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Coming up ...

Fall Back Daylight Savings Time Ends
 Sunday November 7th 2010 at 2:00am EDT becomes 1:00am EST

ARRL FREQUENCY MEASURING TEST on 11/11/10 at 0230UTC (9:30PM EST 11/10/10) see Nov. QST page 74

ARRL NOVEMBER CW SWEEPSTAKES November 6th to 8th 2010
 ARRL NOVEMBER Phone SWEEPSTAKES November 20th to 22nd 2010

<http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Contest%20Packages/2010%20ARRL%20November%20Sweepstakes%20Package.pdf>

<http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes>

The November 2010 QST on page 95, there is a write up on the Androscoggin ARC Scholarship

Andy Club Meetings

Wednesday November 3rd 2010 7:00pm
 Andy Club Meeting
 Russel Park Living Center
 158 Russell Street, Lewiston, ME

Wednesday November 17th 2010 6:00pm
 Androscoggin ARES/RACES Meeting
 Androscoggin Unified EMA Office
 Basement of Central Fire Station
 2 College Street Lewiston

Wednesday November 24th 2010 7:30am
 Monthly Andy Breakfast
 Ramada Inn, Pleasant Street
 Lewiston, ME

Wednesday November 24th 2010 7:00pm
 Andy Club On-air Meeting and Net
 on the Auburn Repeater
 146.610MHz no pl. tone

ARES/RACES Comments by Ivan N1OXA Androscoggin EC

October was a busy month for us. We started with the Dempsey Challenge on Oct. 3, 2010. It was an all day event and I want to thank everyone that worked the event. One person I want to thank is Wayne, N1YIS, who was asked by me to be Net Control at the last minute. And all reports that I have heard is that he did an outstanding job. So, Thank you Wayne!!

The next event was the State SET the following weekend. Unfortunately I was on vacation the week of the SET. I was not able to promote the SET on our net, as a result only 5 members participated, but we were able to send several messages to the Maine Section Emergency Coordinate. As the saying goes, "wait until next year!".

We had our monthly ARES/RACES meeting on Oct. 20, 2010 at the Androscoggin EMA office and 6 members were present. We hope to have a CERT class next spring. We are having a meeting in November on the 17th at 6pm, put it on your calendar and lets get more people there. In December there will be no meeting, any information will be discussed on the weekly ARES/RACES Net on Monday night.



Secretary's Report by Dick N1NYW

A meeting of the Androscoggin Amateur Radio Club was held Wednesday October 6, 2010 at Russell Park in Lewiston. In Attendance: N1LLU, N1NYW, N1NYV, KB1DOI, N1JD, N1KAT, N1AVJ, N1DOT, N1OXE, WA1EOJ and two guests with no call signs yet.

The meeting was called to order at 7PM by President Bill Woodhead. Dave N1OXE made a motion to approve the Secretary's report as printed in the ACORN. Harold N1LLU seconded the motion. Vote: Approved.

Ivan was absent but sent a Treasurers' report for Bill to read. Andy KB1DOI made a motion to approve the report as read by Bill. Dave N1OXE seconded the motion. Vote: Approved.

Andy KB1DOI reports that over fifty CW contacts were made at the Dempsey Challenge special events station and many other contacts on twenty meters. He would like to work the special events again next year. Bill mentioned that he missed out on great beer and lobster at the Dempsey Challenge.

Bill reports that Roger Chamberlain W1YZD will soon be retiring from ham radio and will donate his equipment to the club to be sold at the hamfest in March. Bill told him the club will sell his equipment and put the money in the scholarship fund, Roger thought that would be great.

Bill reminded us that the Boy Scout Jamboree this weekend (October 9 and 10) and the hamfest at Deerfield is coming soon.

Harold N1LLU tells us that we will have to find another place for our meetings because he is moving to Arizona in April or May. If anyone knows of any good places for our meetings please let us know.

Dave N1OXE says that he has about eighteen years of QST magazines that he need to find a new home for. Anyone who would like them just contact Dave and "come and get em".

Lee W1LWT was scheduled to give a talk on wireless cellphone communications after the meeting but did not show up to give it. Dick N1NYW made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Harold N1LLU. Vote: Approved at 7:10 PM.

DX Contacts by Bob W1LTX

OZ5ESB Denmark

TI8II Costa Rica

OZ5E Denmark

LN8W Norway

SA8C Sweden

HA4XH Hungary

OH2U Finland

TF8GX Iceland

DX News by Earle N1SVB

During the past month we made 39 DX contacts representing 26 different countries. Countries contacted were:

A61, United Arab Emirates; PA1, Netherlands; 5Q1, Denmark; RG3, European Russia; SP9, Poland; P33, Cyprus; G3, England; E77, Bosnia; 9H3, Malta; Z30, Macedonia; IZ6, Italy; OE6, Austria; OM3, Slovakia; LY3, Lithuania; UW5, Ukraine; LZ1, Bulgaria; 9A9, Croatia; S51, Slovenia; TM0, ; DK5, Germany; OH4, Czech. Republic; HB9, Switzerland; A41, Oman; VA7, British Columbia, Canada; VK3, Australia; ZS4, South Africa.

We had one Pacific contacts this month. We contacted VK3VCB/mobile. The Australian station was working mobile from Tasmania Island south of Australia.

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

Nov. 01 to Nov. 06 3B8/ Mauritius

Nov. 01 to Nov. 15 YJ0HA Vanuatu

Nov. 03 to Nov. 09 9U0A Burundi

Nov. 05 to Nov. 07 KH2/ Guam

Nov. 06 to Nov. 09 XU7KOH Cambodia

Nov. 14 to Dec. 01 5X1XA Uganda

Nov. 15 to Dec. 18 5R8IC Madagascar

Nov. 18 to Dec. 03 PJ5/ St. Eustatius

Nov. 19 to Nov. 27 S79AU Seychelles

Nov. 19 to Dec. 03 ZK2A Niue

Nov. 19 to Dec. 05 ZL8X Kermades Is.

Nov. 20 to Nov. 23 PJ7/ St. Maarten Is.

Nov. 26 to Dec. 06 XV4SP Vietnam

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.gsl.net/n1svb/>