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<p>Please submit articles, corrections and suggestions by the 16th of the Month to Ivan Lazure and he will send them to n1llu.</p>	

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Coming up...

Contesting

- Sept. 8, 0000Z to Sept. 9, 2400Z, Worked All Europe DX Contest, Rules: waedc.de
- Sept. 8, 1800Z to Sept. 10, 0259Z, ARRL Sept. VHF Contest, Rules: www.arrl.org/contests
- Sept 16, 0000Z to Sept. 16, 0400Z, North American Sprint, Rules: www.ncjweb.com

SPECIAL EVENT STATION

Sept. 8, 1900Z-2359Z, NI6IW, San Diego, CA, USS Midway (CV-41) Museum, US Air Force Birthday 1947; Patriot Day; first nuclear powered aircraft carrier USS Enterprise(CVAN-65) launched 1960. 14.320, 7.250, PSK-31, 14.070, D-STAR 012C, QSL, USS Midway Museum Radio Room, 910 N Harbor Dr, San Diego, CA 92101

Sept. 8-Sept. 16, 0001Z-2359Z, W6A-W6Q & W6S-W6T, San Bernardino, CA, Citrus Belt Amateur Radio Club 13th Annual Route 66 On the Air. 21.366, 14.266, 7.266, 3.866. Certificate & QSL. Citrus Belt Amateur Radio Club, PO Box 3788, San Bernardino, CA 92413.

Sept. 29-Sept. 30, 1500Z-2130Z, W4Wis, Virginia Beach, VA. USS Wisconsin Radio Club. USS Wisconsin Final De-Commissioning. 14.264, 7.264. QSL. USS Wisconsin Radio Club, PO Box 6682, Virginia Beach, VA 23456

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Andy Club Meetings</u></p> <p>Wednesday September 5th 2012 1900 EDT Andy Meeting at LaPage Conference Room 99 Campus Avenue, Lewiston, ME</p> <p>Wednesday September 19th 2012 at 1800 Androscoggin ARES/RACES Meeting Androscoggin Unified EMA Office Basement of Central Fire Station 2 College Street Lewiston</p>	<p>Wednesday September 26th 2012 0730 EDT Monthly Andy Breakfast Ramada Inn, Pleasant Street Lewiston, ME</p> <p>ARES/RACES NET Every Thursday at 1930 on 146.61 Repeater</p>
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ARES/RACES Comments by Ivan N1OXA Androscoggin EC

August was a busy month, we started with Beach to Beacon 10k Race, had 18 Hams that supported the Medical team. It was Humid and 80's, there were about 90 runners that we treated in the medical team. John, K1JJS, had a talk with the PA Company, and convinced them that the volume could be reduced and still be heard all over the area. And the grid maps that Dave, WE1U, created were well received by all personnel. It make the locating the runners in need of treatment easier. Everyone is planning of returning next year.

At the Androscoggin ARES/RACES meeting we did more testing of the Fldigi software, and we are planning on using the software with the Hospital Radio test coming up in September.

Now the big news is that Bates College has been accepted as a school to ISS radio contact. With the Androscoggin ARC is working with them on this project. More information at the Sept meeting. We still are not getting new members to get on the air for the weekly ARES/RACES net on Thursday night on our 146.61 repeater at 1930 local time. So lets mark the calendar for this weekly net.



Ivan, N1OXA

LIST OF UP COMING EVENTS IN MAINE THIS YEAR

2012 Loon Echo Bike and Hike Trek Coming Saturday, September 15, Bridgton ME

2012 Dempsey Challenge Sunday, October 14th Lewiston ME

More info will be announced in the future, so mark your calendar for these events.

Anything else that You need for the newsletter? Ivan

Secretary's Report

The Androscoggin Amateur Radio Club held a meeting Wednesday August first 2012 at the Lapage Conference Center in Lewiston. In attendance wa1eoj, w1scm and son Charles, n1oxa, n1nyw, n1jd, w1lwt and Samantha, kg1q, w1ltx, k1wtx, walskp, n1svb, and n1dot.

