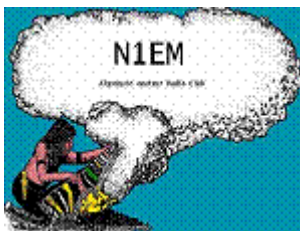


# Algonquin Amateur Radio Club

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## QRZ – The Newsletter for AARC members

[www.n1em.org](http://www.n1em.org)

June 2006

### Meetings!

The AARC will hold its last general meeting for the 2006-2007 season at 7:30 pm on Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup> in the offices of By Request Communications at 72 Cedar Street in Marlborough. Simple directions: South on I-495 to the Simarano Drive exit. At the first light turn left. Cedar St. is at the next light and #72 is the building diagonally across the intersection to the left. The entrance door is in the middle of the building and the sign over the door says "Block Engineering".

The main topics for the evening include kit building & testing of partially completed projects, and discussion of plans for next year's events. If you would like the club to provide a small electronics kit to build at this meeting, please let us know by email so that we can purchase the correct number of kits and prepare space for workstations.

The next MEMA meeting is scheduled for 7 pm on Tuesday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at the Marlborough E.O.C. Consult the MEMA webpage for the latest meeting information ([www.qsl.net/n1em/EOC/EOChome.html](http://www.qsl.net/n1em/EOC/EOChome.html) - No meetings in July & August).

### MEMA Updates:

**May Hazmat day** – MEMA members participated in Hazmat Day on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. The three hour event drew a good crowd of people (177 cars counted). Supporting the event were: Don Cusson, Ann KA1PON, Ed K1DIN, Pete KD1QS, Dick N1ZCD, Eric KV1J and Kevin Colomey KB1NQE.

### Field Day 2006

The AARC will hold Field Day operations at the Marlborough EOC in the Central Fire Station (215 Maple St. aka. Rt 85) on Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup>. Participants will assemble between 9-10am to prepare the stations (e.g. launching an antenna or two and matching the feedlines) for a start at noon. This will be a one-day event and we will likely to shut down late Saturday evening. Please come and familiarize yourselves with the

station and the radios which MEMA will use in case of an emergency. Contact Ed (K1DIN) if you are interested in visiting the Field Day operation. Non-licensed and no-HF-band operators can get on the air under the club's N1EM callsign.

### AARC Members & Ham Radio Featured in Channel 8 Report

Marlborough's local access channel for cable, Channel 8, aired a report featuring AARC members and covering amateur radio in the community. Channel 8 gave several DVDs of the video to the club and we are making copies available for screening by AARC members.

### Elections for Club Officers Completed

At the May meeting, the club unanimously elected the following slate of officers for the '06-'07 season. Terms begin July 1<sup>st</sup>.

President	----	Ed Fitzgerald
Vice President	----	Peter Simoneau
Treasurer	----	Frank McInnis
Secretary	----	Tim Ikeda
Activities Director	----	David Haralambou

One of the first duties of the officers is to plan the events for the coming season. Please forward any ideas or suggestions to any of the officers or the AARC email list.

### School Watch 2006:

Early in June, the AARC winds down this year's School Watch for Marlborough. This year, volunteers for the School Watch program were organized by Ed Fitzgerald. At least through May, no major incidents were recorded and both the weather & the mosquitos have been reasonably mild. Ed will provide a summary of our volunteer efforts at the June meeting.

### “Extracurricular” Activities

**The Flea at MIT** – Scheduled for June 18<sup>th</sup>, July 16<sup>th</sup>, August 20<sup>th</sup> in the Albany St. Garage and the corner of Albany & Main St. in Cambridge, MA. Buyer's gate opens at 9 am. See also: <http://web.mit.edu/w1mx/www/swapfest.html>

### Other fleas in the New England area:

Don't miss the ARRL New England Division Convention to be held August 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> at the Holiday Inn Convention Center in Boxboro, MA (exit 28 off I-495). See: [www.boxboro.org](http://www.boxboro.org)

For additional hamfests, consult the lists at:

<http://web.mit.edu/w1gsl/Public/ne-fleas>

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests.html>

### Member updates

Welcome new member Armando Baltazar and introducing a brand-new callsign for Kevin Colomey, KB1NQE (“No Quiet Elephants”), who passed the Technician exam in May.

The club presented a plaque to Ann Weldon during May's meeting, in appreciation for 20 year's service as Flea Market Chair.

## Notice: Club dues

As mentioned in last month's newsletter, dues for the July 2006 – June 2007 season should be sent to the club Treasurer. Yearly memberships are \$10 per person or \$15 per family. Please refer to the envelope used for this newsletter to check your status. The information is included in the line above your name on the mailing address. 'Honorary' and 'Paid Through Life' members may ignore this notice. Please send any changes in status (e.g. address, family members, phone number, email address & etc.) or questions to the club Treasurer or Secretary.

