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RUNNIN' ON EMPTY

If you haven't done so yet, pause and scan that masthead. You should see some new names and calls. That's great!

New faces, names, calls and ideas are essential to the continued vitality of any organization. We wish these folks lots of luck as we push off into 1994.

Why not help their luck along by getting in touch with

one of them and telling them that you'd like to serve the CVFMA in some way. The opportunities are numerous: Field Day, the Scholarship Committee, Entertainment Committee, the VE program, GEARS, ARES and a bundle that I probably missed.

And lets not forget those who have gone before. The outgoing officers gave one heck of a lot of time and devotion to this club, many of them for a lot of years and some of them are continuing to do so, though not in an elected position. Pride does not prevent me from mentioning them, even if my name and call are included. NU1A, Frank Finger, W1GUA, Rudy Adler, KY1U, Sandy Gosse-lin, KA1SMC, Marlon Wood and KL7DN, Darrel Daley.

As to that triangle in the upper right hand corner of the enclosed 1994 membership form...Put your call in there and make sure that it, along with your dues and contributions, gets into the hands of our Treasurer by the

day of January 20, 1994. It will go into the hat for a drawing for two free dinners at our Beat the Cabin Fever Blues dine out at the Homestead Inn in Walpole, NH. As was done last year, your board is performing this service in an attempt to get

those dues moneys in early so as to get our cash flow on an even keel and eliminating the need to send out too many late notices in early February.

Circumstances and your good fortune prevent me from going on for another column or two. An abrupt resignation of an instructor in Springfield found me teaching three computer classes for Community College of Vermont this past semester and the work load was astounding, even for someone as young and virile as myself. But watch out in March as I hope to have more time on my hands. Till then, carry on with your perusal of what I hope you believe to be a good newsletter. 73 de Darrel, KL7DN

UPCOMING EVENTS

- January 1..1994 CVFMA dues are DUE!!
- CVFMA board meeting..January 20, 1994. 7 PM
- Beat the Cabin Fever Blues Dine Out..Jan. 22 (See write up elsewhere)
- ARRL VHF contest..January
- VE test session..March 26, 1994 at Sugar River Savings Bank/Walpole, NH
- VE test session..June 6, 1994 at same location as above.

OUR PRESIDENT SPEAKS

At the October membership meeting of the CVFMA I was elected to the office of President for the coming year. I feel the slate of officers as selected by the nominating committee can work well together. The report of the nominating committee was accepted by the membership and the slate of officers were elected. (Ed. note: check out the masthead for a listing of our new officers) I would like to commend WB1EAE, Leigh and KA1PVS, Ham, of the nominating committee for the fine job they did in finding a group that they feel can work well to serve the needs of the organization.

I feel that my two years as Director at Large have helped to prepare me for this very important position, and I will do my very best to serve the needs of the membership. At least I knew what I was getting myself into. I agree with what Frank, NU1A, said last year, namely, that it helps to be a board member before serving as President.

The board of director's meetings are open to the membership and are held on the odd number months. The date, time and place of the board meetings can usually be found by listening to 146.76 and on the emergency net on Tuesdays. If members are unable to attend the meeting they can contact the Director at Large, Ed, KA1IJ. As a member of the board, Ed represents the membership at large. So, please feel free to contact him concerning any problems or suggestions you may have.

I would like to take this occasion to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Sincerely, Marlon M. Wood, KA1SMC
President: CVFMA



G.E.A.R.S. CORNER

Hello from the kids of GEARS. In our Novice/Technician class Mr. E has introduced a new Novice/Technician study manual, called "ALPHA-ZULU" by ArtSci in California. The manual is similar to the ARRL's "NOW YOU'RE TALKING". It uses morse code characters to introduce the material to the young student. The material is presented on our level. After each lesson there are 4-6 questions from the Novice question pool which we do as homework. We are about 1/3 of the way through the manual.

Our weekly fox hunts are going well with the addition of four more 49 MHz HTs. We each take turns being the fox. See Mr. E for details. Are there any other schools willing to join us?

Our small station now uses a computer program, donated by N1PPP, to track the OSCAR and weather satellites. It is on most of the time, tracking the Space Shuttle Mission, MIR and other objects. Both have been heard here on packet and voice. No contact was made.

