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

The deadline for all articles for the Newsletter is the 25th of each month.

Club Officers

President: Lee Trask W1LWT
V. President:
Treasurer: Ivan Lazure N1OXA
Secretary: Dick Knight N1NYW
Trustee: Tim Bubier WT1A
Newsletter Editor:
Harold Hartley N1LLU

Club Meetings

Wednesday June 5th 1830 EDT
Meeting held in Potvin Room
99 Campus Ave. Lewiston, Me.

ARES/RACES Meeting

Saturday June 8th 09:30 AM EDT
Androscoggin Unified EMA Office
Basement of Central Fire Station
2 College Street Lewiston, ME

Club Breakfast

Wednesday June 26th 0700 EDT
We may change location, at club meeting we will decide to change or stay
at Webster St, Conv and Deli, 715
Webster Street, Lewiston

ARES/RACES Net

Every Thursday except for meeting night on the 146.61
pl 88.5 Repeater at 1930 (7:30pm)
with digital after the voice part.

Upcoming Events

Trek across Maine – June 14 to 16, 2019

ARRL Field Day – June 22 and 23, 2019

ATTENTION SPEAKERS NEEDED FOR THE NORTHEAST CONVENTION IN BOXBORO

Needed speakers and presenters for the 2019 ARRL New England Division Convention (re-branded as “Northeast HamXposition @Boxboro”) Friday, September 6th - Sunday, September 8th

The story can be found at:

<https://ema.arrl.org/2019/03/31/2019-arrl-new-england-division-convention-call-for-presentations/>

To register as a presenter, please go to:

<http://www.hamxposition.org/forums-and-classes/speaker-signup>

or email me if you have additional questions contact: Phil Temples, K9HI, k9hi@hamxposition.org Program Chair Northeast HamXposition @Boxboro

Secretary's Report
By Dick Knight N1NYW

The Androscoggin Amateur Radio Club held a meeting Wednesday May 1, 2019 at the Potvin room of the St. Marys' Doctors Associates Building. In attendance: n10xa, n1ydp, n1wfo, kb1doi, ke6pij, ke4ucw, we1u, kc1aih, w1ltx, w1lwt, k1wtx, w7vx, and n1nyw. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by President Lee Trask w1lwt. Bob w1ltx made a motion to approve the Secretary's report as printed in the newsletter. Miriam kc1aih seconded the motion. Vote: approved.

There was no Treasurers report because it was the first of the month and Ivan could not access the banks computer to get a statement. Miriam kc1aih made a motion to table the report. Seconded by David we1u. Vote: approved.

Our club will be part of a communications drill with the Red Cross on May 23. We will be at Beaver Park in Lisbon starting at 9:30 a.m. Operators wanted for only a couple of hours. There has been inquiries about the status of our DSTAR repeater. Ivan said it was still off the air awaiting installation in Livermore when ever the installation crew gets time.

I brought up that the nerepeaters.com web site still has the .61 repeater in Auburn but is really in Lewiston while the Livermore repeater is not listed at all. We will contact them and check on the official status and see what needs to be done to bring it up to date.

The equipment sale of w1scm Norms' equipment had no takers at the hamfest so pictures will be taken and we will start advertising the list of antennas etc.

The CD to fund the scholarships will mature in July. At one of our next meetings we will have to decide either reinvest the money in another CD or withdraw some and send it to the ARRL for the scholarship fund.

There was talk about linking the repeaters that belong to the Andy club. The repeater committee will research prices and get quotes to bring back to a future meeting to on spending the money.

The Androscoggin Land Trust may want hams work an event for them. Someone from the club will contact them and get back at the next meeting.

There was lots of talk about Field Day at Beaver Park in Lisbon. What radios are available, how many to operate and which event callsign to get etc. Paul will get the request into the Walmart distribution center that sponsored the Field Day in past years. Keith is planning to operate at least one station at Field Day. Keith also informed the club about his plans

for the ARES / RACES group now that he is the new EC.

Rick n1wfo told about his trip to the Maine Prepares conference.

Miriam kc1aih made a motion to adjourn that was seconded by David we1u.

Respectfully Submitted

Dick Knight Secretary There was no 50/50 drawing.

Keith Anoe KE4UCW
ARES Emergency Coordinator

We now have a Call Sign for the Androscoggin County ARES/RACES group and we are pending a vanity call sing, our current call is KC1LLF. Thanks to Paul (KE6PIJ) for updating and maintaining the ARES/RACES web site at EC.KE6PIJ.ORG. We are looking to update the URL for the page to our new call when we receive it. If you have any questions about the group check out the page. We are always looking for operators.

We participated in the ARRL Red Cross event on June 23rd by establishing a station at Beaver Park in Lisbon the site for our Field Day this year. The event was requested by senior directors at the Red Cross to provide a demonstration of Amateur Radio's ability to deliver messages without commercial power, infrastructure or permanently established stations. The demonstration was Thursday, May 23, 10:00 – 11:30. We checked into the voice net with the ARRL HQ with some help from a relay in eastern Mass (KC1CIC) and transmitted a digital message to ARRL HQ. Some lessons were learned as always. The to our members that we able to support the event Miriam Morgan-Alexander -KC1AIH, Bill Woodhead -N1CAT, Ivan Lazure -N1OXA, David Lowe WE1U, Cory Golob-KU1U and pending member Ken ROBINSON – N1YDP.

We are hoping to get our new equipment / radio cases for our deplorable radios before Field Day so we can use them with a goal of manning the station with ARES/RACES member over the Saturday, Sunday on air period. We will be able to start using the equipment for remote training as we move forward with increasing our deplorability with the ARES/RACES equipment. Hope to see you at Field Day!

Remember: Predictability Commitment Professionalism
Communication Maximization

73

Keith/KE4UCW

DX Report
By Mark Burton KG1Q

The dx world lost the only active Ham from Mt. Athos, Monk Apollo, SV2ASP. He passed away at 20:45 UTC on 5/5/2019. He was 64 years old. The Monastery on Mt. Athos relies on amateur radio for two way communication for emergencies. I was personally saddened when I heard this news as I had the pleasure of working Monk Apollo back when I first learned cw and was just a beginner at code. Mt. Athos is a separate dxcc entity and is currently ranked #20 on the most wanted list.

June will see the following activation's of note

E31A, Eritrea, May 25 to Jun 3
5W0H, Samoa, Jun 1 to Jun 10
S9A, Sao Tome & Principe, Jun 6 to Jun 18
T88PB, Palau, Jun 15 to Jun 23

Coming Soon

8Q7GB, Maldives, Aug 6 to Aug 18
D44TWO, Cape Verde, Sep 29 to Oct 13
ZK3A, Tokelau, Oct 1 to Oct 15
VP6R, Pitcairn Island, Oct 18 to Nov 7
D68CCC, Comores, Oct 20 to Nov 1
9X2AW, Rwanda, Nov 4 to Nov 6
XT2AW, Burkina Faso, Dec 2 to Dec 20

Happy DX everyone

Mark
KG1Q

Sources:

DX World <https://dx-world.net/>