



GNARC on Line Bulletin

Greater Norwalk Amateur Radio Club

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Club Repeaters: K1OF 147.390/ + 600 (no PL) & K1UHF 448.075/ - 500 (PL-114.8)

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Next Club Meeting will be Wednesday, June, 9, 2004

Program will be FIELD DAY 2004!

Regular Club Meetings start at 8:00 pm and are held in the Community Room at the [Shop Rite](#) on Connecticut Ave. (Rte-1) in Norwalk. Talk in: 147.390 no PL. [Bulletin News & Updates](#).

Updated on 05/30/2004 -----

President: "Ned" Bassick, KA1CVV / **Vice President:** Allan Valeo, NN1H (203) 762-9302

Secretary: John Sabini, WB1GRB (203) 348-3983 / **Treasurer:** "Zig" Fekete, N1ICL.

June 2004 GNARC on Line Bulletin: John Sabini WB1GRB. Questions (203) 353-8422.

GNARC Membership Dues Are Due For 2004!

Senior Membership: Individuals over 65 years of age.....\$15.00 per year
Standard Membership: Individuals under 65 years of age.....\$20.00 per year
Student Membership: Individuals under 18 years of age.....\$10.00 per year
Family Membership:.....\$25.00 per year

Send your dues to: "Zig" Fekete ~ 45 Stoehr Place ~ Bridgeport, CT. 06606

Everyone on the GNARC Distribution [Mailing List](#) will receive this newsletter. Now that we are going to an all electronic Newsletter you will be informed by e-mail of the up and coming GNARC events. If you are not on the Membership Distribution List or if you have not been receiving the On Line Bulletin, please contact Ed K3EIN via [E-Mail](#), and he will update the Membership Page on the GNARC web site. To make sure you receive this Newsletter make sure the [Mailing List](#) e-mail address is not filtered or blocked on your computer!

GNARC Field Day Planning 2004.

[Printable Form](#) with the latest updates.

Date, last weekend in June. June 26th & 27th. [Location:](#) Veterans Park in Norwalk.

If you have questions or we need volunteers contact: [Gary](#) N1DKB.



'NEW' 'Add Your Own Calendar Event / Public Discussion Board'.

If you have any photos of this years Dayton Hamfest send them to: John [WB1GRB](#).

Please I Need Articles! John [WB1GRB](#). Article in Subject Line.

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[Photos](#) of May Meeting.

GNARC Minutes of the Meeting 5/12/04

Allan, NN1H started the GNARC meeting at 8:05 pm.

Officers then introduced themselves. **Vice President:** Allan Valeo, NN1H / **Secretary & Newsletter:** John Sabini, WB1GRB / **Treasurer:** "Zig" Fekete, N1ICL.

Allan made a motion from the floor to accept the minutes of the April meeting as published in the June newsletter. The Minutes for the April meeting were then accepted.



Allan than announced that Saturday, May 22 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. I will find my self a nice location and I will become the fox. What I would like to do is have anybody that is interested in emergency communications and radio - direction finding to get out and find me. I am not going to make it hard. I will be in plain site. I will be on the 147.390 repeater. The fox will be on 147.420 simplex. This will be a ARES exercise. This was published in the [May](#) GNARC Bulletin. (AREAS News) Update below, in this months

ARES News.

Jay NE2Q mentioned that he has heard some interference that is very broad, 40 kc wide and 15 kc below the 147.390 repeater input. Jay has heard the interference 10 miles away at home. " This would be a good time to use our direction finding antennas." This interference drifts up and down the band and has been heard on the Stamford repeater input, 146.055.

Jay would like to get a group together to track down this interference. Contact Jay if you are interested. You can also use the GNARC [Distribution List](#).

Allan reminded everyone that we can now report any interference. You can go to the GNARC web site and reprot the [Interference](#).

Information needed. you were mobile, or base, your times, beam headings, signal strengths, your directions of travel and locations of signal strength readings if you were mobile; and whether what you heard was on the Repeater output or on the Repeater input.)

This report may be forwarded to the FCC in the future, so consider placing as much detail as possible in your reports in an effort to help them as much as possible.) This information is very important and can help us locate this interference. The information will be automatically forwarded to the appropriate repeater trustees, etc.

Public Service: Toy KA1WYQ talked about the Annual Blooming' Metric bicycle tour. May 23, 2004, rain or shine and was disparity looking for 12 volunteers. This was mentioned in the April and May Bulletin.

Toy will need help in future GNARC public service events. Check future GNARC Bulletins for more public service events. Contact Toy at: 203-853-2407 if you would like to volunteer.

Toy then read this [letter from the March of Dimes](#).



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(Above) Photos of the Blooming Metric 2004 Cyclists Bicycle Club Event. 5/23/04

Allan then talked about BPL. "I have heard what BPL is going to do to us. What I am not hearing from any of us is what we are going to do to BPL. If no body has read what a 50 watt ham radio transmits in a area with BPL that is being used I suggest you get out your old ARRL QST magazines and start looking. My point is that we use our frequencies now or we could lose these frequencies forever.