Two of last year's GEARS graduates, Ben and Chris in Goshen, NH, are on 10 meters in the evenings and on weekends. Take a listen and give them a call. Another GEARS graduate, Joshua S., is looking for an inexpensive HF transceiver. If anyone can assist, please contact Mr. E at school.

Recently, Jeff Skrocki, KA1VGK, a 1989 GEARS graduate, contacted Mr. E and several others on 76. Jeff was using NY1F's station at Bellows Falls Union H.S.

Speaking of other "RADIO ACTIVE" schools, there are several that can reach 76. They include Riverside School and Bellows Falls UHS in Vermont and Goshen-Lempster, Crotched Mountain ARC, Kearsage RHS, all in New Hampshire. Other schools can also be heard on the Schools Operating Amateur Radio Net (SOAR) every third Thursday of the month. This might change due to the holidays in December or school calendars.

More schools could easily get involved. How? Contact your local school principal or one of the teachers. Describe to them what is available, recent space events, who to contact, how easy it is tracking the space objects, etc.

Presently we are setting up our new vertical. It will give us two more bands to use. We are also looking for school groups or individuals to send us daily weather data. Can you help us?

Look for GEARS on 76 or packet from time to time. We'd like to hear from you.

73, Desiree, Billy, Justin, Nicole, Nellie and Mr. E

VIEW FROM THE MOUNTAIN

Well here it is the Winter issue of the CVFMA newsletter. The summer and fall went by awfully fast this year - could it be that what they say about ones' age and the way time goes by??

We got through another lightning season with absolutely no problems at either repeater site. The equipment continues to operate flawlessly (knock on wood).

As of this reading the new CVFMA 440 MHz repeater should be on the air. For those who haven't heard it yet, the frequency is 442.4 MHz output with an input of 447.4 MHz. The machine is a "bare bones" version at present so don't expect to hear Otto or any of his family. The machine is a Yaesu FTR-5410 running 10 watts to a Hustler G6-440 antenna. The receiver is listening with a Cushcraft ARX-450B antenna. After a test period and some funds in the treasury we are looking to add a duplexer and up the power to the 50 watt range.

A great big thank you to John "Jack" Hussey, K1NOR, for the offer of his QTH and tower in Lempster, NH for this new CVFMA repeater.

Your comments and suggestions are always welcomed. I'm on packet at W1GUA @ WA1YTW and listen to all three repeater frequencies most of the time.

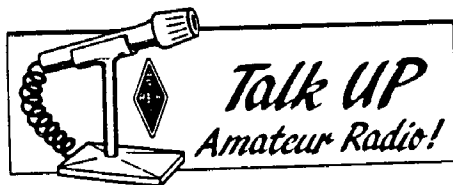
73, Rudy, W1GUA

FIELD DAY 1994

It's never too early to start thinking along these lines. Bruce did a fine job last year in chairing this event. It was decided that this chairmanship would be alternated, depending on which state we found ourselves in. In keeping with the tradition of switching between locations in Vermont and New Hampshire, this year's festivities will be held on the pretty side of the Connecticut River. I'll give you a hint..We ran field day in New Hampshire last year.

If you're interested in participating in the CVFMA sponsored 1994 event, just give me a jingle. My packet address can be found elsewhere in this publication, or you can give me a land line at 802-387-5822. If all else fails send me a card at the club address found on the cover page. At any rate, we'll definitely get you on the list and keep you posted on the plans as they progress.

