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Upcoming Meetings and Events

Events listed below are subject to change at any time. See also the ARRL [Contest Calendar](#) and [Hamfest and Convention Database](#).

ARRL [Volunteers On the Air](#) (VOTA) | Yearlong

ARRL [Rookie Roundup](#) – Phone | April 16

[World Amateur Radio Day](#) | April 18

Dayton Hamvention®, ARRL [Great Lakes Division Convention](#), Xenia, Ohio | May 19 – 21

SEA-PAC, ARRL [Northwestern Division Convention](#), Seaside, Oregon | June 2 – 4

ARRL [International Digital Contest](#) | June 3 – 4

ARRL [June VHF](#) Contest | June 10 – 12

[Kids Day](#) | June 17

TI - 1 Introduction to Wireless Technology (ARRL [Teachers Institute](#)), Newington CT | June 19 - 23

[HAM RADIO](#), Friedrichshafen, Germany | June 23 – 25

ARRL [Field Day](#) | June 24 - 25

Executive Office

On Thursday, March 30, we welcomed Rosy Schechter, KJ7RYV, Executive Director of Amateur Radio Digital Communications (ARDC), to HQ. During her visit, Rosy met with David Minster, NA2AA; Diane Middleton, W2DLM, and Steve Goodgame, K5ATA. She also met many other staff during her visit, and made her first HF contacts from W1AW.

W1AW

Reported by Joe Carcia, NJ1Q

Virtual tours of W1AW were given to 27 members of the Jefferson Amateur Radio Club, W5GAD, on March 23, and to 23 members of the Gold Coast Amateur Radio Association, W4BUG, and March 28.

Two (2) RF-Kits RF2K-S amplifiers (<https://rf-kit.de/>) were installed in Studio One. These are connected to the Kenwood TS-990 HF/6, and the Yaesu FTdx101MP HF/6 transceivers in that studio.

A donated S.A.T. Satellite controller (<http://www.csntechnologies.net/sat/>) was installed in Studio Two and connected to the Icom IC-9100 HF/V/U transceiver, as well as the Yaesu G-500 Az/EI rotator controller.

Emergency Management

Reported by Josh Johnston, KE5MHV

Josh Johnston, KE5MHV, and Ken Bailey, K1FUG, have been continuing to assist Jeremy Dunkley, KC1SIV, with some of our day-to-day tasks including working with the ARRL Information System (AIS) and the Learning Center. Jeremy has started assisting members with the EC courses we offer.

Josh prepared to travel for the National Hurricane Conference, taking place April 3 – 6 in New Orleans.

Josh made virtual presentations for Illinois and Virginia ARES members, and attended the Connecticut ARES meeting.

Development

Reported by Kevin Beal, K8EAL

Development and Marketing collaborated on a design for the 2023 Diamond Club premium – a Challenge Coin commemorating the ARRL Year of the Volunteers. The coin will be offered to Diamond Club donors who make a gift of \$125 or more. The first announcement for this program is included in the May issue of *QST*.

The Spectrum Defense 2023 mugs and pins are in stock and being shipped to the first donors of the year.

Editorial

Reported by Becky Schoenfeld, W1BXY

The conference proceedings for Microwave Update and Contest University were sent to the printer.

Field Services

Reported by Mike Walters, W8ZY

Ballots have gone out for elections for the Rhode Island and Nevada Section Manager. Both Sections include an incumbent and an additional candidate.

The first Club Development webinar took place on March 30. The topic covered was The Role of Club Secretary.

On March 31, Steve Ewald, WV1X, celebrated his 41st anniversary on the ARRL staff. Congratulations to Steve on the incredible achievement and milestone!

Marketing

Reported by Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R

Ed Hare, W1RFI, and Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R, attended HamSCI Workshop 2023 hosted by the University of Scranton in Pennsylvania, March 17 – 18. Their participation, as staff representatives, was covered by the event. Ed gave 2 presentations on using propagation analysis software and antenna modeling to select an antenna for receive and transmit sites. Bob introduced the workshop, on behalf of ARRL, on Saturday morning.

Alex Norstrom, KC1RMO, used video content Bob recorded at the HamSCI Workshop to produce a video for ARRL's YouTube channel on the next generation of the Grape personal space weather station.

Retail Sales and Marketing

Reported by Jackie Ferreira, KB1PWB

The new 2023 ARRL Field Day [products](#) (t-shirt, hat, pin, patch, sticker) have been added to the e-store. The products will be available for ordering later this month. Initial feedback for this year's logo has been very positive.

Advertising Sales

Reported by Janet Rocco, W1JLR

A revised version of the Estate Planning Workbook has been placed online. It includes a newly designed ad from HamEstate. The Workbook will be introduced by ARRL at Dayton Hamvention in May.

Editorial and Advertising, with additional contributions from others, are advancing work on a 12-page 2023 ARRL Field Day supplement for the June issue of *QST*. DX Engineering is again the sponsor of the insert.

Membership

Work is ongoing with readying and testing an auto-renewal membership option.

A handful of planning milestones were completed for ARRL's large team participating at Dayton Hamvention in May.

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