Toy then gave some prizes away with the club raffle. The money helps pay for refreshments.

Coffee Break at 9:55.

Coffee Break ended at 10:15.



< Hugo AA1XV talked about Field Day and antennas.

During the remaining portion of the meeting Zig N1iCL discussed set up for Field Day.

He was looking for volunteers for Field Day. **Contact:** [Gary N1DKB](#).

Review of discussion check [Timeline for Field Day Planning 2004](#).

Meeting ended at: 10:45 pm.

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**From the Desktop of Zig Fekete N1iCL
New or Renewed Members for 2004!!!**

Renewal Ray Hilson WB1U Renewed "Hey Ray see you at Field Day"

New Member: Stephen Mecserly WZ1Y "The Voice of 20 Meters" in Old Greenwich

Welcome Stephen glad to have you aboard. Stephen will also be at Field Day this year!

Have you seen or heard of a past member recently? Ask them where they've been and invite them for coffee on the next meeting night, there's plenty of room. In fact feel free to invite anyone you think might be interested in our hobby.

73,s to all see you next Month at the meeting.

Zig N1iCL

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[Photos](#) of fox hunt. Photos courtesy of "Zig" N1iCL

ARES NEWS



The next Norwalk ARES Net Schedule is June 7th at 8:00 PM on 147.390R.Net. Control Station will be **K1OF**.

My thanks go out to Jack Callahan, N1RRF, for taking the Net last month. It seems the Net is always busy when Jack has the helm, and the May net was no exception. My thanks also go out to Tim Walker, W1GIG, for bringing everyone up to date on the statewide ARES picture. I need to pass along a thank you to Jonathan Taylor, K1RFD, since I checked in from Salt Lake City using EchoLink. I couldn't stay on long but I did get to check in and that's significant. We have an amazing set of technology tools at our disposal.

The Fox was caught. Top bragging rights go to Zig, N1iCL who used some old fashioned "listen and look brain power" to figure out where to find him. Three teams participated and I list the results below with many thanks to those who took the time to exercise their RDF skills.

N1iCL, Zig Fekete, 40 minutes (I'll get him next time!)

K1OF and N1EKD, Rich and Cindy Roznoy, 2 hours and 5 minutes.

N1Rll and KA1OMR, Mark Yantachka and Brian Solt, assisted by Elizibeth Thiboult, didn't find the Fox but put in a fine effort.

This was a fun exercise that will be repeated later this summer. The next Fox Hunt, however, will be a little more difficult. The plan is to get as many people as possible experienced in some vital skills. It isn't as easy as it sounds. Watch the ARES Web Page and the Newsletter for details.

The next ARES Net is June 7th at 8:00 pm. K1OF will be the Net Control Station.

Allan Valeo, NN1H, EC Norwalk ARES Group.



June NTS – [Packet Newsletter](#) Connecticut ARES

Fairfield County Skywarn Nets will be held on an as needed basis on the following repeaters: 147.39/R for Southern Fairfield County and 147.30/R (PL 100.0) for Northern Fairfield County.

ROGER GILER W1AGU

Computer Corner

We have recently gone through a temporary breakdown of the local DSL broadband network which left many customers stranded through most of one day. For a business, this represents a major disaster. It seems that a fiber communication cable was accidentally cut in Westchester County disabling all the accounts of one provider. The sad part is that many people spent an inordinate amount of time trying to track down the failure in their own office, before becoming aware through news broadcasts that it was not a local problem. Some ATMs and credit card machines were inoperative. This should be completely unacceptable. Maybe it's time to look back briefly at the Internet history.

When the Internet was first created as a partnership between universities and the Department of Defense (DARPA = Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency), the intent was to keep communication going between the various university research labs and the government control centers in case of a major nuclear attack on the US. It worked like a charm. Soon university researchers recognized the value of being able to communicate in real time at low cost and the Internet started in earnest. The potential was soon recognized by commercial interests and the Internet expanded. More capacity was added. Then the bean counters of large companies got involved and the thought of free communication was subverted by the greed of corporations. Large "pipes" or fiber networks were obviously more cost effective than smaller intelligent communication redundancy. The present system works well, but what if there were a terrorist attack on some of the cables? Or even a remote attack from terrorists over the Internet proper? Think about it. I expect that in the not-too-distant future, Congress will muddle through another 9-11 type commission to investigate what went wrong, and why nothing was done to predict and prevent it.

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Public Service Announcements

SARA SUNDAY NIGHT NET We encourage people to check into the SARA net. This is a informal net on the Stamford Repeater every Sunday night at 8 PM. After about a half hour of friendly discussion, we play the "Amateur Radio Newslines" with the latest happenings in amateur radio. Make yourself heard, join the net. Repeater: 146.655. PL-100 Hz.

