

Algonquin Amateur Radio Club

The Newsletter for AARC members

March 2020 Issue

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President's Corner

Thank you to everyone who assisted with the club's flea market this year. 370 people attended, and we sold 78 tables. Vendors and buyers were excited by the turnout and activity. Even more exciting, 13 new license classes were earned by examinees who participated in the MMRA VE session.

We received a number of comments during and after the event from vendors and buyers appreciative of the opportunity provided by our flea market. In addition to being the AARC's sole fundraising activity, the flea serves the regional amateur radio community.

The club will start organizing in Summer for the 2021 flea market, and we will need some new hands to help with key roles.

Officer nominations will occur at the April meeting. Serving as an officer is an opportunity to shape the direction and activities of the club. Numerous experienced members are available to help new officers, as I have experienced myself this year.

Please see second page of newsletter for the club's bylaws on nominations and duties of officers.

73,

Mike w1ku

AARC Sunday Night Net

Please join us every Sunday Night at 7pm on the 446.675 repeater (PL 88.5 / -5.0mhz Offset). You do not need to be a member of the club and all licensed amateur radio operators are welcome to check-in. Joe is currently seeking additional net control operators. If interested, contact Joe, KA1GDO, during the net.

March Meeting

The next AARC meeting will be held on March 12th at 7:30pm in the library of the 1st Lt. Charles W. Whitcomb Middle School, 25 Union Ave, Marlboro, MA / Door #1 at rear of building.

The club will host Jim Idelson, K1IR, for a presentation on tower safety at our March meeting.

MMRA VE Exam Sessions

MMRA hosts VE sessions on the third Saturday (subject to changes) of each month. Exams are generally held at the Marlboro Public Library at 9:00 AM. This is an accredited ARRL/VEC Program. Dates in bold are confirmed. Next scheduled exam dates are:

- March 14, 2020 *** Note Date Change ***
- April 18, 2020
- May 16, 2020
- June 20, 2020
- July 25, 2020 at the Northeast HamXposition
- *Note Date & Location Change*

Additional or updated information available on the the MMRA website.

More Info

Northeast Xposition

The 2020 Northeast HamXposition will be held July 24th, 25th, and 26th at the Best Western Royal Plaza Hotel & Trade Center, conveniently located in Marlborough, Massachusetts.

More Info

Algonquin Amateur Radio Club, P.O. 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.

Club Officers / Appointments

Acting President Mike Powell W1KU Secretary Tim Ikeda KA10S Treasurer Peter Hoover K1PLH

Activities Joe Reynolds KA1GDO Newsletter Ken Horton KA1GFN Sandor Toth NB1N Website

Nominations for Club Officers

Nominations for the yearly elections shall be submitted at the regularly scheduled meeting in April of each year. Nominations can be offered by any club member in good standing either at that meeting, or by mail to the Secretary and President, said mail to be received at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting. No new nominations will be accepted after the close of business of the regularly scheduled April meeting of each year.

Duties of Officers

President - The President shall preside at all meetings of this club and conduct the same according to the rules adopted. He or she shall enforce due observance of this constitution and By-Laws; decide upon all questions of order; sign all official documents that are adopted by the club, and none other; and perform all other customary duties pertaining to the office of President.

Vice President - The Vice-President shall assume all of the duties of the President in the absence of the latter.

Secretary - The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings, keep the roll of members, submit applications for membership, carry on all correspondence, read communications at each meeting, and communicate to each member. He or she shall, at the expiration of his or her term, turn over all items belonging to the club to his or her successor.

Treasurer - The Treasurer shall receive, receipt, and safeguard all moneys paid to the club. He or she shall keep an accurate record of all moneys received and expended. He or she shall pay no bills without proper authorization by the club or its officers. At the end of each quarter he or she shall submit an itemized statement of disbursements and receipts. He or she at the end of his or her term will turn over everything in his or her possession belonging to the club to his or her successor.

Activities Manager - The Activities Manager shall organize club member activities, plan and recommend contests for operating benefit, and advance club interest and activity as approved by the club. He or she shall maintain close liaison with the ARRL Emergency Coordinator.

ARRL Contests

March 7 & 8, 2020 - International DX (Phone) More Info

AARC Facebook Group and Page

John, N1JPT, has setup a Facebook Group as well as a Facebook Page for AARC. If you are on Facebook, click links below to Join the group and Like the page.

AARC Facebook Group

AARC Facebook Page

Flea Markets

March 7 - Amateur Radio and Electronics Hamfest

Location: Chicopee, MA

Sponsor: Mount Tom Amateur Repeater Association

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March 22 - Contoocook Valley Radio Club Hamfest

& Fleamarket

Location: Henniker, NH

Sponsor: Contoocook Valley Radio Club

More Info

March 29 - Southington Amateur Radio Association

Flea Market

Location: Southington, CT

Sponsor: Southington Amateur Radio Association

More Info

April 4 - Seacoast Amateur Radio Flea Market

Location: Hampton, NH

Sponsor: Port City Amateur Radio Club

More Info

VE Exams (Other Local Areas)

Date: March 8, 2020 @12:00pm Sponsor: New England Amt Radio Inc Location: New England Sci-Tech

Walk-ins allowed

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Date: March 11, 2020 @7:30pm Sponsor: Framingham ARA (FARA) Location: Framingham Memorial Bldg

No Walk-ins / Call ahead

More Info

Date: March 25, 2020 @7:00pm Sponsor: Montachusett ARA (MARA)

Location: Lunenburg Public Safety Building

(Training Room) Walk-ins allowed

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