

# **ACORN Newsletter**

Androscoggin Amateur Radio Club (AARC)
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<u>Auburn</u> 146.61 PL 88.5 Auburn 443.300 D-star Repeaters
Poland Springs
147.315 PL 103.5

<u>Leeds</u> 146.895 PL 103.5

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#### **Club Officers**

President: Tim Bubier WT1A V. President: Cory Golob KU1U Treasure: Ivan Lazure N1OXA Secretary: Dick Knight N1NYW Trustee: Tim Bubier WT1A Newsletter Editor:

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#### **Club Meetings**

Wednesday Jan 4<sup>th</sup> 2017 1830 EDT Meeting held in Potvin Room 99 Campus Ave. Lewiston, Me.

#### **ARES/RACES Meeting**

Wednesday Jan 18<sup>th</sup> 2017 1730 EDT Androscoggin Unified EMA Office Basement of Central Fire Station 2 College Street Lewiston, ME

#### **Club Breakfast**

Wednesday Jan 15<sup>th</sup> 2017 0730 EDT Held at the Ramada Inn Pleasant Street Lewiston, Maine

#### **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.

#### Club on the Air Net

Jan 25<sup>th</sup> 2017 @ 1900 on the 146.61 PL 88.5

#### President's notes

By Tim Bubier

Nothing received

#### Adroscoggin ARES/RACES By Paul KE6PIJ

Nothing received

#### **Announcement:**

Starting in January 2017, it was voted to restart the on the air club meeting on last Wednesday of the month at 1900 on 146.61, and we will use our other repeaters in the future.

The dues for the 2017 year are now due, if you can't, come to me to a meeting or you can send your \$10.00 to:

Ivan Lazure 440 Webber Ave. Lewiston, Me. 04240

Dues need to be paid by March 31, 2017. Come to the State Convention at Ramada and the dues can be paid there.

## **Secretary's Report**

By Dick Knight N1NYW

A meeting of the Androscoggin Amateur Radio Club was held Wednesday December 7, 2016 at the Potvin Room of the St. Marys' Medical Arts Building in Lewiston Maine. In attendance: N1dot, w1box, n1nyw, n1oxa, kc1aih, k1wtx and xyl Joyce, kb1ypz, kb1qhr, wa1skp, n1wfo, kb1doi, ke6pij, kb1deb, n1ty, w1ltx, w1lwt and his new xyl, n1zrl, ka1usa, ke4ucw, kc1goh, and kc1bep.

The meeting was called to order at 6:55 p.m. by the Treasurer Ivan n1oxa. A motion to approve the Secretarys' report as printed in the newsletter. The motion was seconded by Paul kb1qhr. Vote approved.

Ivan gave the Treasurers report, a motion to approve was made by Miriam kc1aih and seconded by Jerry k1wtx. Vote: approved.

The helping ham section of the clubs web site got a letter from a ham in Florida with a question about a power cord, lets hope one of you can answer it.

Ivan mention that it will soon be time to start work on convention. Ivan has applied to have our convention the official ARRL State Convention. Ivan will talk to Cory to see if he will coordinate the talks again and Jerry will try to sign up vendors as he usually does.

Ivan reminded us that he will be collecting dues starting January first through March 31, 2017. Ivan collected dues from some of us at this meeting.

Bob w1ltx made a motion to adjourn and eat all the food at this Christmas Party. The motion was seconded by Andy kb1doi. Vote: approved at 7:05 p.m. After the official meeting the feast began. The \$17 in the 50/50 drawing was won by Pete n1zrl who gave \$5 of it back to the club.

Happy Holidays!

Respectfully Submitted,

Dick Knight Secretary

### **DX News Notes**

By Earl Gilmore N1SVB

DX News Notes December, 2016

The month of November we made 26 DX contacts which represents 16 countries.

Countries contacted were: ZS6OAJ, So. Africa; S51ZZ, Slovenia; CX8TC, Uruguay; EA8CCO, Canary Islands; HP1RN, Panama; FS4WBS, St. Martens; 6V1IS/p, Senegal; YV1JGT, Venezuela; J68GD, St. Lucia; V51WW, Namibia; 7X3WPL, Algeria; TI5/KL7A, Puerto Rico; ON5CE, Belgium; 9Q0HQ/3, Dem. Republic of Congo; CE7VPQ, Chile; IS0FRV, Sardinia Island;

We made no Pacific contacts in November.

There are several DXpeditions taking place in January, 2017. Some haven't been assigned a call sign so they will use the listed prefix followed with another call sign

Jan. 01 to Jan. 07	A70X	Qatar
Jan. 01 to Jan. 09	P49X	Aruba
Jan. 02 to Jan. 11	8Q7AZ	Maldives
Jan. 03 to Jan. 21	XW4XR	Laos
Jan. 04 to Jan. 22	V63/	Micronesia
Jan. 06 to Jan. 16	XW4ZW	Laos
Jan. 07 to Jan. 30	ZS8Z	P. E. & Marion Is.
Jan. 08 to Jan. 25	PJ4B	Bonaire
Jan. 11 to Jan. 25	ZC4SB	Cyprus SBA
Jan. 11 to Feb. 06	E51AMF	So. Cook Is.
Jan. 12 to Jan. 18	T8/	Palau
Jan. 14 to Jan. 22	ZF2PG	Cayman Is.
Jan. 19 to Mar. 09	TO7D	Guadeloupe
Jan. 20 to Feb. 23	YJ/	Vanuatu
Jan. 20 to Jan. 26	TF/	Iceland
Jan. 20 to Mar. 03	J5UAP	Guinea Bissau
Jan. 20 to Mar. 03	6W2SC	Senegal
Jan. 22 to Feb. 02	TU5MH	Ivory Coast
Jan. 25 to Feb. o1	HI1TT	Dominican Republic

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

Earle Gilmore, N1SVB