



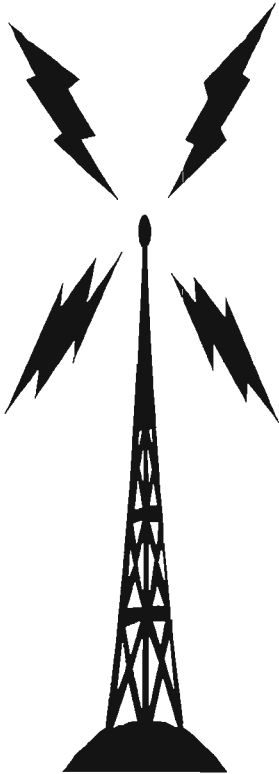
PCARA Update



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A Non-Profit Community Service Organization

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Progress!!

Welcome back to another edition of the PCARA Update. Much has happened since the first edition including:

- The filing of our corporation papers. Please see the attached article from the ARRL's website.
- Our Constitution and By-Laws have been completed.
- Our club station call sign request has been sent to the FCC.
- Plans have begun to link our VHF and UHF repeaters to enhance our coverage area.



Your help is needed with the following projects:

- Ideas are being gathered for a club logo. Please share your thoughts on this with Greg, kb2cq@arrl.net.
- Plans are under way for splitting our antennas at the site and we'll need to assemble a work party to get this done.

Our April 2nd meeting was very productive and we thank all who were able to attend. Minutes of this meeting will be distributed at the June meeting. The possibility of producing a Hamfest down the road was discussed along with the need to have a Fundraising Coordinator to help set this idea in motion.

73's

Bob Tarsio
N2CBH

Greg Appleyard
KB2CQE

Meetings

Please join us at our next meeting on Sunday, June 4th, 3:00 PM at the Mohegan Diner.

Future Meetings Dates: (subject to change)

August 6th, October 1st, December 3rd At the present time, all meetings are scheduled for 3:00 PM at the Mohegan Diner. We are in the process of looking for a more suitable meeting location and welcome your ideas.

Please see the article about **On-Air Meetings** on page 2.

Membership Application

The PCARA membership application is available on our website @ www.pcara.org Completed applications should be mailed to: PCARA, PO Box 32, Crompond, New York 10517

www.pcara.org

Our club page is up and running!! If you haven't already, please take a moment to check it out, and check back often, as updates are made on a regular basis. Please e-mail any suggestions, site problems, etc. to: kc2dwp@yahoo.com While visiting pcara.org, please take a moment to register with our club list server.

PCARA's e-mail address is: pcara@email.com



On-Air Meetings

At our April 2nd meeting, the idea of on-air meetings was discussed. To get started, it was decided that we would hold an on-air meeting during the first Sunday of each month that we don't have a regular meeting. The on-air meeting time would be the same as the regular meetings, 3:00 PM. Please let us know your thoughts on this.

On-Air Meeting Schedule (subject to change):

May 7

July 2

September 3

November 5

Upgrades

Congratulations to the following members on their recent license upgrades:

Gary Honcharik	Extra
Mike Ardovino	Extra
Bob Tarsio	Advanced
Greg Appleyard	General
Joe Ellman	General



Please share your upgrade news with us.
Send an e-mail to kc2dwp@yahoo.com.

Swap-n-Shop



Thanks to a great idea from Jerry, WA2ZOA, our club now has a swap-n-shop page on our website. This page can be used to list equipment you would like to sell and place requests for equipment you would like to purchase.

Please send your information to kc2dwp@yahoo.com. I have a digital camera available for anyone who would like to include a photo with their ad. Also, please contact me when your item is sold so that it can be removed from the page.

ARRL Affiliation

We have started the process towards ARRL Club Affiliation. This is a worthwhile move that comes with financial and other benefits:

Advantages of Affiliation (from the ARRL website):

- ARRL Club President's Workbook
- ARRL Annual Report
- ARRL Insurance
 - Liability Insurance
 - Equipment Insurance
- Referrals of Prospective Radio Amateurs
- ARRL Club Stationery
- Commissions for club members joining ARRL
 - \$5.00 for new ARRL members**
 - \$2.00 for ARRL member renewals**
- Club Rebate Reconciliation Form (Adobe PDF file)
- Mailing Lists/Labels
- Clip Art
- Library Sets of ARRL Publications
- 50% Discount on Club Ads in *QST*

Member Assessment

At our April 2nd meeting we discussed the club's need of a voluntary member assessment. This is necessary in order to help PCARA get up and running at full strength. The level of enthusiasm among our members is phenomenal and we have some great plans in the works to make our club the best it can be for our members. However, our current financial situation cannot support our goals.

There are two things that we ask of our members:

- 1 - Please let others know about our club. Member packets are available for licensed amateurs, or persons interested in amateur radio (Associate Membership).
- 2 - Please consider a voluntary contribution to help offset our club expenses (repeater upgrades and maintenance, equipment insurance, incorporation costs, etc.) Any member who contributes 50.00 or more during our first year will be considered a charter member of PCARA. The below form can be used for contributions and returned to our club address:



Name _____ Call Sign _____

Donation Amount _____

Please mail this form along with your check to:
PCARA
PO Box 32
Crompond, NY 10517



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VE Sessions:

13-April-2000 Sponsor: WECA

15-April-2000 Sponsor: WECA

Time: 09:00AM (Walk-ins allowed) VEC: ARRL/VEC

Location: Westchester County EOC

Contact - Sandy Fried n2sf@weca.org for further information or to register for the WECA VE Sessions

16-April-2000 Sponsor: YARC

Time: 08:30AM (Walk-ins allowed)

Location: Yonkers 1st Precinct Police Station on East Grassy Sprain Road

For additional information, contact Dan Calabrese, AA2HX, at 914.667.0587 or Emily Maytan, AC2V, at 914.237.5589

First Sunday of Every Month Sponsor: YARC

Time: 08:30AM (Walk-ins allowed)

Location: Yonkers 1st Precinct Police Station on East Grassy Sprain Road

For additional information, contact Dan Calabrese, AA2HX, at 914.667.0587 or Emily Maytan, AC2V, at 914.237.5589

Ham Fests:

30 Apr 2000 Mt. Beacon ARC www.mbarc.org

Wanted

Information for the Update. Please send any suggestions, news, articles, etc. to kc2dwp@yahoo.com.

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