

### A.C.O.R.N.

# Androscoggin Amateur Radio Club

## Newsletter

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#### **CLUB OFFICERS**

President: Lee Trask, W1LWT Vice President: Pete Thoutte, N1ZRL Treasurer: Ivan Lazure, N1OXA Secretary: Dick Knight, N1NYW Trustee: Tim Bubier, WT1A

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

In-person club meeting: Wednesday September 7th, 7:00 PM, Central ME Community College, Tower Bldg

Rm 203, Turner Street, Auburn, ME

ARES/RACES meeting: Saturday September 10th, 9:00 AM, Androscoggin EMA, 45 Oak St. Lewiston, ME Monthly club breakfast: Wednesday September 28th, 7:00 AM, Kristi's Cafe, 767 Minot Ave., Auburn, ME

#### **CLUB ON THE AIR**

ARES/RACES Net: Every Thursday on Lewiston 146.610 repeater at 7:30 PM with digital following voice meeting.

Wellness Net: Every Wednesday at 7:00 PM except in-person meeting nights on Lewiston 146.610 repeater. SEE CALENDAR FOR OTHER ON-AIR ACTIVITIES

#### **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

- The Androscoggin Amateur Radio Club was called to order by President Lee Trask (w1lwt) on Wednesday August 3<sup>rd</sup> 2022 at Central Maine Community College in Auburn Maine. Unfortunately, the room we have been assigned was locked, so we moved the meeting to the lobby. In attendance: kb1doi, kb1qhr, n1dot, n1oxa, n1kat, w1lwt and n1nyw.
- It was noted that there were some technical "gremlins" running afoot causing some members to not receive the monthly newsletter. Since IP addresses can change all the time for security, please don't forget to check your SPAM/Junk folder if you haven't received it. Those that did receive the newsletter, made motion to approve.
- The Treasurer's report was also approved.
- Ivan (n1oxa) did some last-minute planning for the TD Beach to Beacon 10K Run that is happening Saturday August 6 and mentioned he was still looking for volunteers. Adjustments will need to be made if there aren't enough HAM volunteers so that the Medical Team will be fully supported.

- Some members shared their stories about trying to renew their FCC license and the challenges they have been met with from the FCC office.
- Hamfest and Convention 2023 plans are beginning and Ivan mentioned he will contact the Ramada in Lewiston to see what dates are available. He will report at a later date.
- Last month, a suggestion was made regarding exploring the possibility of holding a dinner meeting in conjunction with the breakfast meeting. A survey was conducted to see if there is interest and nine (9) members were in favor of the idea. Contact with several area restaurants will be made to see what accommodations are available.
- The planning continues for the removal of the tower used by the Poland repeater. A less expensive climber will be contacted.
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Dick Knight n1nyw Secretary.

#### FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY EMERGENCY COORDINATOR

Keith Anoe, KE4UCW

Greetings! It's time to start thinking about the 2022 Dempsey Challenge. I will be coordinating this year with Cory KU1U as the NCS again.

I'm reaching out to secure volunteers for the event again (7 Rest Stops, 12 SAGs) which is scheduled for September 24th and 25th. As in previous years, our support will be for the ride events on the 25th. The course remains unchanged from last year.

The one change we will have is that we will be meeting on the 24<sup>th</sup> (time TBD) so that we can go over any last-minute changes and have our final event brief.

If you would like to participate this year, please send me an email (keith@anoe.us) with your phone number and t-shirt size, and indicate if you would like the same assignment as last year.

If you know of anyone that would also like to volunteer, or if I missed someone, let me know or give them my contact information. Thank you for your time and all you do.

**Current Scheduling:** 

Saturday, September 24th, Time TBD - Event Brief. Sunday, September 25th, Time TBD - Ride events.

73 – Keith Anoe, ke4ucw Maine Section Emergency Coordinator (SEC) Androscoggin County Emergency Coordinator (EC)

#### \*\*\* SILENT KEY \*\*\*

#### \*\*\*\*\*\*\* Updated In-Person Meeting Location \*\*\*\*\*\*

As of the July 16th meeting, the meeting location for our monthly in-person meetings has been changed to the <u>Tower Building Room 203 at Central Maine Community College, Turner Street, Auburn</u>. The room can seat 20 and has IT equipment for video and audio presentations. Meeting time will remain the same 7:00-8:30pm.

*Editors Note*: If you have any items or topics you would like included in the newsletter, please forward to me before the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. All submissions are subject to editing for continuity before sending for publishing. Please email your communications to: editor.kb1deb@gmail.com

As a reminder: Newsletter Archives can now be found on the Androscoggin Amateur Radio Club website W1NPP.org (*see reference below*)



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### **September ACORN Calendar 2022**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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