

# The Framingham Circuit

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## February Meeting is Cancelled!!!

### 2011 FARA Scholarship

Open to any high school senior who will be attending college the next academic year or anyone currently enrolled in a college program.

Any applicant with an Amateur Radio license will receive preference. Non licensed relatives of FARA members will also receive consideration.

Membership in FARA is not required.

All applications must be postmarked by April 15. Contact Richard Cosma, AA1VI at [scholarships@fara.org](mailto:scholarships@fara.org) for an application or more information.

### President's Message

WOW, what a winter this has been with record breaking snowfall! This winter certainly has taken its toll in more ways than one.

We had good crowd of about 20 people for movie night. Thank you Dave, K1HT, for bringing the CD of the Southbridge DX pedition. What an operation! Imagine operating literally in the middle of the ocean on top of small rocks, with only a wooden platform to support you and the gear, and the ocean only a few feet below you! And you thought Field Day was "roughing it"!

Can you believe that the FARA Spring Flea Market is only 60 days away?! It will be held on Sunday, April 3 at Keefe Tech. See the flyer elsewhere in this Circuit. Once again, we could use your assistance to set up, help sellers move their ware into the building, taking money at the table and cleaning up at the end. This is a major event for FARA from both a social and financial perspective, which means that we would like to have several donations to our club table manned by Sumner, W1VIV. The club table has traditionally been a major source of income from the flea market, so if you have anything you'd like to donate, get in touch with Sumner.

Another FARA event on the horizon is our famous "License in a Weekend" on March 19 and 20 to be held at the shack. If you know of anyone who is interested in garnering their Technician ticket in short order, then tell them about the course and have them contact Ed, W1NXC. The LIAW has been responsible for bringing many new hams into the fold and has a high success rate. See the attached flyer for more info.

Have you paid your 2011 dues yet? Dues were due on January 1<sup>st</sup>, so if you haven't yet paid you dues, please send them to FARA, PO Box 3005, Framingham, MA 01705-3005, or send them directly to Tom, N1FTB or pay him at the next general meeting...a much better choice! We would like to see you there!

73, Gordy K1GB

### FARA Horizons

- Feb: MEETING Canceled due to weather
- Feb 19: Algonquin ARA Flea Market, Marlborough, MA
- March: John, N1OTY on Getting Started on 900 Mhz
- March 19-20: License in a Weekend
- April: Tom, N1CPE on Winlink 2000
- April 3: FARA FLEA MARKET at Keefe Tech.
- May: Post Flea Market Pizza Party
- May 7-8: New England QSO Party
- June: Election of Officers / Speaker TBD

This month's Circuit sponsored by:

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# **FCC TECH LICENSE**

***IN ONE WEEKEND!***

**No Code Required!**

**Dates: March 19, 20, 2011**

**Fee: \$42 (Includes lunch Sat & Sun, text, FCC exam fee)**  
*Sponsored by: Framingham Amateur Radio Association*

**Location: Club Radio Room in basement of  
Danforth Museum, Lexington St Framingham Ma**

## **Class Schedule**

**Saturday 9 am to 5 pm**

**Sunday 9 am to 4 pm**

**FCC Technician license exam on Sunday 2 pm  
Sign up Now! Call Ed W1NXC at 508-881-2301**

***Or e-mail [W1NXC@arrl.net](mailto:W1NXC@arrl.net)***

***PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED!***

***Application must be received no later than Feb 21, 2011***

**Name:**

**Address**

**Tel #**

***Send check for \$42.00 to FARA PO Box 3005, Framingham Ma 01705***

NEW LOCATION!!

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# Ham Radio, Computer and Electronics

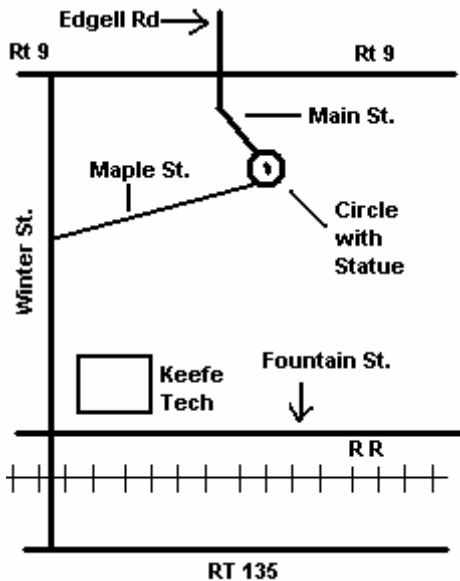
# FRAMINGHAM FLEA

## Sunday, April 3, 2011

### Hours 9AM to 1 PM

### Door Prizes - Grand Prize: NEW 2M/440 HT!

### Buyers \$5 - Under 12 free with adult!



#### Directions

**KEEFE TECH SCHOOL ([keefetech.org](http://keefetech.org))**

**750 WINTER ST Framingham, MA**

Take the FRAMINGHAM CENTRE/STATE COLLEGE exit off Rt.9, then SOUTH on MAIN St.(0.2 mile) to the circle with the statue.Turn right on Maple St.(first exit from circle).Follow Maple St.(0.7 mile) to the end and turn left onto Winter St. School parking lot is 1.2 miles on the left. Keefe is also accessible from Rt 135. Take the bridge over the R R tracks at Winter St. Cross Fountain St. and continue on Winter St. The School Parking lot is on the right ( 0.1 mile).

**TALK-IN 147.15**

For more info, check our web site: [fara.org/flea](http://fara.org/flea)

**HAM LICENSE EXAMS**

Exam Info call: Jim 508-435-6487

<p><b>Sellers Info</b>  <b>Bev 508-626-2012</b>  <b>(Before 9:00 pm)</b>          6 foot table + 1 admission          \$20 in advance,          \$25 at the door          Setup - 7:30 AM          Free coffee and donut          AC power available          Load/unload assistance          available</p>	<p>For advance table reservations, send this form and a check to:  <b>FARA, POB 3005, Framingham, MA 01705</b>          Enclosed is a check for \$_____, for _____six foot tables at the FARA FLEA MARKET.          Name _____ Call Sign _____          Address _____          City _____ State _____ Zip _____          Phone(_____) _____ Email _____  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>REMAINING SPACES ARE \$25 AT THE DOOR</b></p> </p>
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### Club Information 2011

President	Gordy Bello	K1GB	781-891-5572	president@fara.org
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Meeting: Club meetings are normally held on the 1st Thursday of each month at 7:30PM in the Framingham Police Station

Club Nets: FARA Net: Sunday, 7:30PM, 147.75/147.15 - social/chat, ARES preparedness

Club Station: W1FY, the club station and shack, is open Saturday mornings from 8:30-12:00. Call the club number, 508-879-8097 to confirm.

Club Web Site: <http://www.fara.org>

Mail Address: PO Box 3005  
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