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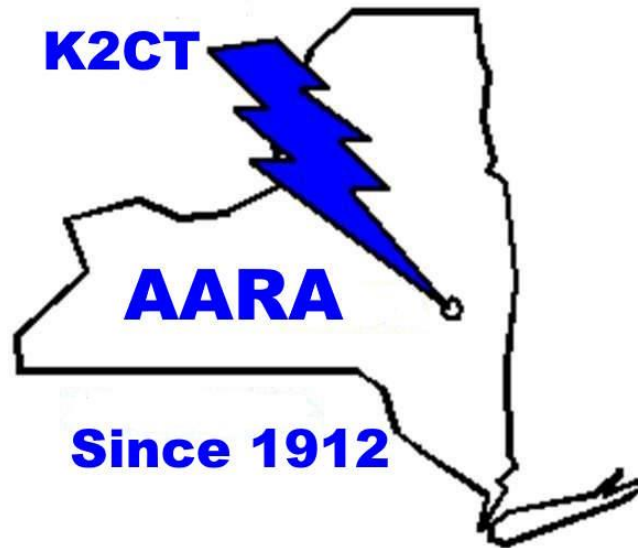
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AARA Next Meeting:  
November 6th, 2024 @ **7:00** PM  
Slingerlands Fire Dept.

Topic:  
**SKYWARN Training**  
Winter Weather Spotter

PLEASE Pay Your Dues  
Dues are \$20  
Checks can be sent to:

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# NWS ALBANY SKYWARN WINTER WEATHER SPOTTER TRAINING

**Date:**  
November 6, 2024

**Time:**  
7pm-9pm

**Location:**  
Slingerlands Firehouse  
1520 New Scotland Road  
Slingerlands, NY 12159

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# October 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting

The presentation was a video by RATPAC Amateur Radio entitled “Spy Radio Communications & CIA Bugs” hosted by Tom Perera, W1TP. Tom focused on World War II spy radios. He is the curator of the Enigma Museum: <https://enigmamuseum.com>, concerning the German code machine used during the war.



One of the radios mentioned in his presentation was the “Paraset”, a small suitcase style set for sending morse code. A number hams have built duplicates of the set, see the following: <https://www.paraset.nl/aa/>



Paraset Mk. 7 Radio at The [Bletchley Park](#) Museum

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## 2025 AARA Officer Elections

The following have been nominated for AARA 2025 officers:

President: Ernie K2EP

Vice President: Jerry WA3IWW

Secretary: Bruce WA3AFS

Treasurer: Saul K2XA

3 Year Director: Mike N2NSL

Nominations may be made from the floor at the December Meeting prior to the election.

**New!**

# 2025 ARRL CALENDAR

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and celebrate recent ham radio  
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### **The Eastern Iowa DX Bulletin:**

<http://www.eidxa.org/EIDXBulletin.html>