73, Darrel/KL7DN

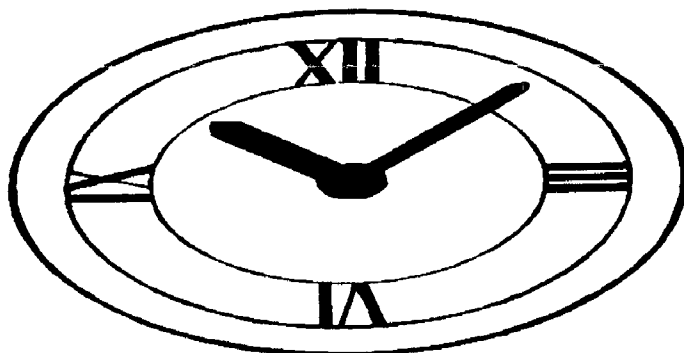


BIRTHDAY BEST WISHES

Jan..2nd/N1GKZ, Rick Lowe; 5th/KA1PVX, Jennifer Talbot; 11th/N1HGG, Jack Bacon & KA1BGT, Jeanne Wood; 15th/N1MSH, Tom Hall; 16th/KA1YVM, Ernest Gregoire; 17th/KA1TLP, Sandra Kimberly; 21st/NU1A, Frank Finger & N1PEY, Thelma Dickinson; 22nd/N1MOQ, Frank Duffy; 23rd/WA1THF, Doris Adler; 24th/N1HXC, Wayland Scott; 26th/AB1O, Richard Olmsted; 28th/N1MSE, Leslie Smith; 29th/KA1KPJ, Josephine Hollis & K1CLD, William Deal.

Feb..2nd/KB1BCO, William Faughnan; 3rd/KD1KO, Donald Carvalho; 8th/N1GPQ, Thomas Fix; 9th/N1JSG, Richard Pierce; 17th/WB2NWR, Jeffrey Katchen; 24th/K1TQY, Dawn Cummings; 25th/K1YOT, Alan Peterson; 27th/W1VKH, Ted Johnson.

Mar..5th/KA1UNC, Yvonne Adams; 9th/KA1NYP, Steven Marshall & K1FKX, Daniel Keech; 18th/K1YHO, Wesley Hrydziusko; 21st/W1ECB, Warner Jones; 23rd/ WA8WAK, Christian Howald; 24th/WY1L, Leslie Lyon; 25th/WA1PFK, Sydney Letter; 26th/W1RPK, Ken Pollard..KC1HY, Stan Dickinson..KA1IIA, Robert Provost & NN1D, John Whitaker; 29th/N1KWD, Robert McQuaide; 31st/KB1JT, Howard Baxter.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY WISHES

Jan..1st/N1BYG, Heidelise Als & K1MOQ, Frank Duffy; 11th/KC1HY, Stan & N1PEY, Thelma Dickinson; 12th/KB1ANF, William & KB1ANE, Susan Maynes; 17th/K1BFG, Robert & Virginia Payne; 22nd/K1KFW, Leo & Marcia Poulin; 23rd/N4HTC, Franclyn & Barbara Garvin.

Feb..5th/K1IOJ, Lemuel & Vivian Cummings; 10th/N1KWD, Robert & Joan McQuaide; 17th/KA1WZB, Rob & Sherry Ravlin; 21st/WA1ZLG, Bud & Ola Gillespie; 21st/W1SIO, Carl & Shirley Anderson; 22nd/W1TIM, Harvey & Harriet Merrick; 23rd/ W1S, David & Meg Schaller; 26th/wa8wak, Christian & Dorothy Howald.

Mar..15th/NN1D, John & Marguerite Whitaker; 18th/AB1O, Richard & Mary Olmsted as well as KT1Q/ Ed & Mary Bort; 19th/N1MVU, Kim & Judith Kimura; 27th/N1MSH,

THE EX SPEAKS

I want to thank the club members for putting up with me for a year as President of the CVFMA. Night time driving through all kinds of weather and traffic to get to the board meetings was getting a little nerve wracking, so I thought I should resign while I was still ahead. My thanks to the board members also for their guidance throughout the past year. It was appreciated. Now lets all get behind Marlon, our new president, and offer our help where and whenever we can. We have a fine gung-ho club. Let's keep it that way.

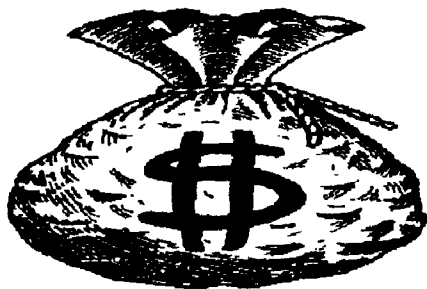
Here are answers to the last issue's puzzle department. A man sold a pig for \$63 and was paid with 6 bills, NO ones. How was he paid? He received one \$50 bill, one \$5 bill and 4 \$2 bills. An aside...Has anyone received a \$2 bill and noted that one of the corners was torn off? Seamen consider \$2 bills unlucky and to counter the bad luck they tear off one corner of the bill. The three sides of the corner torn off represent God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Ghost. That makes the deformed bill OK to have and use. Next time you receive a \$2 bill be sure to examine it and if the corner is not removed be sure to do so to protect your good luck!

