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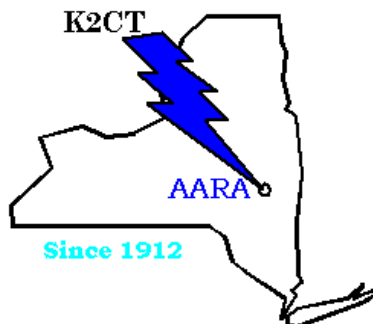
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AARA Meeting
Friday, Oct. 12 2018

Bethlehem Town Hall
445 Delaware Ave.
Delmar, NY 12054

Social Hour 6:50PM

Refreshments
soda, coffee, water, cookies

AARA Oct. Meeting

Ron Fish, KX1W

ARRL ENY Affiliated Club Coordinator

"Benefits of ARRL Club Affiliation"



Field day 2018 Pics by Dave KC2RPU

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.
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Online Fundraising Campaign Backs ISS Radio Upgrades

ARRL 10/04/2018

ARRL and AMSAT are supporting a **FundRazr campaign** to raise \$150,000 for critical ham radio infrastructure upgrades on the International Space Station (ISS).

“ARRL is in critical need of infrastructure upgrades to ensure that programs such as talking to astronauts in space using Amateur Radio can continue,” ARRL International President Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, said. ARRL seeks several upgrades, including new Amateur Radio communication and experiment capabilities, such as an enhanced voice repeater, updated digital Automatic Packet Reporting System (APRS), and slow-scan television (SSTV) with image uplinks and downlinks in both US and Russian segments; next-generation radio systems that will support easier mode and capability transitions, and a multi-voltage power supply to support present and future radio capabilities.

Bauer points out that ARRL needs to build 10 next-generation radio systems to support the development of on-orbit operations, training, and long-term maintenance. This includes two units for on-orbit use (one unit each for the US and Russian segments), two flight spares, three units for training, one unit for testing, and two units for ground-based maintenance and troubleshooting. — *Thanks to AMSAT News Service via Frank Bauer, KA3HDO*

School Club Roundup

<http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup>

Fall Term: October 15-19, 2018

Objective: To exchange QSO information with club stations that are part of an elementary, middle, high school or college. Non-school clubs and individuals are encouraged to participate.

Sponsored by the ARRL, its Hudson Division Education Task Force and the Long Island Mobile Amateur Radio Club (LIMARC) to foster contacts with and among school radio clubs.

Award certificates will be issued for the following US and DX categories:

Schools: Elementary, Middle/Intermediate/Junior High School, High School and College/University

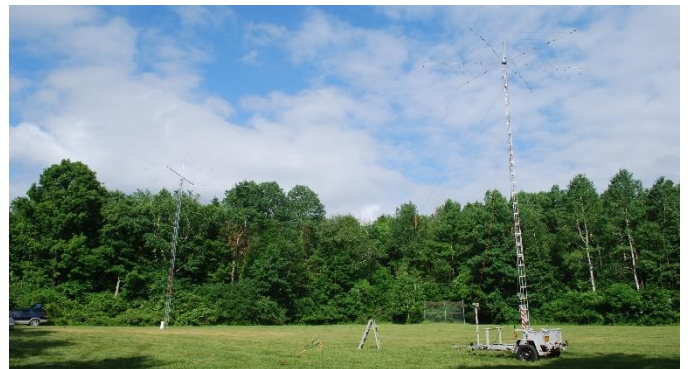
Non-school Clubs, or Individuals

Web Submission of Scores and Logs: Click [here](#) for the SCR score entry website. Scores and logs for any School Club Roundup may be entered from the time the contest begins through the log submission deadline published below. A logs-received page is also maintained and provisional scores will be published immediately following the log submission deadline. Thanks to WA7BNM for creating this new score reporting and publishing web site.

Multipliers: Note that a station can *only* count for a single multiplier as described in Rule 5 below. i.e. a contact may count for a "School" or a "Club" but not both. A "school club" counts as a "school" only. Contacts submitted claiming both multipliers will be scored according to the log submitted by the station contacted.

