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AARA

Meets at the
Colonie Community Center
1653 Central Ave.
Colonie

Friday Sept. 8

Social Hour 6:45 PM
Meeting 7:45 PM
Refreshments
cookies, soda, diet soda, coffee

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Sept Meeting

ARRL Hudson Division Director
Frank Fallon, N2FF
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J. P. Kleinhaus, W2XX.

They will discuss any relevant topics
including PRB-1,
Ham Radio reorganization,
what going on at the league headquarters,
and much more

ARRL September VHF QSO Party

The contest is September 9th, 10th, and 11th,
2000. It would be great if someone could supply
folding chairs. We need at least 3 more. **Also we
need operators. Especially for nighttime
operating.** Hope to see people there in Sept.
If anyone has questions or would like to sign up to
operate e-mail or call **Jim, k2zp@arrl.net or
286-3586 or Bill, k2bx@arrl.net or 283-6167.**

**K2CT repeater
Talk-in repeater 145.19 (-) MHz
pl tone 107.2hz**

Pay your Dues \$15/year

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

AARA Web site

<http://www.qsl.net/k2ct>

JUNE VHF Contest Roundup

On June 10, 11, 12 2000 **AARA** held it's first VHF Contest from the contest station near Clarksville NY. Participating in the contest were **K2BX, K2EP, W2FWS, K2XA, W2GDJ, K2ZP AND K2SIG.**

Thanks go to **KB2HPX** for networking our computers We made a "raw score" of 13,500 points. A great catch was the **TI5KD** in **EJ79** on 6 meters near the end of the contest. Not bad for the first time out.

Since that time a new operating counter has been installed, thanks to **K2SIG.**

We can now have 4 operators working at the same time. Each position will hold a radio, computer, power supply and amplifier

Public Service:

Upcoming events:

September 16 & 17 (Saturday & Sunday):
MS Bike Ride, Saratoga to Fort Ticondaroga, then back

October 15 (Sunday): Mohawk-Hudson River Marathon

October 30 & 31 (Sunday & Monday):
Pumpkin Patrol

Please contact me or see me at a meeting if you would like to work at any of these events. Remember, public service is a way of justifying our use of the spectrum!

Laurie M. Warner, AARA Public Service Chair
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Public Service:

The Chase Corporate Challenge was held on Thursday, 25 May. I understand that the rain held off—mostly! Thanks to Tom KC2FCR, Debbie N2XXW, Tony W2BEJ, Mike KB2TYC, Ray N2ZQF, and especially Jim K2ZP who acted as Net Control. Lucky Ray got to ride around in a golf cart!

We had good weather again for the Bagel Run on Sunday, 11 June. Even with all the construction that we had to work around, and some last-minute changes in position, things went well. Thanks to Nathaniel KB2HPX (and Linda—when are you going to get your license??), Mike KB2VQS & Becky KC2BYZ, Mike KB2TYC, Laurie N2OSB, Tom N2SQO, Nels WB2SBO, and especially Tony W2BEJ, who acted as Net Control. A big welcome back to Nels! We've missed you!

Weather for the Indian Ladder Trail Run on Sunday, 16 July was not exactly *good*, but at least it wasn't actually raining. Although the mist did close down at some points, making us all hope that the trail was well marked! (Apparently it was, as we did not lose anyone.) Thanks to Becky KC2BYZ, Ken AA2CW, Nels WB2SBO, Mike WD2AJS, Laurie N2OSB, Tom N2SQO, Herb N2TJM, Jim K2ZP, Bill KA2OWW, Mike KB2VQS, and our invaluable Net Control (and T-shirt distributor) Tony W2BEJ. KB2VQS deserves special recognition for serving as a bicycle sweep for the 15K race. I hope it didn't take you too long to clean up!

Not much happened in the way of ham participation in the Punkintown Fair, due to mix-ups on the date and the fact that Ray and his Boy Scouts were out of town, so we couldn't play with their toys. But I haven't given up hope of having an exciting exhibit in 2001. It will be the last weekend in July (Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights), so mark your calendars now!

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ATVET SCHEDULE

Albany Troy Volunteer Examiner Team

This year the exams that are held on Saturday's will start at 10:30 AM. The Wednesday night schedules will start at 7:00 PM just as in the past.

For **ALL exam dates** the doors open 45 minutes prior to the starting times listed below. For those of you that missed last year's exams you'll find out that the parking lot next to the old Troy Armory is now gone!

You'll be best to go south on 15th Street just a bit further until you see a set of traffic lights that are in front of the Troy Armory & Robinson Swimming Pool. Take a right at the lights, then go in until your first right-hand turn and go straight in. You'll see that in goes in about 50 yards then you must turn right again. I think this parking lot will be a lot easier for all of you. Plus there is Handicapped Parking too!

If you need better directions just call me at 273-9248 or give me a shout on the 145.17 MHz / 444.225 MHz repeaters.

If any of you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any of the following addresses: ny2u@n2ty -- atvet@n2ty.org -- mrbill1953@aol.com

LOCATION: RPI CAMPUS
CII BUILDING -- ROOM 3051

SEPTEMBER 27 **cancelled**

OCTOBER 14 SAT 10:30 AM
Call before going

NOVEMBER 11 SAT 10:30 AM

FIELD DAY was June 24 and 25

FIELD DAY CHAIRMAN

John, N1JP nijp@arrl.net

FOOD SERVICE COORDINATOR

Seymour, K2XF

2096 CW points + 1144 SSB points
+ 800 bonus points = **4,040 total points**

Hudson Division Convention

At the Hudson Division Convention to be held Saturday September 16 at the Westchester County Center in White Plains, Bob, W2XM will give a presentation on theoretical and practical aspects of simple wire antennas.

SWAP SHOP

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

Upcoming Events

Sept 9-11	Sept VHF QSO Party see page 1
9	Saratoga Hamfest Saratoga NY
16	Hudson Div. Convention
16-17	QCWA QSO Party
23-25	CQ/RJ WW RTTY Contest
DEC 9	10 meter sprint rules in Oct B-Plus

The AARA Roster is out.
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