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Submitting Material to the Circuit

Material may be submitted for publication by sending it directly to the editor. This can be done by US Mail, or via the Internet (preferred). The deadline for each issue is the **Wednesday**, one week before the monthly meeting.

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President's Message

Happy spring FARA! WOW! What a fantastic flea market! I cannot thank you all enough for making it the great success that it is and continues to be! Everyone pulled together so well, it was truly a seamless operation! Again, the superstars of the flea have to be our flea market chairperson Bev, N1LOO and Sumner, W1VIV who once again excelled at running the club table. Bev told me the day of the flea market that just about all of the tables were sold in advance, and that only a few remained. This is a sure sign that our flea market is still a big attraction to our sellers and the Ham Radio community! Many patrons remarked how much they preferred the new Keefe location. We still have a few areas where we can improve the event which we will implement next year. If you have any ideas which would improve the efficiency of running the flea market, or increase the enjoyment of the event in general, please let Bev or me know.

We were a few people shy of hitting our "magic" number of 30 for Scott Andersen, NE1RD's talk on the "100 pound DXpedition" but, nonetheless, we had a healthy showing of 27 strong. Scott's presentation lived up to its expectations and then some. In my opinion, it was the best talk we've had all season! It was also nice having long time FARA member Martin, AA1ON, take time from his very busy work schedule in China to attend the flea market and meeting.

Our 75th Anniversary bash will be here very soon! Everyone is invited, but you must have your tickets in hand by the deadline of May 31. This promises to be an enjoyable evening and is a once in a lifetime event (that is, until the 100th Anniversary!). Email Greg, W1TDF, or see the form attached at the end of this Circuit for more details and to order tickets.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, May 1. After a brief business meeting, we will adjourn for pizza at Papa Gino's on Rte. 30 in Framingham. As usual, we are requesting a VOLUNTARY \$5.00 per person donation. Come relax and socialize with your fellow FARA members and families.

73, Gordy, K1GB

2008 Flea Market at Keefe Tech

Photo by Leo, WA1HAM



Sunday Night FARA Net Control Schedule

WA1HAM	4/27	6/15
KB1FHJ	5/4	6/22
KB1NIV	5/11	6/29
W1EQW	5/25	
W1VIV	5/18	
W1NXC	6/1	
K1GB	6/8	

Hams in the News

WBZ recently did a story on Hams helping with the Marathon link is below:

<http://wbztv.com/video/?id=61600@wbz.dayport.com>

For Sale

FARA has tower sections for sale. Both Rohn 25 and Rohn 45 sections are available. Contact Sumner, W1VIV at w1viv@rcn.com for information.

More from the '08 Flea Market...



Photo Exhibit

FARA member Harry Platcow, KA1FXK will be having a photo exhibit.

Rebecca's Place Two

1 Maple Street, Mendon

Friday May 2, 2008 7-9pm

Wine and hors d'oeuvres will be served.



Early Psychoanalyst Couch

FARA Horizons

- May 1: (Meeting) Pizza Party after Flea Market
- May 14: VE Session
- June 5: Tom Carrigan, NEIR on the Red Cross Emergency Communications Vehicle.
- June 14: FARA 75th Anniversary Party at Marlborough Courtyard Marriott Hotel
- June 28: Field Day

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If you have email and aren't signed up for the FARA email reflector, you're missing out on the last-minute news and updates. To sign up, send an email to Sharon at kc1yr@kc1yr.com requesting her to add you to the reflector.

Shopping Online?

Use fara.org/amazon and help out the club. FARA receives a small percentage of your order.

Membership Dues

Annual membership dues are as follows: (Make checks payable to FARA)

- Regular FARA \$15
- Student / Retired \$10
- Repeater (voluntary) \$10

EVERYONE IS INVITED

**SAVE
THE
DATE
JUNE 14**



**GRAND
PRIZE
A 19"
LCD HDTV**

Anniversary Celebration

The Framingham Amateur Radio Association was founded in 1933, and this year we are celebrating our 75th Anniversary.

**Come join us at the
Marriott Courtyard in Marlborough
on Saturday June 14, at 6:00 PM**

**There will be music and fine dining,
door prizes, and a 19" HDTV Grand Prize.
The meal is buffet style, so everyone gets
what they like best, and lots of it.**

**Directions: The Marriott Courtyard is at
75 Felton St. Marlborough MA 01752
From Rt. 495, take Exit 24B (Rt. 20 West).
The Marriott sign is visible as you exit.**

<p>Ticket Info Greg Andrews 508 877-7115 (Before 9:00 pm) andrews.greg@gmail.com</p> <p>Tickets \$30 each Purchase by May 31</p>	<p>For tickets, send this form and a check (Payable to FARA) by May 31 to Greg Andrews W1TDF, 32 Springhill Rd. Framingham, MA 01701 Enclosed is a check (payable to FARA) for \$_____For__ Tickets Name_____Call Sign_____</p> <p>Address_____</p> <p>City_____State_____Zip_____</p> <p>Phone (____)_____Email_____</p>
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Meeting: Club meetings are normally held on the 1st Thursday of each month at 7:30PM in the basement of the Danforth Museum, on Lexington St.

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, 879-8097 to confirm.

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