



IN-NEWSLETTER

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Covers the period December 2 – December 8, 2018

Upcoming In-Person Meetings and Events:

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 December 7, 2018:

<https://www.blubrry.com/arrlaudionews/40052014/arrl-audio-news-december-7-2018?sbe=1>

Chief Executive Office

Reported by Carla Pereira, KC1HSX

Howard Michel, WB2ITX, and Mike Corey, K1IU, traveled to New York City to present the ARRL Bill Leonard W2SKE Professional Media Award for Audio Reporting to the producers and staff of the radio program “The Takeaway.” They were recognized for several stories highlighting Amateur Radio’s role in supporting disaster relief agencies in Puerto Rico following Hurricane Maria. Mike presented the award and check.

Communications

Reported by David Isgur, N1RSN

Top Social Posts

Facebook: Every winter the air gets drier, causing problems for any #hamradio operator trying to avoid a static shock when using equipment. This season, learn how you could be “Protecting Shack Equipment from Electrostatic Discharge” in the January 2019 free article of the month by Dino Pappas, KL0S. Keep an eye out for more in the upcoming January 2019 issue of #QST.

LinkedIn: If you’ve ever thought about writing for QST, there’s no time like the present. The membership journal of ARRL is always open to submissions from ham radio operators. QST looks for material that appeals to a broad cross-section of readers within the diverse Amateur Radio community. Feature articles published in QST fall into one of two broad categories: technical and general interest.

Technical articles outline a construction project or a technical concept. General interest articles are anything that's not technical: recaps of DXpeditions, grid expeditions, or public service activities; personal accounts of trying a new mode or style of operating; anything relating to operating or the ham radio avocation. For more information on what QST is looking for, and how to submit manuscripts, see our Author Guide at www.arrl.org/qst-author-guide. No phone calls, please.

Instagram: Thank you to #ARRL Southeastern Division Director Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, and National Weather Service Employee Robert Boyd, KC5ZJO, for participating in #Skywarn18 from the Huntsville, Alabama National Weather Service #HamRadio station, WX4HUN! Photo Credit: Sherry Sarratt, KM4VSW.



Twitter: FCC Tells LED Sign Marketers to Abide by Statutes and Rules <http://ow.ly/t94V10InISl> #ARRL #HamRadio

Field Organization

Reported by Steve Ewald, WV1XL

Field Services

Leona Adams, W1LGA, reports that there will be three Section Manager elections this coming winter season, and she is making preparations. The receipt deadline for nominating petitions for this particular election cycle was Friday, December 7.

Lelia Garner, WA0UIG, of Robins, has been nominated to run for the Section Manager position. Her opponent is Paul Cowley, WØYR, of Ames. Bob McCaffrey, KØCY, the current Iowa SM, is not running for a new term of office, and he has held the office since April, 2013.

Steven Lott Smith, KG5VK, of Ben Franklin, Texas, has been nominated to run for the office of North Texas Section Manager. His opponent is Ken Mitchell, KD2KW, of Oak Point. Jay Urish, W5GM, the current North Texas SM, is not running for a new term office, and Jay has been Section Manager for the past two years.

In Arizona, incumbent Section Manager Rick Paquette, W7RAP, of Tucson, will run for new term of office. His opponent is Virgil Silhanek, K7VZ, of Phoenix.

Rick Breininger, N1TEK, of Green River, will become the Wyoming Section Manager starting April 1, 2019, as he was the only nominee.

Jack Mitchell, N7MJ, of Cheyenne, who has been Section Manager since April, 2015, decided not to run for a new term of office.

Dan Marler, K7REX, of Boise, will become the Idaho Section Manager on April 1, 2019, for 18 months. Dan was the only nominee during the re-solicited nomination period. He is taking the reins of the Field Organization from Idaho Section from Ed Stuckey, AI7H, of Post Falls, who decided to not run for a new term of office. Dan has served as Section Manager since October, 2008.

The following Section Managers are unopposed, and they will start their new two-year terms of office on April 1, 2019: Jay Ferguson, N5LKE (Arkansas); Steve Morgan, W4NHO (Kentucky); Malcolm Keown, W5XX (Mississippi); Carl Gardenias, WU6D (Orange).

There were no nominations received from Montana, and Section Manager George Forsyth, AA7GS, who has served in this position since April, 2013, decided not to run for a new term. A re-solicitation for nominations for the Montana SM position is scheduled to appear in April QST.

