

Algonquin Amateur Radio Club

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The Newsletter for AARC members

December 2022 Issue

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President's Corner

Happy Holiday

Thank you to Eric, KV1J, for the informative presentation at the November meeting. Many members learned much about QSL card forwarding and receiving through the ARRL bureau.

Looking forward to the annual banquet on December 8th which takes the place of our regular meeting at the school. If you have not yet responded that you are attending, please do so to me immediately.

Please remember the club Flea Market in February, all workers make it easy time for all. More information next month.

Enjoy the upcoming holidays and see all at the school for the January meeting.

Ann, KA1PON

Treasurer's Report - November 2022

Income: \$10 collected for membership dues and \$20 for Flea Market table reservations

Expenses: \$12 for purchase of stamps

Ken, KA1GFN

AARC Flea Market

The Algonquin Amateur Radio Club's Flea Market will be held on February 18th, 2023 from 9:00am to 1:00pm at the 1st Lt. Charles W. Whitcomb School, 25 Union St, Marlboro, MA. See flyer for more details. Questions can be sent to fleamarket@nlem.org.

Download Flea Market Flyer

AARC Annual Banquet - RSVP Required

The AARC Annual Banquet for members will be held on December 8th at 6:30pm at Linquine's on Rt. 20 in Marlboro. RSVP required. If planning to attend, contact Ann KA1PON if you have not already done so.

Membership Dues 2022/2023

Dues for the 2022/2023 membership year are due if you have not already paid. The membership form can be downloaded from the club's website using the link provided below. Memberhip forms and dues can be sent to the club's PO Box at any time or can be paid at the meeting if you are planning to attend. Dues are \$10 for individuals and \$20 for family. Checks should be made payable to AARC. If you have any questions contact Ken KA1GFN by email at treasurer@n1em.org.

Download Membership Form

AARC Sunday Night Net

Please join us every Sunday Night at 7:00pm on the N1EM/R 446.675- (PL 88.5) repeater. You do not need to be a member of the club. All licensed amateur radio operators are welcome and encouraged to check-in. There will be no net on December 25th and January1st.

MMRA VE Session

On Saturday, December 17th at 9:00am, the Minuteman Repeater Association (MMRA) will hold a VE session at the Marlborough Fire Department located at 215 Maple St.

More Info

Algonquin Amateur Radio Club, PO Box 258, Marlboro, MA 01752

The Algonquin Amateur Radio Club holds meetings the second Thursday of each month at 7:30pm. There is no meeting in July and August. Meetings are held at the 1st Lt. Charles W. Whitcomb Middle School, 25 Union Ave, Marlboro, MA. / Door #1. Anyone with an interest in Amateur Radio is welcome to attend.

The AARC operates the N1EM/R 446.675- (PL 88.5) repeater in Marlboro. Access to the repeater is open to all licensed Amateur Radio operators. A controlled net is conducted on the N1EM repeater every Sunday evening at 7pm.

2022-23 Club Officers / Appointments

President	Ann Weldon	KA1PON
Vice President	Steve Babbitt	KC1LPZ
Secretary	Tim Ikeda	KA10S
Treasurer	Ken Horton	KA1GFN
Activities	Open	
Newsletter	Ken Horton	KA1GFN
Website	Sandor Toth	NB1N

November EMA Radio Drill

On November 12th the Marlborough Emergency Management Team participated in an Eastern Mass ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Service) drill. We activated the Emergency Operations Center at the Central Fire Station. We tested radio capabilities on 75M, 60M, 6M, 2M, 70cm and the public service 800 MHz frequencies. We also tested our internet connection to the MEMA WebEOC. In the afternoon, Frank sent a radiogram using the WinLink system.

Frank, K1IX used our IC-706 with the off-centered dipole and the vertical Tarheel antennas. He checked into area nets on both 75 meters and 60 meters. He also tested our capabilities to get into the Mt Wachusett MEMA 6 meter repeater.

Adam KC1RTI, Ken KA1GFN and Ron N1CNG operated the 2 meter and 70 cm radios. They checked into nets on the MMRA repeater and the Stow Western Middlesex remote base on 2 meters. They also held a net our N1EM UHF repeater. Ed K1DIN and Steve KC1LPZ checked into our local net.

Deb N1NVJ and I contacted MEMA headquarters on their 800 MHz frequency and also ran a test with Marlborough dispatch on the city 800 MHz Fire channel.

It was a successful drill lasting about 2 hours. It was good training for the participants and a chance to check out our gear after a long COVID break. We had also hoped to do some tests with field setups but the weather was not great so we will do that in the spring.

73, Eric KV1J Marlborough EMA

ARRL Hamfests

11/5/2022 - FARAfest Location: Whitman, MA Type: ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: Whitman Amateur Radio Club

Website: http://www.wa1npo.org/

More info