



IN-NEWSLETTER

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Covers the period July 14 – 26, 2019

Upcoming In-Person Meetings and Event

Rocky Mountain Division Convention (Utah Hamfest)

August 8 – 10 @ Ogden, UT

Alabama State Convention

August 17 – 18 @ Huntsville, AL

Society of Midwest Contesters Fest

August 24 @ Normal, IL

JARL Ham Fair 2019

August 31 – September 1 @ Tokyo, JAPAN

New England Division Convention (HamXposition @ Boxborough)

September 6 – 8 @ Boxborough, MA

New Mexico State Convention

September 20 – 22 @ Albuquerque, NM

ARRL Audio News

Please listen to the most recent *ARRL Audio News Podcast*, dated July 19, 2019:

<https://www.blubrry.com/arrlaudionews/46176320/arrl-audio-news-july-19-2019/>

Chief Executive Office

Reported by Carla Pereira, KC1HSX

ARRL HQ hosted several committee meetings last week in advance of the 2019 2nd Board of Directors meeting, always held the third weekend of July. The newly formed Committee on Communication to Members held their first in-person meeting. Also meeting at HQ last week were the Administration & Finance Committee, the Logbook of the World Committee, and the Programs & Services Committee.

The 2019 2nd Board of Directors Meeting was held in Windsor last Thursday evening through Saturday. The Board Agenda and Committee reports to the Board are available and have been posted to the ARRL website: <http://www.arrl.org/board-meetings>. The Minutes of the meeting will be posted once they have been approved.

Communications

Reported by Michelle Patnode, W3MVP

Top Social Media Posts for Week Ending 7/14/19:

Twitter: Report: California Earthquakes Disrupted HF Propagation on West Coast
<http://ow.ly/3lHZ101FjRE> #ARRL #HamRadio

Facebook: Responding to Tropical Storm Barry, the Hurricane Watch Net (HWN) and WX4NHC — the



Amateur Radio station at the National Hurricane Center (NHC) in Miami — have announced plans to activate. The HWN will activate today (July 12) at 2300 UTC on both 14.325 MHz and 7.268 MHz. “We will operate on 14.325 for as long as propagation allows and will suspend operations on 7.268 MHz at 0300 UTC,” HWN Manager Bobby Graves, KB5HAV, said. “Net operations will resume Saturday morning at 1230 UTC (on both 14.325 MHz and 7.268 MHz) or as soon as the Waterway Net concludes operation.” Graves said that once the net activates on Saturday, it will remain in operation until further notice. Graves said the HWN also will be available to provide back-up communication to official agencies in the affected area and will be collecting and reporting “significant damage assessment data” to FEMA officials at the National

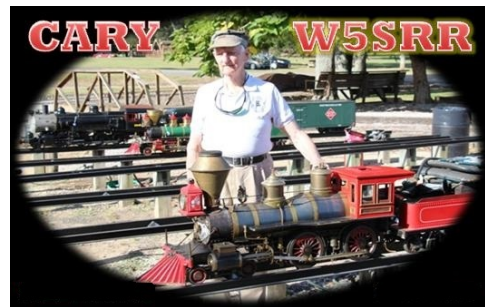
Hurricane Center. WX4NHC will activate July 12 at 8 PM EDT (July 13 at 0000 UTC) and operate through landfall on Saturday. <http://www.arrl.org/news/hwn-wx4nhc-at-national-hurricane-center-to-activate-for-tropical-storm-barry> #TropicalStormBarry #TSBarry

Podcast Downloads

- **Audio News:** 507,328
- **So Now What?:** 51,787
- **The Doctor is In:** 1,050,062

Top Social Media Posts for Week Ending 7/21/19

Facebook: The Nashville Tennessean newspaper recently featured the story of a 104-year-old ARRL member who contributed to Nasa's effort to put the first humans on the moon 50 years ago this month. Cary Nettles, W5SRR, of Columbia, Tennessee — who calls himself the nation’s oldest rocket scientist still alive — was a NASA project manager and research engineer on rocket propulsion systems in the 1950s and 1960s. <http://www.arrl.org/news/view/centenarian-radio-amateur-s-efforts-helped-pave-the-way-to-the-moon>



