

FARA Monthly Hybrid Meeting 10/09/25, 7:00 – 8:30 pm
At Main branch of Framingham Public Library and by Zoom

Introduction of Officers:

- President: John Iwuc, KB1VXY
- Vice President: Ron Rothman, WO1E
- Treasurer/webmaster: Steve Moro, N1MH
- Clerk Secretary: Bruce Rusch, W1HNZ
- Director: Sumner Weisman, W1VIV

Check-ins on Zoom

Daren Larabee KC1WVO	Glen Axelrod KC1HPZ
Barbara Irby KC1KGS	Alexander Marrero KC1YGJ
Bradley Goodman KC1VDD	Steven Babbitt KC1LPZ
David Levenson KB1VLS	Jim Irby WB4EJR
Ron Rothman WO1E	Steve Kondo K1STK

Check-ins at library

Andy Boughton KC1DMM	Bruce Rusch W1HNZ
Steve Moro N1MH	Sumner Weisman W1VIV
Glenn Ghidaleson WA2KRS	Neil Grossman W1NIG
Steve Hewlett W1NIV	Dan KC1YDR
John Iwuc KB1VXY	Alex KC1YGJ
Peter Morrison AC1KY	Richard Sherrarn KC1YCC

Reports:

- **Treasurer and Webmaster's Report:** Steve, N1MH discussed recent expenses. Steve also commented on recent membership changes.
- **Clerk Secretary's report:** Bruce, W1HNZ, Report: Minutes for prior meeting Submitted (September). Minutes for meeting approved.
- **Repeater Report:** Glenn KC1HPZ/Andy KC1DMM - Glenn Provided an update on repeater and Echolink matters.
- **Echolink Report:** Andy Boughton, KC1DMM Made comments concerning the general functioning of the echolink facility.

John (KV1VXY), president and club members welcomed two new members, Dan KC1YDR and Alex KC1YGJ.

Other business

- John (KV1VXY), to schedule a board meeting in October to set up speakers for next spring.
- Steve (N1MH), to post the meeting minutes that Bruce has submitted.
- Glenn (KC1HPZ), to follow up with Mike Gerard at MEMA regarding the repeater equipment grounding in accordance with R56 standard.
- Andy (KC1DMM), to continue monitoring the new Echolink node for any issues and make minor level adjustments as needed.
- Members who conduct POTA activities were asked to inform John if they're willing to have people show up to observe how it works.
- John (KV1VXY), to follow up with Dave (K1HT) about identifying DX-expedition videos for the traditional January meeting.
- John (KV1VXY), to coordinate with Mike Poirier for next month's presentation on astrophotography, deep sky, and planetary imaging.
- Membership to explore options for a December Holiday dinner, possibly on a Saturday afternoon.

Upcoming meetings:

- November 6, 2025, Michael Poirier, “Astrophotography – Deep Sky and Planetary Imaging, (the ultimate weak signal work)”
- December, possibly a dinner on a Saturday afternoon?
- Need speakers or suggested videos!!!!

Business Meeting closed at 7:20 PM

Meeting presentation

Bruce Rusch (W1HNZ), the guest speaker for the evening, introduced himself and gave a presentation on Technology Now and Then

Upcoming radio activities:

ARRL EME Contest	0000Z, Oct 11 to 2359Z, Oct 12
+ Nevada QSO Party	0300Z, Oct 11 to 2100Z, Oct 12
Arizona QSO Party	1500Z, Oct 11 to 0500Z, Oct 12
+ Pennsylvania QSO Party	1600Z, Oct 11 to 0400Z, Oct 12 and 1300Z-2200Z, Oct 12
+ South Dakota QSO Party	1800Z, Oct 11 to 1800Z, Oct 12
New York QSO Party	1400Z, Oct 18 to 0200Z, Oct 19
Stew Perry Top band Challenge	1500Z, Oct 18 to 1500Z, Oct 19
Worked All Germany Contest	1500Z, Oct 18 to 1459Z, Oct 19

Argentina National 7 MHz Contest	2130Z-2330Z, Oct 18
Illinois QSO Party	1700Z, Oct 19 to 0100Z, Oct 20
CQ Worldwide DX Contest, SSB	0000Z, Oct 25 to 2359Z, Oct 26
Classic Exchange, CW	1300Z, Oct 26 to 0700Z, Oct 27 and 1300Z, Oct 28 to 0700Z, Oct 29
ARRL Sweepstakes Contest, CW	2100Z, Nov 1 to 0300Z, Nov 3
Classic Exchange, Phone	1400Z, Nov 2 to 0800Z, Nov 3 and 1400Z, Nov 4 to 0800Z, Nov 5
ARRL EME Contest	0000Z, Nov 8 to 2359Z, Nov 9
JIDX Phone Contest -Japan	0700Z, Nov 8 to 1300Z, Nov 9
CQ-WE Contest Western Electric	1900Z-2300Z, Nov 8 (CW/Digital) and 0100Z-0500Z, Nov 9 (Phone) and 1900Z-2300Z, Nov 9 (Phone) and 0100Z-0500Z, Nov 10 (CW/Digital)
All Austrian 160-Meter Contest	1600Z-2359Z, Nov 15
± REF 160-Meter Contest	1700Z-2400Z, Nov 15
ARRL Sweepstakes Contest, SSB	2100Z, Nov 15 to 0300Z, Nov 17
Homebrew and Old-time Equipment Party	1300-1500Z, Nov 16 (40m) and 1500-1700Z, Nov 16 (80m)
CQ Worldwide DX Contest, CW	0000Z, Nov 29 to 2400Z, Nov 30