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# A.C.O.R.N.

## December 2007

Androscoggin Amateur Radio Club (AARC)

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 Goff Hill, Auburn Maine**

Please submit articles, corrections and suggestions by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month to David Lowe WE1U

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### Andy Club Meetings

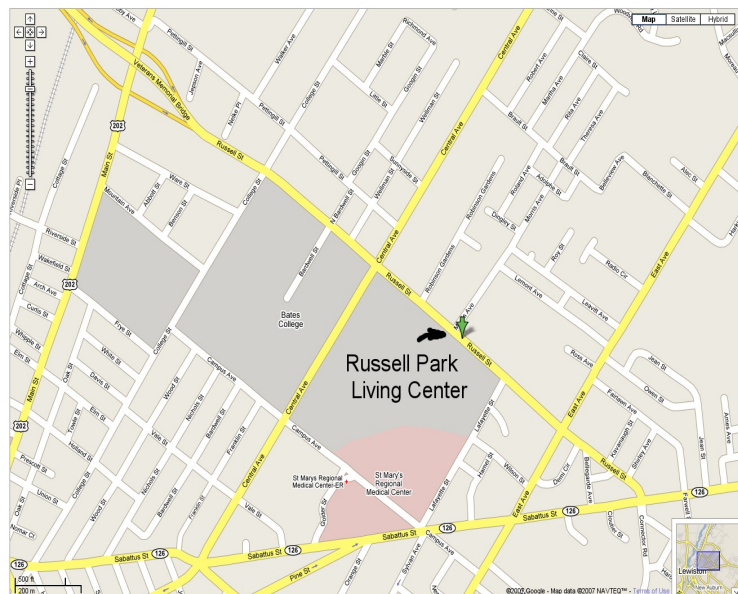
December 5<sup>th</sup> 2007 7:00pm  
 Holiday Party  
 Russel Park Living Center  
 158 Russel Street, Lewiston, ME

Tuesdays 6:30pm except December 11<sup>th</sup> 2007  
 Androscoggin ARES Net  
 on the Auburn Repeater 146.610MHz no pl. tone

December 11<sup>th</sup> 2007 6:00pm  
 Androscoggin ARES Meeting  
 EOC basement of Lewiston Central Fire Station  
 2 College Street, Lewiston, ME

December 26<sup>th</sup> 2007 7:30am  
 Monthly Breakfast  
 Ramada Inn, Pleasant Street  
 Lewiston, ME

December 26<sup>th</sup> 2007 7:00pm  
 Andy Club On-air Meeting and Net on the Auburn Repeater 146.610MHz no pl. tone



## Secretary's Report by Dick N1NYW

A meeting of the Androscoggin Amateur Radio Club was held on November 7, 2007 at Russell Park in Lewiston Maine. In attendance: n1avj, kb1cdu, k1wtx, we1u, n1lura, n1jd, kb1ieg, kb1gvt, kb1iec, n1dot, n1bkd, w1scm, and son Charles, kb1ogs, waleoj, wb1hey, n1mdl, n1svb, n1kat, and n1nyw.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by president Bill Woodhead n1kat. David we1u moved to accept the Secretary's report as printed in the ACORN. Motion was seconded by Brian n1mdl. Vote: Approved.

The Treasurer, Ivan was absent so Bill gave the Treasurers' report. Earle n1svb moved to accept the report and David we1u seconded the motion. Vote: approved.

Bill reminded us that the ARRL State Convention / Andy Hamfest is coming up the first weekend in April 2008, and wanted to know if anyone was interested in a particular subject for talks or would like to give a talk, be sure to pass on ideas.

Bill says the medical center in Leeds has antenna work that still needs to be done.

Bill also reports that he went to the breakfast meeting of hams in Augusta this morning and reports that Rod Scribner ka1rfd says that MEMA is planning a simulated flood drill in the spring. Date to be announced.

Bill pointed out that for field day Cory n1lura competed on his own and had the 14 TH best score out of 203 people. Cory got a round of applause from the club for his efforts.

Tom kb1eky has expressed interest in getting a set of the ARRL books for the school he works at.

Earle n1svb made a motion to bring food like in past years to the December meeting. Ken kb1cdu seconded the motion. Vote: Approved,

David we1u mentioned that there maybe interest in having a class to train general class operators. Bill said that we will need to find a teacher for it.

Brian n1mdl moved to adjourn, seconded by David we1u. Vote: approved. Adjourned at 7:13 PM.

## Androscoggin ARES Meeting by Cory N1URA

For those who were unable to attend the RACES meeting, please bring a Go-Kit to next month's meeting to share with everyone else. Keep in mind equipment that would be able to sustain up to 24 hours of operation. Include items such as a 2 meter (or dual-band) radio, spare batteries, traffic handling forms, instruction manual for each radio, identification and extra copy of FCC license, external or gain antenna for 2 meters, antenna adapters (such as BNC or SMA according to your radio needs), etc. In the future we will take on disaster kits which are for operations beyond 24 hours. If you have any questions, please contact me via email at [n1ura@arrl.net](mailto:n1ura@arrl.net)

The November Meeting of the Androscoggin ARES was held at the EOC 2 College St. Lewiston at 6:00pm on Tuesday November 13 2007. In attendance were AA1UT, N1URA, N1KAT, N1OX, KB1CDU, N1WFO, N1JD and WE1U.

