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Thursday, Feb 5 This Month's Meeting

Jim, AE1C will talk about his experiences working the Peter I DXPedition and show the DVD for this operation.

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

Hi again and welcome to one heck of a winter! This season sure has been a challenge for everyone. Our Section Emergency Coordinator, Rob KD1CY has very been busy with SKYWARN reporting and EMCOMM. Speaking of which, FARA is taking steps with our new Emergency Coordinator Alex, KB1JYD and our VP Leo, WA1HAM to get us involved with the Framingham Police Dept. and assist them in the event of an emergency. More of this will be discussed at the February general meeting, but we are looking for people who would like to be trained and become a part of this elite EMCOMM group. As stated last month, the ARRL Level One on line course is the best foundation for this and we will reimburse you for successfully completing this training. Surely, there must be SOME interest amongst the membership.

The FARA flea market is only about a month away (March 29) believe it or not! We will be looking for people to assist in various roles; helping sellers to move their equipment, transporting the club table gear from the shack and back, taking money and stamping people's hands, etc. Contact Bev, N1LOO if you can or would like to help. By the way, all helpers do get one free coffee and donut for their participation! See the flea market flyer attached to the Circuit. Thanks to Sharon, KC1YR, the FARA website is set up to take on line table reservations, so please spread the word. Go to www.fara.org/flea for more info.

License in a weekend is March 21-22 at the shack. This is always a very successful event and has created many new hams over the years. Our team headed by our 2003 ARRL Instructor of the Year Ed, W1NXC, always does an awesome job and our pass rate is in the 90th percentile. So, if you know of anyone interested in getting involved in hamming, please let them know.

The FARA field trip to the antique radio museum in Carlisle is coming up on March 14. More on this later, but do put this on your calendar. This is a new exhibit (FREE!) on the grounds of the Antique Radio Classified magazine and is run by John Terrey, W1DTQ. Tentatively, this will be at 2 PM and we will have a bite to eat after seeing the exhibit.

Our February general meeting (at the police station) will feature a presentation by Jim, AE1C, on the Peter I Island DXpedition to the Antarctic. Jim will discuss how you don't have to be a "big gun" do work rare DX (he worked the DXpedition several times on wire antennas!) and will show the DVD which was produced about the operation. I can only imagine the challenges the DXpedition team faced to pull this off, not least of which was the WX!

Hope to see you all there!

73, Gordy K1GB

2009 Scholarship Rules

1. Must be a member of FARA.
2. Applications must be turned in or post marked by April 15, 2009.
3. Must be a license radio amateur.
4. Preference will be given to graduating high school seniors.

For applications contact Richard Cosma AA1VI 508 877 8241

Or richard.cosma@alkermes.com

***FCC TECH LICENSE
IN ONE WEEKEND!
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Dates: March 21, 22, 2009***

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

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Application must be received no later than Feb 21, 2009

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FARA Horizons

Feb: (MEETING) Jim Podsiadlo, AE1C on Peter I DXpedition
Feb 21-22: ARRL CW DX Contest
March: Joint meeting with MMRA group at FARA;
Speaker: Miles Mann, WF1F on SSTV on the ISS
March 7-8: ARRL SSB DX Contest
March 14: Field Trip to Antique Radio Museum in Carlisle.
March 21: License in a Weekend
March 29: FARA Flea Market
April: (MEETING) Dom Mallozzi, N1DM on Antennas
May: (MEETING) Pizza Party
May 2-3: New England QSO Party
June: Fox Hunt and talk on Fox Hunting by Kevin Paetzold K1KWP
Election of Officers
Field Day

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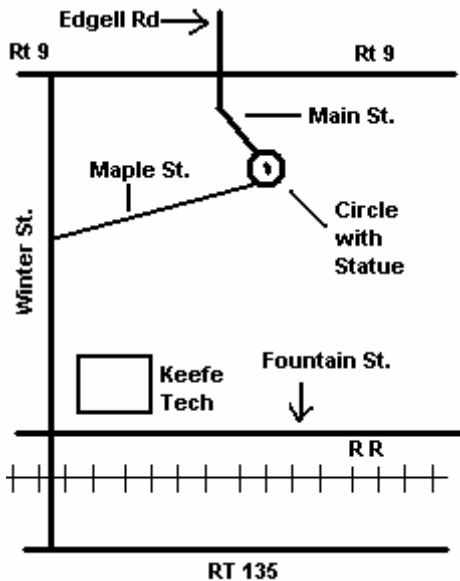
FRAMINGHAM FLEA

Sunday, March 29, 2009

Hours 9AM to 1 PM

Door Prizes - Grand Prize: NEW 2M HT!

Buyers \$5 - Under 12 free with adult!



Directions

KEEFE TECH SCHOOL (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

HAM LICENSE EXAMS

Exam Info call: Jim 508-435-6487

<p>Sellers Info Bev 508-626-2012 (Before 9:00 pm) 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: FARA, POB 3005, Framingham, MA 01705 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;">REMAINING SPACES ARE \$25 AT THE DOOR</p> </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>