Instagram: Are you a ham-pilot? #HamRadio and aviation go hand-and-sky at this year’s #EAA AirVenture in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, July 22-28. Drop by #ARRL’s exhibit in Hangar B to meet member-volunteers at the big annual air show and fly-in. #OSH19

Twitter: No Consensus Reached for FCC on “Symbol Rate” Issues <http://ow.ly/ntYo101G1Qo> #ARRL #HamRadio

LinkedIn: From celebrity sightings to prize drawings, catch up on what happened at “The 2019 ARRL National Convention at Dayton Hamvention” in the August 2019 issue of #QST, including a breakdown of this year’s new mobile event app. Read it in the digital edition, online now, or in the print issue, arriving soon.



Podcast Downloads

- **Audio News:** 511,508
- **So Now What?:** 53,552
- **The Doctor is In:** 1,059,623

ARRL **So Now What?** is now ranked #74 on the Apple Podcasts Games & Hobbies chart in United States of America!

Development

Reported by Diane Middleton, W2DLM

Alan Feldmeier, NØXP, became the 277th Member of the Maxim Society on July 8, 2019.

Field Services

Reported by Steve Ewald, WV1X

With the nomination receipt deadline of September 6th approaching, the following incumbent Western Massachusetts Section Manager, Raymond Lajoie, KB1LRL of Lunenburg, has recently submitted his nomination to run for a new two-year term of office. A new SM nominee, Charles P. Talley, KJ4KVC, of Lyles, Tennessee, has also submitted his petition for the Tennessee section. Leona Adams reminds us that the new terms of office for this particular election cycle start on January 1, 2020.

Steve Ewald completed work on the 2019 Simulated Emergency Test announcement for September *QST*, including updates to the 2019 SET reporting forms on the ARRL Web. Leona and Steve also finished work on the June Field Organization Reports column for September *QST*.

Lab

Reported by Joe Carcia, NJ1Q

WIAW Report for Week Ending 7/14/19:

Joe hosted some of this year’s TI-2 student teachers while they operated WIAW. Some wanted to make 2-meter FM contacts with WIAW.

Joe and Michelle Patnode recorded audio for the “So Now What?” podcast.

Scott Gee, WB9RRU, worked on fast and slow code practice files for the week. Scott also processed thirty-three electronic VUCC applications for a total of 2026 credits.

WIAW Report for Week Ending 7/21/19:

Joe updated the web code practice files and their archives. He also processed four Code Proficiency certificates and one endorsement.

Joe and Michelle recorded audio for the “So Now What” podcast.

Scott Gee, WB9RRU, worked on fast and slow code practice files for the week. Scott also processed eight paper and twenty-eight electronic VUCC applications for a total of 1,808 credits.

Lifelong Learning

Reported by Kris Bickell, K1BIC

The first two weeks of Teachers Institute were recently completed, with 8 students attending the TI-2 session at HQ the week of July 8, taught by Matt Severin, N8MS, and assisted by Mike McKaughan, K1DM. Another 9 students attended the TI-1 session hosted by the Dayton Amateur Radio Association (DARA) the week of July 15, taught by Larry Kendall, K6NDL. A special thanks to DARA for their hospitality during the week.

Several Teachers Institute participants appeared on Ham Talk Live on July 11, including the host of Ham Talk Live, Neil Rapp, WB9VPG. Instructor Matt Severin, N8MS, Lifelong Learning Administrator Ally Flynn, KM3ALF, and Lifelong Learning Manager Kris Bickell appeared as guests on the show. Several students also appeared on the show, including Dan Pooler, AC1EN, Jeff Weigel, KW4HD, Tom Laybourn, KE0SGU, Cora Suggs, KN4NNU, and Mariusz Zielinski, KB1MDS.