N1URA demonstrated his QRP Go kit. N1KAT stated the EOC generator is cycled on Saturdays and the Packet station is reset as a result. AA1UT passed around the FEMA ICS-213 message format packet. N1OXA arranged for better control of the Red Cross-United Valley Radio Room, on N1OXA, N1KAT, and N1URA are to be alone in the room.

The Packet station at the Red Cross (W1NPP-2) needs to be set back up and documented.

To be discuss next month: Preamble for Tuesday ARES Net, Go-Kit contents and Message Formats including FEMA ICS-213, Red Cross, NTS-Radiogram)

### Packet Station Ids:

EOC W1NPP-1(145.01MHz)

Red Cross- United Valley W1NPP-2 (145.01MHz)

Comm Truck W1NPP-5 (APRS 144.390MHz)

## First Aid Kit for the Go-Kit by David WE1U

The first “item” for the first aid kit is your training. CERT training is very specific for disasters. American Heart Association-AHA can provide CPR training. For First aid there are a few training organizations:

Red Cross <http://maineredcross.org/>

Tri-County Emergency Medical System <http://www.tricountyems.org/>

Wilderness Medical Associates <http://www.wildmed.com/>

A short list of supplies should include:

CPR Mask with one-way valve

Well-fitting non-latex Gloves, one-size does not fit all. The glove that are too small or large will interfere with giving first aid.

4x4 Sterile Non-stick Dressing Pads to cover wounds and control bleeding

Hypo-allergenic Adhesive tape to hold on Dressing

1” Adhesive bandages probably the most used item

40” triangular bandage for slings and bleeding control

Paramedic-style Bandages Scissors

1/2 liter of Sterile water, cool burns and treat dehydration

Keep your training up to date and rotate you supplies in your kit.

## Nets by David WE1U

HF

Seagull Net 5:00pm Daily 3940 kHz

New England Weather Net 5:30am Daily 3905 kHz

<http://newn.org/>

Green Mountain Net 5:00pm Mon – Sat 3933 kHz

<http://www.hamelectronics.com/gmn/>

Vermont Netz 7:30pm daily 3857 kHz

<http://www.vermontnet.net/>

KQ1L Linked Repeater System <http://www.kq1l.com/>

Sunday 1800EDT Maine Youth Net NCS:Cheyenne KB1PHR

Sunday 2000 EDT Tri-County ARES Net

Monday 1930 EDT Oxford County ARES Net

Tuesday 1900 EDT Maine Elmer Net

Wednesday 1930 EDT WAWA Net

Wednesday 2030 EDT SKYWARN Training Net

Thursday 2000 EDT YL and OM Net

Friday 1930 EDT Slow Scan TV Net

Friday 2030 EDT Digital Discovery Net

Saturday 1930 EDT SKYWARN Training Net

## DX News Earle N1SVB

The past month we made 63 DX contacts representing 51 different countries. Countries contacted were:

CT1, Portugal; 5N47, Nigeria; 5R8, Madagascar; CU2, Azores; S50, Slovenia; IC8, Italy; ZS2, South Africa; EY8, Turkmenistan; HB9, Switzerland; MW0, Wales; ZD7, St Helena Is.; 9H1, Malta; 4Z5, Israel; UA3, European Russia; 4O3, Montenegro; UA9, Asiatic Russia; DK1, Germany; 3C7, Equatorial Guinea; CP5, Bolivia; YO5, Romania; 7X5, Algeria; EC7, Spain; YU7, Serbia; FG1, Guadeloupe Is.; UR5, Ukraine; OH6, Finland; OX3, Greenland; MO0, Isle of Man; C52, Gambia; LW9, Argentina; VE2, Canada; F4, France; FS5, St. Martens Is.; 6V7, Senegal; VP2, Montserrat; HB), Liechtenstein; GB6, England; OK1, Czech Republic; T9, Bosnia-Herzegovina; EK8, Armenia; 6Y9, Jamaica; 6H4, Mexico; HK3, Columbia; IM0, Sardinia; ; HC2, Ecuador; HR2, Honduras; A62, United Arab Emeritus; .

There were no real exotic stations worked this month. There were a couple of nice contacts though. We worked 6V7G in Senegal and A62ER in United Arab Emeritus. No Pacific contacts this month.

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

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| Dec. 06 to Dec. 11 | VP5/   | Turks & Caicos       |
| Dec. 12 to Dec. 25 | PJ2/   | Netherlands Antilles |
| Dec. 15 to Dec. 20 | 3D2/r  | Rotuma               |
| Dec. 17 to Dec. 31 | PG4OCG | Aruba                |
| Dec. 25 to Jan. 02 | T88RY  | Palau                |
| Dec. 29 to Jan. 04 | JD1BMH | Ogasawara            |

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/>

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