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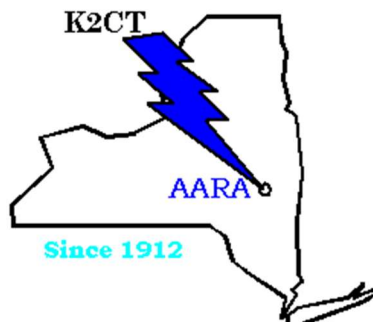
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# B-PLUS FEB. 2020

### AARA Meeting

Friday, FEB 14, 2020

**Bethlehem Town Hall**  
**445 Delaware Ave.**  
**Delmar, NY 12054**

Social Hour 6:30PM

Program 7:27PM

**Refreshments**

soda, coffee, water, cookies

## AARA FEB MEETING

We have Dave, KM2O, All About  
Winter Field Day.

What you missed!

How the exercise went.

Field Day 2020

June 27-28<sup>th</sup> 2020

**WE NEED a**

**Field Day CHAIRMAN**

**Its not hard, just some logistics**

**Please Volunteer WE NEED you NOW**

Contact Ernie, K2EP

**www.k2ct.org**

Bethlehem Town Hall

LAT 42°37'12.8"N

LONG 73°50'25.4"W

Please **PAY** your Dues.

### **AARA Dues**

Dues cheerfully accepted,

**Dues are \$20.**

B-PLUS Newsletter sent via the  
K2CT Web page in .pdf format

Checks should be made out to  
**AARA** and sent to:

**Saul Abrams, K2XA**

**307 Maple Rd.**

**Slingerlands, NY 12159**

## **ARRL HF Band Planning Committee** **Seeks Comments on** **Recommendations** ARRL.org 02/05/2020

The ARRL HF Band Planning Committee is **seeking comments and suggestions** from the Amateur Radio community on its **report** to the ARRL Board. At the Board's January meeting, the committee presented its **specific recommendations** in graphical form for each HF band and each US license class, with the goal of increasing harmony on the HF bands, particularly between CW and digital users.

See full article

<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-hf-band-planning-committee-seeks-comments-on-recommendations>

Reiterating the position ARRL has taken in recent FCC filings, the committee said it sees encryption and open-source as enforcement matters as being outside the scope of the Band Planning Committee.

The Committee would like **comments** by **February 19**.

## **Dayton Hamvention 2020 Web Portal** **Opens for Tickets, Exhibit Space**

ARRL.org 02/07/2020

Online orders for **Dayton Hamvention®** 2020 tickets, inside exhibit spaces, and flea market spots can now be placed online. Those who ordered online in 2019 should have their user IDs and passwords available when placing orders. Hamvention's all-volunteer staff will work as quickly as possible to respond to orders. If you encounter difficulties, email the appropriate committee: **Tickets**, **Inside Exhibits**, or **Flea Market**. Hamvention announced in December that it would be increasing the cost of admission and its booth fees. General admission is now \$26 in advance or \$31 at the gate for all 3 days. The cost of flea market spots has risen by \$5 per space, and inside exhibitors will pay \$30.

Hamvention 2020 takes place May 15 – 17 at the Greene County Fairgrounds and Exhibition Center, 210 Fairground Road, Xenia, Ohio.

Winter Field Day



Pic by Dave, KC2RPU



Winter FD 3 pics by Mike, WD2AJS



\*\*\*\*\* AARA CONTESTERS ON THE AIR \*\*\*\*\*

2019 CQWW DX CONTEST -- CW RESULTS

STATION	CATEGORY	QSOs	COUNTRIES	ZONES	CLAIMED SCORE
N2LBR	M/2	1220	371	108	1,636,743

(+WA1KKM)

Like the guy wearing the lampshade says, "Where'd everybody go?"

73,

Walt, WA1KKM and Sue, N2LBR

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**Special Operating Events**

**02/15/2020 | George Washington's Birthday**

**Feb 15-Feb 16, 1500Z-1700Z, K4US**, Alexandria, VA. Mt. Vernon Amateur Radio Club. 14.260 14.074 7.040. Certificate. MVARC, P.O. Box 7234, Alexandria, VA 22308. [www.mvarc.org](http://www.mvarc.org)

**02/15/2020 | Ice Station W0JH (Frozen Lake Portable)**

**Feb 15-Feb 17, 1600Z-2300Z, W0JH**, Stillwater, MN. Stillwater (MN) Amateur Radio Association - SARA. 21.360 14.260 7.260 3.860. Certificate. Shel Mann, N0DRX, 1618 Pine St. West, IceStation2020@radioham.org, Stillwater, MN 55082. W0JH is operating portable from a frozen lake in Washington County, Minnesota (Grid Square EN34). In a meager attempt to drive away the remainder of Minnesota winter, the Stillwater Amateur Radio Association (SARA) will be generating as much RF as possible over the President's Day long weekend. The club's youth are planning to independently operate throughout the event. Certificates will ONLY be sent via email in PDF format. (Send requests with standard QSL confirmation info to: IceStation2020@radioham.org). There is no need to send a QSL card. Info: W0JH at [www.QRZ.com](http://www.QRZ.com) & [www.Radioham.org](http://www.Radioham.org) [www.radioham.org](http://www.radioham.org)

**02/15/2020 | WHOA/SCOTA**

**Feb 15, 1400Z-2000Z, W1M**, Russell, MA. Western Mass Council Scouting USA. 14.290 14.060 7.190 7.060. QSL. Tom Barker, 329 Faraway Road, Whitefield, NH 03598. Paper logging is used--there will be a delay in sending out qsl cards--sase require

