



ACORN

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Goff Hill, Auburn Maine

Please submit articles, corrections and suggestions by the 16th of the month to David WE1U we1u.david@gmail.com

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Andy Club Meetings

First Wednesday of the month 7:00 pm
 Andy Club Meeting
 Russel Park Living Center
 158 Russell Street, Lewiston, ME

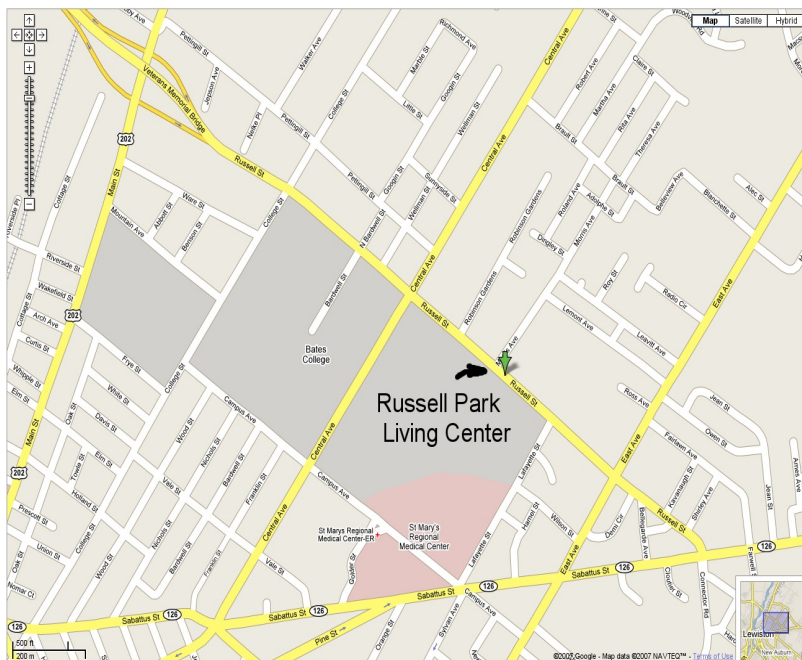
Every Tuesdays 6:30pm

Androscoggin ARES/RACES Net
 on the Auburn Repeater
 146.610MHz no pl. tone

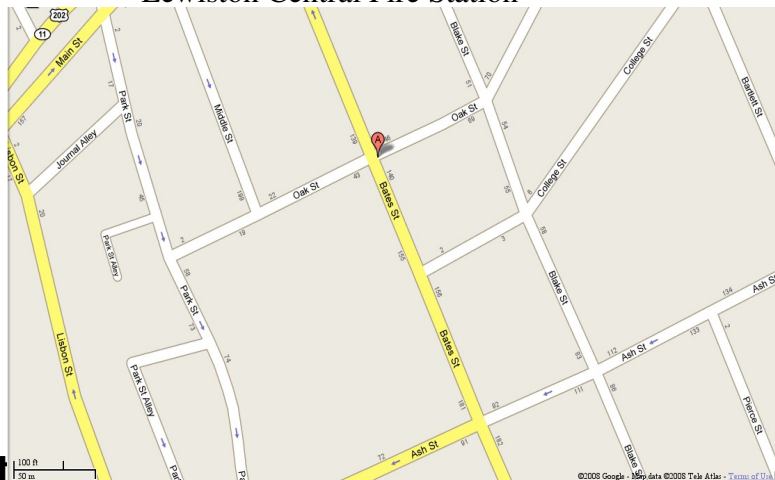
Second Tuesday of the month 6:00 pm
 Androscoggin ARES/RACES Meeting
 Emergency Operations Center
 Lewiston Central Fire Station

Last Wednesday of the month 7:30am
 Monthly Breakfast
 Ramada Inn, Pleasant Street
 Lewiston, ME

Last Wednesday of the month 7:00pm
 Andy Club On-air Meeting and Net
 on the Auburn Repeater
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Last Monday of the month 5:30 pm
 CERT/CART Meeting
 Emergency Operations Center
 Lewiston Central Fire Station



Events and Announcements

October 10th and 11th 2008 Near Fest <http://near-fest.com/>

October 11th 2008 0800 to 1400L Tri-County Exercise

October 18th 2008 0800 - 1400L SET Simulated Emergency Test

<http://www.wlnpp.org/ares/SET2008.pdf>

Secretary's Report by Dick N1NYW

The Androscoggin Amateur Radio Club held a meeting Wednesday September 3rd 2008 at Russell Park. In attendance: n1llu, n1bkd, kb1sud, waleoj, n1avj, kb1iec, kb1doi, n1jd, n1kat, and n1nyw.

The meeting started promptly by President Bill Woodhead at 7:00 PM. Harold n1llu moved to accept the Secretary's report as printed in the ACORN. Howard n1bkd seconded the motion. Vote: approved.

Ivan was absent so Bill n1kat gave the Treasurer's report. Bob kb1sud made a motion to accept the report. Seconded by Howard n1bkd just a split second before n1llu seconded the motion. Vote: approved.

Bill reported the Hospital test went well, the Windsor hamfest is coming up on the sixth of September and the VHF contest the weekend after.

A reminder from n1nyw that the Yankee Club will have their yearly meeting at the Windsor Hamfest and vote in new club officers for the coming year.

Andy kb1doi moved to adjourn that was seconded by Harold n1llu. Vote: approved at 7:05, one of the shortest meetings ever!

ARES/RACES Meeting Topic Summary by Tim AA1UT

Androscoggin ARES/RACES Meeting was held Tuesday September 9th 2008.