## Last Newsletter for this Season

Although publication of the QRZ newsletter will resume in September, the editor is always happy to accept items or ideas for publication at any time.

## One the Air in June...

Battleships, castles, Little House on the Prairie, Windmills and our friends at Falmouth ARA have special event stations in June and July. Check QST or online at [www.arrl.net](http://www.arrl.net) for additional event station and contest info. A small selection is below. Contest and event info courtesy of the ARRL.

### A Selection of Amateur Radio Special Events in June & July:

Jun 3-4, 0001Z-2359Z, Camden, NJ. Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Station, NJ2BB. **Museum Ships Radio Event.** 21.330 18.150 14.270 7.250. Certificate. Special certificate for working 15 ships. [www.nj2bb.org](http://www.nj2bb.org)

Jun 3-10, 1300Z-2200Z, Baltimore, MD. Historic Electronics Museum ARC, W2W. **Use of electronics/radios during D-Day Invasion of Europe.** 14.266 7.266. Certificate and/or QSL. [www.hemarc.org](http://www.hemarc.org)

Jun 16-18, 1600Z-1600Z, Conisbrough, Doncaster, South Yorkshire, UK. CASHOTA, GB8CC. **Castles and Stately Homes on the Air**, from Conisbrough Castle. 17 20 40 80 m, HF VHF UHF and fast scan TV. Certificate. [www.cashota.org](http://www.cashota.org)

Jun 24-25, 1400Z-1800Z, Kendallville, IN. Kendallville Contesters/21 Repeater Group, W9N. **Mid-America Windmill Museum Festival.** 21.250 14.250 7.250 3.985. QSL. Timothy S. Ryman, 618 Circle Dr, Albion, IN 46701.

Jul 15, 1500Z-1900Z, Falmouth, MA. Falmouth ARA, K1AIR. **FARA 75th Anniversary.** 7.050 7.245 14.050 14.245. Certificate. [www.falara.org](http://www.falara.org).

Jul 15, 1600Z-2200Z, DeSmet, SD. Lake Area Radio Klub and Huron ARC, W0WTN. **Annual Little House on the Prairie Pageant.** 14.265 7.265. Certificate. [www.w0wtm.org](http://www.w0wtm.org); [www.huronarc.info](http://www.huronarc.info).

### Select Contests in June:

Jun 10-11. **ANARTS WW RTTY/Digital Contest:** Australian National Amateur Radio Teleprinter Society (ANARTS), from 0000Z-2400Z. Frequencies: 80-10 meters. [www.users.bigpond.com/ctdavies](http://www.users.bigpond.com/ctdavies)

Jun 10-12. **ARRL June VHF QSO Party** - 1800Z-0300Z. See May QST, p 104. [www.arrl.org/contests/rules/2006/june-vhf.html](http://www.arrl.org/contests/rules/2006/june-vhf.html)

Jun 17. **Kids Day Operating Event:** 1800Z-2400Z. [www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/kd-rules.html](http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/kd-rules.html)

Jun 16-18. **Summer Meteor Scatter Contest:** FSK441, Radio Club "Golubinci" YT7GOL from 2000Z-2000Z. Frequencies: 144 MHz. [solair.eunet.yu/~s.ilic/summer\\_msc.htm](http://solair.eunet.yu/~s.ilic/summer_msc.htm)

Jun 24-25. **ARRL Field Day:** 1800Z-2100Z (see May QST, p 105). [www.arrl.org/contests/rules/2006/rules-fd-2006.html](http://www.arrl.org/contests/rules/2006/rules-fd-2006.html)

Jun 24-25. **QRP ARCI Milliwatt Field Day:** 1800Z-2100Z. Follows ARRL Field Day rules. [www.qrparci.org/contest.htm](http://www.qrparci.org/contest.htm)

### **Algonquin Radio Club - P.O. Box 258, Marlborough MA 01752**

The Algonquin Amateur Radio Club (AARC) holds meetings on the second Thursday of each month. There are no meetings in July and August. For locations, please read this newsletter, contact a club officer or visit our web site at [www.n1em.org](http://www.n1em.org). Meetings begin at 7:30 PM and are open to anyone with an interest in Amateur Radio. The AARC operates the N1EM repeater on 446.675 MHz, -offset, PL 88.5 Hz. Access to this repeater is open to all licensed amateur operators. An informal open net is conducted Sundays at 8:00 PM on this repeater.

QRZ is published monthly from September through June. The deadline for submissions is the 25<sup>th</sup> of the preceding month. Plain text files are preferred and can be mailed to [newsletter@n1em.org](mailto:newsletter@n1em.org). For further information about QRZ and the AARC please send inquiries to the address listed above.

#### **Current club officers**

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