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FOX CITIES AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
(SPECIAL SERVICE CLUB)

CLUB STATION "W9ZL"

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318 EAST BREWSTER STREET
APPLETON, WISCONSIN 54911
ARRL CLUB NO. 2132

NEXT MEETING WILL BE JAN. 21, 1991

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The Dec. 17th meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Myron Jackson WB9BBI. The meeting was held at Roosevelt Jr. High School.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MINUTES WERE READ AND APPROVED.

TREASURER'S REPORT: (BALANCE) 2,002.15 as of Dec. 17, 1990
PLUS 1,167.90 Hamfest Account, Profit Made on
1990 Hamvest \$567.90.

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INFORMAL ITEMS

VOLUNTEER EXAM: NOTHING.

HAMFEST: Don NB9J made a motion to put an add in the back of Badger Smoke Signal. Motion was passed.

EMERGENCY COMM: NOTHING

E.A.A. Wayne WD9FLJ said if you didn't get your button to get it from him. He has E.A.A. Calanders for \$5.00.

ARES: Wayne WD9FLJ Thanked the people for continuning the net. There was a training seccession held on Fri. Dec. 28th a t the Appleton Police Dept. ARES is in need of two or more icoms O2AT.

Mike Jackson WB9BBI will hold Novice Classes at Noon On Tues.

There will be a Budget Review meeting on Mon. Jan. 28, 1991 at Madison Jr. High, room 210 at 7:00.

The Nominating Comm; will be Rick, Hub, and Jack. The two offices open will be President and Secretary. If you want someone nominated let the boys know.

FOR SALE: DROP IN CHARGER FOR KENWOOD 215 HANDHELD. IF INTERESTED
CONTACT DCN BAKER NB9J AT 766-3886 Home 788-4617 Ext. 2242 Work

MEMBERS PRESENT AT THE DEC. 17th MEETING WERE:

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| HELEN BORREE | WD9CYW | LES PARDEE | KA9MPP |
| MIKE JACKSON | WB9BBI | EARL ANDRE | KB9DSV |
| RON PCHLMAN | KE9MB | BAMBI PCHLMAN | XYL |
| DON DEAN | N8ICJ | KATHY DEAN | XYL |
| DAVE KIMBELL | KA9NNI | JOHN WOLFE | KE9AS |
| SCOTT COLE | KB9AMM | BOB DUESCHER | KA9BXG |
| BILL GEREND | KA9TGR | DCN BAKER | NB9J |
| GARY KEATING | ND9Z | CATHY KEATING | N9FZL |
| GERRY RADTKE | WA9GON | RYAN KOSIOREK | GUEST |
| RICK DOSIOREK | WK9C | BOB GEDEMER | KA9JAC |
| JOSHUA GRISWALD | KB9DYF | JEFF SCHMEICHEL | KB9BYP |
| JERRY CLUSEN | N9AYN | DAN BAYER | WB9QFX |
| BOB CLEVELAND | WD9HD | PAULINE CLEVELAND | WD9GRL |
| MARTHA SCHMEICHEL | N9JAD | | |

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
HELEN BORREE WD9CYW
SECRETARY

MIKE'S MIC

Happy year new to all you talkers, tappers, packers, and RTTYers. Another one becomes history, and boy didn't it go by in a hurry? Seem like it was just 12 months ago we were wishing each other a happy new year. At any rate, here's hoping it will be a good 91 for you and yours.

Thanks for the good participation at our last club meeting and for helping us usher in the Christmas season by sharing good times and fellowship. The Christmas season is always a busy one but it was good to get together and talk to those old friends we don't see very often. Did you get enough to eat and drink?

A note about the library. Hal, NQ9F, has concented to be the club librarian. We are seeking to improve this phase of our meeting night and plan to make some additions to its offerings. We have at least two areas of need however. One area is the suggestions needed to help us decide on which new publications to purchase. Do you have ideas of books you've seen advertized. Books are easy to order and organize in the library. A harder job however, is to maintain a good library. We are missing a number of books and the problem will become greater with more books. If you have checked out books please bring them back. We have been putting a procedures list together but for now bring back the old ones and plan to keep a book no more than one month. With your suggestions and cooperation, the development of the library should be a benefit to us all.

