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Upcoming Meetings and Events

Events listed below are subject to change at any time; information will be updated as soon as it becomes available. See also the [ARRL Contest Calendar](#) and [Hamfest and Convention Database](#).

ARRL November Sweepstakes – CW | November 5 – 7, 2022

ARRL EME Contest – 50 to 1296 MHz (Weekend 4) | November 12 – 13, 2022

ARRL November Sweepstakes – Phone | November 19 – 21, 2022

ARRL 160 Meter Contest | December 2 – 4, 2022

ARRL 10 Meter Contest | December 10 – 11, 2022

ARRL Rookie Roundup – CW | December 18, 2022

ARRL Straight Key Night | January 1, 2023

ARRL Foundation Scholarship Program, 2023 applications | deadline, 12 PM ET, January 4, 2023

Kid's Day, sponsored by ARRL | January 7, 2023

ARRL RTTY Roundup | January 7 – 8, 2023

ARRL Annual Board Meeting, Windsor, Connecticut | January 20 – 21, 2023

ARRL January VHF Contest | January 21 – 23, 2023

[Winterfest](#), hosting the ARRL Midwest Division Convention, Collinsville, Illinois | January 28, 2023

[Orlando HamCation](#), hosting the ARRL Southeastern Div. Conv., Orlando, Florida | Feb. 10 – 12, 2023

Thanks to so many of our team who supported the Connecticut Section ARRL Member Open House on Saturday, October 29, 2022. It was a great opportunity to welcome many drive-ins from across the state on a picture-perfect fall day. We also shared job openings and opportunities to volunteer. The busy lobby store saw over \$2,500 in total receipts. See the entire photo album on ARRL's [Facebook](#) page.



Executive Office

David Minster, NA2AA, has been participating in the IARU Region 2 General Assembly this week. The ARRL delegation is led by President Rick Roderick, K5UR (Head of Delegation). International Affairs Vice President Rod Stafford, W6ROD, is also participating, serving as the Area B Director for Region 2. The meetings began on Monday, October 31, with five evening sessions concluding on Friday, November 4. The meetings are held virtually -- approximately three hours each.



The Executive Office is preparing for two upcoming events: the Southeastern election that will occur on November 18th; and the last A&F Committee meeting of the year, that will take place at HQ on November 19th.

Development Reported by Diane Middleton, W2DLM

Two ARRL Maxim Society members have been upgraded based on their accumulated donations to ARRL.

- Richard P. Beebe, K1PAD, of the New England Division is now Ambassador Class.
- Dennis S. Schumm, W8BFX, of the Northwestern Division is now Benefactor Class.

The 2023 Spectrum Defense mailing went into the mail stream on Friday, October 28th.

Sales and Marketing

Advertising Sales

Reported by Janet Rocco, W1JLR

December *QST* advertising was completed and uploaded by the production department on Thursday, October 20th.

Revisions to the 2023 ARRL Media Guide are underway.

Janet Rocco, W1JLR, is working with Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R; Becky Schoenfeld, W1BXY, and David Pingree, N1NAS, to examine opportunities to expand our advertising offers in the digital editions of our magazines.

Retail Sales and Marketing

Reported by Jackie Ferreira, KB1PWB

The 2022 ARRL Online Auction concluded at 10 PM Eastern on October 27th. The auction is supported and administered by Lisa Tardette, KB1MOI, who reports that 118 of 123 items were bid on totaling \$32,306. The ARRL Mystery Lab Junque Boxes along with the Yaesu FT-847 Transceiver received the most bids. We'd like to thank Joe Johnsky and Steve Capodicasa for their help.

Jackie Ferreira, KB1PWB, has been working on a handful of promotions featuring [Handbook 100](#). A special two-sided insert was produced for the December issue of *QST*. A mailing was completed, which will soon deliver to 60,000 members and past *Handbook* purchasers. Also, the [Six-Volume Paperback Edition](#) of *The Handbook* is now shipping.

The retail marketing team improved the staging of our publications and products in the lobby, in advance of the Connecticut Section ARRL Member Open House being held on Saturday, October 29th. The lobby looked great!

Education & Learning
Reported by Steve Goodgame, K5ATA

Steve Goodgame, K5ATA, met with Don Wilson at the Talcott Science Center in Avon, Connecticut, to observe the amateur radio program currently in place. Discussions were held about ways ARRL can partner with the Science Center to add to the value of their STEM offerings.



The October Teachers Institute was held October 24 – 28. Ten teachers from around the country attended the professional development opportunity, learning about how to take amateur radio back to their students. Additionally, participating teachers from the Mississippi School for the Blind helped us understand how visually impaired students can learn and participate in amateur radio. The teachers are building lesson plans that will be added to a growing repository to be made available to all teachers.

