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General Meeting 7PM February 3rd, 2014, Niskayuna High School Auditorium

The February SARA program will be presented by Tom Early AC2IE

Tom's talk will be on "Small ARMs and Ham Radio" and will focus on the Raspberry Pi and the Beagle Bone Black (RPi and BBB). Both these single-board, ARM-processor-based computers can be purchased new for much less than \$50. Tom will have an overview of these boards, how to get them up and running and how to use them as the controlling computer for either a D-STAR simplex repeater or a Broadband Hamnet node. Tom is planning on doing an RPi demo at the end of my talk.

Tom is a relatively new ham, having qualified for Extra on his first exam session in Feb. 2012. He has worked around RF hardware practically his whole life as a Ph.D. chemist doing nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) for GE. (32 years this Sept.) MRI is based on NMR, but is much more interesting! Being somewhat hearing-impaired, and also from his technical background, he is most interested in digital modes and spends most of his time on 20M PSK-31 or JT-65. You will also find him hanging out on X-Reflector 901A using his D-STAR HT on 2M or 70cm.



SARA Board Meeting, 9 Jan. 2014 at LT's

Present:

Craig Wood W2XAD President

Tim Long W2UI Treasurer

James Stewart, K2PK Vice Pres.

Paul Siemers WY2F Board Member

Hal Post AK2E Secretary

Meeting opened by President Wood at 7:04 PM.

Treasurer's Report – Reported by Treasurer Tim Long and accepted by the board.

Secretary's Report: by Hal Post. The Board accepted as published.

Old Business:

New Member: Everyone please welcome Hans Olsen (awaiting call) to our membership.

SARA Mugs: Jim is awaiting delivery.

Meeting Location: Meetings will still continue at Niskayuna High School.

Generator: SARA's old generator is going to the scrap yard. Project on hold until to late spring.

Election Committee: Jim Silva, Al, and Craig are the committee. No report

New Business:

US Gvt : Tim is working on 501 clarification.

Meeting Adjourned 7:30 PM.

Submitted by Secretary Post.



From the President's Desk:

As January comes to a freezing end, I am hoping and wishing February will be a wee bit more moderate, 25 to 30 degrees warmer in fact.

I have to admit that this cold weather gives us a good reason to stay home and get on HF in the warm shack. Warmer weather makes me think of finishing antenna work so that more contacts can be made. I hope to hear some of you on the bands. Keep your shacks warm and let's talk. It does make the time pass faster.

All I can think of is the warm weather of Field Day to keep me happy right now. I hope it helps you too!
73, de Craig



SCARA Swapfest and VE Tests March 8th

CQ CQ CQ this K2DLL,

The SCARA Swapfest will occur as follows:

Date: Saturday March 8th, 2014

Time: 0800 hrs EST

Place: Solar Building Rt 67 in Ballston Spa

***** NOTE *****

The cost is \$0, but come prepared to buy raffle tickets. We will have prizes, but it is also a fund raiser for the SCARA club.

VE Testing will be held in the same location starting at 1200 hrs EST. You will have to bring ID.



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Schenectady County Emergency Net N2UZQ County EC

Every Sunday	1:00 pm	444.200	K2AE Repeater
Every Sunday	1:30 pm	147.060	K2AE Repeater
1st Sunday	2:00 pm	3.953	LSB
2nd Sunday	2:00 pm	50.400	AM
3rd Sunday	2:00 pm	146.430	FM Simplex
4th Sunday	2:00 pm	28.325	USB
5th Sunday	2:00 pm	223.500	FM Simplex

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.

Dues are gladly accepted. Please see the last page for information on dues and mailing options.

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