Dawn needed exactly 8 gallons of water for her plants. She gave Lem a 5 gallon and a 2 gallon pail to go to the well for water. How did Lem bring back exactly 8 gallons of water in the fewest trips? Lem went to the well and filled the 5 gallon pail and brought it to Dawn. Then he went back to the well with the 5 gallon pail and filled it. He poured water from the 5 gallon pail into the 2 gallon pail until it was full. He kicked over the 2 gallon pail and carried the 3 remaining gallons in the 5 gallon pail back to Dawn. (A good father, that Lem)

This is a good New England puzzle. A thief needed as much rope as he could get. He was going to steal 2 belfry ropes. There was no access to the bells, but there was access to the bottom of the ropes. The floor below the bells was solidly planked, but there were 2 small holes for the ropes to come through. How did the thief steal most of the rope? He used no ladders.

Put 8 pennies in a row. Take any penny and jump over 2 pennies and place it on top of the third penny. the object is to wind up with all pennies doubled or "kinged" in just 4 moves.

73, Frank, NU1A



VE CORNER

CHANGE! CHANGE! The FCC has been at it again. Starting January 1, 1994, the test fee will go from \$5.60 to \$5.75, taking into account the cost of living, etc.

As a reminder, the new form 610 is still waiting approval from the Office of Management and Budget. It will supersede all the other form 610s presently in use two months after it is issued. Listen for the latest on the Tuesday night net.

INSTANT LICENSING - The concept has been around, in one form or another, for awhile. Four years ago, I sent a proposal to the FCC on the same topic. It was structured differently. I proposed that they use a sealed envelope similar to the ones used by the Internal Revenue Service. Due to the way the envelope is constructed, some of the information appears on the outside and the private information (call sign) appears only on the inside, visible once the built in safe guards starting with the VE team. Well, as you know, that idea didn't fly. The FCC's official response to me was that it (the FCC) was the only one that could issue call signs.

In the new proposal, an applicant who successfully passed the tests for a first license would gain temporary operating authority. They would use the prefix "WZ", with the call signs determined by the initials of their name and mailing address. The "WZ" prefix would be followed by a number indicating the appropriate VEC region. It might look like this: WZ1CE76.

With such a system, how do you differentiate between individuals in the same region who might have the same first letters and or mailing address? You and I can't keep track of all the new licensees. While the idea of not waiting 30-90 days is a valid feeling, what is going to stop someone from making up their own call sign and changing it from time to time? What are the safeguards for the integrity of the valid licensees and the Amateur Radio Service? The proposed system needs to be examined for potential problems.

Going back to my proposal, there are controls, integrity, and a way to lessen the possibilities of bogus call signs.

May I suggest that everyone with an interest in getting a handle on this new "potentially damaging" situation voice their concerns to the ARRL New England Division Director and the FCC as the proposal unfolds. We, as Amateur Radio Licensees need to have a major say in this proposal to keep it and the service on the highest level of discipline and integrity.

The tentative 1994 CVFMA VE session schedule is as follows: March 26, June 4, September 10 and December 3.

73, Conrad, WB1GXM
CVFMA VE Team Contact Person

INSTANT ON-THE-AIR

(Ed Note: The following is a synopsis of an article taken from the ARRL Letter of October 26, 1993. For further discussion of this matter see WB1GXM's article, the "VE CORNER").

The FCC has proposed, in PR Docket 93-267, that temporary operating authority be granted newly licensed Hams, to begin when the exam is passed and an application is filed and last until a full-term license is received from the FCC (not more than 120 days).

The ARRL board of directors feels that the Commission's on-going program to implement electronic filing of amateur radio license applications is the preferred method to eliminate any perceived need for a temporary operating authority. ARRL Executive Vice President David Sumner, K1ZZ, said that the League has always supported getting new amateurs on the air quickly, and has offered as much encouragement as it can to the FCC in the implementation of electronic filing, which would allow FCC staff to make the most of the limited time available for Amateur Radio license administration.

The League believes very strongly, Sumner said, that "any operating authority must stem directly from the FCC, not from some 'middle man' private entity, even though the ARRL/VEC is the largest such 'middle man.' Many of the protections we enjoy against arbitrary local and state regulations," Sumner went on, "are the result of our being federally licensed, it would be a serious mistake to allow this federal status to be diluted in the interest of some short-term expedient."

