



IN-Newsletter

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Upcoming In-Person Meetings and Events:

Rocky Mountain Division Convention

May 26 – 27 @ Cody, WY

SEA-PAC 2017

June 2 – 4 @ Seaside, OR

HAM RADIO 2017

July 14 – 16 @ Friedrichshafen, Germany

ARRL 2nd Board Meeting

July 21 – 22 @ Farmington, CT

PCC.11

June 26 – 29 @ Orlando, FL

ARRL Audio News

Due to Hamvention 2017, the Audio News podcast was not recorded last week. Audio News will return this week.

Chief Executive Office

Reported by Tom Gallagher, NY2RF

Tom Gallagher traveled to Ohio for Hamvention along with the rest of the ARRL coterie. On Thursday evening, he attended the 17th Annual ARRL Donor Recognition Reception, at America's Packard Museum, spending time with some of ARRL's most generous donors (more on that event below, in "Development".)

On Friday, Tom spent the day meeting and speaking with attendees at ARRL's section and while attending various seminars. He also met with numerous advertisers. In the evening, he represented the League at the Yaesu Appreciation dinner.

On Saturday, in addition to attending various ARRL seminars scheduled throughout the day, Tom gave a presentation at the ARRL member forum along with Rick Roderick. He then attended the ARRL Collegiate Amateur Initiative seminar.

Development

Reported by Lauren Clarke, KB1YDD

Development staff returned from Hamvention with \$18,104 in donations, including \$10,000 from the Dayton Amateur Radio Association; \$10,000 will be applied toward DARA's \$100,000 Second Century Campaign commitment, and \$10,000 as an unrestricted donation. Development staff also had the opportunity to talk with many members, and thank donors for their support. John Kanode, N4MM, also presented Lauren Clarke with a check on behalf of the Shenandoah Valley Amateur Radio Club to establish a new scholarship.

The 17th Annual ARRL Donor Recognition Reception, held Thursday, May 18th at America's Packard Museum, welcomed nearly guests. Attendees mingled among the beautiful mid-century cars while enjoying hors d'oeuvres and drinks before listening to key note speaker Joel Hallas, W1ZR, author of many ARRL publications as well as the well-known *QST* column, The Doctor is In. Photos will be posted from the evening as soon as they are available.

The Spring Spectrum Defense mailing will go into the mail this week to 60,000 members.

The ARRL Foundation Scholarship Committee has submitted their selections for the 2017 scholarship awards. The full board will review and approve the selections, and recipients and sponsors will then be notified.

Education

Reported by Lisa Kustosik, KA1UFZ

ARISS Contacts:

- May 15, a telebridge contact between students from Virginia Reinhardt Elementary School in Rockwall, TX and astronaut Thomas Pesquet, KG5FYG was successful.
- May 8, a telebridge contact between students from Ecole College Park School, Saskatoon in Saskatchewan, Canada and astronaut Jack Fisher, K2FSH was successful. He answered all 16 questions with 480 individuals in the audience.

Teachers Institute

All applicants have been chosen. A letter was mailed out this week to all applicants. Lisa is working on the logistics with the chosen students for both the Newington class which will take place the week of July 24th and the Dayton class which will take place the week of July 17.

Teacher Registration	Instructor Registration	Graduation Kit Requests	License Class Listings
2	5	1	33

Field Services

Reported by Dave Patton, NN1N

W1AW

You can tell it was “Dayton Week,” given the influx of visitors to W1AW. Despite the high number of visitors, somewhat poor band conditions kept the QSO count down for the week.

The 40-meter antenna (Cushcraft XM-240) used for code practice and bulletin transmission failed. An issue with one (or more) of the coils near the capacity hats appears to be the cause. This is not the first time this has happened with this type of antenna. The 40-meter visitor antenna has been placed into temporary service.

Scott worked on slow and fast code practice texts for the upcoming week. He also processed 10 electronic VUCC and 5 paper VUCC applications, and processed 631 VUCC credits between the two.

Joe created the texts for the June W1AW Qualifying Runs. He processed one Qualifying Run certificate. Joe processed regular QSL card requests. He also updated the W1AW weekly QST CW practice source page and the June Qualifying Run schedules web pages. He began assembly of a temporary 40-meter “fat” dipole to be used for the 40-meter scheduled transmissions.

Media & Public Relations

Reported by Sean Kutzko, KX9X

For the first time, ARRL provided extensive live coverage of Dayton activities including forums and walkabouts. ARRL posted a number of videos, both live and edited, from the 2017 Hamvention, with Sean Kutzko and Becky Schoenfeld filming from the convention, and Michelle Patnode editing videos over the weekend as they were sent to her from the field.

In addition to the videos mentioned below, some of the other interview subjects included IARU President Tim Ellam, VE6SH; former Director of the HAARP facility in Alaska, Steven Floyd, W4YHD; July *QST* “Member Spotlight” subject Jeremy Hong, KD8TUO; ARRL authors Joel Hallas, W1ZR, Ward Silver, N0AX, and Glen Popiel, KW5GP. We also carried back hours of video, including an interview with Glen Popiel on his new Arduino book.

