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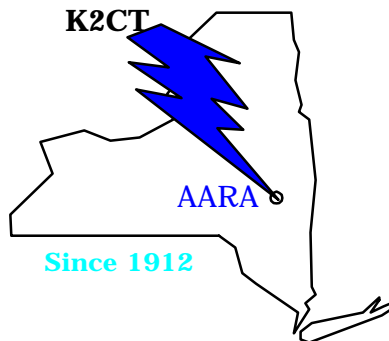
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AARA

Annual Dinner
Italian American
Community Center

475 Washington Ave. Ext.

Friday April 12

Cash Bar 6:00 PM
Dinner 7:00 PM

April AARA Banquet

Entrée Selections:

Chicken Marsala
Flank Steak with Mushroom Demi Glace
Manicotti Marinara
Veal Cutlet Parmigiana
Join us at this Dinner and schmooz
An evening out beyond Amateur Radio

Call Ed, W2UV at 877-4897 NOW

K2CT repeater
Talk-in repeater 145.19 (-) MHz
pl tone 100.0hz
or 146.67 (-) MHz pl tone 127.3Hz
linked to
444.30 (+) MHz pl tone 100.0Hz

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Dues for 2002 are \$15 with
B-PLUS available at the K2CT Web page in
.pdf format www.qsl.net/k2ct

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newsletter Checks should be made out to
AARA and sent to: Saul Abrams, K2XA,
307 Maple Rd., Slingerlands, NY 12159

Sell Raffle Tickets

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ATVET exam sessions

Exam Date	Day	Doors Open	Exam Time (Doors will Close)
May 11, 2002	Sat	9:20 AM	10:00 AM
July 24, 2002	Wed	6:20 PM	7:00 PM
October 12, 2002	Sat	9:20 AM	10:00 AM
November 9, 2002	Sat	9:20 AM	10:00 AM

ATVET CONTACT: Nels Williams wb2sbo@aol.com or 518-439-7357

ATVET LIAISON: Gerald Murray, atvet@n2ty.org or 518-482-8700

ATVET will again be holding their exam sessions in the C.I.I. Building (Center for Industrial Innovations), Room 3051, on the Campus of R.P.I.. Examination room doors will open 40 minutes prior to the exam time, with exams starting at the times indicated above. NOBODY will be admitted into the exam room after the starting time.

ATVET never requires any pre-registration for any of their exams. A "NEW" test fee of \$10.00 either cash, or check (payable to [ARRL-VEC http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec/](http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec)), is required for those taking any of the exam elements offered by this team.

Make sure you bring two proofs of identification, with one being a picture ID. Also bring all of your original documentation (current license, CSCEs...etc.), along with photocopies, calculators, pens and pencils to the exam session. Anyone needing special handicap arrangements is asked to call in advance. The CII Building is handicapped accessible.

Cancellations, if needed, will be announced on both the Capital District Repeater Net (Nightly on 146.94MHz at 6:30 PM) and WGY - 810 AM. Talk-in on 145.17/R .

Public Service:

Well, as many of you know by now, my bid to resign from this position was not completely successful. However, many thanks to Charles Roy, KC2IXT, who agreed to help me.

Our first event of the season has come and gone already. The HMRRC Winter Marathon was held on Sunday, February 24th, on the SUNYA and State Office campuses. Thanks to Doug WA2DX, Ken AA2CW, Jack WA2YBM, Tony W2BEJ, and Laurie N2OSB for helping out. It was an absolutely beautiful day to sit outside and watch other people exercise!

There are many more events coming up in 2002. The complete schedule follows. As I will not be able to attend the dinner in April, I will need volunteers for the MS Walk and the March of Dimes WalkAmerica before I have another opportunity to recruit at a meeting. Please contact me if you are interested in helping. Thanks!

Laurie M. Warner, N2OSB
Public Service Chair

2002 EVENTS SCHEDULE

April 21st (Sunday) ~9am: MS Walk
May 5th (Sunday) ~9:30: Walk America
May 23rd (Thursday) 6:25pm: Corporate Challenge
June 9th (Sunday) ~8am: Bagel Run
July 13th & 14th (Saturday & Sunday): MS Bike Tour
July 21st (Sunday) 9am: Thacher Park Trail Run
October 13th (Sunday) 8:30am: River Marathon
October 30th & 31st (Wednesday & Thursday) dusk: Pumpkin Patrol

Note that times shown are times of event start; operator on-location times will differ.

k2ct group at Yahoo! Groups

By joining k2ct group, you will be able to exchange messages with other group members. Yahoo! Groups also makes it easy to store photos and files, coordinate events and more.