Sunday June 13. A 2-day 2-location Hamfest Weekend for persons interested in electronics, computers and amateur radio will be held in Newington CT on Saturday June 12 at ARRL Headquarters, 225 Main Street and Sunday June 13 at Newington High School, 605 Willard Ave (CT Route 173). Admission is \$6 and is good for both days. Some lucky visitor will win a door prize of a \$250 gift certificate.

On Sunday A VP of Information Tehnology at a leading Internet company Johnathan Taylor, will conduct a forum on Echolink , a new computer-based technology which enables a home computer to communicate with ham and other radio stations throughout the world. In private life Mr. Taylor K1RFD is a radio ham and is the inventor of Echolink

(www.echolink.org),

Saturday events will include tours of ARRL Headquarters, Operating the Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Radio Station W1AW and a 4-hour seminar on emergency communications. (All Saturday events require

pre-registration.) Sunday events will include forums, an Electronic Flea Market and FCC Exams for amateur radio licenses.

The event is a combined project of two groups. One of them is NARL, a technical, fraternal and public service club composed of Capitol Region radio hams. The other is the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION for Amateur Radio. Additional information is available from Al Cohen W1FXQ tel. 860-667-2864 or Bob Stanwood KB1EYZ 860-242-274.

6 Jun 2004, Hall of Science ARC <http://www.qsl.net/hosarc> **Contact:** Stephen Greenbaum, WB2KDG 85-10 34th Avenue, Apt. 323. Jackson Heights, NY 11372. Phone: 718-898-5599.

13 Jun 2004, Long Island Mobile ARC <http://www.limarc.org> **Contact:** Brian Gelber, WB2YMC PO Box 392. Levittown, NY 11756. Phone: 631-286-7562.

For Sale / [Message Board](#)

To help battle junk e-mail use your telephone number. Questions, 203 - 353 - 8422. John WB1GRB.

[30 ft. Antenna tower](#) looking to donate to amateur radio club. just come get it! Posted. April 23, 2004

Wanted tri-band beam antenna.10m 15m 20m a 14ft boom would be great. 73 Louis. n1nq.

n1nq@yahoo.com

One IBM Think pad 560X WIN98SE P233 96megs, 4 Gig HD very light weight 4pds with all manuals, Restore CD's and license. \$200 call days 299-0233 ask for Ned. o 1615 30 MHz Freq Ctr., \$25; AEA PK-88 Packet TNC, \$35 Call Marv, [N1AWJ](#), (203) 438-7889.

Mobile w/o Microphone, \$25; HP5301 10 MHz Freq Ctr. \$25; Eldorado 1615 30 MHz Freq Ctr., \$25; AEA PK-88 Packet TNC, \$35; Leader LAC 897 2M Trans match, \$20. Call Marv, [N1AWJ](#), Posted by: WB1GRB

SB 102, POWER SUPPLY/ SPEAKER, AND HAND MIKE IN VERY CLEAN CONDITION. 80-10M. \$150. (203) 531-9493. Andy [KA1SLG](#).

Icom 706mkII G, no box, in excellent condition, have all the small connectors it came with, asking 650\$ or Best offer. 203 748 7143.

ICOM T8A HT w/slow charger & 2 extra Batt's., \$119; Radio Shack HTX 242 2m 10/45W Mobile w/o mounting bkt., \$60 Call Chris, N1YNO at (203) 359-0570 evenings.

FT-8100B 2M/70cm Transceiver with factory CTCSS encode/decode, separation kit, and includes all schematics and manual. Recent o/haul at Yaesu - Installed new style transmitter board and complete alignment. Works and looks as new. \$200.00 plus shipping - 203-975-8014 eves.

Quad, rooftop tower, and ham desk for sale. Lighting Bolt 5 band, 2 element Quad \$40. Create 10' rooftop tower with thrust bearing and rotor plate. Make me an offer. Unique ham desk originally used in Heathkit store: Slight "U" shape. Desk is 25" deep x 7 feet (at widest part) , two adjustable 12" deep full length shelves, tan Formica, extremely sturdy and handsome!. It disassembles for moving. \$350. Gary K3OS 203-762-8972 evenings.

HD-73 ROTOR w/CONTROL & CABLE, \$50; Cushcraft 10-40M Vertical. Ant., \$15; Heathkit Station Monitor Mod. 614, \$50. 2 South Bend 7.5 HP Go-Cart Engines. Call for Info. Call Irv, N1ATS, 348-3425. Posted by: WB1GRB.

I have a HTX-202 with a cracked Case. I do not care if the radio works. I need the Plastic case. Jerry W1FHM, (203) 853-3969. Posted By John WB1GRB.

If any items above are sold or if you have any questions please contact me. John wb1grb. 203-353-8422.

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Join us before the meeting at John's Best Pizza on New Canaan Ave. at 6 pm.

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Like an unchecked cancer, hate corrodes the personality and eats away its vital unity. Hate destroys a man's sense of values and his objectivity. It causes him to describe the beautiful as ugly and the ugly as beautiful, and to confuse the true with the false and the false with the true.

Martin Luther King Jr.

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Contact me for corrections: John WB1GRB.

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