





The monthly newsletter of the Newington Amateur Radio League, Inc.

In this edition you will find details for our next NARL monthly meeting. Columns include the president corner, meeting minutes from past meeting, treasury report and various points of interests.

#### **Next Meeting Topic:**

Our next NARL general meeting is Monday October 2, 2017 at 7:00 pm in the Newington Senior Center.

#### **Previous Meeting Minutes:**

Newington Amateur Radio League Meeting Minutes, September 11, 2017.

The meeting was called to order by President George Lillenstein, AB1GL, at 7:00 PM with 10 persons in attendance at the Newington Senior Center.

After introductions, the Secretary's report of the July club meeting was accepted. The Treasurer's report was also reviewed and accepted. The club is considering the need to seek the advice of a local accountant to help us renew NARL's federal tax exempt status. Club members continue to stay alert to any news or updates with regard to the anticipated move of the W1AW and W1OKY repeater equipment and antennas as well as Newington-owned and operated repeaters and antennas that are atop the old Cedarcrest Hospital building.

Thanks to George, AB1GL, for this news report from the New England Division Convention in Boxboro, Massachusetts (September 8-10, 2017): "At the Boxboro hamfest this weekend, Yaesu announced a program to swap DR1-X repeaters for DR2-X repeaters. The new repeaters are true, 100% duty cycle, rack mount repeaters, dual band, dual transmit/dual receive (ie, 4 simultaneous conversations and crossband capable). The upcharge for the swap is \$300 for the standalone version, or \$600 for the version with built-in MSRL internet linking to other repeaters." NARL is considering its options in light of this announcement.

Paul Labieniec, KB1QQI, reported that the Connecticut Section will hold its annual ARRL Simulated Emergency Test on Saturday, October 14. Lori Kosior, N1SMK, local Emegency Coordinator, has further information. Douglas Sharafanowich, WA1SFH, is coordinating an Amateur Radio exhibit at the Connecticut Scout Expo on October 7.

After the business portion of the meeting, George, AB1GL, gave an excellent presentation on Digital Mobile Radio (DMR) and how the network operates in Connecticut.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Steve Ewald, WV1X, NARL Secretary

### NARL is an active club

- Field Day
- Hamfest
- Annual picnic
- Public service
- New licensee classes
- Buildathons and workshops
- Monthly speakers/presentations

# Please join us on many of our club activities

## Ham Radio is constantly growing !!!

Time to try something new!

QRP, work a satellite, build a transceiver or accessory, explore APRS, try a digital mode, work meteor scatter on six meters

Participate in a QSO party, give contesting a shot, experiment and build a new antenna, try a new mode/band.

# Do you know of a nonprofit event that could use communications support?

Send inquiries to: NARL, Inc. PO Box 310133 Newington, CT 06111

Or join us at a club meeting and inquire about getting amateur radio support.

### **CT ARES Region 3 Net**

Please join us by checking into the ARES Area 3 net on Monday nights at 8:00 PM.

CT Linked Repeater System (KB1AEV) 147.345, standard offset, PL 77.

The current Net Manager is W1RGC Richard Claing – but Net Control Station Training is greatly encouraged. Email Richard if you'd like to handle the net or get NCS trained – w1rgc@arrl.net.

| NTS Nets                              | Day (s)                               | Time<br>(local) | Freq/offset/PL           | NM     | QTH           |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|--------|---------------|
| CT Phone<br>Net (CPN)                 | M - S                                 | 1800            | 3.973 Mhz<br>None / none | N1DIO  | Gilford       |
| CT Phone<br>Net (CPN)                 | Sun.                                  | 1000            | 3.965 Mhz<br>None / none | N1DIO  | Guilford      |
| CT Net (CN)                           | Daily                                 | 1900            | 3.533 Mhz<br>None/none   | WA4GGN | West<br>Haven |
| Western CT<br>Traffic Net<br>(WESCON) | Daily                                 | 2030            | 147.18/+600/141.3        | KB1NMO | Prospect      |
|                                       | Daily                                 | 2030            | 147.12/+600/141.3        | KB1NMO | Danbury       |
|                                       | Daily                                 | 2030            | 145.41/-600/141.3        | KB1NMO | Vernon        |
| Eastern CT<br>Traffic Net<br>(ECTN)   | Daily                                 | 2100            | 146.73/-600/156.7        | W1MCT  | Norwich       |
| Nutmeg<br>VHF Traffic<br>Net (NVTN)   | Sun, Mon,<br>Tues,Thurs.<br>Fri.,Sat/ | 2130            | 146.685/141.3            | KB1RGQ | Bristol       |
|                                       | Weds                                  | 2130            | 147.090/110.9            | KB1RGQ | Glastonbury   |



Thank you for joining or renewing your membership to NARL and/or the ARRL. NARL Membership is from Jan 1 to Dec 31.

Your membership contribution helps ensure the future of Amateur Radio in CT's Capital Region.

| Full Name:            | Call Sign:   |  |  |  |  |
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| Street Address:       |  |  |  |  |  |
| City:                 | State: Zip:  |  |  |  |  |
| Telephone:            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Email:                |  |  |  |  |  |
| Email address is impo | rtant – this is how you receive our monthly club newsletter and important announcements!   |  |  |  |  |
| \$20.00               | New NARL Membership  |  |  |  |  |
| \$0.00                | New NARL Membership (NARL sponsored class)   |  |  |  |  |
| \$20.00               | NARL Membership Renewal (NARL Member Since:)   |  |  |  |  |
| \$49.00               | New ARRL Membership / ARRL Renewal (please circle)   |  |  |  |  |
| \$10.00               | Student or additional family members   |  |  |  |  |
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| Total: \$             | Donation – Funds collected as club donations are used for repeater expenses and various club activities.   |  |  |  |  |
|                       | NARL is an IRS designated 501 (c) (3) organization. Federal Tax ID: 06-1391927   |  |  |  |  |
| As a NA               | aRL member, I will comply with the NARL By-Laws and follow the rules of the club, attending club meetings and supporting club activities as a volunteer. |  |  |  |  |
| Signature             | Date   |  |  |  |  |
| For NARL use only     | Amount to NARL: Amount to ARRL:  |  |  |  |  |
| Date:                 | Check #: By:   |  |  |  |  |
|                       | Bring a completed membership form to the next club meeting or mail to: NARL P.O. Box 130133 Newington CT 06111   |  |  |  |  |