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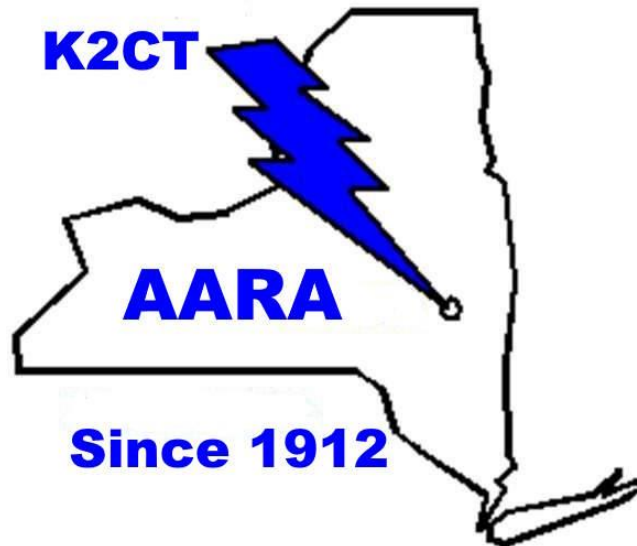
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AARA Next Meeting:
Wednesday, November 4th, 2026
7:00 PM – Note Earlier Time

Topic:
SKYWARN Training

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

Saul Abrams, K2XA
307 Maple Rd.
Slingerlands, NY 12159

October Meeting

The October meeting was held online via ZOOM due to the firehouse being used for Halloween activities. November's meeting will be back at our regular locations for SKYWARN training. Nominations for next year's slate of officers are welcome. The following public service events can use more volunteers:

Trunk or Treat – Elm Street Park, Delmar Oct. 21st 3:15pm
Contact Kate WY2Q

Pumpkin Patrol – Halloween, October 31st

John, KE1IH gave a presentation on the following popular upcoming contests:

CQWW (CQ World Wide DX Contest)

The world's most popular Amateur Radio competition.

SSB: October 24 - 25, 2026

CW: November 28 - 29, 2026

Starts: 0000 UTC Saturday
Ends: 2359 UTC Sunday

See: <https://cqww.com> for full details

New York QSO Party (NYQP)

12-hour Contest Period: October 17, 2026, from 14:00 UTC through 01:59 UTC. (10:00 AM Eastern Time through 9:59 PM Eastern Time). Work as many stations inside and outside of New York as possible during the contest period. Website: nyqp.org



NWS ALBANY WINTER SKYWARN SPOTTER TRAINING

Date:

Wednesday, November 4, 2026

Time:

7pm-9pm

Location:

Slingerlands Firehouse
1520 New Scotland Road
Slingerlands, NY 12159

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a weather spotter!**

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Questions? Contact us!
alb.stormreport@noaa.gov



Winter Field Day

Save the date: WFD will on January 23rd and 24th, 2027. We be at Lawson Lake Park as in previous years. Details will be discussed at our December meeting.

For the rules see: <https://winterfieldday.org>



Tribander at 2026 WFD



2026 ARRL

OCTOBER 16-22, 2026

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Important Links:

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Find a license exam in your area: www.arrl.org/exam

The Eastern Iowa DX Bulletin:

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