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President's Message

This month's speaker will be Scott Andersen, NE1RD, who will be talking about "The 100 Pound DXpedition, Revisited." Scott has visited FARA before, and has a very stimulating presentation on traveling with radios - lightweight (though not necessarily QRP) equipment that can be managed by an individual.

Last month, Dave Hoaglin, K1HT, presented a DXpedition video for Heard Island (an Australian territory about 2600 miles SW of Perth, Western Australia). A mighty inhospitable place. This was somewhat timely since, even though this took place in 1997, there will be another DXpedition there later this year. Thanks, Dave, for another interesting presentation.

As I mentioned last month, FARA is in need of some members to elevate their level of activity in the club. We are in immediate need for a Flea Market Coordinator. Steve, KB1NIV, is available to help get someone started, but he probably will not be available for the event itself. There are other positions available as well, but this is the most immediate need. Without a Coordinator, we will be forced to suspend the Flea Market for at least this year. The income generated by this event accounts for most of our operating capital, and is what allows us to provide scholarships. Please help out if you can take on this important job.

One more thing ... It's not too soon to be paying your dues. These may be paid at the meeting, or by mail (FARA, PO Box 3005, Framingham, MA 01705-3005). Dues are still only \$15, \$10 for students and seniors over 65 years of age, with an additional \$10 for the repeater.

-Paul, N1VAM

Leo Cantin, WA1HAM, SK

Long time FARA member Leo Cantin of Framingham, WA1HAM, passed away on Friday, January 2, 2015. Leo was active in FARA for a long time, and served as VP. He had a strong interest in emergency communications, and in the past was active in SSTV and other ham radio areas. Leo was 90 years old, and was an Army veteran of WW2.

FARA Horizons

- Feb 5: Monthly Meeting
- Apr 15: FARA Scholarship Application Due
- Aug 21-23: Boxboro 2015 Convention

This month's Circuit sponsored by:



FARA Scholarship Rules & Application

Requirements for 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, 2015. Contact Richard Cosma, AA1VI at rcosma@rcn.com for an application or more information.

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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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