In President Bill Woodheads' absence, Vice President Earle Gilmore n1svb called the meeting to order at 7 PM. Bob w1ltx made a motion to accept the Secretary's report as printed in the ACORN with a second from Jerry k1wtx. Vote: approved.

Ivan gave the Treasurers report and noted the expense of buying 2 extra class books to replace the outdated ones in the Auburn and Lewiston libraries and income from the exam session in Fryeburg that had 14 new techs and 2 new generals. Bob w1ltx made a motion to accept the report that was seconded by Ken n1dot. Vote: approved.

Ivan pointed out that the winner of the clubs scholarship has been named in this months ACORN. She is from Connecticut.

Ivan is still looking for volunteers to work the Beach to Beacon, and Bill n1kat is looking for some help taking down a vertical antenna, and the crank up tower still needs repair.

The SET is Saturday October 13 and the next day is the Dempsey Challenge according to Ivan. Hams will not be needed on Saturday, just Sunday for the Dempsey Challenge.

Jerry k1wtx inquired if anyone has heard from Paul kb1qhr.

Ivan says that the club has a tech manual and an Electronics for Dummies book and Bill n1kat thinks the club should loan them or give the books to schools.

Mark kg1q reports that there were 310 contacts for w1a in Andover last month, 50 on a VHF repeater and that 15 people turned out to operate.

Mark kg1q made a motion to adjourn that was seconded by Jerry k1wtx. Vote: approved. Next meeting September 5.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dick Knight n1nyw

DX NEWS NOTES
August, 2012

During the past month we made 34 DX contacts representing 22 different countries.

Countries contacted were:

1A0C, Sovereign Military Order of Malta; TM0TSR, France; 5C13NK, Morocco; ON7USB, Belgium; TF/KL1A, Iceland; PD2BA, Netherlands; SV3EXU, Greece; LA4UOA, Norway; UT7EZZ, Ukraine; RV3YR, European Russia; IQ3TN; Italy; A71/JY5FX, Oman; VE7FE, Canada; MJ/OT9Z; Jersey; EJ4GRC Ireland; EA9/EC7DZZ, Ila; A92GR, Bahrain; CT1EGW/p, Portugal; 4O4A, Montenegro; DR; AO7IZJ, Spain; SP2YV, Poland;

We had no Pacific contacts this month.

There are several DXpeditions to various parts of the world coming up in September. Some haven't been assigned a call as yet or the operators will use the country prefix and their home call.

Sep. 01 to Sep. 03	5R8VE	Madagascar
Sep. 01 to Sep. 08	V55V/p	Namibia
Sep. 02 to Sep. 10	FR/	Reunion Is.
Sep. 05 to Sep. 12	3B8/	Mauritius
Sep. 05 to Sep. 18	NH8S	Swains Is.
Sep. 06 to Sep. 09	KH0/	Mariana Is.
Sep. 07 to Sep. 21	E6M	Niue
Sep. 08 to Nov. 15	E6RS	Niue
Sep. 12 to Sep. 19	JW8DW	Svalbard
Sep. 13 to Sep. 17	XP2I	Greenland
Sep. 14 to Sep. 21	P49T	Aruba
Sep. 14 to Sep. 28	T8XX	Palau
Sep. 18 to Sep. 23	HB0/	Liechtenstein
Sep. 22 to Oct. 06	KH6/	Hawaii
Sep. 24 to Oct. 05	3D2C	Conway Reef
Sep. 26 to Oct. 01	VP2V	Br. Virgin Is.
Sep. 26 to Oct. 21	FR/	Reunion Is.

CQ WWW DX Contest RTTY (Se 2012)

The above DXpeditions are correct to the 10th of the month prior to printing The A.C.O.R.N. For additions after that date, go to my web page and click On the link "Reported DXpeditions by NG3K".

I invite any club members that have a computer to visit my web page. The address is:
<http://www.qsl.net/n1svb/>

Earle Gilmore N1SVB