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<u>Repeaters</u>			
<u>Auburn</u>	<u>Auburn</u>	<u>Poland Springs</u>	<u>Leeds</u>
146.61 PL 88.5	443.300 D-star	147.315 PL 103.5	146.895 PL 103.5
ON AIR	OFF AIR	ON AIR	OFF AIR

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### Club Officers

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 Secretary: Dick Knight N1NYW  
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### Club Meetings

Wednesday Feb 7<sup>th</sup> 2018 1830 EDT  
 Meeting held in Potvin Room  
 99 Campus Ave. Lewiston, Me.

### ARES/RACES Meeting

Wednesday Feb 21<sup>st</sup> 2018 1730 EDT  
 Androscoggin Unified EMA Office  
 Basement of Central Fire Station  
 2 College Street Lewiston, ME

### Club Breakfast

Wednesday Feb 28<sup>th</sup> 2018 0730 EDT  
 at **Ramada Inn** in Lewiston

### On Air ARES/RACES NET

Weekly ARES/RACES Net is every  
 Thursday at 1900, on Club 146.610  
 PL 88.5, plus Weekly Training net  
 follows. Digital will be part of training  
 net.

### Take Note:

The deadline for articles for the Newsletter is the 25<sup>th</sup> of each Month.

### Dates to Remember

March 30 and 31, 2018 Maine State ARRL Convention and Hamfest.

Lewiston/ Auburn MS Walk is in a new location, Edward Little High School in Auburn on  
 April 21, 2018.

No article from the President or the EOC.

**Secretary's Report**

By Dick Knight N1NYW

The Androscoggin Amateur Radio Club held a meeting January 3, 2018 at the Potvin Room in the St. Marys' Medical Arts Building in Lewiston, Maine. In attendance: w1lwt, n1dot, w1ltx, kb1doi, k1wtx, n1zrl, ka1usa, kb1ypz, ac1ae, n1oxa, wtia, n1wfo, kc1aih, wa1skp, and n1nyw.

President Tim Bubier wt1a called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Bob w1ltx made a motion to approve the Secretary's report as printed in the newsletter. Miriam kc1aih seconded the motion. Vote Approved.

Ivan read the Treasurers report followed by Miriam kc1aih making a motion to accept the report that was seconded by Andy kb1doi and Walter ac1ae.

Tim gave a quick update on the repeaters: Poland up and running at its' new location, .61 operating from Ivans' house and probably will be there until spring, Leeds is plowed in, the gate opens inward so it probably can't be accessed until spring. Ivan is looking for model and serial numbers to use for insurance paper work.

Lee reports that Winter Field Day will be January 27 and 28 at his house in Lisbon Falls.

Work on the 2018 convention is starting, we are concerned about the 2019 location.

Winterfest at Le Club Calumet will be held February 24 in Augusta.

Walter ac1ae reports that February 24 the IEEE will be meeting at the New Balance Field House in Orono. A ham radio station will be included.

Ivan reports the MS Walk will be held at Edward Little High School in 2018. More details will be available later.

Walter ac1ae made a motion to adjourn that was seconded by Ivan n1oxa. Adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

I won \$9 in the 50/50 drawing.

Respectfully submitted,

Dick Knight Secretary

**DX Report**

By Earle Gilmore N1SVB

DX News Notes  
January, 2018

The month of December we made 48 DX contacts which represents 27 countries.

Countries contacted were: 2E0EF, England; OZ100DVI, Denmark; 5T5TI, Mauritania; VE4RAC, Canada; R7LZ/1, European Russia; YV5ENI, Venezuela; 9A9A, Croatia; YM17YOTA, Turkey; 7X5QB, Algeria; ZS6HA, So. Africa; EA2BV, Spain; PJ4DX, Bonaire Is.; HK0RMR, San Andres & Providencia; OK2SHI, Czech. Republic; S51DX, Slovenia; ET3AA, Estonia; TI8II, Costa Rica; IK4LZH, Italy; ER4DX, Moldova; V51WW, Namibia; F5VHQ, France; HA0NAR, Hungary; CV2CXI, Greece; DM500RT, Germany; OJ9X, Finland; ZX8NO, Brazil; AL7KC, Alaska;

We made no Pacific contacts in December.

There are several DXpeditions taking place in February, 2018. Some haven't been assigned a call sign so they will use the listed prefix followed with another call sign.

Feb. 01 to Feb. 05	T88XS	Palau
Feb. 01 to Feb. 07	P29VXG	Papua New Guinea
Feb. 01 to Feb. 28	HP8/	Senegal
Feb. 08 to Feb. 12	6W/	Belize
Feb. 08 to Feb. 14	V31JZ/p	Belize
Feb. 08 to Feb. 16	C5DX	Gambia
Feb. 10 to Feb. 24	PJ4/	Bonaire
Jan. 13 to Jan. 21	ZF2PG	Cayman Is.
Feb. 13 to Feb. 20	CN2/	Morocco
Feb. 13 to Feb. 21	T8/	Palau
Feb. 13 to Feb. 16	V477JA	St. Kitts & Nevis
Feb. 18 to Feb. 28	FM/	Martinique
Feb. 20 to Mar. 02	TY1TT	Benin
Feb. 21 to Feb. 28	KH0/	Mariana Is.
Feb. 23 to Mar. 16	3D2EU	Rotuma

ARRL International DX Contest, SW (February 17 - 18 2018)

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

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