



The SinePost

The Monthly Newsletter of the Eastern Connecticut Amateur Radio Association



A Message from the President

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Hello members and associates of ECARA,

We have a lot of activities coming up this month and I hope you'll be able to join us and learn, laugh, and expand your Ham radio experiences.

On April 6th please join us for our monthly breakfast. This month Brittany, KB1ZOW has planned breakfast at the Country View Restaurant in Brooklyn (the old Brooklyn Golf Course). The food is great and it's usually packed. Hopefully you can make it. 9 AM and all are welcomed to join us. <https://www.facebook.com/bcvrestaurant/>. Next month May-4th, 4G's.

The club meeting will once again be held at the Golden Greek in Dayville at 6PM for dinner followed by the meeting and this month's topic: "Digital Comm." We had a great turnout at the meeting and the owners had no issues with us swinging from the chandeliers (not really). Please try to make it on April 8th.

The end of the month brings us our only fund raiser of the year. The ECARA flea market will be held on Sunday, April 28th at 8 AM. We will be raffling off a radio this year (MD390 DMR) and tickets will be available before the event. Please support the club by volunteering and donating to the club table. The flyer is in this month's issue of the Sinepost for additional details.

Our first of maybe 3 planned build nights will be coming up in early May. Tentatively, it's scheduled for May 5th in my garage. More details coming as we get closer.

Make sure you're getting the updates though the ECARA Reflector. That's the best way to keep up on things between meeting events. Send an email to: ecara-reflector+subscribe@groups.io to sign up.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention the passing of one of our club members Harry, KC1IOX. Harry wasn't a Ham long but embraced the hobby to the best of his abilities. He always had a smile and was a pleasure to be around. I will miss his enthusiasm, wit and charm. He will be missed. 73 OM.

Spring is here (hopefully). I don't know about you but Mother Nature has not been nice to my antennas. Lots of projects, radio and otherwise, will fill my free time. I wish you luck in getting things repaired and updated.

See you Saturday for Breakfast and Monday for the meeting

73,
Paul, KE1LI

SECRETARY REPORT

March 11, 2019 Meeting

Location: Golden Greek Restaurant

Members Present

1	John K1CSP	2	Ray W1YFF	3	John K1JFT
4	Vinny KB1JDX	5	BILL Porier	6	Ed K1ZE
7	Frankie KB1DNO	8	Eli K1QM	9	BRAD-K1BAB
10	Paul KE1LI	11	BOB KR1U	12	MIMI-N1NNP
13	Bob W1EQ	14	JOHN-KB1YZG	15	JOHN-KA1MPG
16	KEVIN-K1VGF	17	PETE-K1NLX	18	CHRISTY-N7BEO
19	LINDA-Gardner	20	MICHAEL-K1MLG	21	RON-KA1MPI

Meeting Called to order: March 11, 2019 at 1902 Hours

Meeting Conducted by: Paul Rollinson- President

Motion to accept Secretaries report: Accepted as written

Treasurers Report: Frances Rollinson
Account Balance: \$8170.03
Accepted as read

Old Business:

1. Paul- KE1LI- Stated they are procuring all necessary parts to install the antenna cable at the QV tower. They will be stored at the tower and ready when QV does scheduled maintenance.
2. John-KA1MPG- States they sold 11 tables for the flea market to date. He will be contacting the Raceway Golf club to see if they can set-up the night before.
3. John- Will order a TYT Dual Band Handheld radio for the Hamfest Flea Market Raffle. Motion made and accepted to approve \$150.00 for the purchase.
4. Vinny- KB1JDX stated Putnam Road Race went well with 7 operators participating.
5. Ed-K1ZE- State he may have a combiner available for the digital repeater on the Union Tower. Ed-K1ZE, John K1CSP and John KB1YZG will be working together on that project.

New Business:

1. Ed K1ZE- Stated he was working on writing a history of the ECARA Club and was looking for any photos showing the clubs past activities.
2. John-K1JFT stated the ECARA Dropbox was updated with folders to store the clubs documents and records for 2019.

3. John-K1JFT updated the ECARA Club information on the ARRL website.
4. John-K1CSP- Looking for donations for the club table at Hamfest.

Motion to Adjourn: President Paul Rollinson made motion to adjourn at 1937 hours and it was accepted.

