



IN-NEWSLETTER

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UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENT

Most upcoming events have been cancelled until further notice. This section will be updated as new information becomes available.

2020 ARRL Second Board Meeting

July 17 – 18, 2020 @ Zoom

ARRL Podcasts: Downloads and Charts

Reported by Michelle Patnode, W3MVP, and Carla Pereira, KC1HSX

ARRL Audio News two most recent editions, dated June 19, 2020:



<https://blubrry.com/arrrlaudio/news/62795784/arrrl-audio-news-june-19-2020?sbe=1>

- Downloads: 729,804
- This episode is currently ranked #39 on Apple Podcasts USA Tech News

Eclectic Tech Episode 11 dated July 7, 2020



<https://blubrry.com/eclectictech/60864874/arrrl-eclectic-tech-episode-11/>

- Downloads: 49,663
- This episode hit #155 on Apple Podcasts USA Technology

On the Air Episode 6 dated June 11, 2020



<https://blubrry.com/arrrlontheair/62124192/arrrl-on-the-air-episode-6/>

- Downloads: 35,019
- This episode hit #69 on Apple Podcasts USA Technology

Chief Executive Office

Reported by Carla Pereira, KC1HSX

Barry Shelley, N1VXY, and Diane Middleton, W2DLM, attended several meetings relating to the ongoing Personify conversion with Personify and staff. They also held monthly departmental meetings with Development and IT, in addition to regular updates from across HQ. They also spoke with CT representatives regarding the evolving Covid-19 restrictions. The Management Council met last week and shared updates on ongoing initiatives. Barry also participated in several ongoing discussions with the Board on numerous matters.

Dee Methe, KC1MHN, and Carla continue with the planning and preparations for the July Board meeting, which will be held via Zoom.

Carla and Dee also continue to manage nomination requests and submissions for the 2020 Director/Vice Director elections.

Communications

Reported by Carla Pereira, KC1HSX

This past weekend of course was Field Day 2020. With large gatherings still restricted in most parts of the country, hams had to be adaptable and flexible in reimagining their traditional Field Day plans, and for the most part they were! Please see the Media Hits page for numerous articles about Field Day from news outlets big and small across the US: <http://www.arrrl.org/media-hits>



Northwestern Director Mike Ritz, W7VO, operating from WW7E Field Day 2020

Top Social Media Top posts

Facebook (265 engagements)



FCC Chairman Ajit Pai has tweeted “Good luck to all the ham radio operators participating in the 82nd annual ARRL amateur radio Field Day this weekend!” www.arrrl.org/FieldDay #ARRLFD #ARRL #hamradio #amateurradio #FCC

On the Air Facebook (46 engagements)

ARRL Field Day weekend is here! Tell us about your setup!

Twitter (65 engagements)

Rescued Radio Amateur Says, “Ham Radio Saved My Life” <http://ow.ly/3pic102hqvd> #ARRL #HamRadio



Instagram (110 engagements)

LinkedIn (55 engagements)

Attend the 39th annual #ARRL and #TAPR Digital Communications Conference from the comfort of your home, September 11-12. The virtual event will have introductory to expert level presentations. "We will be encouraging talks from all around the world," - Steve Bible, N7HPR, of TAPR. Learn more here: <https://lnkd.in/dXADh8y> #HamRadio #DCC #APRS #packetradio



Field Services

Reported by Steve Ewald, WV1X

Leona Adams, W1LGA, worked with fellow HQ colleagues to complete preparations for the Puerto Rico Section Manager election. The election ballots and candidate statements were sent to the local printer. Thank you to the Mailroom staff for sending out the ballots in advance of the July 1 deadline.

Illinois Section Manager Ron Morgan, AD9I, announced that he would be stepping down from the SM position as of July 1 because of health concerns. Ron had served as SM since February of 2017. After consulting with Central Division Director Kermit Carlson, Radiosport and Field Services Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ, appointed Thomas Beebe, W9RY, of Marion, as the Illinois Section Manager to fulfill the position. Leona and Steve Ewald have been assisting Thom as he starts his two year term of office on July 1st.

