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

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Coming up...

Contesting

Nov 9, 0700Z to **Nov 10**, 1300Z, Japan International DX Contest, Rules: www.jidx.org
Nov 16, 2100Z to **Nov 18**, 0259Z, ARRL November Sweepstakes, Rules: www.arrl.org/contests

SPECIAL EVENT STATION

Nov 8 to 11, 0114Z-1401Z, W8F, Livonia, Mi. Livonia ARC , 38th Anniversary Sinking of Edmund Fitzgerald. Frequency; 14.240, and 7.240. Certificate: Bruno Walczak, 16601 Golfview, Livonia, MI 48154. www.livoniaarc.com

Nov 9, 1700Z-2359Z, NI6IW, San Diego, Ca. USS Midway (CV-41) Museum. US Veterans Day and US Marine Corps Birthday established 1775. Frequency: 14.320 and 7.250. QSL, USS Midway Museum Radio Room, 910 N Harbor Dr, San Diego, CA, 92101

Nov 9 to Nov 10, 1400Z-2100Z, NB9QV, Manitowoc, WI, USS Cobia ARC. Veterans Day from WWII Submarine USS Cobia (AGSS-245). Frequency, 14.240 and 7.250. QSL, Fred Neuenfeldt, W6BSF, 4932 10th St., Manitowoc, WI, 54220. www.qrz.com/db/nb9qv

<p>Andy Club Meetings Wednesday November 6th 2013 1900 EDT Andy Meeting at LaPage Conference Room 99 Campus Avenue, Lewiston, ME</p> <p>Wednesday November 20th 2013 at 1800 Androscoggin ARES/RACES Meeting Androscoggin Unified EMA Office Basement of Central Fire Station 2 College Street Lewiston</p>	<p>Wednesday November 27th 2013 0730 EDT Monthly Andy Breakfast Ramada Inn, Pleasant Street Lewiston, ME</p> <p>ARES/RACES NET On Thursday, Androscoggin ARES/RACES Net at 1930 on club repeater freq. of 442.000 Mhz .</p>
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ARES/RACES Comments by Ivan N1OXA Androscoggin EC

October was the big event, the 2013 Dempsey Challenge. I had several more volunteer, so we had all the Rest Stops and SAG vehicles covered. I want to thank all of you for the great job that was done. The weather was good, overcast and cool, in the 50's and 60's, great for the bikers. we had very few bikers with mechanical issues and people getting tired. The 146.88 repeater work well, plus with Dave, WE1U, work on the APRS units in all the SAG's, we had a great event. Looking forward to next year.

The 146.61 club repeater is still down, we were unable to get the technician, due to an emergency for his job. We are looking at other avenues to get it back up. But the 442 repeater is working good.

On Saturday November 9 the annual Simulated Emergency Test (SET) is scheduled from 8am to noon. So mark your calendar and plan to participate. We are planning to have some of the hospitals to get on the air for the SET. Could any one interested in working on the SET, than email me at n1oxa@arrl.net, so I can plan how many hospitals can be manned. Hope to hear many of you on November 9, 2013.



Ivan, N1OXA

LIST OF UP COMING EVENTS IN MAINE THIS YEAR

2013 SET will be in November more info will be coming.

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 October 2, 2013 at the Potvin Room at St. Marys Medical Arts Building in Lewiston. In attendance: kb1ghf, kg1q, kb1doi, n1jd, a new guy working to pass the test, Tim, n1oxe, n1oxa, n1zrl, n1wfo, w1scm and son Charles, n1nyv, n1nyw, kb1cdu, wb1hfy, n1svb, kb1qhr, w1ltx and grandson Cody, k1wtx, n1dot, kb1yyc, kb1zlb and xyl, n1vlz, aa4ak and n1ttt.

In the absence of the club President and Vice President the meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Treasurer Ivan n1oxa. Dave n1oxe made a motion to accept the Secretary's report from the prior meeting, the motion was seconded by Ken kb1cdu. Vote: approved.

Ivan n1oxa read the Treasurers report that was followed by a motion to accept by Earle n1svb and seconded by kb1cdu. Vote: approved.

Ivan reports the 146.61 repeater is still broken and they have not forgotten it needs fixing. One of the persons who planned to help fix it got called into work and was not able to work on it. The club got a report on the preparations to make the 442.000 repeater a DStar repeater. Some progress has been made and more is in the works. Steve aa4ak and Harry, n1ttt came to the meeting from the Brunswick club and laid plans for collaboration between members of both clubs on Dstar projects. Andy club members were invited to attend the next MARA club meeting the last Thursday of the month and keep the DStar talks going.

