

# QSY Society Meeting

**Wednesday, November 8, 2006**

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 PM (EST) QSY by Coordinator, Shirley Dahlgren (N2SKP). The meeting was held at the East Fishkill Community Center on Route 82. A total of 26 people were present. A roll call was held, with everyone stating their ham radio interests, for the benefit of the many first-time visitors.

## **Minutes:**

The minutes were read from the previous meeting.

## **Old Business:**

The guest speaker originally scheduled for the October 3 meeting, KC2DAA (Adam), was rescheduled for December 4. The topic will be Emergency Communications.

The planning meeting was held on October 12. The topics discussed were presentations on 'ham radio simplified' and Field Day at Bowdoin Park, with W2BJP (Brian) facilitating this. There has been no official approval yet to use this location. There will be requests made to have county emergency communications services, sheriff and other services to be present. Other ideas were also put forth on other topics for meetings such as satellites, echo link, mobile operations, manufacturer presentations, repeater operations, kit building, etc. (However, we need people to present these topics – contact Shirley N2SKP)

## **Presentation: The World of Amateur Satellites by KB2HAP (Dan)**

The (very well done!) presentation included definition of satellite terms, history, types of satellites, software (Satscape, Nova), types of radios needed, antennas and a demonstration of the Satscape software.

## **Announcements:**

There will be a satellite net held on the Mt. Beacon repeater at 8 PM on Nov. 16 (146.97 MHz) Details can be found on the [www.WR2ABB.org](http://www.WR2ABB.org) web site.

The next QSY Planning meeting will be held Tuesday Nov 21, 7pm at the East Fishkill Community Library. All who are interested in giving ideas for future meetings, presentations and events are invited to be there.

The holiday party will be held on Dec. 10 at the LaGrange Firehouse from 1 to 5 PM.

The December WECA meeting is held on the second Monday of the month (Dec.11) with Gene K2KJI from KJI Electronics as the guest speaker.

### **Election Results:**

KC2AFK (Dave Ruth) and K2CSS (Jim Peterson) were elected as the new Coordinators of QSY. (They'll be sworn in at the January meeting!)

### **Show and Tell: (absolutely amazing!)**

WA2WMJ (Julian) 2 – 6 meter ground plane antenna

KG2B ( Ray) 40 meter portable dipole antenna

KC2QFS (Dave) and KC2BNX (Michael) “Clothes dryer” antenna - a quad reflector antenna

NC2F ( Dennis) “yoyo” antenna from 10 to 40 meters

### **50/50 Drawing:**

Won by KC2AFK (Dave)

### **Drawing for Other Prizes:**

W2PTF (Don) ICOM Note pad

K2CSS (Jim) 5 x scale magnifier

KC2QFS (Dave) ARRL Antenna Compendium

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15.