The Framingham Circuit

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President's Message	This month's speaker will be Bill Acito, W1PA, who has graciously agreed to discuss sat- ellite communications. Bill was first licensed in 1979 at the age of 15, and has been oper- ating on various satellites (all portable) for more than 25 years. His other interests in- clude restoring older radios, collecting TEN TECs, building and operating QRP, DX, CW, and HF mobile. Bill is a product engineer for an EDA (electronic design software) company.		
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	September's guest, Harlan Doliner, NE1HD, gave a very interesting presentation on thr US Coast Guard Auxiliary and the radio nets they employ.		
	Also in September was the ARRL New England Convention, a.k.a. "Boxboro!" I took advantage of the opportunity to take Joel Hallas' Antenna Modelling class on Friday, and sat in on some interesting seminars on Saturday. I saw many FARA members there; I hope they enjoyed it as much as I did. Next year's convention will be 8-10 September; pencil it in.		
October 6	The shack closure continues; we have, at the time of this writing, a couple of weekends left to move the items we want to save for our next location.		
Bill Acito, W1PA will discuss aspects of working satellites.	Before you know it, the ARRL Sweepstakes will be upon us. This year the dates are CW - 1st weekend in November (5-7), Phone - 3rd weekend in November (19-21). See http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes for details. As much as I would like to see it happen, we will have to suspend our club activity for this year, unless an individual has the space to support such an effort. Contact one of us on the board if you would like to help make this happen.		
	Paul, N1VAM		

FARA Horizons

- Oct 6: FARA Meeting- Bill Acito, W1PA will discuss practical aspects of working satellites.
- Nov 3: FARA Meeting ...
- Nov 5-7: ARRL Sweepstakes (CW)
- Nov 9: VE Session
- Nov 19-21: ARRL Sweepstakes (Phone)
- Dec 10-11: ARRL 10 Meter Contest
- Dec TBD: No meeting, Holiday gathering instead
- Sep 8-10, 2017: Boxboro

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Meeting: Club mee Station	Club meetings are normally held on the 1st Thursday of each month at 7:30PM in the Framingham Police Station					
Club Nets: FARA N	FARA Net: Sunday, 7:30PM, 147.75/147.15 - social/chat, ARES preparedness					
	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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