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President's Message

Happy New Year! We had an incredible night at WCVB! Their staff really went all out to show us a great time. I wish to thank fellow FARA member Rick Zach, K1RJZ, for all his help in organizing the event. Also, thanks to all the FARA members for attending.

This shows the high level of enthusiasm that we have in the club! At the event, we all heard about WCVB's plan to have FARA take part in a joint EMCOMM project. I have designated our EC, Victor, K1VEA, and James, KB1LOY to spearhead this effort. They will need your assistance, so if EMCOMM or public service is your thing, contact Victor. I see this as a great opportunity for FARA, and we should feel honored that WCVB has chosen us to partner with them.

With the New Year, please remember that DUES ARE DUE! If you are not certain if your dues are current, you can easily check this out on the FARA website. Go to the "Club Info" page and follow the instructions.

Sumner, W1VIV, is organizing ARRL Kid's Day at the shack on Sunday Jan. 8. This is the perfect time to expose kids to Ham Radio as they will be speaking to other kids all over the country! Contact Sumner for more details.

Our meeting on Jan. 5 will be our annual Show and Tell night. Bring in ANY item related Ham Radio or electronics in general. It can be an interesting piece of gear, a unique QSL card, a homebrew project you want to brag about, etc. The higher the level of participation, the more fun the evening is for everyone!

Only a couple of months before the spring flea market on March 26. We will need YOUR help to make this successful. More on this to come!

73, Gordy, K1GB

ARRL Kid's Day

By Sumner, W1VIV

There has been lots of talk among FARA members about how we need to attract more young people to our radio club. Here is one way to do it:

ARRL Kid's Day is coming to FARA on Sunday afternoon, January 8th, from 1 to 5 pm. Parents and grandparents are invited to our radio shack, with their kids and grandkids. We will put the kids on the air, talking to other kids around the country. We hope that it will help to develop an interest in pursuing a ham license in the future. You can read more about Kid's Day on the ARRL website.

Would you and your kids like to participate? Please contact Sumner Weisman, W1VIV. w1viv@rcn.com, or 508-877-1565. If you can bring some refreshments to share, that would be great. (Cookies, brownies, soda, etc.)

Upcoming FARA Meetings

Contact Gordy, K1GB if you have any meeting ideas.

January:

Show and Tell

February:

Eastern Mass. Section Manager Mike Neilson, W1MPN, on bringing youth back to hamming.

March:

ARRL Media and Public Relations Manger Allen Pitts, W1AGP

April:

Pizza Party

May:

George Maier, K1GXT, on Collins Radio and collecting Collins gear.

June:

Dave Bernstein, AA6YQS

For Sale

All proceeds to benefit the club scholarship fund. Contact Gordy, K1GB. Donated by Dick, WA1HRV

Heathkit dummy load

2 Rohn 25 Sections, 1 top section

Ham II rotor and control box

50 feet Beldon 8214 coax

Cushcraft A4

Sunday Night Net Control Schedule

WA1R 1/8

W1EQW 1/15

W1VIV 1/22

W1NXC 1/29

W1NAU 2/1

K1GB 2/5

License in a Weekend

March 17, 18, 19

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FARA Email Reflector

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

FARA Horizons

Jan 5:	Club Meeting
Jan 23:	Board Meeting
March 17-19:	License in a Weekend
March 26:	Flea Market

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Dates: March 17, 18, 19, 2006

Fee: \$40 (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

Friday 7 to 9 pm

Saturday 9 am to 4 pm

Sunday 9 am to 4 pm

FCC Technician license exam on Sunday 2 pm

At same location as class

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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>