

# The FramingHAM Circuit

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## FARA February Meeting

The next FARA meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Thursday February 1<sup>st</sup>, in the basement of the Danforth Museum. The principal attraction will be a showing of video footage of some 1930 FARA members shacks (transcribed from the original 16mm). For comparison purposes, the first of a new series, "Shack of the Month", featuring contemporary club members stations, will also be presented.

## QRN CORNER

This past Saturday (1/22) morning was a particularly good one at the club station. Wayne Ledder W1EWL was teaching the Tech/General class in his usual thorough manner. Pete Simpson KA1AXU showed up with the donuts (he was nice enough to remember that I REALLY love French Crullers).

We had several new folks show up wanting a class for a Novice license. Since the next "real" Novice class isn't until Sept., I (W1IBN) will be holding an informal Novice class Saturday mornings from 9am to 10am. I'm afraid I can't hold a candle to Ed Weiss as a teacher, but I'll do the best I can. If you know of a "novice to be", send them by the station or drag them to a meeting.

Remember that W1FY is your station, come on down and use it. Here are a few informal guidelines we use at the station to determine who gets the first shot at operating. The order of priority should be:

1. New novices who would like some help in making their first few contacts.
2. Members who do not have an HF station at home.
3. Lower class licenses have priority over higher class licenses.
4. Younger members have priority over older members

Don't let this list of "rules" make you think this is a formal pain in the a--. The bottom line is that there usually isn't a line and we all have a lot of fun.

W1FY will be on the air throughout the weekend of 3rd March; that's the ARRL DX SSB contest. Come by to operate or just kibitz. Martin Bayes (W1/G4DZC) has been appointed "contest commander". Call him and let him know when you would like to operate.

Late News: Wayne Ledder, our V.P., is in the hospital with a kidney infection. Get well soon Wayne!!!

Martin (W1/G4DZC) is doing a great job with the newsletter, isn't he (Should I print this? What the heck : MB) Now, if we can get him to get a "real" license! Well that's it for now 73(s), 88(s), from the Dick (W1IBN), Cheryl(KA1SYL), and Leah (K1BABY) Landau family. .... W1IBN

## HAPPENINGS

Sharon and Chris Kronick, daughter and son in law of Marsha and Dick Marshall (WA1KUG), are the proud parents of a baby boy, Julian Joseph. Congratulations!!

The 1990 Club Membership list will be distributed at the Club Meeting. Extra copies will also be available at the club station.

An upgrade examination session will be held at Raytheon, Marlboro in late February. The exams will also be open to non-Raytheon employees, providing they contact Dick Marshall in advance.

For a limited time only (??) the club will be offering copies of the KB1T 1990 Amateur Radio DX Calendar for \$10, (a \$2 saving), in addition for each copy sold, \$1 will go to FARR. This excellent publication full of useful info and is highly recommended.

Did you know that Conway Reef (3D2) Walvis Bay (ZS9) and Banaba (T33) are new DXCC countries?

If you hear them, work them and work out why they are countries later. Why not Long Island, Block Island, Nantucket etc ????????

W1FY now has envelopes at the W1 buro, so we may actually get some QSL cards. Be on the look out !!!!!!!

## JANUARY MEETING

A wide range of topics were covered in the January business meeting. Some these will be covered in more detail elsewhere in the newsletter. Club President Dick Landau W1IBN discussed the possibility of obtaining a second hand linear amp and an improved HF antenna. Several possible options were raised and further consideration will be given to these. Jonathan Weiner K1UUC introduced Pete Burrell W1UAB, who described his plans to activate a Radio club at Framingham North High School. It was agreed to provide whatever support might be of use. Elaine Chase N1GTB, President of the Council of Eastern Massachusetts Amateur Radio clubs (CEMARC) presented the Special Service Club Certificate to FARR. Ed Weiss W1NXC presented a number of Novice Class Completion Certificates and continued by giving his ever popular presentation on Electrical safety. The meeting concluded with a drawing for door prizes.

## FARR SPRING FLEAMARKET

The Spring Fleamarket will be held on SUNDAY, April 8th, at the Framingham Civic League Hall, 214 Concord St (Rte 126) Framingham. Doors will open at 9am for Early Bird Admission. For info on Novice and Upgrade exams call Dick, WA1KUG (508) 877 0568. Talk-in will be 147.150+



## EVENTS : FEBRUARY 1990

Feb 3-4 NH/UT QSO Parties  
Feb 4 North American Sprint CW  
Feb 6 West Coast Qualifying Run  
Feb 8 W1AW Qualifying Run  
(10-40 WPM)  
Feb 10-11 YL-OM Contest (Phone)  
Feb 11 North American Sprint Phone  
Feb 17-18 ARRL DX CW  
Feb 17 Hamfest : Marlboro  
Middle School Cafeteria  
Union St off Rt 85  
10am-3pm \$2  
Talk-in 146.01+  
Feb 23-25 CQ WW 160 Metres Phone  
Feb 24-26 ME QSO Party  
Feb 24-26 YL-OM Contest (CW)  
Mar 3-4 ARRL DX Phone  
Mar 4 Hamfest : Northampton MA  
Smith Vocational HS (Rt 9)  
9am \$2  
Talk-in 146.34+

## This Months DX ?

8Q7AH (HB9TL) Feb 2-16  
YJ/H44 (DL5UF) Feb 3 - Mar 4  
T32BN (W9GW) Feb 14 - 21  
KHØ Jan 26 for 2 weeks  
XW8KPL (JA3MNP)  
HAVE FUN !!!!!!!

### FOR SALE

HEATHKIT UF-2021 2 meter handie talkie.  
8 crystal controlled channels with  
selectable +/- offset. DTMF pad,  
external mike, charger and case.  
Manual and schematic included.  
Works fine, 1.5 watts. It's a little  
larger than an IC-2AT, but a lot  
cheaper at \$50.  
Realistic PR0-6 4 channel VHF scanner,  
crystals for local channels inc. I've  
added drop in charging/BNC ant conn./  
xtra copper shielding. Works fine on 2  
Xtals available thru Radio Shack : \$25  
Call Peter Simpson KA1AXY  
(h) (508) 429 7069, (w) (508) 870 9837

## Club Officers

President	Dick Landau	W1IBN	467 7041	before 9 pm
Vice President	Wayne Ledder	W1EWL	533 8746	"
Secretary	Henry Lee III	KB1PE	881 7662	"
Treasurer	Bob Geddes	N1BRM	620 1836	"
Director	Lou Nyman	K1AZE	879 7456	"
Training Officer	Ed Weiss	W1NXC	881 2301	before 6 pm
Director of Testing	Dick Marshall	WA1KUG	877 0568	before 9 pm
Emergency Coordinator	Marc Stern	WA1R	879 2087	"
Scholarship Cte Chairman	Dick Cosma	KA1NRW	879 1381	"
Newsletter Editor	Martin Bayes	W1/G4DZC	435 1278	"

Executive meetings are held on the Monday evening of the week before the Club Meeting, at the QTH of Dick Landau. Any member who is interested in raising specific issues, or would like to find out what the executive does on these occasions is invited to attend. Call Dick Landau for info/directions.