual holiday party. A good time was had by all. The cash bar opened at 6PM and the buffet started at approximately 7:15PM. Attending members and guests shared stories over drinks and excellent food at Brother's Restaurant in Wallingford. 40 folks attended this year's event with MARC President Bill Wawrzeniak (W1KKF) chairing the event.

Introductions – All in attendance introduced themselves and their guests.

Announcements –

Bill (W1KKF) introduced the 2016 MARC officers, which are the same officers as the 2015 MARC officers.

Bill made a motion to accept Jim Suprenant (AB1DQ) as a member into the MARC. The motion was seconded and voted to accept Jim into the club. Welcome Jim.

Steve (KC1AXJ) and Rob (KC1ACN) briefly discussed this past year's club contesting events and showed the most recent award for the 2014 ARRL 10M contest with W1NRG (MARC) awarded 1st place for Multi-operator Connecticut section. A small ad hoc committee was put together for that contest and put together an antenna for the event.

Paul (K1SEZ), who volunteers at the ARRL HQ, presented to the club two hard cover text books from the ARRL. The books are 2015 Handbook and 2015 Antenna book.

Some challenges were made of the antenna used for the most recent clean sweep for the phonies while the beep-beep folks failed to achieve that status. All in fun!

Special presenter John Bee (N1GNV) made a special recognition presentation to Haggie (KB1HCC) for his many years of service to MARC, always volunteering to help with various projects the club was involved in. Haggie will be moving from the area this month, his comradery will be missed. Best wishes Haggie!

Rich (WA1TRY) was awarded life time membership in thanks for his many years (1974 to present) of service to MARC. John (N1GNV) awarded Rich a very nice memorial clock in appreciation for all the work Rich has done for the club. Dave (K1WJL) had to refund Rich is 2016 membership fee for now Rich is a life member.

Bill (W1KKF) awarded plaques to 6 club members for the August US Islands Committee event for getting CT-035L (designated as North Farms Island) on the map. W1KKF, N1ZN, KC1ACN, N1GNV, KC1AXJ, KB1HCC (Commodore).

The MARC Ham of the Year was awarded to Johnathan "Haggie" Winslow (KB1HCC). Haggie was moved by the award, to use his words "this means more to me than you'll ever know".

The MARC Elmer of the Year award was given to a wonderful deserving person Rob Cichon. Rob was very appreciative.

Correspondence – QSL cards were received and given to Bob K. Received the bill for the P.O Box and three checks for membership dues from current MARC members. These checks and bill were given to Dave S.

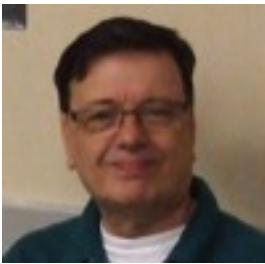
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Meeting was closed at 9:10 PM

Meeting Attendees on December 10, 2015

Respectfully Submitted
Secretary Steve Allen KC1AXJ

AB1DQ	Jim Suprenant	with guest
AF1HS	Art Fregeau	
K1IIG	Stephen Tripp	with guest
K1LHO	Mike Ash	
K1LYP	John Yusza	
K1MVM	Mike Macri	with guest
K1PU	Mark Mocoski	
K1SEZ	Paul Ciezniak	
K1VDF	John Blevins	
K1WJL	Dave Swedock	
KB1GWP	Joseph Pish, Sr.	with guest
KB1HCC	Jonathan Winslow	with guest
KC1ACN	Rob Cichon	with guests
KC1AXJ	Stephen Allen	with guest
KE1AU	Robert Kaczor	with guest
KE1AY	Donald Mitchell	
N1API	Al Kaiser	
N1GNV	John Bartscherer	
N1OKF	Bob Parisi	
N1ZN	James Savage	
W1ATV	Walter Yatzook	with guest
W1DQ	John Elengo	
W1KKF	Bill Wawrzeniak	
WA1JKR	John Rogus	
WA1TRY	Rich Aubin	
WA1VXH	Christian Sievert	
WB1GYZ	Bob Biancur	
WV2LKM	Steve Waldmann	with guest
N1HCA	Sue South	



Castle Craig Chapter, 10/10 News
AI N1API, Chapter Head

There will be a Castle Craig Chapter Net on Friday February 5th 2016 on the club net frequency of 28.375. The purpose of this net is to kick off the 10-10 Winter QSO Party. I hope that all club members will join in. Even if you do not have a 10-10 number you are worth 1 point to the rest of us who do and are submitting logs. The QSO party runs from 0000 UTC February 6th 2016 to 2359:59 February 7th 2016. If you are a paid up 10-10 member your support of the club, and our chapter would be appreciated. Please make as many contacts as you can, and submit your log for credit. Remember to mention that you would like to credit Castle Craig Chapter of 10-10 with your score.

Log submission must be made by 1/22/2016 and is a simple process using the robot at <http://hamclubs.info/scorer/>. You can also mail your log to the contest coordinator Dan Morris KZ3T, 3162 Covington Way, Lenoir, NC 28645.

We will start taking checkins at 6:45 PM local time, (23:45 UTC), and I will be the Net Control. I would like a station to help with relays if needed. The procedure is simple. At 7 PM local time, (0000 UTC Feb. 6th), we will start from the top of the list, (myself), and I will give my 10-10 information, that is Call, Name, QTH (state), and 10-10 number. The next station will be called and that person will give their information and then stand by. We will proceed to the bottom of the list. The procedure is then repeated from the top to bottom of the list, except you will call all stations that you heard and QSL their information. If you need a repeat on any information this is the time to ask for it. Once the last station is called they should have no calls to make because everyone has called them. I expect that this net should last no more than about 20 minutes.

