



IN-NEWSLETTER

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UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENT

Administration & Finance Committee Meeting

April 18 @ Zoom

Most upcoming events have been cancelled until further notice. This section will be updated as new information becomes available.

ARRL Podcasts: Downloads and Charts

Reported by Michelle Patnode, W3MVP and Carla Pereira, KC1HSX

The *ARRL Audio News* hit a new milestone this week, surpassing 675,000 downloads! *Eclectic Tech* also hit a new milestone with over 20,000 views, and *On the Air* is not far behind! It appears there has been no decline in members continuing to tune in to ARRL's podcasts during this time.

ARRL Audio News dated April 10, 2020:



<https://blubrry.com/arraudio/news/58456700/arrl-audio-news-april-10-2020/>

- Download: **676,843**
- This episode hit #40 on Apple Podcasts USA Tech News

Eclectic Tech Episode 4 dated April 9, 2020



<https://blubrry.com/eclectictech/56845276/arrrls-eclectic-tech-episode-5/>

- Downloads: **20,032**
- This episode hit #80 on Apple Podcasts USA Technology

On the Air Episode 3 dated April 9, 2020



<https://blubrry.com/arrlontheair/58288312/on-the-air-episode-4/>

- Downloads: **17,729**
- Currently #108 on Apple Podcasts USA Technology

Chief Executive Office

Reported by Carla Pereira, KC1HSX

Barry Shelley, N1VXY, and Diane Middleton, W2DLM, continue to hold meetings via Zoom throughout the week, including regular updates and monthly department meetings among others, while continuing to

adapt to the changes and issues arising from the Corona-19 virus situation. Following a conference call with Governor Lamont on Thursday, they shared with staff that his new guidelines indicate that the shelter-in-place order for non-essential businesses will remain in effect until May 20. They will continue to monitor the situation and adjust HQ operations as needed.

Barry, Diane, and Carla also prepared for this Saturday's Administration & Finance Committee meeting, being held via Zoom.

Communications

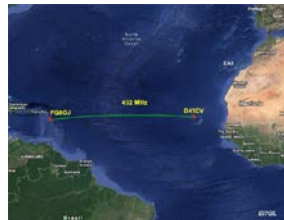
Reported by Michelle Patnode, W2MVP

Top Social Media Posts:



ARRL Main Facebook: "ARRL has hit a home run with On the Air magazine! Although I've been licensed for 45 years and know my way around the hobby, this periodical instructs the new as well as refreshes the experienced ham. Great job on creating an eye appealing and topical publication!" – Bill W3PNM, Willow Hill, Pennsylvania Read On the Air magazine now... Members use the FREE ARRL Magazines app or visit www.arrl.org/ota Non-members get a sample issue here www.arrl.org/ota-sample

On the Air Facebook: When listening to a repeater, have you ever wondered why a tone sounds a few seconds after someone stops transmitting? That's the courtesy beep! It's there to remind us to wait a second or two before responding. It gives a little bit of breathing room to help ensure that somebody who wants to get into the conversation, can. Learn more about how to get into – and out of – conversations on repeaters in "Answering the Call" in the March/April 2020 issue of On the Air.



Twitter: First Transatlantic Contact on 70 Centimeters Reported <http://ow.ly/q73h102dMwH> #ARRL #HamRadio

Instagram/LinkedIn: The May issue of Digital QST is now available for viewing on your desktop or laptop. Click the link in bio to read the issue. It is also available for reading on your Apple, Android, or Kindle Fire device. • Try an easy, multiband HF antenna. • Build your own HF communications receiver. • Discover the Lightbulb QSO Party. • Take a journey to the Canadian Maritimes. ... and much more! #ARRL #AmateurRadio #RadioCommunications #QST #DigitalMagazines



Field Services

Reported by Steve Ewald, WV1X

Leona Adams, W1LGA, reports that Virgin Islands Section Manager Fred Kleber, K9VV, and Southern Florida Section Manager Barry Porter, KB1PA, have been nominated to run for new terms of office in their respective sections. Nominations for this Section Manager election cycle are due at Headquarters by June 5, 2020, and the next terms of office begin on October 1, 2020.

Field Organization Reports for March have been coming in, and Steve Ewald has been compiling these for June QST.

Lab

Reported by Joe Carcia, NJ1Q

WIAW

Thank you to Scott Gee, WB9RRU, for continuing to work his regular evening shift so as to maintain WIAW's on-air presence. Scott also worked on fast and slow code practice run files for the week. Since currently there is no regular mail distribution, Scott is not processing paper VUCC applications (although this situation is being monitored). He has processed eight (8) electronic VUCC applications for a total of 140 credits.

Radiosport

Reported by Sharon Taratula

Paper/Fieldcheck Processing Time	4 Weeks
Logbook Processing Time	2 Business Days
2020 DXCC Applications	3,956
2020 WAS Applications	605
2020 VUCC Applications	188
2020 WAC Applications	40
2020 WPX Applications	271
2020 WAZ Applications	234

Hamfests/Conventions/Meetings with ARRL Representation/Vacations

Leona Adams	07/09 – 07/13	PTO
Joe Carcia	07/06 – 07/10	PTO
“	07/17	PTO
“	07/24	PTO
“	07/31	PTO
“	08/03 – 08/07	PTO
“	08/14	PTO
“	08/21	PTO
“	08/28	PTO
“	10/09 – 10/12	PTO
“	12/04	PTO
“	12/11	PTO
Regina Galuppi	08/08 – 08/15	PTO
Scott Gee	09/14 – 09/19	PTO
Bob Inderbitzen	05/21 – 05/29	PTO
Diane Middleton	06/22 – 06/26	PTO

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