K2ct group at Yahoo! Groups is a free, easy-to-use email group service
To learn more about the k2ct group, please visit <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/k2ct>

AARA Annual 2002 Banquet

This year's annual banquet will be held Friday, April 12th at the Italian American Community Center located on Washington Avenue Extension. Directions can be found at www.ItalianAmerican.com. Due to a poll of the members, this year's banquet will be a buffet as described below. To keep the cost at \$30.00 per person, the club is subsidizing the balance. Payment may be made at the March meeting or send a check made payable to AARA to

Ed Gosch, W2UV, 170 Wood Dale Dr.
Ballston Lake, NY 12019-9335.

6:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Bread & Cheese and Cash bar

7:00 PM to 9:00 PM Dinner *

**9:00 PM Raffle Ticket Drawing
and Entertainment will be**

Mr. Bob Cudmore, known to you for his work as a broadcaster, newspaper columnist and public relations practitioner. His presentation, "The Sound of the 20th Century: Radio's History at WGY", which will include recorded audio and some video should be enlightening.

Field Day 2002

Field Day 2002 rules, packets now available: The ARRL Field Day 2002 rules and packets now are available on the ARRL Web site <<http://www.arrl.org/contests/forms/>> as Adobe PDF files.

The ARRL has adopted rule changes affecting Field Day, including the addition of a "Get On The Air" (GOTA) station, which replaces the Novice-Technician station.

At the March meeting



2002 ARRL DX CONTEST -- **CW RESULTS**

STATION	CATEGORY	QSOs	COUNTRIES	CLAIMED SCORE
N1EU	SO	2567	522	4,019,922
W2GDJ	SO	2199	396	2,612,412
N2LBR (+W1KKM)				
	M/2	1937	345	2,004,795
WE2F	SO	2037	320	1,955,520
K2ONP	SO	1284	283	1,086,720
N1JP	SO	1067	331	1,059,531
K2BX	SO	804	327	783,819
K2EP	SO	696	270	563,760
K2XF	SO	460	278	383,640
NA2NA	SO	100	66	19,800
WF2B	SO	54	47	7,614

2002 ARRL DX CONTEST -- **PHONE RESULTS**

STATION	CATEGORY	QSOs	COUNTRIES	CLAIMED SCORE
W2GDJ	SO	2201	433	2,859,099
K2ONP	SO	1361	311	1,269,813
N1JP	SO	1166	312	1,091,376
K2BX	SO	1009	290	877,830
N2LBR+W1KKM)				
	(M/S)	960	286	823,680
K2ZP	SO	747	254	569,214
K2XF	SO	315	201	189,945
WF2B	SO	168	99	49,896

If your score is not listed here, send a plain text copy of your summary sheet to us at sue.walt@verizon.net. We'll revise the list for next month's issue if necessary.

73, Walt, W1KKM and Sue, N2LBR

SWAP SHOP

Send items to B-Plus editor, Mike, WD2AJS at wd2ajs@arrl.net or call 489-3110

FOR SALE: WTB 3-1000 power amp tube contact John, WE2F 283-4304

FOR SALE: KENWOOD TS-820 Transceiver w/digital readout, Remote VFO-820,

Speaker 820. All mint condition with manuals Contact Seymour, K2XF at 286-1328 or e-mail k2xf@arrl.net

FOR SALE: Hallicrafters SX101A \$125, Johnson Challenger \$150 contact Lee, W2FYA 436-1296

W2ZU Estate Sale: Contact Barry N1EU at 439-6550 or e-mail to n1eu@yahoo.com

FOR SALE: AARA's own Kenwood TS-830 w/VFO contact Saul, K2XA 439-5700 or email k2xa@arrl.net

PUBLIC SERVICE:

WE Need YOU to Volunteer

Contact Laurie M. Warner, N2OSB 872-9056

Or e-mail at n2osb@arrl.net

Upcoming Events

April 20-21 TARA PSK31 Rumble

June 22-23 Field Day 2002

B-plus goes Electronic

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March 2002 Meeting



NAME _____ CALL _____ PHONE _____	Raffle to benefit the ALBANY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION First Prize: OLYMPUS 2.1 MEGAPIXEL DIGITAL CAMERA Second Prize: \$25 cash Drawing to be held at the April dinner Price: \$2 each or 3 for \$5 Need not be present to win
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additional .pdf tickets can be found at www.qsl.com/k2ct then download April B-Plus to page 5
Send Tickets Stubs or Name and Phone number (Ernie will write on the ticket stub) AND money to

Ernie Popp W2EP ph477-9581
640 Co. Rt. #7
Nassau, NY 12123

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B-PLUS May deadline is April 28th

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