GOT A TNC??

Those of you in possession of this digital marvel of the 20th century along with a VHF radio and computer hooked up to same may wish to stay in touch with board members and committee chairman via this mode. Below you'll find some "routes" to the powers that be:

KA1SMC - Marlon: His personal board is usually on, so connect to KA1SMC-5 via VNH. If the old "failure with" message shows up leave him a note on BBSWOK.

N1JRA - Carl: Leave anything you might have for Carl on BBSWOK.

N1NPP - Steve: Ditto for Steve, i.e., BBSWOK.

KA1ORB - Bruce: His personal board is often on, so try for KA1ORB-5 via VNH. No luck, you say? Then drop him a note on BBSWOK.

W1GUA - Rudy: Rudy's board is on all the time except when he doesn't pay his light bill. Try W1GUA-1 off of SWNH. You're next best shot is to leave a note on BBSYTW.

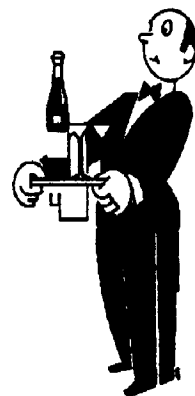
WB1GXM - Butch: Butch can also be reached via his personal board, which is WB1GXM-1 off of VNH.

KL7DN - Darrel: If anyone needs me (heaven forbid) my board is on around the clock. Just try KL7DN-1 off of SWNH. BBS YTW also works for me.

POLLY'S CHATTER

Stay tuned for a SAMRATS news flash!! The decision has been made to change the meeting times for the Saturday Amateur Radio Technical Society to the first Saturday of each month. The location is Busters on Route 11-12, 170 Charlestown Road in Claremont, NH. The techies start gathering at 9:30 AM and the face feeding begins at 10 AM.

Stay tuned for a Cabin Fever Blues news flash!! As in the past, we will meet at the Homestead Inn in Walpole, NH on January 22, 1994. A measly \$15.25 covers the whole ball of wax..tax, tip, coffee, dessert and a choice of roast beef, broiled scallops, fresh baked scrod or baked chicken. Happy Hour starts at 5 PM and dinner will be served at 6 PM. Even if you don't feel like being happy arrive at 5. Polly must know of your plans to attend by January 15.



I am looking for entertainment and ideas for club meetings. If you can help or have any ideas please get in touch. Don't be bashful. It can be anything (Ed. note..Well, almost, as this a family gathering); a slide show, sing along, or just a talk on your favorite subject.

73, 88 and BIG HUGS, Polly/KA1III

OPERATION HOLIDAYS III

By Rudy Adler, W1GUA/AAR1EQ

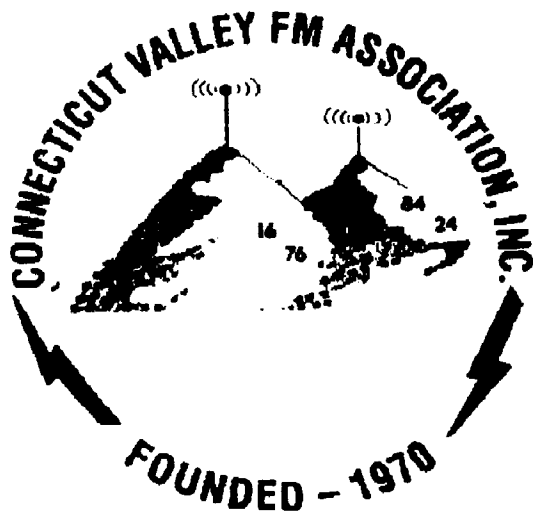
For the third year Amateurs and MARS members are promoting the public use of Amateur Radio for sending free radiograms to family and friends during the holiday season.

By encouraging people to use our free service we can show them the public service side of this great hobby. Non hams and hams alike enjoy receiving a holiday greeting in this different way.

Operation Holidays is a public relations campaign designed to make the American public aware of the services available through Amateur Radio and MARS. Encourage friends to send radiograms and send off a few yourself. It's

NTS for civilian to civilian messages and MARS for civilian to military or military to civilian. Emphasize that this is a year round service by both groups of volunteer radio operators.

If you're a bit rusty in drafting message traffic or otherwise need help contact this writer or any of the traffic handlers in the area.



