



ACORN



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**Androscoggin Amateur Radio Club
(AARC)**

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Repeater 146.610MHz – PL 88.5
Goff Hill, Auburn Maine

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

Jan 17, 1800z, 2015, to Jan 18, 0559z, 2015, North American QSO Day,
Rules: www.ncjweb.com

Jan 24, 1700z, 2015, to Jan 25, 1700z, 2015, Winter Field Day. Rules:
www.spar-hams.org

Jan 24, 1900z, 2015 to Jan 26, 2359z, 2015, ARRL Jan. VHF Contest.
Rules: www.arrl.org/contests

SPECIAL EVENT STATION

see January QST page 97 for details

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Club Membership dues for 2015 are due by March 31, 2015.
Single member is \$10 Family is \$15

Please bring to meeting or mail to address below:

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440 Webber Ave
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Andy Club Meeting**Wednesday Jan 7th 2015 1900 EDT**Meeting held in Potvin Room
99 Campus Ave. Lewiston, Me.**ARES/RACES****Wednesday Jan 21st 2015 1730 EDT**Androscoggin ARES/RACES meeting
Androscoggin Unified EMA Office
Basement of Central Fire Station
2 College Street Lewiston, Me.**Andy Club Breakfast****Wednesday Jan 28th 2015 0730 EDT**Held at the Ramada Inn Pleasant Street
Lewiston, Maine**On Air ARES/RACES NET****Every Thursday night at 1900,
Weekly ARES/RACES Net 146.610 Mhz
with a PL 88.5****NOTE: New time.**

Comments for and about the club by Ivan, N1OXA

NONE AVAILABLE THIS MONTH

LIST OF UP COMING EVENTS IN MAINE FOR 2014

None at this time.

December Secretary's Report **By Dick Knight Secretary N1NYW**

The Androscoggin Amateur Radio Club held a meeting Wednesday December 3, 2014 at the Potvin Room at St. Marys' Regional Medical Centers Medical Arts Building. In attendance: N1dot, w1box, kb1cdu, kc1bep, n1nyw, kg1q, n1kat, kb1qhr, kb1doi, w1ltx, n1wfo, n1oxa, n1oxe, k1wtx, ku1u and two of his children, we1u, kb1ghf and xyl.

David we1u made a motion to accept the Secretarys' report as written in the ACORN. Andy kb1doi seconded the motion. Vote: approved.

Ivan n1oxa read the Tresurers report, David we1u made a motion to accept the report as given. Ken kb1cdu seconded the motion. Vote: approved.

Ivan and Cory report that the Androscoggin Club will hold an exam session Wednesday January 21st at 7:30 p.m. at the Androscoggin EMA office at 2 College Street Lewiston. Walk-ins welcome. Anyone wishing to take an exam should contact Ivan Lazure at 207-784-0350.

The w1npp club license expires March 27, 2015. The renewal fee is \$ 26.40 because it is a Vanity callsign. We also need a new Trustee, the subject will be taken up at a future meeting.

David we1u pitched an idea to put packet I-gates up at the Park Avenue school and the Poland School. There was a motion from David we1u that suggested working on the planning for the project, a committee be set up so get exact quotes on prices and decide what parts would make it work better and report back to the club.

Ivan reports that Tim wt1a is in the hospital so he was not here.

Peter kb1ghf inquired about the status of the Poland Spring repeater. The club is still thinking of buying it after next years convention when we have more money.

Cory reports that the link to the Dstar repeater was not working well and will be changed to the EMA office.

Bob w1ltx reports that Lee w1lwt will be spending lots of time in New Mexico.

Dick n1nyw reports we have a counter on the website now that counts the visitors from all the different countries. The most visitors from USA but the second place award goes to Brazil. BRAZIL?

David we1u made a motion to adjourn that was seconded by Andy kb1doi. Vote: approved at 7:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

DX News Notes
December, 2014

The month of November we made 53 DX contacts which represents 39 countries.

Stations worked were: ON7TQ, Belgium; EB8CBV, Canary Is.; 9A9A, Croatia; TN0RHUM, France; 4U1VIC, Vienna International Center; ZS1UOK, So. Africa; *T6T, Afghanistan; ZD8RY, Ascension Is.; ZC7DL, St. Helena Is.; YV5EPM, Venezuela; HK1T, Columbia; FG5DH, Guadeloupe; 3B9FR, Rodriguez Is.; SR4ZZ, Slovenia; JE1ZWT, Japan; VE3ISF, Canada; JW4GUA, Svalbard; KL7IEH, Alaska; DD2V0, Germany; OZ0IL, Denmark; HZ1DG, Saudi Arabia; 6W/DL7DF, Senegal; ON1418HRT, Belgium; C08LY, Cuba; ZL4IR, New Zealand; CT7AIU, Portugal; CN8QL, Morocco; Z62FB, Kosovo; EI4II, Ireland; * VU4KV, Andaman & Nicobar Is.; EL2DT, Liberia; LU5FP, Argentina; TY2CD, Benin; V57WW, Namibia; VK7XX, Australia (Tasmania Is.); 5K0A, San Andres & Providencia; MW3FLI, Wales; HC5EG, Ecuador;

* New countries this month. After QSL cards are receive will bring my country count to 308 countries with QSL cards received.

We made 3 Pacific contacts in November: ZL4IR in New Zealand, VK7XX in Australia and JE1ZWT in Japan.

There are several DXpeditions taking place in January. Some haven't been assigned a call sign so they will use the listed prefix followed with another call sign.

Jan. 01 to Jan. 31	C6A	Bahamas
Jan. 05 to Jan. 11	TK5W	Austral Is.
Jan. 06 to Jan. 13	V5/	Namibia
Jan. 07 to Jan. 15	T88/	Palau Is.
Jan. 09 to Jan. 17	XR0YS	Easter Is.
Jan. 10 to Jan. 25	5R8DX	Madagascar
Jan. 10 to Feb. 05	6W70K	Senegal
Jan. 11 to Feb. 03	HH5/	Haiti
Jan. 14 to Jan. 29	PJ4B	Bonaire
Jan. 15 to Jan. 26	C5X	Gambia
Jan. 16 to Jan. 31	EP6T	Iran
Jan. 17 to Feb. 10	S79AC	Seychelles
Jan. 20 to Mar. 01	V47JA	St. Kitts & Nevis
Jan. 22 to Feb. 17	TG9/	Guatemala
Jan. 25 to Feb. 13	K1N	Navassai

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