Attendance: AA1UT, KB1CDU and N1JD

Topics:

1. Membership applications are online:
http://www.w1npp.org/ares/Androscoggin_ARES_Application_2008.pdf
2. New member approved: Dan Leclair, N3AZP
3. Hospital radio test results online:
<http://androscogginema.org/REGIONAL%20HOSPITAL%20RADIO%20TEST.pdf>
4. ARES/RACES at WINPP.org now is: <http://www.w1npp.org/pages/aresraces.html>
5. Online online Incident Command System-ICS,training online: <http://www.training.fema.gov/>
6. ARES/RACES members should take ICS100 & ICS700 and send copy of certificate to ema for files
7. Antenna work needed at EOC and United Valley Red Cross...others?
8. Fox Hunt
9. New ARES/RACES IDs to be issued soon

Nets by David WE1U

HF Nets 75m	
Maine Public Service Net 9:00am Sunday 3940 khz. Maine Emergency Net 4:30pm Sunday 3940 kHz Seagull Net 5:00pm Monday - Saturday 3940 kHz New England Weather Net 5:30am Daily 3905 kHz http://newn.org/ New Hampshire ARES Net 8:30am Saturdays 3943 MHz http://ares.arrlnh.org/	Green Mountain Net 5:00pm Monday – Saturday 3933 kHz LSB http://www.hamelectronics.com/gmn/ Vermont Net 7:30pm daily 3857 kHz http://www.vermontnet.net/ Cumberland County Emergency Net Sunday 7:30pm 147.090+ 100Hz pl Franklin County Emergency Net Wednesday 7:00pm 147.180+ no-pl Mid-Coast ARES Net Monday 7:30pm 147.210+ 100 Hz pl
6m Nets	
Androscoggin Ragchew 7:30pm Tuesday and Thursdays 50.2MHz USB	Slow CW Net 7pm Wednesdays 50.2 MHz USB/CW NCS: N1URA

Nets on the KQ1L Linked Repeater System http://www.kq1l.com/	
12 County Net	Sunday 0930EDT
Swap Net	Sunday 1900EDT
28/88 VHF TRAFFIC NET (formerly Tri-County ARES Net)	Sunday 2000 EDT
Oxford County ARES Net	Monday 1930 EDT
Maine Elmer Net	Tuesday 1900 EDT
WAWA Net	Wednesday 1930 EDT
SKYWARN Training Net	Wednesday 2030 EDT
YL and OM Net	Thursday 2000 EDT
Slow Scan TV Net	Friday 1900 EDT
SKYWARN Training Net http://www.wx1gyx.org/	Saturday 1930 EDT

DX News Earle N1SVB

The past month we made 32 DX contacts representing 18 different countries. The numbers are low this month not necessarily because of conditions but by the end of the month our rotor controller hadn't been returned from Yaesu. It has been returned and installed now but that will be a conversation for next month. Countries worked in August were:

VO2, Canada; M3, England; EE1, Spain; 5V9, Crete; F2, France; 7S0, Sweden; LA4, Norway; S55, Slovenia; CO6, Cuba; DL2, Germany; 9A5, Croatia; LU7, Argentina; 5Z4, Kenya; ON7, Belgium; HA8, Hungary; LY4, Lithuania
There were no real exotic stations worked this month.

There are several DXpeditions to various parts of the world coming up during the month of October. Some haven't been assigned a call as yet or the operators will use the country prefix and their home call.

Oct. 02 to Oct.14	7W0JAW	Algeria
Oct. 02 to Oct 14	S79TF	Seychelles.
Oct. 02 to Oct.19	PJ2/	Netherlands Antilles
Oct. 03 to Oct.10	KP2/	Virgin Islands
Oct. 05 to Oct. 31	T6EE	Afghanistan
Oct. 07 to Oct. 27	KH8/	American Samoa
Oct. 09 to Oct. 27	VK9DWX	Willis Island
Oct. 12 to Oct. 25	8Q7AK	Maldives
Oct. 13 to Nov. 09	C56YK	Gambia
Oct. 14 to Oct. 21	T2/	Tuvalu
Oct. 14 to Oct. 24	C5/	Gambia.
Oct. 16 to Oct. 20	T88/	Palau
Oct. 16 to Oct. 28	TO5DX	St. Barthelmey
Oct; 16 to Oct.30	J68WY	St. Lucia
Oct.17 to Oct. 27	3DA0DJ	Swaziland
Oct. 18 to Oct. 30	HB0/	Lichtenstein
Oct. 18 to Nov. 06	3B8/	Mauritius
Oct. 20 to Oct. 26	P29VLR	Papua New Guinea
Oct. 20 to Nov. 03	EA8/	Canary Islands
Oct. 21 to Oct. 30	PZ5Z	Suriname
Oct. 21 to Nov. 11	9LoW	Sierra Leone
Oct. 22 to Oct. 31	YN/	Nicaragua
Oct. 22 to Oct. 31	V4.	St. Kitts & Nevis
Oct. 23 to Oct. 28	T32CXX	East Kiribati
Oct. 24 to Oct. 31	ZK2DF	Nieu
Oct. 24 to Nov. 03	VU4/	Andaman & Nicobar
Oct. 24 to Nov. 03	VU7/	Lakshadweep
Oct. 26 to Nov. 01	V6B	Micronesia
Oct. 28 to Nov. 03	P29NI	Papua New Guinea
Oct. 29 to Nov. 09	A35/	Tonga
Oct. 31 to Nov. 02	GU/	Guernsey

CQ WW DX Contest SSB Oct 25 – 26, 2008

The above DXpeditions are correct to the 10th of the month prior to Printing the A.C.O.R.N.. For additions after that date, go to my web page and click on the link "Reported DXpeditions by NG3K". I invite any club members that have a computer to visit my web page. The address is: <http://www.qsl.net/n1svb/>