Steve Goodgame and Scott St-Onge, WF4STR, met with BlueSky, the Learning Management System company behind the ARRL Learning Center, to discuss the feasibility and processes required to add additional learning paths to the current system. A section of the Learning Center will be built and made available to teachers with lesson plans and video demonstrations to help teachers integrate wireless technology into their classes.

Education and Technology grants are coming in and will be awarded early next month.

The ARRL Learning Center currently has 63,587 registered users with 412 users actively participating in online training last week. 16 course completion certificates were issued, 332 assessments were taken, and 1,184 course presentations were viewed.

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| Instructor Registrations | 12 |
| Teacher Registrations | 4 |
| School Outreach Packets Requested | 0 |
| Licensing Course Listings | 9 |
| Graduation Kits | 2 |
| EmComm Course Completions Processed | 27 |
| VE Exam Sessions Posted | 7 |

W1AW

Reported by Joe Carcia, NJ1Q

The Connecticut Section ARRL Member Open House brought at least 70 visitors to W1AW on Saturday. While a number of visitors operated W1AW, less than 70 contacts were made. Operating conditions were great! However, it was also CQ World Wide DX SSB contest weekend, and the bands were filled with participants. There was very little room on the bands to run piles-ups! All visitors received a "Visitor Certificate" while present. Certificates were mailed out to those who didn't pick them up at the time of their visit.

On Wednesday, October 26th, Matt Strelow, KC1XX, and Andrew Toth – both of XX Towers, Inc – were on hand to perform the autumn W1AW/W1HQ antenna/tower inspections. For W1AW, a small repair to the 160-meter broadcast antenna was performed. For W1HQ, a new DXE RT4500HD rotator was installed on the new Rohn 55G tower. The counterweight on the Az/El Satellite antenna system was also adjusted. Both station's towers/antennas were also inspected.

Joe has been spending time reworking the cabling system in the Radio Lab, W1HQ. This included running new coaxial runs to each position. He will next work on reorganizing the various USB/HDMI cables running to each PC (in each rack). Joe is working on moving all the Green Heron Engineering server systems – for antenna selection and rotator control – over to a single PC (located in W1HQ). The antenna patch panel has been relabeled, and new coaxial jumpers made.



On Friday, October 21st, Joe presented W1AW to students at Mahone Middle School in Kenosha, Wisconsin, during their Career Day. The presentation was requested by Brittany Chase and Katherine Peterson, teachers who attended the July Teachers Institute held here at ARRL.

Scott worked on slow and fast code practice files for the week. He also processed eight (8) paper and seventeen (17) electronic VUCC applications for a total of 1707 credits.

ARRL Lab

Reported by Ed Hare, W1RFI

Upcoming travel for Ed Hare, W1RFI and Steve Anderson, W1EMI:

- 11/3 - 11/5 -- IEEE EMC Society Board of Directors meeting, Piscataway, NJ
- 11/7 - 11/11 -- C63 American EMC Committee meeting, Santa Rosa, CA

Radiosport
Reported by Sharon Taratula

Week ending October 26

| Processing Time | Most Recent Week | Difference Over Previous Period |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| DXCC Paper/Fieldcheck Processing Time | 2 Business Weeks | 0 |
| DXCC Logbook Processing Time | 2 Business Days | 0 |
| WAS Paper/Fieldcheck Processing Time | 2 Business Days | 0 |
| WAS Logbook Processing Time | 2 Business Days | 0 |
| VUCC Paper/Fieldcheck Processing Time | 5 Business Weeks | 0 |
| VUCC Logbook Processing Time | 3 Business Days | 0 |

YTD Applications

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|------------------------|------|-------|
| 2022 DXCC Applications | 9843 | + 227 |
| 2022 WAS Applications | 2511 | + 55 |
| 2022 VUCC Applications | 1470 | + 35 |
| 2022 WAC Applications | 73 | 0 |
| 2022 WPX Applications | 607 | + 14 |
| 2022 WAZ Applications | 654 | + 19 |

Week ending November 2

| Processing Time | Most Recent Week | Difference Over Previous Period |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| DXCC Paper/Fieldcheck Processing Time | 2 Business Weeks | 0 |
| DXCC Logbook Processing Time | 2 Business Days | 0 |
| WAS Paper/Fieldcheck Processing Time | 2 Business Days | 0 |
| WAS Logbook Processing Time | 2 Business Days | 0 |
| VUCC Paper/Fieldcheck Processing Time | 4 Business Weeks | - 1 |
| VUCC Logbook Processing Time | 3 Business Days | 0 |

YTD Applications

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|------------------------|--------|-------|
| 2022 DXCC Applications | 10,046 | + 203 |
| 2022 WAS Applications | 2565 | + 54 |
| 2022 VUCC Applications | 1495 | + 25 |
| 2022 WAC Applications | 73 | 0 |
| 2022 WPX Applications | 614 | + 7 |
| 2022 WAZ Applications | 660 | + 6 |



Some of the team supporting the Connecticut Section ARRL Member Open House on Saturday, October 29, 2022

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