Ivan reports that the SET is tentatively scheduled for November 9. The Dempsey Challenge will be held October 12 and 13, volunteers are needed for rest stops and SAG vehicles for October 13 only. Ham contact is Ivan.

Andy kb1doi will again be coordinating a special events station N1D for the Dempsey Challenge. Contact Andy to sign up.

Ivan told us of an ARES activation for a drill September 25 at the Auburn Airport. There was not much for them to do but stand around and wait from what I gathered.

Bob w1ltx made a motion to adjourn that was seconded by kb1doi. Vote: Adjourned at 7:48 p.m. Following the meeting Pete kb1ghf did a demonstration of a Time Domain Reflectometer to check feed line.

Respectfully submitted,

Dick Knight n1nyw Secretary

DX News Notes October, 2013

The month of September we made 35 DX contacts which represents 23 countries.

Countries worked were: ZD7VC, St. Helena Is.; P43E, Aruba; 4J3DJ, Azerbaijan; EA9KB, Ceuta & Melilla; HP0INT/3, Panama; HZ1YR, Saudi Arabia; JT5DX, Mongolia; JA1OGI, Japan; CO6YI, Cuba; SN0HS, Poland; A61AS, United Arab Emirates; OQ2MRS, Belgium; VU2PHD, India; RA0R, Asiatic Russia; TG9ANF, Guatemala; KL7TH, Alaska; HC5/GB0FQ, Ecuador; ZL2WL, New Zealand; A43MI, Oman; JW9JKA, Svalbard; VK3GWK, Australia; LA0FA, Norway; RI1ANU, So. Shetland Is.;

We made several Pacific contacts in September. We contacted JT5DX in Mongolia, JA1OGI in Japan, ZL2WL in New Zealand and VK3GWK in Australia.

There are several DXpeditions taking place in November. Some haven't been assigned or the DXpedition will use the listed prefix followed with another call sign.

Nov. 01 to Nov. 04	JD1BON	Ogasawara
Nov. 01 to Nov. 07	CE0/	Easter Is.
Nov. 01 to Nov. 09	XV2CNH	Vietnam
Nov. 01 to Nov. 10	HK0/	San Andres & Providencia
Nov. 01 to Nov. 11	YJ0ZS	Vanuatu
Nov. 02 to Nov. 08	XV2NHL	Vietnam
Nov. 03 to Nov. 09	E6/	Niue
Nov. 03 to Nov. 17	TO2R	Reunion
Nov. 04 to Nov. 11	FH/	Mayotte
Nov. 05 to Nov. 18	T33A	Banaba Is.
Nov. 07 to Nov. 15	JD1BLC	Ogasawara
Nov. 07 to Nov. 17	PJ6/	Saba & St. Eustatius
Nov. 08 to Nov. 20	XR0ZR	Juan Fernandez
Nov. 11 to Nov. 22	FR/	Reunion
Nov. 12 to Nov. 23	S79WDX	Seychelles
Nov. 12 to Nov. 24	W8A	American Samoa
Nov. 16 to Nov. 17	5W/	Samoa
Nov. 16 to Dec. 15	5R8IC	Madagascar
Nov. 17 to Nov. 24	PJ7	St. Maarten
Nov. 17 to Nov. 26	XT2/	Burkina Faso
Nov. 17 to Nov. 29	J88HL	St. Vincent
Nov. 18 to Nov. 19	KH8/	American Samoa
Nov. 18 to Nov. 27	3DA0ET	Swaziland
Nov. 18 to Dec. 03	5V7TH	Togo
Nov. 19 to Nov. 21	ZD8W	Ascension Is
Nov. 19 to Nov. 29	S2/	Bangladesh
Nov. 19 to Nov. 29	9X0NH	Rwanda
Nov. 20 to Nov. 22	3D2/	Fiji
Nov. 20 to Dec. 03	TY1/	Benin
Nov. 21 to Nov. 29	3D2R	Rotuma
Nov. 22 to Nov. 30	V6/	Micronesia
Nov. 27 to Dec. 02	5W8A	Samoa
Nov. 28 to Dec. 03	T32TM	East Kiribati
Nov. 28 to Dec. 04	T30/	West Kiribati
Nov. 29 to Dec. 04	3D2/	Fiji

CQ WW DX Contest, CW Nov. 23 - 24, 2013

The above DXpeditions are accurate to the 15th of the month. For later additions visit NG3K web page.

I invite all members to visit my web page <http://www.qsl.net/n1svb>