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GEAUGA AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION

APPROVED: 24 MAY 1993

1. SECRETARY

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep the constitution and by-laws of the club and have the same with him/her at every meeting. He/she shall cause all amendments, changes and additions to be noted thereon and shall permit the same to be consulted by members upon request.

2. MEMBERSHIP

Full membership is open to licensed amateurs and those actively engaged in a class leading to an amateur radio license. Associate membership is open to all other interested groups/persons. Full membership includes all club privileges as well as rights to hold a club office and the right to vote for club officers. Application for membership shall be submitted at regular meetings.

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The office of trustee for the club station license shall be the holder of a general class amateur license, or higher.

3. MEETINGS

Regular meetings shall be held on the fourth Monday of each calendar month at such place as agreed upon. Special meetings may be called by the President upon the written request of any five club members. Notices shall be sent to members concerning special meetings and the business to be transacted. Such notices shall be sent so that in the ordinary postal delivery they arrive not less than 24-hours before the meeting time. An executive board meeting will be held as required.

4. INTERFERENCE COMMITTEE

The QRM committee shall consist of representatives of amateurs and interested persons. This committee shall direct investigation, invite proper inquiries, establish technical facts and testimony within its province and report its facts to the club.

5. EDUCATION

An educational program shall be conducted and instructors provided by Geauga Amateur Radio Association (GARA).

(a) A course in Radio Amateur Novice or higher class shall be offered at least once each year, if possible.

(b) The course shall be in radio theory and CW and will be designed in such a manner as to prepare the candidate for the Novice Class License or higher in approximately 10 weeks.

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(c) This course will be of minimal cost to GARA members or any prospective member.

(d) If any member wishes to upgrade himself/herself to a higher class amateur radio license, he/she may make a request to the executive board. Upon which a committee or volunteer member will be dedicated to the task of preparing for upgrading individuals or groups, in a reasonable amount of time.

(e) It shall be recognized that at no time will the instructors, for the classes, be subject to excessive burden. The instructors will be required to give a report, at the monthly meeting, on the progress of said individuals or groups.

(f) Any person repeating a course more than once pays 1/2 the current fee.

6. SOCIAL

At least two social functions will be scheduled each year by GARA. Functions and time, will be recommended, by the GARA Directors, at a membership meeting at least two months before the functions. The functions and details will be voted on, by the members, at that time.

(a) Time and dates of said functions will be made public at least two weeks prior to start.

(b) Moneys and equipment may be provided by **GARA** and a means for raising said funds to pay for costs incurred, will be presented by the directors to the membership, for approval.

7. EMERGENCIES

The GARA shall publicize its intent to cooperate with local, county, and government disaster and safety forces to provide backup emergency communications.

(Additional by-laws may provide for technical, program, publicity and other committees, or other rules provisions not provided in the Constitution itself.)

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Approved, by a vote of the membership present, at the May 24, 1993 meeting.