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Well, its November, and the leaves are blowing off the trees. Besides the arrival of cold weather and long nights, this makes me think of winter projects and getting the tower equipment ready for the January contest. After attending Microwave Update in Dallas last month, I am setting my sights on getting my portable station together this winter so that I will be ready for testing and contesting next summer. Speaking of Microwave Update - it continues to be a big success. Paul W1GHZ and I made the trek to Dallas/Ft. Worth, and had a blast. I hope that we will have a chance to recollect the highlights at our meeting.

We have had some good items go at our duct tape auctions for very good prices. Let's keep it up - get some of those unwanted beasts out of the cellar and put some interesting thing along with it that you don't really need.

Our talk this meeting is from Sigurd, KJ1K on Rover Evolution. Sigurd has acquired some experiences that he will be sharing - and I am looking forward to this one. I hope to be building a rover for next year myself, and I would rather not repeat any mistakes.

I look forward to seeing you on the 13th in Enfield.

73s  Tom


With 24 members and guests in attendance, President, Tom Williams, opened the meeting at 1:10 PM. There was no Old Business.

New Business: The Big E needs operators for the ham booth.

Ron Klimas, WZ1V reminded us that the 31st annual Eastern VHF-UHF Conference will be coming up in mid-April of 2005. The conference chairman is looking for speakers and papers. Please contact conference Chairman Bruce Wood, N2LIV.

Al Koepke, K1JCL, has a 10GHz beacon on in FN31tt, Coventry, CT. Numerous members have heard it during the recent contest. With it's location on a tall tower, about 20 miles east of Hartford, the beacon will likely be heard down the coast when conditions are enhanced. The frequency has been reported to be around 10368.020 and sends a very slow CW ID.

I had a good time operating for about two hours. Six is the only band I have working but my tower is almost fixed, it was good to get on. 80 Qs and 29 grids. Interesting conditions, not sure if it was Es or tropo. Here is a list of the grids that I worked:

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73, Del
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We has nothing to put in the NEWSletter this month except what you see. Come on guys, send me something for the next issue! A new project, operating, anything...

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