

SARA NEWS

**SCHENECTADY AMATEUR
RADIO ASSOCIATION, INC.**

**"SERVICE THROUGH
AMATEUR RADIO"**

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K2AE REPEATERS

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September, 2011

General Meeting, September 12th, 2011 at 7 PM, Niskayuna High School Little Theatre

Field Day Recap / Future

Tim Long, W2UI

Field Day recap by Tim Long W2UI and a DVD "The Last BIG Field Day" Account of a 50A entry. Tim will recap last June's effort; "The Plan to Save Field Day;" talk about possible sites for FD 2012.

The SARA meeting will be held Monday, September 12th, 2011 at 7 PM in the Little Theatre of the Niskayuna High School on Balltown Road. Attendees should enter the school through the cafeteria entrance located on the side of the school, adjacent to the Nott Street Extension school parking lot.

Volunteer Examiner Session

SARA conducts VE sessions at 6:00 PM on regular meeting nights, the first non-holiday Monday of each month except July, August, and December. Those interested in taking an exam are encouraged to contact Bill Mischler, KG2AC, a few days prior so he can arrange for sufficient VEs to be present. You can find Bill's contact information on the last page. Non-members who successfully complete the exam will be given SARA membership for the physical year (July – June) Contact Bill at kg2ac@juno.com or 982-0144.

President's Message, Sep 2011

Welcome to SARA's 81st year. Hopefully everyone had a safe and healthy summer break. This year the SARA Board is looking for more input from the membership.

The Board has existed since inception with a mixture of newer members, experienced members and some "old-timers". This mixture has got SARA through 80 years, and allows new ideas to be discussed and incorporated. SARA conducts two monthly meetings. We hold board meetings separate from the regular meetings. The regular meetings are for the membership and incorporate program presentations where we learn about different aspects of Amateur Radio or other related, interesting technical subject.

(We do not want the regular meetings to turn into a boring meeting). Our regular meetings are open to the general public, whether they are members or not.

SARA Board meetings are held to conduct the association's regular business. All SARA Board meetings are open members. The board welcomes regular member participation. Continued on Page 2

Board Meeting

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SARA Board Meeting, June 8th 2011

Attendees:

President, Dan Fiorillo, KC2MER

Treasurer, Tim Long, W2UI

Secretary Hal Post, AK2E

Board - Craig Wood, W2XAD, Frank Simon, WB2PUH

SMARA President James McMurray N2UZQ

Called to order at 7:08 PM by President Fiorillo

Secretary's Report: Given and accepted as published.

Treasurer's Report: Given and accepted.

Old Business:

Repeater: Repeater status discussed.

Programs: Jim, K2PK has confirmed the June speaker. Tim W2UI will provide backup talk on Field Day.

Field Day: Frank WB2PUH and Tim W2UI discussed the Field Day plan.

W20DC Plaque: Hal will contact The Alplaus FD the Plaque Presentation

New Business:

SARA Database: Tim W2UI will send a copy of the SARA Data base to Hal and Dan.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM

Submitted by: Secretary Post AK2E

Board meetings:

Board meetings are open to any SARA member.

Board meetings are held the 2nd Wed. of each month at LT's.

This coming year we hope to grow again, continue to upgrade the repeater facilities, work with SMARA on joint projects and find a new or alternate Field Day location. (Apparently there are some members that do not enjoy slogging through the mud or getting their vehicle stuck). I believe that there must be some place we can operate Field Day with more pleasant parking conditions and firmer ground. We have no control over the weather but we do have control of what's under our feet.

There appears to be a small group of individuals who complain on local repeaters that SARA has a secret society; and that they don't like the way we treat our members and how SARA is run, or how the repeaters are operated, etc. Not one person complaining is a member of SARA or has contributed to SARA's repeaters. How SARA is run should be none of their concern.

Any SARA member who has a problem is urged bring it to the SARA Board's attention.

Members are encouraged to visit SARA's web site www.k2ae.org. There is a wealth of information available. One of our goals this year is to post new and updated information on the web site when it becomes available.

We encourage our newer amateurs and members who have any questions on any aspect of amateur operating practices or what is expected when on the air, or FCC rules, etc. to PLEASE ASK! (There are no dumb questions)

To that end, I would like to incorporate in the SARA News a question and answer column. Names or calls will not be published without an individual's permission. More about this later.

