

IN-NEWSLETTER

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<u>Upcoming In-Person Meetings and Event</u> Committee on Communications with ARRL Members

July 16 @ HQ, Newington

LoTW Committee Meeting July 17 @ HQ, Newington

Administrative & Finance Committee Meeting
July 18 @ HQ, Newington

Programs & Services Committee Meeting

July 18 @ HQ, Newington

Nevada State Convention July 19 @ Reno, NV

ARRL 2nd Board Meeting July 19 – 20 @ Windsor, CT

The entire ARRL staff and Board extend their deepest sympathies to Diane Middleton on the loss of her father.

ARRL Audio News

Please listen to the most recent *ARRL Audio News Podcast*, dated June 21, 2019: https://www.blubrry.com/arrlaudionews/

Chief Executive Office

Reported by Carla Pereira, KC1HSX

Howard Michel, WB2ITX, attended HAM Radio Friedrichshafen, Europe's largest ham radio convention held June 21 – 21, along with several staff and Board members. At the ARRL booth, they greeted attendees and visitors, processed memberships, and attended various presentations. Read more about Friedrichshafen below in the "Product Development" section of this newsletter.

Carla Pereira and Dan Henderson have begun the planning and preparations for the July 2019 Board meeting.

Carla and Monique held in-person interviews with the final two candidates for the position of Executive Assistant. A selection was made, and Deidre (Dee) Methe officially starts on June 28. Welcome Dee!

Communications

Reported by Dave Isgur, N1RSN

Top Social Media Posts

Twitter: Radio Amateur to Lose License as Part of Enforcement Case Settlement http://ow.ly/BjIJ101DCVN #ARRL #HamRadio



Facebook: Check out some of these highlights from Field Day 2019! #ARRLFD #HowDoYouFieldDay #HamRadio (Photo within post)

Four clubs operated from the Westport Astronomical Observatory Society for Field Day! Including the Westport club, there were also club members from Housatonic (ARC), Greater Bridgeport (ARC), and Greater Fairfield (ARC).

See more photos here! https://www.facebook.com/20069212407/posts/10156 668087482408/

Instagram: A clever way to make QSO's this Field Day using #FT8 is to use Virtual Network Computing on your mobile device. This allows you to remote in to your computer, (in this case specifically a #RaspberryPi). You can be in two locations at once! What are your operating tips for Field Day? #FieldDayisComing #ARRLFD #FiveDays Photo 1: Joe Carcia's, NJ1Q, "PiTop" setup. Photo 2: Virtual Network Computing via mobile.





LinkedIn: Strong signals get loud and weak signals can be hard to find, but you can give your transceiver's volume dial a break when you "Add Automatic Gain Control to Your Receiver," a quick read by Rick Littlefield, K1BQT, in the July 2019 issue of #QST that lets you focus on the nets. Read it digitally or in your print issue today!

Podcast Downloads

• **Audio News:** 497,446

• So Now What? 41,494

• **The Doctor is In:** 1,033,645

Lab

Reported by Joe Carcia, NJ1Q

W1AW

Field Day 2019 has come and gone! Despite the somewhat tepid band conditions, radio activity was pretty good. W1AW was active as a 3F entry. A total of 1,131 contacts were made on 160 to 2 meters – including a Satellite QSO on 70 cm - using CW, Phone, and FT8 (just one RTTY contact) for an initial claimed score of 1,486. Thanks to Libby and Dave Karpiej, KA1DTU and K1THP, respectively; Lab

Volunteer Pete Turbide, W1PT, and his partner Wendy Skeen, N1WMS; Bart Jahnke, W9JJ; Paul Bourque, N1SFE; and Joe Carcia for operating W1AW. Thanks also to Charlene and Dave, KC1LNM, Distefano for visiting the station on Saturday.

Joe updated the web code practice files and their archives.

Joe readied the station for Field Day operation. He swapped the amplifiers used for the 80-meter scheduled transmissions. He also handled all the Field Day W1AW bulletins for the weekend.

Scott Gee, WB9RRU, worked on slow and fast code practice files for the week. He also processed seven paper and thirty-one electronic VUCC applications for a total of 2031 credits.

