

February 2021



# A.C.O.R.N

Androscoggin Amateur Radio Club  
(AARC)  
P.O. Box 1, Auburn ME 04212-0001  
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Lewiston  
146.61 PL 88.5  
ON AIR

Livermore  
443.300 D-star  
ON AIR

Poland Springs  
147.315 PL 103.5  
ON AIR

Livermore  
146.895 PL 103.5  
ON AIR

## Announcements

It is the time of year to send dues money to Ivan. \$ 10 per year for one member and \$ 15 for a family membership. Send dues to Ivan Lazure

440 Webber Ave  
Lewiston ME 04240

Please send a self addressed envelope along with the check so Ivan can mail back the membership card.

## Update on repeater project:

Last month Pete and I went to Poland and replaced that repeater with the Lewiston repeater. Than he would check the Poland repeater to see if it had the same problem, and it didn't so he is now programing the RC210 Controller. Than he will work on the Raspberry Pi3 programming. We are making progress more news next month.

At the monthly on air meeting we will discuss the issue of do we reschedule the Convention or cancel it for this year.

## Secretary's Report by Dick Knight N1NYW

### Club Officers

President: Lee Trask W1LWT  
V. President: Pete Thoutte N1ZRL  
Treasurer: Ivan Lazure N1OXA  
Secretary: Dick Knight N1NYW  
Trustee: Tim Bubier WT1A  
Newsletter Editor:  
Harold Hartley N1LLU

### Club Meetings

Wednesday Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> 1900 EDT  
Meeting held on the .61 repeater 88.5 pl.

### ARES/RACES Meeting

APRS/RACES meeting Feb 13<sup>th</sup>  
at 9:00am on Zoom

### Club Breakfast

Club Breakfast, Wednesday Feb 24, 2020, 7am at Kristi's Cafe, unless the state changes things.

### 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.

### Take Note

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

Every Wednesday at 7pm. on 146.61, pl 88.5 is the well check net

Photo's will be Posted when received.

The Androscoggin Amateur Radio Club held a meeting on the air January 6, 2021 beginning at 7:00 p.m. Check ins: w1lwt Lee was net control, kc1aih, kb1qhr, n1oxa, n1nyw, w1ltx, n1zrl, and wa1skp was a late check in. Lee started the net with news that w1li Louis Wentzell of Bridgton is now a silent key. Bob w1ltx mentioned that kg1q has his name wrong in the newsletter. We should be sure it is correct in the next edition.

Lee discussed the odds are stacked against us for having the Convention April 9 and 10 and asked for opinions of those who checked in, should we try to have the Convention or not. Miriam kc1aih said nay along with Paul kb1qhr. Ivan n1oxa voted nay and will check on possible later dates or maybe cancel 2021 and start again in 2022. This will be discussed at next months meeting on February 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Dick n1nyw voted nay at this time but revisit the question next month. Bob w1ltx gave a short DX report. Pete n1zrl also voted nay on the Convention question. He is working on the repeater trouble, Ivan and Pete will be working Saturday January 9 on the troubled repeater in Poland. They are hoping to get the repeaters linked asap.

Adjourned at 8:01 p.m. Fred wa1skp was a late check in. There is talk there might be an update on the Dstar repeater next month.

Respectfully submitted,

Dick Knight Secretary.

## February Acorn Calendar 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 1930 AM net on 50.400	2	3 <b>Club Meeting</b> On the .61 repeater only.	4 1930 – ARES/RACES Net 146.61 Mhz PL 88.5	5 1930 – Ragchew net on 28.460 Mhz	6
7 1700 - MECN net on 3.940 Mhz	8 1930 AM net on 50.400	9	10 1930 – Ragchew net on 50.2 Mhz	11 1930 – ARES/RACES Net 146.61 Mhz PL 88.5	12 1930 – Ragchew net on 28.460 Mhz	13 <b>APRS/RACES</b> meeting Jan 13 <sup>th</sup> at 9:00am on Zoom
14 1700 - MECN net on 3.940 Mhz	15 1930 AM net on 50.400	16	17 1930 – Ragchew net on 50.2 Mhz	18 1930 – ARES/RACES Net 146.61 Mhz PL 88.5	19 1930 – Ragchew net on 28.460 Mhz	20
21 1700 - MECN net on 3.940 Mhz	22 1930 AM net on 50.400	23	24 <b>Club Breakfast,</b> <b>Wednesday Feb</b> <b>24, 2020, 7am at</b> <b>Kristi's Cafe,</b> <b>unless the state</b> <b>changes things.</b>	25 1930 – ARES/RACES Net 146.61 Mhz PL 88.5	26 1930 – Ragchew net on 28.460 Mhz	27
28 1700 - MECN net on 3.940 Mhz						