Hey, what do you think of the renewed RTTY interest on 146.70? For me it is a renewed activity that has been dormant for about 10 years. I have managed to resurrect my model 28 along with the reperf, demodulator, TD, and tape winder. It all went together a lot easier this time and before I knew it I was talking to WB9YCO, WA9ZOR, and WD9FLJ. Dale, WB9YCO, has become a real resource of pixs and other interesting trivia. I also managed to get a system up and running on an old Commodore 64 and an AIR 1. Now if I can get the packet system operating while the two RTTY systems are running besides scanning all the 2 meter frequencies I'll be all set. Well almost. I need to get antennas on the two remaining corners of the house and string a wire to the last remaining tree in the back yard. I am lucky though, I don't have anything on the garage yet and should be able to get at least two on it. Come and join in most every evening on two meters... Its phunn...

HF is also full of RTTY, PACKET, AMTOR, ATV as you probably know. If you are doing something new and interesting on some mode of amateur radio, make it known. Some one else may also be involved and looking for a person with whom to share ideas and problems.

Did you notice the contesting schedule in the last QST. I will run a few copies and hang on the bulletin board for the next meeting in case you aren't a member of ARRL. Jack, KA9JOL will keep us posted as the events happen. This is another whole area where some in the club are involved and an area where many more might become involved. If you feel you need some advice or encouragement be sure to check with those members who are contesters. Of course all you need to do is listen during some contest and then jump in and make some contacts. You'll soon get the hang of it. This can really be phhuunnn!!!!

Well as we begin the new year lets keep the hammin hummin. Feel free to bring some of your new equipment and ideas for our show and tell.. We havn't had much of that lately. Feel free to bring suggestions for improving our library, and suggestions for improving club activities.

The budget review committee has been formed and will meet with the board next month. If you have some strong feelings as to club direction or philosophy, start making these feelings known to the board members.

The nominating committee is also formed and they will be seeking people to run for the two offices that will need to be filled. President and secretary are the two offices. If you are interested, talk to Rick, Jack, or Hub. The elections, as you know, will be in May and those campaign posters, yard signs, highway billboards, and speaking engagements will need to start happening soon. Its never too early to start those campaign wheels arolling.

Have a good week and don't forget the meeting Monday evening.. 73

Mike WB9BBI

12-17-90

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26922 B\$ 2343 ALL WA4ONG AMSAT 901218 FCC CODELESS LICENSE ACTION
Forwarding path: WB9TYT WB8CQV N4KZL N4DDL WA4ONG

HR AMSAT NEWS SERVICE BULLETIN 349.06 FROM AMSAT HQ
SILVER SPRING, MD DECEMBER 15, 1990
TO ALL RADIO AMATEURS BT

Morse Code Requirement Removed from FCC Technician Class Amateur License

In an action by the FCC on December 13, 1990, the Morse Code testing requirement for the Technician class amateur license was removed. This change in requirement could take effect as soon as February 1991.

Those obtaining Technician licenses after the rules change will have full amateur privileges above 30 MHz but will not be allowed to use the Novice/Technician allocations below 30 MHz unless they pass the 5 WPM code test now required of both Novices and Technicians. There will be no special call sign groups or other distinction between Technicians licensed for operation below 30 MHz and those "code free" Technicians restricted to VHF and above aside from FCC and VEC records.

The Novice license is unaffected by this action and existing Technician licensees will be "grandfathered" into the new system. The codeless Technician written examination will have 55 questions.

AMSAT, under the leadership of its Board of Directors, has been a supporter of the no-code concept although this ruling is somewhat different from the proposal and comments submitted officially by AMSAT. Many active satellite operators from Europe, Australia, and other countries are holders of no-code licenses similar to the type soon to become available in the U.S. due to this action. It is AMSAT's hope and desire that many new licensees who have previously found the universal Morse code requirement unsuited to their needs and tastes will be brought into the Amateur Radio Service and that many of these will be attracted into the Radio Amateur Satellite Service by the interesting technical and operational challenges inherent in our type of activity.

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