Facebook Engagement

Facebook live videos with the most engagement:

- “Amsat SO50 pass” (Reactions: 220/ Comments: 59/ Shares: 56/ **Total: 335**)
- “Hamvention open” (Reactions: 214/ Comments: 34/ Shares: 21/ **Total: 259**)
- “W8D from Hamvention is on 14.270 now 1414z” (Reactions: 228/ Comments: 11/ Shares: 20/ **Total: 259**)

Facebook video interviews with the most engagement:

- “Becky Schoenfeld, W1BXY, and Jeri Ellsworth, AI6TK, at #Hamvention!” (Reactions: 97/ Comments: 1/ Shares: 30/ **Total: 128**)
- “Nathaniel Frissell, W2NAF, and Sean Kutzko, KX9X, at #Hamvention!” #HamSCI #ARRL #HamRadio” (Reactions: 49/ Comments: 3/ Shares: 21/ **Total: 73**)
- “Sean Kutzko, KX9X, and Ward Silver, N0AX, at #Hamvention! Learn about Ward's new book, Grounding and Bonding for the Radio Amateur.” (Reactions: 39/ Comments: 2/ Shares: 7/ **Total: 48**)

Radiosport

Reported by Norm Fusaro, W3IZ

Paper/Fieldcheck Processing Time	2 – 3 Weeks
Logbook Processing Time	1 – 2 Business Days
2017 DXCC Applications	4,963
2017 WAS Applications	587
2017 VUCC Applications	185
2017 WPX Applications	265

Regulatory Information/Assistant Secretary

Reported by Dan Henderson, N1ND

The ballot count for the replacement election for a Vice Director, Southwestern Region, was held last Friday. There were three candidates running. After counting over 3,000 valid ballots, the declared winner is **Edward “Ned” Stearns, AA7A**, who won with 1,836 votes—more than double the second place count.

Dan Henderson would like to thank Leona Adams, Gloria Flores, Tom Frenaye, Greg Kwasowski, Amy Leary, Diane Middleton, Michelle Patnode and Carla Pereira for their assistance in planning, executing, and finalizing the ballot count.

Sales and Marketing

Reported by Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R

2017 Hamvention® at its new home in Xenia, Ohio is over! The ARRL team included over 100 volunteers, and 17 members of the HQ staff. Despite a rather crowded ARRL exhibit space, and occasionally long lines, we received many nice comments about the ARRL EXPO. Here are a few:

- “Service with a smile! A wonderful Hamvention and a wonderful booth by the ARRL!”
- “I felt that it was an orderly quick check out considering the number of people served at the convention.”
- “Very congenial and personable attention despite heavy pressure from a large crowd.”
- “Membership renewal and merch purchase moved very smoothly even with a large crowd!”
- “Handled the large crowds very well, considering the all new situations.”

Kim McNeill, Margie Bourgoïn, Jon Faasen, Michael Scharr, Yvette Vinci, and Bob Inderbitzen traveled to Hamvention – making up much of our advance team, and handling the majority of setup and logistics for ARRL’s exhibit area.

While some of our department was traveling for Hamvention, Liz Karpiej, Ally Riedel, and Cathy Stepina kept the office running, and handled over 441 phone calls.

Bob Inderbitzen compiled these two 60-second GoPro videos at Hamvention:

- The Faces of 2017 Hamvention
<http://tinyurl.com/ARRL-FacesOf2017Hamvention>

- A Walk Through 2017 Hamvention
<http://tinyurl.com/ARRL-WalkThrough2017Hamvention>

You can also view ARRL's Hamvention photo album on [Facebook](#).

ARRL's new book, *Grounding and Bonding for the Radio Amateur*, which was introduced in April, has already sold out! We'll take delivery of the second printing in just a couple of days.

Hamfest/Member Contact/ARRL Representative/Meetings/Vacations

Leona Adams	05/26	PTO
"	06/26 – 06/30	PTO
Bob Allison	06/15 – 06/19	PTO
Steve Capodicasa	06/04	PTO
Joe Carcia	05/26	PTO
"	06/09	PTO
"	06/16	PTO
"	07/05 – 07/07	PTO
"	07/14	PTO
"	07/21	PTO
"	07/28	PTO
"	08/04	PTO
"	08/07 – 08/11	PTO
"	08/25	PTO
"	10/09	PTO
Steve Ford	05/26	PTO
Tom Gallagher	06/01 – 06-04	SEA-PAC, Seaside, OR
"	06/22 – 06/28	PCC.II Meeting, Orlando, FL
Scott Gee	05/30 – 06/02	PTO
"	06/29 – 06/30	PTO
"	09/15 – 09/18	PTO
Perry Green	TBD	Medical Leave
Dan Henderson	05/30 – 06/02	PTO
"	06 28 – 06/30	PTO
"	07/19 – 07/23	PSC Committee and Board of Directors meetings, HQ
"	07/05	PTO
Bob Inderbitzen	06/01 – 06/04	SEA-PAC, Seaside, OR
"	06/30 – 07/05	PTO
"	07/11 – 07/17	HAM RADIO, Friedrichshafen, Germany
"	07/18	PTO
"	08/21 – 08/25	PTO
Lisa Kustosik	05/30	PTO
Sean Kutzko	05/25 – 05/30	Rocky Mountain Division Convention, Cody, WY
"	06/29 – 06/30	PTO
Diane Petrilli	06/15 – 06/16	PTO
"	06/26 – 06/30	PTO
"	07/07	PTO
"	07/14	PTO
"	07/28	PTO
"	08/04 – 08/11	PTO
"	09/29	PTO

Barry Shelley	06/09	PTO
Jon Siverling	07/19 – 07/29	PTO
“	08/18 – 08/23	PTO
“	10/06	PTO

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