#### The Rochester VHF Group

# The VHF



## Journal

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The next regular meeting of the Rochester VHF Group will be Friday, September 12th 2014 at 7:30 PM at Spencerport Wesleyan Church 2653 Nichols St., Spencerport

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**Topic:** MUD Activities

RVHFG's Beacons		
Band	MHz	
6m	50.078	
2m	144.298	
1.25m	222.050	
70cm	432.300	
23cm	1296.257	

#### W2UTH 6 meter Skimmer

http://www.reversebeacon.net/dxsd1 /dxsd1.php?f=0&c=W2UTH&t=de

# **The Chairman Speaks! Bob Nezelek W2CNS**

**Groupers:** Time sure flies when we are busy. As most of you know our group has been very active over the past year getting ready for the upcoming Microwave Update (MUD) 2014 meeting in October in Rochester. The team consisting of K2DH, K2OS, K2TER, K2GAB, KV2X, WB2BYP, WB2GFZ, W2CNS, and Lynda Draper has been meeting every other week getting ready for the event. If anyone has a question about the conference, please contact a team member. Thanks to everyone who has signed up to attend and I hope many others will decide to attend also.

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# The Chairman Speaks!

This month's program will be dedicated to briefing all interested Groupers on our MUD activities.

I had a great time observing WB2BYP and K2DH participating in the 10 GHZ and up contest in August on Gannett Hill in the Ontario County Park. How about the rest of the group dusting off your equipment for the next contest in September!

We would like to increase our membership, so we hope you will join our group. Also, we need some speakers for future upcoming meetings. If anyone wants to make a presentation to the group, please let us know.

Finally, WB2BYP and XYL K2GAB, and I attended EME 2014 in August in France. There were many interesting papers presented. Two copies of the presentations will be available as prizes at our September meeting.

I look forward to seeing you at the September 12<sup>th</sup> meeting and bring a friend.

W2CNS Bob Nezelek

## **Secretary Report**

Freddie Sulyma, WB2GFZ

#### Rochester VHF Group Meeting Minutes for 14 March 2014

The meeting was called to order at 1939L by Bob (W2CNS). Bob welcomed everybody and Freddie (WB2GFZ) asked if there was a motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting as printed in the Journal. Bill (K2TER) made the motion to accept and John (KB2BYP) seconded. Freddie (WB2GFZ) reviewed the Treasurer's report as reported in the May's Journal and a motion to accept the report was brought up by Bill (K2TER) and Tom (KV2X) seconded. Everyone was given an opportunity to introduce themselves and bring up any points of interest.

**Attending:** Tom/Betty (KV2X), Bob/Lynda (W2CNS), John (WB2BYP), Bill (K2TER), Freddie (WB2GFZ), Steve (K2STF), David (AB2YI), Jeff (K2EHF), & Dave Malecki (TBA).

#### **Old Business:**

MUD: Freddie (WB2GFZ) indicated he would register for the MUD events to ensure that the website would properly handle credit card payments and that Bill (K2TER) & Tom (KV2X) received notification of the transactions.

#### **New Business:**

Announcements for the VHF contest (Sept 13 – 15) and ARRL Field Day (June 28 – 29) were disseminated.

Bill (K2TER) motioned to close the meeting at 20:24L and Tom (KV2X) seconded.

#### **Program:**

The scheduled program on "How DSPs Work" by Brian Padalino was rescheduled for a later time. That being said, David (AB2YI) presented his 6 meter Mini Horse Antenna project that was inspired by the March 2010 QST article titled "The Mini Horse Antenna" (By Martin Hedman SM0TDK). Dave presented the easy constructions using common household items proving antenna brewing can be fun & inexpensive.

# VHF Group Treasurer's Report (3/31/2014)

CHECKING/CASH ACCOUNT

Balance (as of 4/30/2014, PayPal=20.56, Cash = 131.00, Checking = 1780.09) \$1931.65

Income: \$38.82

Jeff (K2EHF) & Dave Malecki (TBD) Dues (5/9/14) \$20 Cash Fred (WO2P) & Gerald Jackson (N2QIP) via PayPal \$18.82

Expenses: \$0.00

Current Balance (\$0.00 PP, \$151.00 Cash, \$1819.47 Checking): \$1970.47

Members paid up for 2014 – 2015 are as follows;

Tim (WB2KAO) 4/11/14 Jeff (K2EHF) 5/9/14 Dave Malecki (TBD) 5/9/14 Gerald Jackson (N2QIP) 8/12/14 Fred (WO2P) 7/16/14

Respectfully submitted, Freddie Sulyma, WB2GFZ, Treasurer

### The Vice Chairman's Report

By Tom Jennings KV2X

Groupers, this weekend is the ARRL September VHF Contest beginning 14:00 EDT Saturday, Sept 13th and ending 23:00 EDT Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup>. Bill, K2TER, and I will be out roving in the K2TER Rover. We will be activating 5 or 6 grids starting with FN22 on Saturday and will be operating 6 m thru 23 cm. We hope there will be a great turnout and hopefully some Aura to enhance everybody's score.

Tom kv2x

AB2YI, David, presenting his 6 meter Mini Horse Antenna

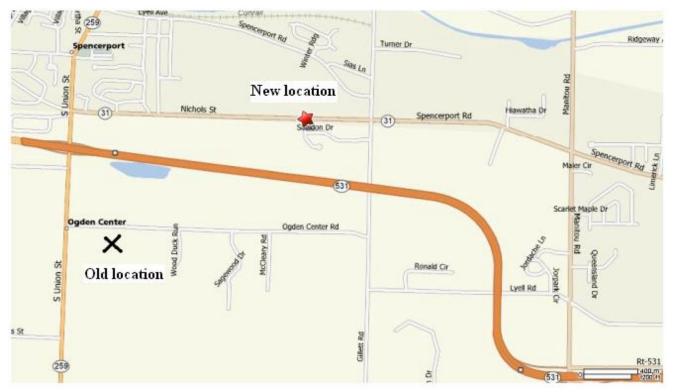


**AB2YI** with the Mini Horse Antenna



Close up view of center

# Classified Listings **Meeting Location and Directions**



Spencerport Wesleyan Church on 2653 Nichols St. (actually Hwy. 31).

**Directions from Rochester:** 

531W exit RT. to 259N

259N turn Rt. on 31E (first Rt. at traffic light)

Look for Spencerport Schools Bus Garage on left

Take first Rt. on Sheldon at A-framed church, park in rear lot.

Enter gray metal door under fire escape.