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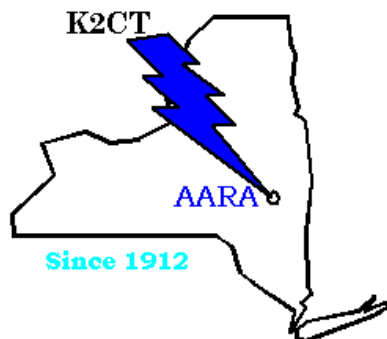
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100th Year Celebration

AARA

AARA Meets at the
Bethlehem Town Hall
Delaware Ave
Delmar, NY 12054

Friday MAY 11

Social Hour 6:55 PM
Meeting begins 7:47 PM
refreshments
soda, diet soda, coffee etc.

MAY MEETING

Field Day Planning

Emergency Preparedness

Changes in ENY Northern District
ARES/RACES

Pete Cecere, N2YJZ

Eastern NY Section Manager, ARRL

Getting started - On Air Contests.

ARRL Field Day

1800Z, Jun 23 to 2100Z, Jun 24

K2CT Repeater

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

AARA Dues

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

www.k2ct.net

OR

\$20 for mailing of the newsletter
Checks should be made out to AARA
and sent to:

Saul Abrams, K2XA

307 Maple Rd.

Slingerlands, NY 12159

50/50 Raffle at the meeting

\$1.00 for 1 ticket OR
3 tickets for \$2.00

Brunswick, NY. I believe they are gonna hand out a free drink coupon at the Brunswick BBQ (located down the street from the school)at the end of the event.

Thanks,

Steve KC2VUE, ph 308=6029

Volunteers Needed:

I am looking for 2-3 more volunteer to help out the Dragonfly Adventure on Sat May 19 starts at 8am, it will probably last until around noon. It will be held at Tamarac High School in

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

2012 CQ WPX PHONE CONTEST RESULTS

STATION	CATEGORY	QSOs	MULTS	CLAIMED SCORE
WC2L	SO (H) A	517	338	525,252
NE5LL (N1CC, op.)	SO (L) A	522	367	400,764
WA1KKM	SO (H)	360	244	284,260
W2GDJ	SO (H)	260	210	158,970
KM2O	SO (H)	273	195	138,060
WA3AFS	SO (H) A	100	100	34,800

Thanks for the scores!

73,Walt, WA1KKM and Sue, N2LBR

At the AARA Dinner 2012



Dave, WB2VXS and William, W2UDT Hudson Division Vice Director
Photos by Bud WF2B



Assemblyman Jack McEneny our guest speaker with Saul, K2XA
Photo by Bud WF2B

WPX Awards via LoTW Enters Beta Testing

The ARRL Letter 4/25/12

Earlier this year, the ARRL and CQ Communications [announced](#) that the ARRL will provide support for CQ-sponsored operating awards by the ARRL's Logbook of the World ([LoTW](#)) electronic confirmation system. The WPX Award is the first of the CQ-sponsored awards that LoTW will support.

"We had originally planned to introduce this new program in early April, but due to the introduction of the [new DXCC fee structure](#) and our new [Online DXCC application](#), we had to push the date back," explained ARRL Chief Operating Officer Harold Kramer, WJ1B. "We are now beta testing the program with a select group of hams and are looking forward to launching to LoTW-WPX partnership in the first part of May."

The ARRL's LoTW system -- an interactive database recording contacts between radio amateurs -- was created in 2003 and has been adopted by almost 50,000 radio amateurs worldwide. It already has records of more than 400 million contacts and is growing weekly. Amateurs will be able to use LoTW logs to generate lists of confirmed contacts to be

submitted for WPX credit. Standard LoTW credit fees and CQ award fees will apply.

ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, observed that this step gives radio amateurs throughout the world an inexpensive and convenient means of gaining credits toward CQ's popular operating awards. "LoTW has significantly increased interest and participation in the ARRL's DXCC, Worked All States and VUCC awards programs," he said when the partnership was announced. "We anticipate a similarly positive response to the addition of the CQ WPX award. Amateurs will be able to spend more time operating and less time chasing QSL cards."

CQ President Richard Ross, K2MGA, said he is very pleased to be able to move forward with LoTW support for CQ awards. "We have had excellent results with electronic confirmations for several years," he explained. "I am glad that we are now able to begin expanding that convenience to those participants in our award programs who use Logbook of The World. We look forward to a smooth launch for WPX and to the expansion of LoTW support to include the rest of our award programs, as well."

Yaesu is the Principal Sponsor of the LoTW website.



Steve, KC2VUE receives the AARA Service Award from AARA President John, K2QY with AARA Treasurer Saul, K2XA looking on.



AARA Dinner 2012

Photos by Bud, WF2B

AARA Website

www.k2ct.net

ARRL Field Day

Jun 23 to Jun 24

ATVET Albany Troy Volunteer Examiner Team

If you are interested in amateur radio, and would like to take the exam, the Albany/Troy VE Team (ATVET) stands ready to assist. ATVET is a joint effort of the Albany Amateur Radio Association (AARA), and the Troy Amateur Radio Association (TARA).

ATVET will again be holding their exam sessions in the C.I.I. Building (Low Center for Industrial Innovations), Room 3045, on the Campus of RPI. Examination room doors will open 40 minutes prior to the exam time, with exams starting at the times indicated below.

If you like to help out next season contact: ATVET LIAISON: Gerald Murray, WA2IWW
atvet@n2ty.org or 518-482-8700

Exam Date	Day	Doors Open	Exam Time (Doors will Close)
April 28, 2012	Saturday	9:20 AM	10:00 AM
May 4, 2012**	Friday	6:30 PM	7:00 PM
July 25, 2012	Wednesday	6:20 PM	7:00 PM
October 13, 2012	Saturday	9:20 AM	10:00 AM
November 10, 2012	Saturday	9:20 AM	10:00 AM

** Location for exam will be: Elsmere Fire Department, 15 West Poplar Drive Delmar NY 12054.
 Parking in attached lot. Handicapped accessible.



Photo by Bud, WF2B

AARA Treasurer Saul, K2XA and AARA President John, K2QY receives 100 year celebration plaque from Joyce, K2ANF Hudson Division Director and David, K1ZZ Chief Executive Officer ARRL

ARRL Field Day 1800Z, Jun 23 to 2100Z, Jun 24

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