

March 2021



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Androscoggin Amateur Radio Club
(AARC)
P.O. Box 1, Auburn ME 04212-0001
<http://www.w1npp.org>



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.

2021 CONVENTION HAS BEEN CANCELLED
2022 CONVENTION IS APRIL 1&2 FRIDAY & SATURDAY



LEWISTON – Kenneth E. Akerley, 92, of 40 Bradley St., Lewiston, died Wednesday, Feb. 24, 2021, at Central Maine Medical Center following a long illness.

Born in Lewiston on Feb. 1, 1929, he was the son of William P. and Mary L. Thomas Ackerley. Educated locally, he was a graduate of Lewiston High School, class of '46.

He joined the Marine Corps in 1947, and served through the Korean War, eventually also serving in the Army Reserve in the 1970s.

A big believer in education, Ken earned a B.S. degree in business administration from the University of Maine Augusta in 1978 and went on to earn several associate degrees.

He worked several jobs over his life, including as a sasher tender at Bates Manufacturing, and at the Androscoggin County Sheriff Department.

A devout Catholic, he was a member of the former St. Patrick's Church, belonged to the SS. Peter and Paul Basilica, Prince of Peace Parish, and was a 3rd Degree Knight of Columbus.

Kenneth, known as kb1cdu, was a licensed Ham Radio Operator and a member of the Androscoggin Amateur Radio Club for many years.

Survivors include two sons, Michael and Patrick, both of Lewiston, a daughter, Beverly of California; and a grandson, Ian Akerley.

Visitation will be held at the Albert and Burpee Funeral Home on Tuesday, 9 to 10:30 a.m., followed by a service in the Upper Church of the SS. Peter and Paul Basilica at 11 a.m. Interment, Gracelawn Memorial Park.

Condolences may be found at <http://www.albert-burpee.com>.

Donations may be made to the charity of your choice.

Club Officers

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

Club Meetings

Wednesday March 3rd 1900 EDT
Meeting held on the .61 repeater 88.5 pl.

ARES/RACES Meeting

APRS/RACES meeting **March 9th at 1730 on Zoom**

Club Breakfast

Club Breakfast, Wednesday March 31st, 2021, 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 25th 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.

Secretary's Report by Dick Knight N1NYW

The Androscoggin Amateur Club held a meeting on the air February 3rd 2021 using a backup repeater. Check ins: w1ltx, w1lwt, n1oxa, kc1aih, kb1doi, kc1hbl, n1jd, n1nyw, and n1zrl.

With the Yaesu repeaters on .61 and .315 out of order we used a back up Motorola that we have to ID because we can't make the machine do it. More details on the repeater failures in the March edition of the newsletter from Pete n1zrl.

Miriam kc1aih suggested moving the Livermore repeater to Lewiston because the Lewiston repeater gets more use. It was decided to have Ivan contact Tim and plan to move the repeater to Lewiston until the two Yaesu repeaters can be fixed or replaced.

On the round table Ivan has given the Ramada dates and times he is available to talk to them about future dates for a Convention. It was decided that we will give up trying to plan a 2021 Convention and see if we can book a 2022 date.

Lee w1lwt and Bob w1ltx talked about Winter Field Day and the fun they had.

Lee had Ivan tell us that the dues renewal goes on until March 31 and the club has had some expenses and is doing fine and will survive without a hamfest. There were not votes to spend money during the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Dick Knight Secretary

Update on the Repeater

We are still working on the issue, we have a new repeater made with Motorola radios donated from Auburn Public Works department. The Poland repeater should be done in the next week. Than we will work on the Yaesu's.

March Acorn Calendar 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 1930 AM net on 50.400	2	3 Club Meeting 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 APRS/RACES meeting Jan 13 th at 1730 on Zoom	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
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	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	29 1930 AM net on 50.400	30	31 Club Breakfast, Wednesday 7am at Kristi's Cafe, unless the state changes things.			