Steve Ewald attended and spoke at the West Central Florida Section Convention on December 7 – 8 in Plant City, Florida. WCF Section Manager Darrell Davis, KT4WX, and Southeastern Division Director Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, also spoke at the ARRL forum and coordinated activities at the ARRL booth. Southern Florida Section Manager Barry Porter, KB1PA, and Southern Florida Assistant SM Jeff Beals, WA4AW, were among the many Field Organization leaders also in attendance at the convention.

Lab

Reported by Joe Carcia, NJ1Q

W1AW

Joe updated the web code practice files and their archives. He also created the texts for the December W1AW Qualifying Runs. Joe had to modify the 2019 West Coast Qualifying Run schedule to reflect a last-minute change in the January 2019 West Coast Run. He also replaced the PC in Studio Two with the new Windows 10 box, and began install of the donated Icom IC-PW1 amplifier in Studio Two.

Scott Gee, WB9RRU, worked on slow and fast code practice files for the week. He processed one paper and seventeen electronic VUCC applications for a total of 1414 credits.

Lifelong Learning

Reported by Kris Bickell, K1BIC

Summer 2018 Teachers's Institute participant Dan Pooler, KC1JDY, helped Hudson Memorial School make an ARISS contact On Friday December 7, with assistance from the Nashua Area Radio Society, N1FD.

For a transcript of the student's questions:

<https://www.n1fd.org/2018/12/08/ariss-crew-contact-transcript/>

To view a recording of the event:

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/NashuaAreaRadioSociety/videos/>

Nashua Area Radio Society club webpage:

<https://www.n1fd.org/2018/12/09/successful-ariss-crew-contact/> .

Area New Group front page this week <http://www.areanewsgroup.com/more-than-a-year-of-work-for-an-out-of-this-world-conversation/>

Radiosport

Reported by Norm Fusaro, W3IZ

Paper/Fieldcheck Processing Time	3 weeks
Logbook Processing Time	1 – 2 business days
2018 DXCC Applications	13,043
2018 WAS Applications	2,380
2018 VUCC Applications	957
2018 WPX Applications	934
2018 WAZ Applications	948

Sales and Marketing

Reported by Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R

Jackie Ferreira, KB1PWB, has been navigating ARRL’s 3rd annual “12 days of deals” e-store campaign. She organized a daily deal, sent to a group of members/customers who registered to receive the promotions.

Eric Casey assembled an RFP to help identify a mobile-device-friendly event app to support the shared objectives of Dayton Hamvention and 2019 ARRL National Convention.

Yvette Vinci, KC1AIM, and Bob Inderbitzen continue to evaluate proposals, with an interdepartmental team, for an association management system to replace our current membership and donation recordkeeping system.

Yvette prepared the bulk email notification for the January 2019 digital edition of *QST*, distributed to ARRL members on Friday, December 7. The distribution list included 116,910 members.

In November, we processed 15 paid-in-full Life Memberships and 11 Life Membership pledges. “Reminder letters” were sent to 324 members making quarterly payments toward Life Membership.

Bob contributed an article, published in January *QST*, recounting our first-ever exhibit at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh over the summer. The article is intended to demonstrate how ARRL, through our members, is encouraging new entrants to Amateur Radio by developing affinity with likeminded groups. He also produced this video interview, with Director Kermit Carlson, W9XA, about the restoration of a P-51C Mustang fighter plane and its radio communications gear: <https://youtu.be/5q6OqYHO84E>

Bob summarized the work of a small planning team that developed ideas for marking the 150th anniversary of Maxim’s birthday in 2019.

Hamfest/Member Contact/ARRL Representative/Meetings/Vacations

Leona Adams	12/21 – 12/31	PTO
“	01/10 – 01/11	PTO
Ken Bailey	12/26 – 12/31	PTO
Joe Garcia	12/31	PTO
Mike Corey	12/21	PTO
“	12/26 – 12/28	PTO

Steve Ford	12/26 – 12/21	PTO
Scott Gee	12/26 – 12/28	PTO
Dan Henderson	12/17 – 01/07	PTO
Bob Inderbitzen	12/26 – 12/28	PTO
“	12/31	PTO
David Isgur	12/10 – 12/14	PTO
Monique Levesque	12/26 – 01/01	PTO
Howard Michel	12/14	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
Carla Pereira	12/21	PTO
Diane Petrilli	12/17	PTO
“	12/20 – 12/21	PTO
“	12/26	PTO
“	12/28 – 12/31	PTO
Barry Shelley	12/14	PTO
Yvette Vinci	12/26	PTO

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