Also, as you talk to local, (Connecticut), stations on 10 meters and also on the different bands please mention this QSO party and ask them to check 10 meters at times during the weekend to participate. Please remind them that if they are in the local ground wave area and members of 10-10, that The Castle Craig Chapter of 10-10 is their local chapter and we would appreciate their support for the QSO Parties. We've seen a few non MARC club members submitting their score for the chapter. We'd like to see more. Castle Craig usually finishes pretty well in the chapter standings. We'd like to do better.

If you have your collected 10-10 numbers sitting *now* is the time to send them in or go to the 10-10 web page at <http://www.ten-ten.org/memship.html> and either use the online shopping cart to join or fill out a paper application and mail it. There is a special three year incentive plan for \$40.00 or you can join for the basic \$15.00 a year. 10-10 has a membership plan with electronic delivery of the 10-10 News and there are special rates for new and rejoining members of \$10.00 for one year and a three year incentive for \$25.00. It takes about three weeks to get your number back via mail but if you apply online your new number will come via email in just a few days. Remember you need to be a paid up member for your log to count for awards and also toward the club score. A good incentive for joining is that ALL 10-10 awards are now FREE, and most if all do not require QSL cards and can be applied for via email. You will receive award certificates by return mail, (or), for many, you can ask for a PDF certificate to put in your computer or post on your web pages.

Please plan to attend and get the Winter 10-10 QSO party off to a rousing start!

-73- AI N1API

Castle Craig Chapter, Chapter Head and Certificate Manager

CHRISTMAS PARTY PIC'S



HAGGIE KB1HCC -HAM OF THE YEAR



ROB KC1ACN ELMER OF THE YEAR



ROB KC1ACN & STEVE KC1AXJ RECEIVING 10 METER DX CONTEST AWARD



RICH WA1TRY RECEIVING LIFE MEMBERSHIP & APPRECIATION AWARD FROM MARC

CHRISTMAS PARTY PIC'S



**IGOR UK1LYP REPAIRING
K1VDF'S BEAM ON A COLD
N.E. MORNING**

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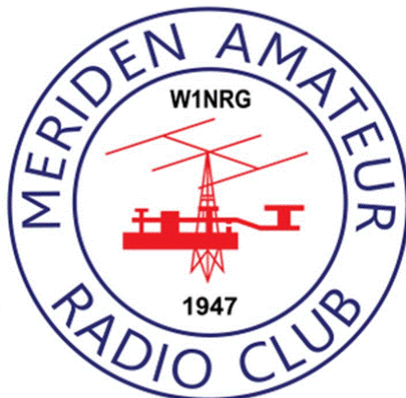
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CLUB NETS	
<u>6 MTR NET</u> 50.175MHZ	MONDAYS 8PM N1ZN JIM
<u>2 METER NET</u> 147.36 /RPT	TUESDAYS 7PM K1TDO TODD
<u>10 METER NET</u> 28.375MHZ	TUESDAYS 8PM K1VDF JOHN
<u>10/10 CASTLE CRAIG CHAPTER</u> CONCURRENTLY WITH CLUB NET 28.375MHZ TUESDAYS 8PM N1API AL	



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 147.36MHZ +600 OFFSET
 NO PL TONE (OPEN REPEATER)

MARC MEMBERS

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AB1HB	Charlie Dudac	16	N1API	Al Kaiser	17
AF1HS	Art Fregeau	16	N1BF	Patrick Dionne	15
K1IIG	Steve Tripp	16	N1GNV	John Bartscherer	16
K1JTH	John Hart, Jr.	16	N1GY	Geoff Haines	19
K1LHO	Mike Ash	16	N1HCA	Susan South	16
K1LYP	John Yusza	17	N1LGH	Barbara Stone	16
K1MVM	Mike Macri	16	N1NAN	Helen Spokes	17
K1PU	Mark Mocoski	16	N1OKF	Bob Parisi	16
K1RJC	Rick Castaldo	16	N1VTE	Sarah Kaczor	16
K1SEZ	Paul Ciezniak	16	N1ZN	James Savage	16
K1TDO	Todd Olsen	16	NY2HF	Dennis Lane	15
K1TG	Roger Kuchera	15	W1ATV	Walt Yatzook	16
K1THP	Dave Karpiej	15	W1CTN	David Arruzza	15
K1VDF	John Blevins	17	W1DMM	Dan Murphy	L
K1WJL	Dave Swedock	17	W1DQ	John Elengo	17
KA1NXX	Jan Rogus	15	W1KKF	Bill Wawrzeniak	L
KA1SE	Luke Laurentano	15	W1LV	Steve Morley	**
KB1FYL	Robert W. Carruthers	15	W1NHS	Fred Ring	16
KB1GWP	Joseph Rish, Sr.	16	W1POP	Fred Liedke	18
KB1HCC	Jonathan Winslow	17	W1SKP	Skip Paquette	15
KB1JL	Eric Olsson	16	W1VCU	Nelson Denison	L
KB1MMS	Ronald Slack	15	W7FUR	William Spokes	17
KB1SIN	Bill Brooks	15	WA1JKR	John Rogus	16
KB1TJD	Gaianne Jenkins	15	WA1TRY	Rich Aubin	L
KB1ZMK	Dan Busa	16	WA1VXH	Chris Sievert	16
KC1AYL	Mike Meadows	**	WA1ZVY	Jim Martin	17
KC1ACN	Rob Cichon	16	WB1GGP	Jerry Sheppard	15
KC1AXJ	Stephen Allen	16	WB1GYZ	Bob Biancur	16
KC1BAQ	Joseph Hamm	15	WB8IMY	Steve Ford	16
KE1AU	Robert Kaczor	16	WV2LKM	Steve Waldmann	16
KE1AY	Donald Mitchell	16	WY1U	Tim Mik	15