WNH

The Worked All New Hampshire Award (WNH), sponsored by the New Hampshire Amateur Radio Association (NHARA), will be presented to any radio enthusiast submitting proof of contact with New Hampshire resident operators in each of the ten NH counties (Belknap, Carroll, Cheshire, Coos, Grafton, Hillsborough, Merrimack, Rockingham, Strafford, and Sullivan).

Contacts on all bands and all modes will be accepted, except those made via land based repeaters, digipeaters and nodes. Endorsements may be issued for specific mode or band achievement, including an all SWL endorsement. This handsome red, blue and gold certificate will be issued for contacts made AFTER JANUARY 1, 1993.

Confirming QSLs will be considered satisfactory evidence of successful contact. A FEE OF \$2.00 domestic (\$5.00 international) will be required at the time of QSL submission to cover the cost of certificate, postage, packaging and return of QSL cards.

Address all inquiries and/or submissions for the award to:

NHARA WNH Award
c/o North Country Amateur Radio Club
12 Cottage Street
Lancaster, NH 03584 USA

NEW HAMPSHIRE QSO PARTY

Sponsored By: NH Amateur Radio Association

When: 1900 UTC on February 12, 1994 to 0700 UTC on February 13, 1994.

and..14000 UTC on February 13 to 0200 UTC on February 14.

This event is open to all license classes. Technicians without HF operating privileges are invited to join in the fun on simplex above MHz and on the various modes found there.

Exchange:Signal report and QTH (county for NH stations); state, VE province, DXCC country for non NH stations.

Scoring:All stations count one point per phone QSO (AM,SSB, FM), two points per digital QSO (RTTY, CW, PACKET). Contact with the following designated NHARA Contest Club stations are five points per phone QSO and ten points per digital QSO: W1ET, WB1CAG, N0CUH, WB1HHB, K1RD, AA1EX, W1GUA, WB1ASL, WW1G, K1BKE, N1LT, KD1GJ, and W1OC. Include the bonus points for club station contacts in the total QSO points score before the multiplier. All contacts, including Bonus Point NHARA Contest Club Stations, may be made on a once per band per mode basis. NHARA club stations are allowed to operate two transmitters on a single band - on for phone and one for digital.

Multipliers:NH stations count number of NH counties, states, VE provinces, DXCC countries. Non New Hampshire stations count number of NH counties worked only.

Suggested Freqs:CW - 1810, 3535, 7035, 14035, 21035, 28035.

SSB- 1875, 3935, 7235, 14280, 21380, 28320, 50155, 14025.

FM - 29.610, 52.540, 146.550, 223.500, 446.000, 902.100, 1296.100.

Miscellaneous:There will be a 75 meter phone finale sunday on 3950 +/- QRM. Logs must be postmarked by March 31, 1994. Include an SASE when requesting NH QSO logging software (NH stations only), summary sheets, contest rules and with logs and comments for contest results.

Direct all correspondence and inquiries to:

GEARS
Conrad Ekstrom, WB1GXM
POB 1076
Claremont, NH 03743-1076

ARES IN ACTION

Sullivan County Region, NH

October can bring some interesting weather to Vermont and New Hampshire. As such, Gary O'Kula, N3CLZ, NH Section Emergency Coordinator and the emergency coordinators from around the Granite State cooked up a little "trick or treat" for the 30th. The 1993 Simulated Emergency Test (SET) was designated "Operation Frozen Pumpkin". Following a week of simulated heavy rains a simulated severe cold front entering during the morning turned the rain to freezing rain. Sullivan County ARES members were alerted by telephone tree at 08:45 and instructed to monitor 146.76 MHz.

At 09:15 the Sullivan County ARES Emergency Coordinator opened the net on the Mt. Ascutney machine. Net control duties were handled by Asst. EC, Dave McGaw, N1HAC. In all, 15 stations with 21 operators responded to the call up.

Liaison was made with the American Red Cross, the Office of Emergency Management at Concord and to an Army MARS emergency network established for long distance communications.

The exercise on 146.76 was terminated at 11:38. the state net was closed at 11:56.

A meeting of NH ARES staff members was held in Concord on 11 Dec. to review the operation and to plan for the next test.

