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PIZZA PARTY at Papa Ginos on Route 30 in Framingham. Please let Gordy know if you will be attending.

President's Message

The FARA Flea Market was a successful, yet again. We've gotten a lot of positive feedback. Many thanks to the volunteers and vendors who made this possible. We didn't have many examinees for the test session, but at least those who came were prepared (100% pass rate – I think that's the first time this has happened at the Flea Market).

April's guest, Morris Beverley, discussed various schemes for remote control of radios. I was particularly interested in his discussion of the design criteria used for creating the human interface design of the remote control software.

Coming up next is our annual pizza party - it will be held in lieu of the May meeting on Thursday the 4th at 7:30 PM at the Papa Ginos on Route 30 in Framingham. Let Gordy know if you'll be attending. There is no regular meeting at the Police Station this month.

Also this month is the New England QSO Party on May 6th and 7th. The QSO Party is 20 hours long overall, in two sections with a civilized break for sleep Saturday night. It goes from 4pm Saturday until 1am Sunday, then 9am Sunday until 8pm Sunday. Operate on CW, SSB and digital modes on 80-40-20-15-10 meters. For each QSO you'll give your callsign, a signal report and your county/state. The full rules are available at: <http://www.neqp.org/rules.html>

In June, we'll also be presenting FARA Scholarships - the qualified recipients have been identified by our Scholarship team. More details next month.

Later in the month (on the 24th), we'll be participating in ARRL Field Day - once again at Upton State Forest. More on this next later.

FARA Horizons

May 4:	Pizza Party!
May 5-6:	Spring NEAR-Fest, Dearfield,NH
May 10:	VE Session
June 1:	FARA Meeting
June 24-25:	ARRL Field Day
July 12:	VE Session
Sep 8-10:	Boxboro

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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: FARA is actively looking for a new club station.

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