



## IN-NEWSLETTER

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**Covers the period November 11 – November 24, 2018**

### Upcoming In-Person Meetings and Events:

#### **West Central Florida Convention**

December 7 @ Plant City, FL

#### **LoTW Committee Meeting**

January 16 @ ARRL HQ, Newington

#### **New Director/Vice Director Orientation**

January 16 @ ARRL HQ, Newington

#### **Administration & Finance Committee Meeting**

January 17 @ ARRL HQ, Newington

#### **Programs & Services Committee Meeting**

January 17 @ ARRL HQ, Newington

#### **ARRL Annual Board Meeting**

January 17 – 19 @ Windsor, CT

### ARRL Audio News

Please listen to the latest edition of the *ARRL Audio News Podcast*, dated November 16, 2018:

<https://www.blubrry.com/arrlaudionews/39466898/arrl-audio-news-november-16-2018?sbe=1>

### Chief Executive Office

Reported by Carla Pereira, KC1HSX

The votes were counted in the 2018 ARRL Director and Vice Director elections on November 16 in five Divisions. The winners are:

- Central Division – Director: Kermit Carlson, W9XA (by 143 votes) and Vice Director: Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA (uncontested)
- Hudson Division – Director: Ria Jairam, N2RJ (by 53 votes) and Vice Director William Hudzik, W2UDT (uncontested)
- New England Division – Director: Fred Hopengarten, K1VR (by 49 votes) and Vice Director: Mike Raisbeck, K1TWF (uncontested)
- Northwestern Division – Director: Mike Ritz, W7VO (by 281 votes) and Vice Director: Mark Tharp, KB7HDX (by 140 votes)
- Roanoke Division – Director: Bud Hippiusley, W2RU (by 526 votes) and Vice Director: Bill Morine, N2COP (by 237 votes)

Congratulations to all the winners, and a sincere thank you to the outgoing incumbents for their years of service to the League. Thank you as well to all the volunteers who helped with counting, and to the department managers for sparing your employees for the day.

Howard Michel, WB2ITX, Barry Shelley, N1VXY, and Dave Sumner, K1ZZ, met for an informal lunch.

Howard continues to meet with department managers and staffers around the building.

### **Communications**

Reported by David Isgur, N1RSN

Michelle Patnode, W3MVP was one of the ARRL HQ staffers assigned to sorting ballots in the ARRL Division elections on Friday, Nov. 16. David Isgur took photos of the election counting process that were posted to the ARRL's social media feeds. He also helped with distributing the election results to the ARRL News web page, as well as the ARRL Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn social media feeds.

David and Michelle met with Ed Hare, W1RFI, Bob Allison, WB1GCM, and Kris Bickell, K1BIC, to begin formulating plans to establish a "Lifelong Learning Lab" in celebration of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Hiram Percy Maxim. The goal is to create a permanent space within the Lab that would be used for filming informational and educational videos. Michelle is researching developing a list of recommendations for the audio, video and lighting equipment that would be needed.

Michelle worked with the ARRL Sales and Marketing Department on social media posts for its Thanksgiving Giveaway.

Michelle gathered analytics from Google Analytics on the top four articles in the December digital *QST* and gave that information to Yvette Vinci for the monthly "What's Trending" *QST* email newsletter.

Michelle also arranged a series of social media posts to promote articles in *QST* magazine.

David worked on arranging 2017 Leonard Award presentations for both audio (to The Takeaway on WNYC in New York) and video reporting (to The Weather Channel in Atlanta).

Michelle, along with Joe Carcia and Sabrina Jackson, KC1JMW, did recording sessions for the upcoming "So Now What?" podcast. Michelle also worked on editing the audio recordings.

David took part in the first meeting of a new ARRL sub-committee that is looking into evaluating and enhancing the relationship between ARRL and the ARISS (Amateur Radio on the International Space Station) program. The sub-committee is chaired by West Gulf Division Director Dr. David Woolweaver, K5RAV.

### **Media Mentions**

Among the most notable stories posted to the Media Hits ([www.arrl.org/Media-Hits](http://www.arrl.org/Media-Hits)) web page were:

- A feature story about the members of an amateur radio club that provides communication assistance for the Manchester (CT) Road Race, a longtime Connecticut tradition on FOX61 News
- A story about how different states allow the promotion of amateur radio callsigns on license plates, posted on AutoTrader.com
- A story about how a donation of amateur radio equipment will aid the Salvation Army chapter in Minneapolis with its disaster response
- A feature story in the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review about the activities of the Steel City Amateur Radio Club.

Instagram reached its 5,000 followers mark on November 11 (5,011 to be exact!)

### Top Social Media Posts November 11 - 17



**Facebook:** Try something a little different with John Stanley's, K4ERO, build for an hourglass loop #antenna. This versatile antenna is very easy to make and provides as much gain as a two-element Yagi. Learn more about it in the Free Article of the Month, "The Hourglass Loop Antenna," available now in your December 2018 digital edition of #QST. Print issues are on the way.