Product Development

Reported by Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R

Bob traveled to Germany to help operate the ARRL booth at the 2019 International Exhibition of Radio Amateurs in Friedrichshafen. Our representatives also included President Rick Roderick, K5UR; International Affairs Vice President Jay Bellows, K0QB; CEO Howard Michel, WB2ITX; and Regulatory Information Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND. We enjoyed greeting members and visitors throughout the convention. Dan led the team of volunteer Card Checkers who supported applicants for DXCC and other popular ARRL Award programs. Around 40 candidates sat for their US license examinations on Saturday, organized by ARRL VE team leader Manfred Lauterborn, DK2PZ / K2PZ from Grasbrunn, Germany. Bob returned with 88 membership applications and even a couple of donations. He also posted photos to ARRL's Facebook page throughout the event. Before returning home, Bob attended a radio club meeting in Switzerland. He exchanged experiences and challenges facing US radio clubs with the group – and finding much common ground.

We're assembling materials for ARRL's exhibit at the upcoming EAA AirVenture, to be held July 22-28 in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. This is our second year exhibiting at the event with help from member-volunteers. AirVenture draws a half million aviation enthusiasts. The effort contributes to a strategic objective to increase interest in Amateur Radio from among groups with likeminded interests. Nearly 600 hams visited our booth in Oshkosh last year.

In May we received a commission of \$4,697 from RFinder (vs. \$6,600 forecast), earned on new and renewal subscriptions of RFinder made during the fourth quarter 2018 (\$21,307 for FY 2018; \$25,588 for FY 2017; \$23,532 for FY 2016).

Radiosport

Reported by Bart Jahnke, W9JJ

Paper/Fieldcheck Processing Time	4 weeks
Logbook Processing Time	1 – 2 business days
2019 DXCC Applications	5,588
2019 WAS Applications	1,038
2019 VUCC Applications	385
2019 WAC Applications	57
2019 WPX Applications	401
2019 WAZ Applications	421

Sales and Marketing

Reported by Yvette Vinci, KC1AIM

Yvette prepared the bulk email notification for the July 2019 digital edition of *QST*, distributed to ARRL members on Monday, June 10. The distribution list included 117,620 members. She also reports that on Wednesday, June 19, a reminder emailing was sent to members with a summary of "What's trending" in July *QST*—taking advantage of some early analytics shared by Michelle Patnode, W3MVP.

We completed a review of the department's year to date results as part of the mid-year reforecast exercise.

Membership applications returned from the West Gulf Division Convention (Ham-Com) held on June 7-8, 2019, have all been processed. Of the 128 applications, 28 were from new and previous members.

Jackie Ferreira reports that in celebration of summer, we are holding an exciting 1-Day ARRL Flash Sale, offering 25% off orders of \$50 or more on select ARRL publications.

The ARRL General Class License Manual new ninth edition is available in Kindle format from Amazon.

Hamfests/	Conventions/Meetings/	'ARRL Re	presentative/\	Vacations
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Leona Adams	07/01 - 07/03	PTO
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Steve Capodicasa	07/12	PTO
"	07/19	PTO
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Joe Carcia	07/01 - 07/03	PTO
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"	07/26	PTO
"	08/02	PTO
"	08/05 - 08/09	PTO
"	08/16	PTO
"	08/23	PTO
"	10/11 - 10/14	PTO
Eric Casey	08/16 - 08/19	Alabama State Convention, Huntsville, AL
Scott Gee	08/19 - 08/22	PTO
"	09/20 - 09/23	PTO
Dan Henderson	07/01 - 07/03	PTO
Bob Inderbitzen	06/20 - 06/23	HAM Radio Friedrichshafen, Germany
"	07/01 - 07/03	PTO
"	07/20 - 07/29	EAA AirVenture, Oshkosh, WI
"	08/16 - 08/19	Alabama State Convention, Huntsville, AL
Howard Michel	07/24 - 07/03	PTO
"	07/18 - 07/20	ARRL 2 nd Board Meeting, Windsor, CT
Diane Middleton	06/17 - 07/05	PTO
"	11/25 - 11/29	PTO
Carla Pereira	09/06	PTO
Diane Petrilli	08/02 - 08/16	PTO
Maria Somma	07/15 - 07/18	PTO

" Yvette Vinci	7/19 07/22 07/02 – 07/03	NCVEC Annual Conference PTO PTO
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