Exchange: Your call sign, RS (T), class ("Individual", "Club" or "School"), U. S. A. State, Canadian Province/Territory or DXCC country/entity. (Multi-operator group stations must choose one call sign to use for the whole operating period.)

Suggested frequencies: All amateur bands except 60, 30, 17 and 12 meters are permitted. Repeaters are not to be used. Only recognized simplex frequencies may be used. U. S. A. examples include 144.90-145.00; 146.49, .55, 58; and 147.42, .45, .48, .51, .54 and .57 MHz. The national calling frequency, 146.52 MHz, may not be used. Similar restrictions apply in other countries.





ATVET Albany Troy Volunteer Examiner Team

| Exam Date | Day | Doors Open | Exam Time (Doors will Close) |
|-------------------|----------|------------|---------------------------------|
| October 13, 2018 | Saturday | 9:20 AM | 10:00 AM |
| November 17, 2018 | Saturday | 9:20 AM | 10:00 AM |

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 above. **NOBODY** will be admitted into the exam room after the starting time. **ATVET** never requires any pre-registration for any of their exams. Starting January 1, the fee charged all applicants at ARRL VEC-coordinated Amateur Radio examination sessions will be \$15.00 either cash, or check (payable to ARRL-VEC). This fee is required from all candidates taking any of the exam elements offered by this team.

If you can HELP OUT

Contact **ATVET LIAISON: Gerry, WA2IWW** atvet@n2ty.org or 518-482-8700

Contesting

October 2018

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| German Telegraphy Contest | 0700Z-0959Z, Oct 3 |
| SARL 80m QSO Party | 1700Z-2000Z, Oct 4 |
| Oceania DX Contest, Phone | 0800Z, Oct 6 to 0800Z, Oct 7 |
| California QSO Party | 1600Z, Oct 6 to 2159Z, Oct 7 |
| 10-10 Int. 10-10 Day Sprint | 0001Z-2359Z, Oct 10 |
| Makrothen RTTY Contest | 0000Z, Oct 13 to 1559Z, Oct 14 |
| Oceania DX Contest, CW | 0800Z, Oct 13 to 0800Z, Oct 14 |
| Scandinavian Activity Contest, SSB | 1200Z, Oct 13 to 1200Z, Oct 14 |
| SKCC Weekend Sprintathon | 1200Z, Oct 13 to 2359Z, Oct 14 |
| Arizona QSO Party | 1600Z, Oct 13 to 2359Z, Oct 14 |
| Pennsylvania QSO Party | 1600Z, Oct 13 to 2200Z, Oct 14 |
| FISTS Fall Unlimited Sprint | 1700Z-2100Z, Oct 13 |
| 10-10 Int. Fall Contest, CW | 0001Z, Oct 20 to 2359Z, Oct 21 |
| New York QSO Party | 1400Z, Oct 20 to 0200Z, Oct 21 |
| Worked All Germany Contest | 1500Z, Oct 20 to 1459Z, Oct 21 |
| Asia-Pacific Fall Sprint, CW | 0000Z-0200Z, Oct 21 |
| Illinois QSO Party | 1700Z, Oct 21 to 0100Z, Oct 22 |
| Run for the Bacon QRP Contest | 0100Z-0300Z, Oct 22 |
| SKCC Sprint | 0000Z-0200Z, Oct 24 |
| CQ Worldwide DX Contest, SSB | 0000Z, Oct 27 to 2400Z, Oct 28 |

November 2018

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| Ukrainian DX Contest | 1200Z, Nov 3 to 1200Z, Nov 4 |
| ARRL Sweepstakes Contest, CW | 2100Z, Nov 3 to 0300Z, Nov 5 |

2018 Division Director Elections

ARRL Hudson Division Director

VOTING (ARRL members)

Mike Lisenco, N2YBB

Ria Jairam, N2RJ

Make your choice and send in your ballot

Are You Changing Your Address: Please contact Walt, WA1KKM 518 456-3637 or via e-mail sue.walt@dososaur.com with your address corrections

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