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President's Message

On 5 June we will be holding the last regular meeting of FARA for the 2012-2013 season. We'll have our long-deferred DX-pedition presentation, along with the election of officers.

We'll also be presenting FARA Scholarships. This year we have two recipients: Linda Bursch and Evan Lorey. On behalf of the club, I'd like to extend my best wishes for their continued academic success.

As usual, the meeting will be held in the Framingham Police Department Training Room.

Field Day isn't too far off - 28 June - once again we'll be having a picnic with radios, rather than a fully competitive entry. We will be setting up, as last year, at the Upton State Forest. Weather permitting, we'll be operating from 11 AM to 6 PM. Plan on stopping by. If there is anyone with fond memories of our former Field Day operations, who would also like to organize our activity for next year, please let me know.

There will be several of us attending the ARRL Centennial (17-20 July, Hartford, CT); those who are planning on being present Friday evening, and would be interested in meeting for supper, please let me know. The Algonquin ARC is putting together a bus trip for Saturday, July 19 - contact them (Skip Swenson, WB6VVA, ewswenson50@comcast.net) if you're interested; I know several of our members are planning on taking advantage of this.

Since this is the final newsletter for this season, I want to thank all of those whose contributions have made the club function:

- the Officers and Board of Directors,
- Ed, W1NXC, for his commitment to amateur radio education,
- Jim, W1EQW, for coordinating our test sessions,
- Robert, N1UVA, for keeping the Circuit on the air (so to speak),
- Eric, KB1PJN, for his work on our website and the repeater,
- the Saturday shack operators (we are, after all, a radio club),
- Sumner, W1VIV, for handling the club table at the Flea Market, among his many other activities,
- Steve, KB1NIV, who (once again, and on short notice) took over running the Flea

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FARA Horizons

- June 5: Show and Tell Night/DXpedition Video/Election of Officers
- June 28: Field Day at Upton State Forest
- July 17-19: ARRL National Convention, Hartford, CT

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Market when Bev, N1LOO, was compelled to step aside,

- the many volunteers who helped make the Flea Market go as smoothly as it did, and
- Gordy, K1GB, for his continuing involvement as "Social Director" - without the social interactions, we wouldn't have a club.

The club functions due to the involvement of these volunteers, so my thanks go out to them.

I should also say "thanks" to those who participate in our activities - monthly meetings or other events; it's your participation that encourages us to coordinate these.

I hope you all have a nice summer; I look forward to seeing you in the fall.

-Paul, N1VAM

FARA had an interesting international visitor to the W1FY Shack on Saturday, May 3rd. Edwin van Mierlo, EI2HEB, of Dublin Ireland stopped in, after locating us on his GPS. He was in town on business, and enjoyed seeing our equipment. Edwin is a comparatively new ham, since 2011, and is very active in the North Cork Radio Group, www.EI1NC.com.

Photo by Sumner, W1VIV



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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 9:00-12:00. Call the club number, 508-879-8097 to confirm.

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