Thank you to the following amateurs who participated: WB1EAE, KA1PVS, WB1GXM, N1CIR, N1NPP, N1HAC, KA1SMC, N1LBZ, N1OGH, N1JRA, WB1APU, W1IXA, WZ1G, N5IEP, KB1DL, N1EFK, N1KQA, W1GUA, WA1THF, and KA1VCX.

This issue of the CVFMA newsletter includes an ARES registration form for renewal of membership and new members. Please take the time to fill it in and send it to me at: P.O. Box 29, East Lempster, NH 03605-0029. Your membership card, membership roster and start-up supplies will be sent to you ASAP.

73, Rudy Adler, W1GUA

And the procedure is simple: Mail your renewal check (made out to the CVFMA, NOT the League), along with your renewal notice from the League, to CVFMA/Attn: Treasurer POB 1628 Claremont, NH 03743-1628. Our Treasurer, Bruce/KA1ORB, will deposit your check in our account and make out a check to the ARRL for \$2 less than your renewal membership and send it in along with your renewal notice. Our club made over \$50 in 1993 via this very simple process. If everyone renewed in this manner, we would earn over \$140.



Ed note: The following is with thanks to a copy of the Midwest General News from the mid 70s.

"The world around us is not falling apart even though our newspapers, radio and television are constantly telling us about crime, riots, corruption, aggression and underhanded operations. these things have always made the news and will continue to do so.

"The world still operates by something more constructive and less spectacular than sensational news. It revolves around the everyday lives of most of the people you know who never make the headlines or are the subject of a best seller.

"Each day there are millions of people who go about their days' work without fanfare or show. They may be building a house or a factory; they may be fabricating useful tools, equipment or machinery .. all with the thought or performing their tasks to the best of their ability.

"Each day there are millions who resist the temptation to cheat, lie and steal for personal gain. They are the people who place honesty as a way of life. They are living in respect of the rules of decent conduct. As a result, the world is a better place for all of us.

"Each day there are millions of people who speak a good word for someone else. They gratefully tell of the kindness of a neighbor. They never miss the opportunity to compliment the work of another. They just say and do the things that make life more pleasant.

"These people are those who keep this world on an even keel. Their way will continue to prevail, for the disturbance made by those who live otherwise is out of proportion to their number and importance."

THE LEAGUE AND YOU

We are an affiliated club. One thing this means is that when one of our members renews through the CVFMA we get a \$2 kick back. For someone joining the League as a new member we get \$5. It's not much, but it adds up and definitely makes more money available for club activities and projects.

Name: _____ Call: _____



AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE REGISTRATION FORM



Address: _____ State/Prov.: _____ Zip/PC: _____
 City: _____ Home phone: _____ County: _____
 Bus. phone: _____
 License Class: _____ Primary radio interest: _____

Check (✓) bands/modes you can operate:

	160	80	40	20	15	10	6	2	220	OTHER
CW										
FM										
RTTY										
SSB										
MOBILE										
PACKET										
IF OPERATING PACKET, THE CALLSIGN OF YOUR PBBS IS: _____										

Can your home station operate without commercial power? [] Yes [] No
 If yes what bands? _____
 Signed: _____ Date: _____

Detach and send to your EC (if known) or the ARRL, 225 Main St., Newington, CT 06111.

To All Radio Amateurs:

The Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) is a voluntary organization of licensed radio amateurs who have registered their capabilities and equipment for providing emergency communications as a public service to the community. The purpose of the ARES is to furnish communications in the event of natural disaster, when regular communications fail or are inadequate. Sponsored by ARRL, the ARES functions at the local level to meet local communications needs.

The ARES has a long history of public service going back to its formal inception in 1935. Since that time the ARES has responded countless times to communications emergencies.

Experience has proven that radio amateurs respond more capably in time of emergency when practice has been conducted in an organized group. There is no substitute for experience gained before the need arises.

The ARES in each locality operates under the direction of the Emergency Coordinator (EC), whose function is to direct the activities of the ARES to maintain a state of readiness.

To register in the ARES, send the detachable Registration Form above directly to your EC, or to ARRL Headquarters for forwarding to your EC. *League membership is not required for registration.* Registration does not require possession of any specially designed equipment. All amateurs can be of assistance to the ARES. There is provision in the ARES for every amateur regardless of class of license, equipment owned, or personal circumstances.