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**LinkedIn:** Congratulations to #ARES #SKYWARN Coordinator and Emergency Coordinator for the Eastern Massachusetts Section, Rob Macedo, KD1CY, on receiving the Blue Hills Observatory Outstanding Service Award! Weather Channel Meteorologist Jim Cantore and previous Weather Channel Meteorologist Mish Michaels presented the award. <https://lnkd.in/etxxB9c> #PublicService #HamRadio #WeatherChannel #BlueHillsObservatory



**Twitter:** ARRL Director, Vice Director Election Results Announced <http://ow.ly/V7Hd101mboI> #ARRL #HamRadio

### Top Social Media Posts – November 18 - 24



**Facebook:** Happy Thanksgiving from all of us at #ARRL HQ! We want to celebrate by giving away one limited edition 2019 ARRL Handbook Six-Volume Boxed Set. To enter, comment on this post with something, or someone in the #hamradio community you are thankful for. Giveaway ends Sunday November 25th, 2018 at 11:59 pm. One lucky winner will be chosen at random. Follow our Facebook Page to stay tuned for when the winner is announced. You can also share this sweepstakes and tag your friends so they can participate too. Good luck!

**Instagram:** Thanksgiving is right around the corner. We wanted to celebrate and say thanks by giving away one limited edition 2019 ARRL Handbook Six-Volume Boxed Set! Head over to our Facebook page now and until November 25th to enter. #Thanksgiving #Giveaway #ARRL #HamRadio

**LinkedIn:** The ISS has been used in Amateur Radio communication for decades, but now it's time to do so with a new mode — packet radio. For tips on how to give it a try, check out Patrick Stoddard's, WD9EWK/VA7EWK, article "Making Contacts Through the ISS." Available now in the December 2018 print or digital edition of QST.

**Twitter:** AMSAT's Fox-1Cliff CubeSat Launch Delayed <http://ow.ly/pCZ5101mj3a> #ARRL #HamRadio



## **Lab**

Reported by Joe Carcia, NJ1Q

### **WIAW**

*Report for the week ending November 17, 2018:*

Joe met with Dave Isgur and Michelle Patnode to record a second test recording for the new podcast that will (tentatively) debut in 2019. He also had conference calls with Rosalie White, K1STO, and ARISS Mentor David Jordan, AA4KN, to discuss the technical aspects of the equipment used for the ARISS Go-Kit.

Scott Gee, WB9RRU, worked on fast and slow code practice files for the week. He processed two paper and sixteen electronic VUCC applications for a total of 1144 credits.

*Report for the week ending November 24, 2018:*

Joe updated the web code practice files and their archives. He processed seven Qualifying Run certificates and four endorsements. He and Michelle Patnode also recorded their first “pre-demo” podcast.

Scott worked on slow and fast code practice files for the week. He processed two paper and several electronic VUCC applications for a total of 869 credits.

## **Radiosport**

Reported by Norm Fusaro, W3IZ

*For week ending November 17:*

Paper/Fieldcheck Processing Time	3 – 4 weeks
Logbook Processing Time	1 – 2 business days
2018 DXCC Applications	12,241
2018 WAS Applications	2,253
2018 VUCC Applications	908
2018 WPX Applications	848
2018 WAZ Applications	889

*For week ending November 25:*

Paper/Fieldcheck Processing Time	3 weeks
Logbook Processing Time	1 – 2 business days
2018 DXCC Applications	12,450
2018 WAS Applications	2,278
2018 VUCC Applications	922
2018 WPX Applications	861
2018 WAZ Applications	900

## **Hamfest/Member Contact/ARRL Representative/Meetings/Vacations**

Joe Carcia	11/30	PTO
“	12/07	PTO
Steve Ewald	11/26 – 12/06	PTO
“	12/07 – 12/08	West Central Florida Section Convention, Plant City, FL
Steve Ford	12/03	PTO
“	12/26 – 12/21	PTO

Norm Fusaro	11/26 – 11/30	PTO
Scott Gee	12/10 – 12/11	PTO
“	12/26 – 12/28	PTO
Dan Henderson	12/07 – 01/07	PTO
Bob Inderbitzen	12/04	PTO
“	12/26 – 12/28	PTO
“	12/31	PTO
David Isgur	12/10 – 12/14	PTO
Monique Levesque	12/26 – 01/01	PTO
Howard Michel	12/06	Leonard Award Presentation, NY, NY
“	12/07	PTO
“	12/14	PTO
“	12/17 – 12/18	McGan Awards Presentation, Atlanta, GA
“	12/26 – 12/31	PTO
Diane Middleton	12/14	PTO
“	12/26 – 12/28	PTO
Michelle Patnode	12/26 – 12/31	PTO
Diane Petrilli	12/20 – 12/21	PTO
“	12/26	PTO
“	12/28 – 12/31	PTO
Carla Pereira	12/07 (1/2 day)	PTO
Maria Somma	12/06 – 12/10	PTO

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