

# The Framingham Circuit

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## 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

Happy Holidays, FARA members and friends! We had a fantastic turnout of 35 people for Rich Kumpf, WF1V's talk on digital modes. It certainly was fascinating to learn about the plethora of digital modes that we as hams can use and enjoy. It's an entire facet of hamming which is gaining more notoriety.

Plans for our spring flea market on April 1 at Keefe Tech are proceeding nicely. We will be looking for your help to make this another successful venture. Last year many FARA faithful came forward and it made all the difference.

There are MANY reasons to attend this month's meeting. First, our speaker, Ernie Bauer, N1AEW will be speaking on AMSAT and getting started in Ham Satellites. We will be collecting toys for the Toys for Tots/Toys for Teens drive; did you get yours yet?

We will be taking a vote for the expenditure of a laptop projector for the club, and, finally, we will have the first of many FREE monthly club raffles. Also, Sumner W1VIV, and Ed, W1NXC will be bringing a unique item. I won't reveal it now, but I'll bet most of you have never seen one before! This alone is worth coming to the meeting, to be sure!

Let's have another standing room only crowd on Thursday, Dec. 7!

73, Gordy K1GB



Huge crowd for the November meeting. Photo by Lowell, KB1FHJ

## FARA Scholarship 2007

Must be a FARA member and a licensed Ham Radio operator.

The must have been active member of FARA.

The dead line for submitting applications is April 15, 2007.

Preference will be given to graduating high school seniors.

For an application contact Richard Cosma AA1VI at 508 877 8241.

## Upcoming Meetings and Events

Dec: Ernie Bauer, N1AEW on AM-SAT and Amateur Satellites

Jan: Show and Tell Night and FIRST ANNUAL FARA QLF CONTEST!

Jan 7: Kid's Day

Jan 10: FARA VE session

Feb: Sumner, W1VIV, on using EBAY to sell ham gear.

March: Ray Bintliff, W1RY on antique radio

March 16, 17, 18: LICENSE IN A WEEKEND!

April 1: FARA Spring Flea Market

April: Pizza party following the Flea Market.

May: Rick Cantin, AA1TI Field Day presentation

June: Open

## You Missed It!

Photos from the November meeting taken by Lowell, KB1FHJ



## All FARA Members Get Badges

By Sumner, W1VIV

All paid-up members of FARA are entitled to a clip-on plastic-laminated badge at no charge. It has your call letters and first name on it, along with the FARA logo. If you do not have a badge and would like one, send Sumner, W1VIV, an e-mail and let him know, at [w1viv@arrl.net](mailto:w1viv@arrl.net).

You can pick up your badges at the FARA shack on meeting night. Many are there now, waiting for pickup.

## For Sale

Doing some shack cleaning and found the following surplus. Please contact me asap as I will be listing those items that don't sell here on Ebay very shortly

For Sale:

1 Hi-Q Screwdriver antenna, original cost \$395, asking \$200

2 1 LDG Automatic Tuner (100 Watt), slight modification to case so it could

be installed on operating desk, functions perfectly, \$143.75 or best offer

3 1 pair of Cobra Micro-Talk FRS HT's, asking \$40 (also tune transient freqs

in GMRS) all CTCSS tones

4 1 Aristo SWR bridge, works well, some cosmetic flaws, asking \$15

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## Sunday Net Control Schedule

WA1R 12/10

W1EQW 12/17

W1VIV 12/24

W1NXC 12/31

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N1EPR	Tom Perry	NARA	W1RUC	Bill Rubin	
KB1NEX	David Conn	Putnam	BA1MS	Mary Wiles	
W1NKA	John Geller	FAA	WA1SSG	Greg Pearce	Seabrook
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W1RNO	John Wheeler	FARA	N1NAG	Phyllis Smith	Seabrook
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W1RPS	David Smith	FARA	W1RHA	John	FARA
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W1RUC	Bill Rubin	FARA			
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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](mailto:kc1yr@kc1yr.com) requesting her to add you to the reflector.

### Shopping Online?

Use [fara.org](http://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





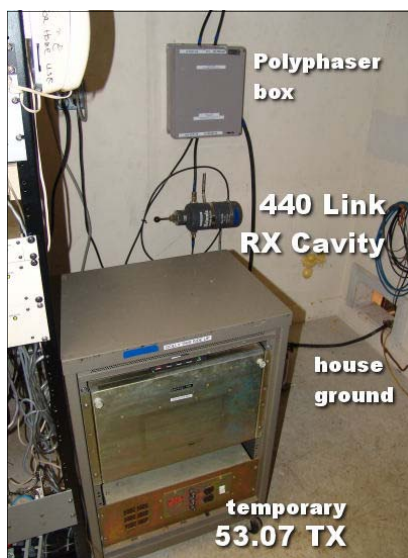
### 53.07 Repeater on Mt. Uncanoonuc at WMUR-DT Tower

Submitted by Rick, K1RJZ

For more details: <http://www.gemoto.com/5307/>

We have a new mega six-meter repeater that will be debuting on 53.07. The TX is on Mt. Uncanoonuc in southern NH with a remote southern RX at the same site as the FARA 440 machine. Chronicle's Mary Richardson did the voice ID's for us.

The TX is on a temporary, lowly rooftop antenna but as soon as we can get a climber, it will transmit from the TOP of the WMUR-DT tower. Even now you can hear it in sections of Framingham even with the lousy temporary TX antenna.



### FARA Horizons

- Dec 7: Club Meeting
- Dec 25: Board Meeting
- Jan 4: Club Meeting
- Jan 7: Kid's Day

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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>