

The LARG Radio News - DE K4LRG



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MEETING LOCATION: The January 17, 2004, LARG meeting will be at 8:30 in the Leesburg Holy Trinity Lutheran church at 605 West Market Street. The church is located at the intersection of Market Street and Catoctin Circle on the west side of town. It is just east of the bypass. From the Bypass, take the Leesburg exit at the west end of town and the church is on the right just past the stoplight. Please enter through the door on the east side of the building where you will see both steps and a ramp by the door.

January Club Meeting Plans -- We will have the election of officers for 2004. A ballot with the Nominating Committee's recommendations and places for write-in candidates is attached to this letter. Bring your ballot to the meeting (don't worry; if you forget, we will have extra ballots available). You will notice that your Nominating Committee has not found a candidate for the position of Secretary as of January 11. A chairman for 2004 Field Day activities will need to be appointed at this meeting; it is not too early to begin planning for this important club event. We will have a report from the Public Service Committee on our activities at Leesburg First Night.

It's time to pay your 2004 club dues! Fill out the attached membership form and mail it in or bring it to the next club meeting.

December - Annual LARG Holiday Dinner -- About 30 LARGer's enjoyed the Annual LARG Holiday Dinner at the Tuskarora Mill restaurant the evening of December 10. This year's event was ably organized by Evan, **KQ4CI**; thanks for setting up such a nice evening. The food and companionship both were excellent and everyone enjoyed themselves immensely. The highlight of the evening was **Carol Boehler, KF4TJJ**, receiving the **Ham of the Year Award for 2003**. Carol is certainly well-deserving of this honor as she has done a lot for and with the club over the years. **Thank you, Carol!**

November LARG Meeting Report - Our Treasurer, Gary, **NC4S**, announced that LARG has nearly 100 paid up members as of November 15!

2004 Events - We have attached a list of Contests and other important ham radio events that will be coming up during the first six months of 2004. Make sure that you have these on your calendar! The ARRL has club entries for the ARRL CW and SSB DX contests, so keep them in mind, and, of course, the Virginia QSO Party on the weekend of March 20 should be on everyone's list. Next month's newsletter will have more details on this important club participation event.

Calendar of Events:

Every Sunday 8:00 p.m.

Every Third Saturday 8:30 a.m.

Weekday Mornings and Evenings

Club Radio Net, 145.310 MHz duplex

Club Meeting -- January 17, 2004

Commuter Net, 147.480 MHz Simplex

Dues - It is that time of year again; your modest membership fees for 2004 are due! We still only charge \$12.00 per year (that's only \$1.00 per month, or about \$0.03 per day...) for membership in the finest amateur radio club in western Loudoun County. The fee for additional family members is \$1.00 per year per person. **Checks should be made out to Loudoun Amateur Radio Group (LARG).**

You can bring this form to the January meeting or mail it to our Treasurer, c/o **LARG, P. O. Box 1004, Purcellville, VA 20134.**

This form not only helps you to get your dues paid, but it also will let us update our membership data base so that we can provide you with a new membership list early in 2004. Our big expense is mailing out this newsletter and we need the \$'s to keep it going!

Note: Your call sign, first and last name, city, and state will be posted on the publicly available LARG web site. The other information will be available to club members only and will be posted on the password protected members only LARG web page.

Call Sign _____ (if you have one)

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Phone # _____ (please include area code)

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____ (5 digits only)

email address _____

email address _____

Type of membership (please circle): Regular Family Student

I would like my LARG newsletter sent via (please circle): USPS email website

Are you a member of the LARG reflector? ___

Are you a member of ARRL? ___

Are you a member of ARES/RACES? ___

License class (please circle): None Technician Tech Plus General Advanced Extra

What year did you first join LARG? _____

What year were you first licensed? _____

What was your first call? _____

Thanks for taking the time to fill out yet another form! If any of this information changes, please send me the new information so I can keep the LARG member list current.

BALLOT - 2004 LARG ELECTION OF OFFICERS

President

Dale Harrison, K3CN -----

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Secretary

Treasurer

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LARG 2004 Schedule of Events - First Half of the Year

January

10 – NA QSO Party – CW
17 – NA QSO Party – SSB
17 – LARG Club meeting
24-26 – ARRL VHF contest
24-25 – CQ 160 meter CW contest

February

21 – LARG Club meeting
21-22 – ARRL DX CW contest
28-29 – CQ 160 meter SSB contest

March (big goings on this month...)

6-7 – ARRL DX SSB contest
20 – LARG Club meeting
20-21 – Virginia QSO Party!!
27-28 – CQ WPX SSB contest

April

17 – LARG Club meeting

May

1-2 – New England QSO Party
16-18 – Dayton Hamvention
15 – LARG Club meeting
29-30 – CQ WPX CW contest

June

12-13 ARRL VHF Party
19 – LARG CLUB meeting
26-27 – ARRL Field Day!!