**02/21/2020 | George Washington's Birthday**

**Feb 21-Feb 23, 2359Z-2359Z, WS7G**, Moses Lake, WA. Columbia Basin DX Club. 14.255 7.222 3.855. QSL. Brian Nielson, 11650 Road 1 SE, Moses Lake, WA 98837. [cbn.home-stead.com/WS7G.html](http://cbn.home-stead.com/WS7G.html)

**02/22/2020 | Titan Missile Museum**

**Feb 22, 1600Z-2100Z, K7T**, Tucson, AZ. Oro Valley Amateur Radio Club. 7.040 CW 14.040 CW 14.250 USB 18.100 FT-8. Certificate. Email , [qsl@TucsonHamRadio.org](mailto:qsl@TucsonHamRadio.org), No paper QSL's please.. [www.TucsonHamRadio.org](http://www.TucsonHamRadio.org)



## **CONTESTING**

### **February 2020**

#### **ARRL School Club Roundup**

PODXS 070 Club Valentine Sprint  
ARRL Inter. DX Contest, CW  
Run for the Bacon QRP Contest  
AGCW Semi-Automatic Key Evening  
CQ 160-Meter Contest, SSB  
REF Contest, SSB  
High Speed Club CW Contest  
SKCC Sprint  
UBA DX Contest, CW  
North American QSO Party, RTTY

1300Z, Feb 10 to 2359Z, Feb 14  
0000Z-2359Z, Feb 14  
0000Z, Feb 15 to 2400Z, Feb 16  
0200Z-0400Z, Feb 17  
1900Z-2030Z, Feb 19  
2200Z, Feb 21 to 2159Z, Feb 23  
0600Z, Feb 22 to 1800Z, Feb 23  
0900Z-1700Z, Feb 23  
0000Z-0200Z, Feb 26  
1300Z, Feb 29 to 1300Z, Mar 1  
1800Z, Feb 29 to 0600Z, Mar 1

### **March 2020**

SARL Hamnet 40m Simulated Emerg Contest  
North Carolina QSO Party  
ARS Spartan Sprint  
AGCW YL-CW Party  
ARRL Inter. DX Contest, SSB  
Wake-Up! QRP Sprint  
SKCC Weekend Sprintathon  
Open Ukraine RTTY Championship  
4 States QRP Group Second Sunday Sprint  
YB DX RTTY Contest  
RSGB Commonwealth Contest  
AGCW QRP Contest  
Stew Perry Topband Challenge  
Oklahoma QSO Party  
EA PSK63 Contest  
QCWA QSO Party  
Idaho QSO Party  
QRP ARCI Spring Thaw SSB Shootout  
North American Sprint, RTTY

1200Z-1400Z, Mar 1  
1500Z, Mar 1 to 0100Z, Mar 2  
0200Z-0400Z, Mar 3  
1900Z-2100Z, Mar 3  
0000Z, Mar 7 to 2400Z, Mar 8  
0600Z-0800Z, Mar 7  
1200Z, Mar 7 to 2359Z, Mar 8  
1800Z, Mar 7 to 1359Z, Mar 8  
0000Z-0200Z, Mar 9  
0000Z-2359Z, Mar 14  
1000Z, Mar 14 to 1000Z, Mar 15  
1400Z-2000Z, Mar 14  
1500Z, Mar 14 to 1500Z, Mar 15  
1500Z, Mar 14 to 2100Z, Mar 15  
1600Z, Mar 14 to 1600Z, Mar 15  
1800Z, Mar 14 to 1800Z, Mar 15  
1900Z, Mar 14 to 1900Z, Mar 15  
2200Z-2300Z, Mar 14  
0000Z-0400Z, Mar 15



Pictures by Dave KC2RPU

## Winter Field Day

Band	CW	Phone	Dig	Total	%
160	0	2	0	2	1
80	84	62	23	169	42
40	52	119	5	176	44
20	1	15	28	44	11
15	1	1	0	2	1
10	1	1	0	2	1
6	1	1	0	2	1
2	0	1	0	1	0
70	0	1	0	1	0
Total	140	203	56	399	100

Points  $140 \times 2 + 203 (x1) + 56 \times 2 = 595$   
 Multipliers (Bands & Modes)  $\times 18$   
 Points time multipliers 10,710  
 Transmitter power 100w or less  $(\times 2)$   
 QSO Points 21,420  
 Bonus Points  
     Away from home 1,500  
     Satellite Contact 0 (See Note 1)  
     Alternate power 1,500  
**Claimed Score 3-Indoor 24,420 (See Note 2)**

This blew away last year's 2-Indoor claimed score of 8500 and our final score of 8003 by 3 times and is a testament to all your hard work! Thanks again!

Dave KM2O

Note 1: Despite heroic efforts, we were unable to complete the satellite contact due to the pileups and our difficult terrain for this type of QSO. A great job was done by Kate and John in attempting this difficult contact.

Note 2: Unlike June Field Day, claimed score is based on final log checking by Winter Field Day Association. Busted calls may result in a penalty assessment so our final score may be adjusted downward.







Winter Field Day 2020  
Pictures by Dave KC2RPU



### **This Week in Amateur Radio (<http://twiar.net>)**

This Week in Amateur Radio is on the K2CT repeater (145.190) on most Saturday nights at 9PM. This Week in Amateur Radio is a weekly news bulletin service dedicated to news and information useful to Amateur Radio.

**WE NEED a Field Day CHAIRMAN** contact Ernie, K2EP

Mike, WD2AJS@nycap.rr.com with your address corrections

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