West Central Florida Section Manager Darrell Davis, KT4WX, has been nominated to run for a new term of office. Donni Katzovicz, W2BRU, has been nominated to run for the office of Section Manager of New York City-Long Island. Nominations for this election cycle are due on September 4, and the new terms begin on January 1, 2021.

Lab

Reported by Joe Carcia, NJ1Q

W1AW

Another Field Day has come and gone. Given staff restrictions, W1AW was manned solely by Joe Carcia for both the W1AW Field Day bulletins and operating. He managed to make 525 QSOs, on 80, 40, 15, 10, and 6 meters using CW, SSB and FT8, for an initial claimed score of 700.

Just less than a week prior, word came that the Maritime Historical Radio Museum – K6KPH – could not open because of COVID-19 restrictions. The closer kept K6KPH from being able to transmit the W1AW Field Day Bulletin for the benefit of west coast hams. Thankfully, a few days before Field Day, W1AW West Coast Qualifying Run station K9JM was able to transmit the CW version of the Field Day bulletin.

Joe created the texts for the week's W1AW Qualifying Runs. He also updated the Qualifying Run schedule, and QST code practice source web pages. He processed two Qualifying Run certificates and two endorsements. Given firmware upgrades made to the AREDN equipment, Joe had to reset the W1AW and Lab IP cameras attached to the networked AREDN system.

Scott Gee, WB9RRU, worked on slow and fast code practice run files for the week. He also processed thirty electronic VUCC applications for a total of 1687 credits.

Product Development

Reported by Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R

Bob Inderbitzen participated in web meetings with volunteers, the management team, and colleagues supporting efforts to advance a couple of projects. He also attended a Public Relations Committee meeting.



In addition to supporting social media throughout the ARRL Field Day weekend, Bob was also a Field Day participant. He operated solo (1B) from a pavilion in a public park in Farmington, Connecticut.

An introduction was shared with Section Managers for the *ARRL Learning Network* -- a future webinar series presented by member-volunteers, for members. SMs have been invited to help with our Call for Speakers, identifying prospective presenters for the program. Details can be found [here](#) (PDF). Questions about the program can be directed to Bob and Kris Bickell, K1BIC.

Kathleen Callahan, KC1MBY, and Bob conferenced with organizers for the *QSO Today Virtual Ham Expo* as we continue to advance ARRL's participation in, and promotion of, the event – which will be held August 8-9. Thanks to Rick Lindquist, WW1ME, for his help with [ARRL News](#) and ARRL Letter coverage.

Bob supported a handful of interviews and media requests including one for IEEE Spectrum magazine, and a piece published after Field Day weekend by Forbes and written by science and technology writer, and ARRL member, Wayne Rash, N4HCR: "[Thousands Of Radio Operators Band Together To Practice For The Worst.](#)" *Note: in the article it says ARRL Field Day started in 1953. ARRL actually introduced the annual event in 1933.*

Bob prepared a summary of accomplishments from the first six months of the year to support information being prepared for the Board of Directors meeting in July.

Hamfests/Conventions/Meetings with ARRL Representation/Vacations

Leona Adams	07/09 (half day)–07/10	PTO
“	08/20 – 08/24	PTO
Kathleen Callahan	07/06	PTO
“	08/14	PTO
“	09/16 – 09/22	PTO
Joe Carcia	07/06 – 07/10	PTO
“	07/16 – 07/17	PTO
“	07/24	PTO
“	07/31	PTO
“	08/03 – 08/07	PTO
“	08/14	PTO

“	08/21	PTO
“	08/28	PTO
“	10/09 – 10/12	PTO
“	12/04	PTO
“	12/11	PTO
Regina Galuppi	08/08 – 08/15	PTO
Scott Gee	09/14 – 09/19	PTO
Dan Henderson	06/26 – 07/13	PTO
Bob Inderbitzen	07/06 – 07/10	PTO
Diane Petrilli	07/10	PTO
“	07/17	PTO
“	07/24	PTO
“	07/31	PTO
“	08/03-08/07	PTO
“	08/14	PTO
“	08/21	PTO
“	08/28	PTO

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