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An ARRL Special Services Club

AARA

Meets at the Colonie Community Center

1653 Central Ave. Colonie

Friday May 9

Social Hour 6:55 PM Meeting begins 7:47 PM

refreshments soda, diet soda, coffee etc.

MAY Meeting

Field Day is June 28-29, 2008 Steve Mendelsohn W2ML

We welcome **Steve Mendelsohn W2ML**, a familiar friend of AARA, back to tell us about his position as the Game Day Frequency Coordinator for the NY Jets football team. Steve is responsible for the frequency coordination of all the RF that is used in the stadium on Game Day.

He is a senior systems engineer for ABC Television and currently president of the North Jersey DX association that also manages the W2 incoming QSL bureau and a former Hudson Division Director.

AARA Dues

Dues are \$15 with B-PLUS available at the K2CT Web page in .pdf format www.k2ct.net

OR \$20 for first class mailing of the newsletter Checks should be made out to AARA and sent to: Saul Abrams, K2XA, 307 Maple Rd., Slingerlands, NY 12159

K2CT Repeater

Talk-in repeater 145.19 (-) MHz pl tone 103.5Hz

or

444.30 (+) w/pl tone 100.0Hz

2008 CQ WPX PHONE CONTEST RESULTS

STATION	CATEGORY	QSOs	MULTS	CLAIMED SCORE
NJ1F	SO (H) A	532	307	357,655
WA1KKM	SO (H)	240	184	126,408
WA3AFS	SO (H) A	200	200	122,000
WC2L	SO (80M)	250	169	107,146
K2XA	SO (H)	125	103	37,904
KM2O	SO (L)	113	98	24,304
WF2B	SO (H) A	100	90	19,890

73,

Walt, WA1KKM and Sue, N2LBR



Congrates to George, K2ONP is the Plaque winner Hudson Division Single Operator Unlimited CW ARRL 2007 Sweepstakes.

Nice going George.

ATVET The Albany/Troy VE Team . ATVET is a joint effort of the Albany Amateur Radio Association (AARA), and the Troy Amateur Radio Association (TARA). We are affiliated with the ARRL/VEC, and have been proud to provide testing opportunities since 1984. ATVET offers new license exams and upgrade exams for all license classes. The fee for 2008 is still \$14.00.

Exam Date	Day	Doors Open	(Doors will Close)
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May 10, 2008	Saturday	9:20 AM	10:00 AM
July 23, 2008	Wednesday	6:20 PM	7:00 PM
October 11, 2008	Saturday	9:20 AM	10:00 AM
November 8, 2008	Saturday	9:20 AM	10:00 AM

ATVET LIAISON: Gerald Murray, atvet@n2ty.org or 518-482-8700

New Capital District Traffic Net Manager George M. Burns, W2SFD

George M. Burns, W2SFD, of Schenectady and a member of TARA will be taking over the helm of the Capital District Traffic Net as Net Manager, effective immediately. This is a bold move. Yes, George is very new to handling traffic, and he'll need help from the seasoned member's but he's not new to taking on a challenge and this is something he wanted to do. (It was not dumped in his lap.) George has a few ideas on how this net might improve over the coming months and all of us should support him fully.

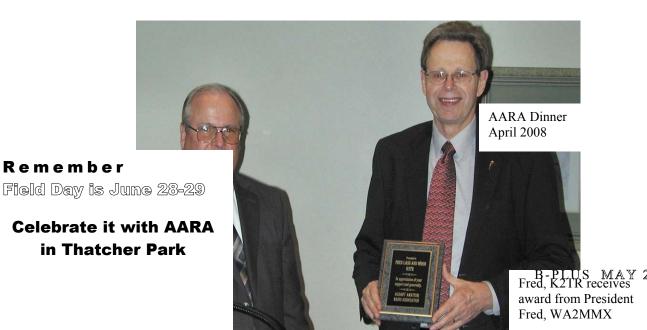


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Logbook of the World

ARRL's *Logbook of the World* (LoTW) system is a repository of log records submitted by users from around the world. When both participants in a QSO submit matching QSO records to LoTW, the result is a QSL that can be used for ARRL award credit.

To minimize the chance of fraudulent submissions to LoTW, all QSO records must be digitally signed using a digital certificate obtained from ARRL.

Obtaining such a certificate requires verification of

the licensee's identity either through mail verification (US) or inspection by ARRL of required documentation (non-US).

Software developed by ARRL can be used to convert a log file (in ADIF or Cabrillo file format) into a file of digitally signed QSO data, ready for submission to LoTW.

The basic steps of creating your LoTW account are:

• Download the software

http://www.arrl.org/lotw/#download

- Create a certificate request
- Upload the request
- Authenticate your request
- Load the certificate
- Back-up the certificate









More Pics

AARA Dinner

April 2008