73

Hal AK2E

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SARA Donated Equipment for sale

- offers to ak2e@arrl.net - shipping cost by buyer

MFG	Description	Model	comments	Asking	Contact
AcousticResearch	Stereo Amp				WB2PUH
ArthurThomas	Synchronizer	54			WB2PUH
Dyna kit	Pre Amp	PAC			WB2PUH
Dynaco	FM Tuner	FM5			WB2PUH
GE	CB Radio 40 Ch	3-5812A			WB2PUH
Goldstar	Portable Radio	TCR131			WB2PUH
Grass Instruments	A.C.Preamplifier	P5R			WB2PUH
Grass Instruments	Stimulator	54			WB2PUH
Grass Instruments	Stimulation Isolation	SIU4B650A			WB2PUH
HewlettPackard	Test Oscillator	650A	With manual and case		WB2PUH
KLH	Stereo Receiver	2A7M/FM			WB2PUH
Leeds&Northorp	Inductance Substitution Box	4747			WB2PUH
Midgard	Charting System				WB2PUH
miscellaneous	modified receiver				WB2PUH
miscellaneous	reel2reel tape deck		no case		WB2PUH
Mitsubishi	VCR	HS330UR	with remote		WB2PUH
Mitsubishi	CRT Color Monitor	1901			WB2PUH
Motorola	8 Track Player				WB2PUH
Radio Shack	Soldering kit	64 2802		\$7	AK2E
Ramsey	40M receiver	HR40			AK2E
Tojyo High Pwr	2M Amp 1n 25 out	HL32V		\$80	AK2E
Topico	35mm Camera	SC916	new in box		WB2PUH
Zenith	AM FM Radio	N 731	nice case	\$80	AK2E

No Asking price - Make an offer!**From the shack of K2TJB, Jim.**

- (1) ICOM 706MKII TRANSCEIVER-----asking \$600
 - (2) NYE VIKING MBV ANT TUNER----- -call
 - (3) ALINCO DM1350 reg power supply-----asking \$150
 - (4) Kenwood TS520S TRANSCEIVER-----asking \$275
 - (5) D104 MIC-----asking \$35
 - (6) Millen power amplifier type 90881 with/coils,
homebrew pair of 811's modulator, and power supply
in 4 foot rack-----call
 - (7) Dentron Super Tuner, 1KW-----asking \$75
- Call Jim, K2TJB, 869-5720. Leave a message on the machine

From the shack of Pete Buttner, WA2PGI,

Yaesu FT-1000 Transceiver, like new condition, no scratches, in original carton, with original operating manual, with original technical supplement, with full sized diagrams, Includes filters: SSB, 2nd IF, 8.215 MHz
CW, 2nd IF, 8.215 MHz
2.4 KHz, 3rd IF, 455 KHz
2.0 KHz, 3rd IF, 455 KHz
everything fully documented.
Received new on 12/5/1991.
S/N 11150043. **\$900.** Call Tim, W2UI, 399-7454

Wanted: 20 or 30 foot heavy duty telescoping aluminum mast (old TV type) in good shape. Also wanted, the matching transformer for the Saturn 6 halo or the halo with the transformer.

Mike Lukas WB2TTV lukasmj1@yahoo.com

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL FORM

Regular Dues	\$20.00	\$ _____
Spouse	\$5.00	\$ _____
Student	\$5.00	\$ _____
Repeater Donation		\$ _____
Initiation Fee	\$5.00*	\$ _____
Name _____	Call _____	
E-mail _____		
Street _____		
City _____	State _____	Zip _____
Phone _____		
ARRL _____	RACES _____	ARES _____ MARS _____

Send to SARA, PO Box 449, Schenectady, NY 12301
 July, 2010 through June, 2012

SARA/K2AE Repeaters

Status	ON AIR	ON AIR	OFF AIR	ON AIR
Band	6-Meters	2-Meters	1.25-Meters	70-Centimeters
User TX	52.570 MHz	147.660 MHz	222.460 MHz	449.200 MHz
User RX	53.570 MHz	147.060 MHz	224.060 MHz	444.200 MHz

Schenectady County Emergency Net

Band	Repeater	Time	NCS
70cm	444.200Mhz+	1:00 PM	Raleigh K2RI
2m	147.060Mhz+	1:30 PM	Raleigh K2RI
75m	3953KHz	2:00 PM	TBA

Schenectady County Emergency Net

SARA members act as Net Control Stations for the Schenectady County Emergency Net (SCEN) on Sunday afternoons. The nets are open to all amateurs; ARES RACES membership is not required to participate. The purpose of the nets is to train, pass any traffic that you might have and any announcements of general interest.