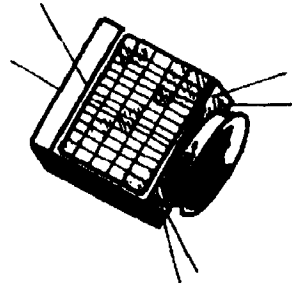
Won't you join us in providing this essential Amateur Radio service?

Richard Palm, K1CE
File Services Manager

CONGRATULATIONS

Our hats off to the following people who hit pay dirt at the club's VE session on December 5 at the Sugar River Savings Bank in Newport, NH.

Mary Chamberlin..Techician; Peter Furmanik..Technician;
 Peter Gamble..Novice; KA1YVM, Ernest Gregore..Extra;
 Catherine Gustafson..Technician; Jules Herbert..Technician;
 Laurel Letter..Technician; Grace Mrowicki..Novice;
 KA1WZB, Rob Ravlin..Extra; N1QIZ, Ronald Rioux..Advanced; KB1GO, Phillip Rutledge..Extra



CONNECTICUT VALLEY FM ASSOCIATION
APPLICATION AND MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL
1994

(Duplicate as needed)

(Please type or print)

CALL SIGN: _____ NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY/TOWN, STATE, ZIP: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: () _____ LICENSE CLASS: _____

EXPIRATION DATE: _____ LEAGUE MEMBER? Yes/No _____ Reg. _____ Life _____

(If you're a League member please renew via the CVFMA. As an affiliated club we can retain \$2. Join the League through us and we can keep \$5. There is NO extra charge to you.)

() FULL MEMBERSHIP. ANNUAL DUES/\$15.00

() FAMILY DUES. ANNUAL DUES/\$25.00
(One newsletter per address)

() STUDENT MEMBERSHIP. ANNUAL DUES/\$7.50

(Applies to any full time student under age 18 and living at home)

() Please accept my contribution to the CVFMA scholarship fund in the amount of

() Please accept my contribution to the repeater maintenance and expansion fund in the amount of.....

TOTAL ENCLOSED

(Protect yourself. Pay with a check.)

Signed: _____ Date: _____

MEMBER INFORMATION

Birthdate: _____ Spouse's Name: _____

Spouse's Birthdate: _____ Anniversary Date: _____

Date first licensed: _____ Other Calls Held: _____

Favorite Amateur Radio interests: _____

Other Hobbies and Interests: _____

Return completed application and payment to:

Treasurer/CVFMA. INC.
POB 1628
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The Connecticut Valley FM Association is an ARRL affiliated organization of over 160 mostly like minded Hams. The organization was formed in 1970. We maintain two mountain top repeaters, 146.76/.16 on Mount Ascutney in Windsor, VT and 147.24/.84 on Moose Mountain in Hanover, NH.

We also offer two yearly scholarships of \$250 each to a graduating high school senior from Vermont and New Hampshire. These two scholarships are "kept alive" **ONLY** by member contributions beyond the regular dues structure.

Two general meetings are held during the year, in April and October. The business of the group is handled by a Board of Directors which meets every other month. ALL members are invited and encouraged to attend and contribute to these meetings.

There are numerous social gatherings throughout the year, some scheduled and others of an impromptu nature. Many of us gather on the first Saturday morning of each month at 10 AM for a scheduled meeting of SAMRATS (Saturday AM Radio Amateur Technical Society). Every January the membership meets at the Homestead Inn in Walpole, NH for a dine out and eyeball.

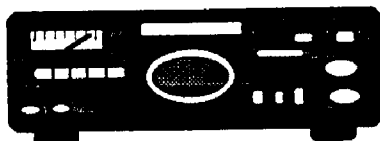
The club sponsors Field Day activities every year in either Vermont or New Hampshire. There are also three daily weather nets on the Mount Ascutney repeater at 6:30 AM, 5:30 PM and 10:00 PM. A weekly emergency preparedness net is held each Tuesday at 7:30 PM. We sponsor volunteer examination sessions quarterly at he Sugar River Savings Bank in Newport, NH. through our VEC, the ARRL. A newsletter is sent out quarterly.

All of these numerous activities require many man, woman, person, whatever hours of time and effort. Won't you give serious consideration to volunteering to serve Amateur Radio through the CVFMA in some capacity to help spread the work load and further the cause of Amateur Radio in our small part of the world.

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