Use this link to listen to Episode 172 - ARRL Teachers Institute Live from Newington, CT:

<https://www.spreaker.com/user/hamtalklive/episode-172-arrl-teachers-institute-live>

Production/Editorial

Reported by Becky Schoenfeld, W1BXY

The September 2019 issue of *QST* is at the printer.

The Production Department has published ARRL's 2018 Annual Report. It is available for download at <http://www.arrl.org/annual-reports>. Print copies are also available.

Radiosport

Reported by Bart Jahnke, W9JJ

Paper/Fieldcheck Processing Time	4 weeks
Logbook Processing Time	1 – 2 business days
2019 DXCC Applications	6,373
2019 WAS Applications	1,171
2019 VUCC Applications	505
2019 WAC Applications	64
2019 WPX Applications	466
2019 WAZ Applications	459

Sales and Marketing

Reported by Yvette Vinci, KC1AIM

Jackie Ferreira, KB1PWB, began promoting the book of the month to our 92,000 email publication subscribers, now that the savings have been increased to 20%. The July *QST* book of the month is [Magic Band Antennas for Ham Radio](#).

Jackie also worked with Sue Fagan, KB1OKW, to design ads introducing the 2020 *ARRL Handbook* and 24th edition *ARRL Antenna Book* multi-volume boxed set for September *QST*. Pre-orders for the new editions will begin September 3rd and orders will begin shipping early October.

The Amazon Smile program was promoted as a news story on Amazon prime day July 15th and 16th.

Upgrade postcards featuring upgrade training materials are being mailed to 23,088 Technician and 39,524 General Class Members.

Revenue forecasts and expense budgets are being prepared for the 2020/2021 plan.

Yvette prepared the bulk email notification for the August 2019 digital edition of *QST*, distributed to ARRL members on Wednesday, July 10. The distribution list included 118,006 members. She also reports that on Tuesday, July 23, a reminder emailing was sent to members with a summary of "What's trending" in August *QST*—taking advantage of some early analytics shared by Michelle Patnode.

The Tour Guide Manual has been updated and has been redistributed to HQ volunteers last week.

Hamfests/ Conventions/Meetings/ ARRL Representative/Vacations

Leona Adams	08/01 – 08/02	PTO
Steve Capodicasa	09/16 – 09/20	PTO
Joe Garcia	07/26	PTO
“	08/02	PTO
“	08/05 – 08/09	PTO

“	08/16	PTO
“	08/23	PTO
“	10/11 – 10/14	PTO
“	10/18 – 10/21	PTO
Eric Casey	08/16 – 08/18	Alabama State Convention, Huntsville, AL
Steve Ewald	07/30 – 08/09	PTO
Jackie Ferreira	08/12 – 08/14	PTO
Steve Ford	08/12	PTO
“	08/19	PTO
“	08/28 – 08/30	PTO
Regina Galuppi	08/10 – 08/17	PTO
Scott Gee	09/20	PTO
Bob Inderbitzen	07/20 – 07/29	EAA AirVenture, Oshkosh, WI
“	08/16 – 08/19	Alabama State Convention, Huntsville, AL
Bart Jahnke	08/12 – 08/14	PTO
“	08/23 – 08/24	Society of Midwest Contesters Fest, Normal, IL
Monique Levesque	07/29 – 08/12	PTO
Howard Michel	08/08 – 08/11	Rocky Mountain Division Convention, Ogden, UT
“	08/16 – 08/18	Alabama State Convention, Huntsville, AL
“	08/25 – 08/29	PTO
“	08/30 – 09/02	JARL Ham Fair 2019, Tokyo, JAPAN
“	09/03 – 09/05	PTO
“	09/06 – 09/07	New England Division Convention, Boxborough, MA
“	09/12 – 09/13	PTO
Diane Middleton	08/20	PTO
“	08/23	PTO
“	11/11	PTO
“	11/25 – 11/29	PTO
Carla Pereira	09/06	PTO
Diane Petrilli	08/02 – 08/16	PTO
Yvette Vinci	07/26	PTO
“	08/02	PTO

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