Vinny-KB1JDX – Gave a presentation on Emergency Communications.



NEXT MEETING

 **Golden Greek Restaurant**

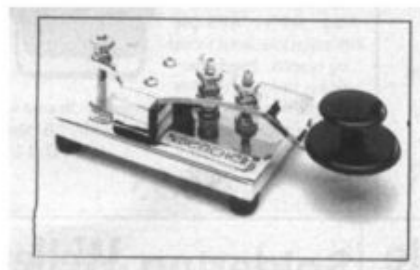
474 Putnam Pike • Dayville, CT 06241

Monday 7PM, Apr 8th

AMATEUR RADIO FLEA MARKET



Sunday
April 28, 2019
8 AM to 12 PM
RAIN OR SHINE



ADMISSION: **\$3.00** DONATION
TO BENEFIT: **Eastern Conn. Amateur Radio Assoc.**
(Previously the Pomfret Hamfest)

VE test session, Limited spaces available, Must Pre-register

Raceway Restaurant at Thompson Speedway

205 East Thompson Rd. Thompson, CT 06277

Tables are **\$15.00** each. Please reserve in advance

For more information and table reservations
: Contact Jon KA1MPG at Jonas217@Verizon.net or 508-943-4467

WWW.ECARA.NET

Talk in on 147.225 MHz PL 156.7

ECARA Calendar of special events 2019:

Club meetings held every second Monday of each month at DKH unless otherwise indicated.

Event	Date	Purpose	Contact/Net Control	Attendance
O'Putnam Road Race	3/10	Safety & Communications	KB1JDX	
Hamfest	4/28	Annual flea market and VE Session	KA1MPG	
Jog with Judy	5/4	Safety & Communications	K1QM	
Radio in the Park	5/5	Social and "Get on the Air" event at Wolf Den	KB1JDX	
Skywarn Class - Eastford	5/13	Storm spotting & reporting	KC1CVU	Anyone interested
Woodstock Road Race	5/27	Safety & Communications	KE1LI	
ECARA Field Day	6/22-23	Contesting & emergency readiness	KA1MPG	
Kid's Day	June	Demonstration and promote Amateur Radio services to youth	K1CSP	
Annual ECARA picnic	August	Socialization, and business related activities (if any), BYOB & soft drinks	TBD	Members, family & friends
DKH 5K Road Race	August	Safety & Communications	KB1JDX	
VJ Day Parade	August	Safety & Communications	KB1JDX	
Brooklyn Fair	8/22-25	Promote Ham Radio to public	KB1JDX	
Harvester 5K Road Race	September	Safety & Communications	TBD	
Thompson Community Day	October	Promote Ham Radio to public	KB1JDX	
Woodstock Road Race	October	Safety & Communications	TBD	
BSA JOTA	TBD	Demonstration and promote Amateur Radio services to youth	K1CSP	
Dazzle Light Parade	November	Safety & Communications	TBD	
ECARA election of officers & Xmas party	12/9	Social & administrative event; officer election	TBD	Members, family & friends

Membership Application Form:

Eastern Connecticut Amateur Radio Association Membership Application / Renewal				
<input type="checkbox"/> New Membership; <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal Membership		Today's Date:		
If you are already a "Ham", please complete below then the yellow area:	If you are an aspiring "Ham", please complete below then the yellow area:	ADDITIONAL INFO (not required, but helpful)	PLEASE SELECT ONE:	
CALL SIGN:	FIRST & LAST NAME:	YOUR DOB:	<input type="checkbox"/>	INDIVIDUAL (\$20/yr)
LICENSE CLASS:	STREET ADDR:	SPOUSE NAME:	<input type="checkbox"/>	FAMILY (\$30/yr)
HANDLE (nickname):	CITY, STATE, ZIP:	SPOUSE DOB:	<input type="checkbox"/>	SENIOR (\$15/yr)
FIRST YEAR LICENSED: ARRL MEMBER: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no		DOM:	<input type="checkbox"/>	STUDENT
CURRENT PHONES (home& cell) HOME: CELL:			<input type="checkbox"/>	1 st Year ECARA course
CURRENT EMAIL:		Would you like to receive the SinePost? <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/>	PROVISIONAL
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