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November 16, 2017 regular monthly meeting Lock Two Park 7pm
This meeting will be the election meeting for the 2018 officers and board of directors. Please come out and vote.

December 2, 2017 Breakfast at Ryan's in the Rivergate area. 8am.
Come out and bring the family.

December 21, 2017 6pm. will be our Christmas dinner at Ryan's in the Rivergate area. This will be our regular Thursday night meeting night. We will once again be collecting unwrapped gifts for the Forgotten Angel Program of the Salvation Army. Please bring an unwrapped gift for a boy or girl any age.

President's Corner

The end of the year is fast approaching. We have had a really busy year with even more events than usual. I would like to thank all those who took part in any of the events. All were very successful and we have been invited back next year. A special thanks also to everyone who coordinated the events too. We appreciate the effort you put in to make things work.

November is election time. Please join us on our regular meeting night to let your voice be heard.

We will be working with the Salvation Army again this year to collect toys for kids who would not be having a very Merry Christmas so please bring your unwrapped toys. It's certainly a good cause and NARC has always stepped up. Thanks in advance. This is the Christmas dinner that takes the place of our regular December meeting.

Bring your family and join us. **Time is 6pm.**

If you ever have any problems or concerns please feel free to contact me at 615-480-6402 or at n1nut48@gmail.com

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Weekly Net 147.015 FM Monday 7:30PM

Net Information

ARES net is on Monday at 7pm. It is on 442.750 T 100 with a backup of 146.67

M-TEARS is on Monday at 8pm. It is on 443.725

The Nashville Davidson Co. Traffic net is on Sunday at 9pm. on 146.67

There is a Bible net on Monday thru Friday at 6am on 147.015

Monthly Breakfast at Ryan's Steak House, Gallatin Road Rivergate 1st Saturday of each month 8AM

EXAM SESSION

12/09/2017

Sponsor: Nashville VE Team

Date: Dec 09 2017

Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

Contact: Jack Cox

(615) 776-5865

Email: ka4otb@comcast.net

VEC: [ARRL/VEC](#)

Location: Crieve Hall Church of Christ

4806 Trousdale Dr

Nashville School of Preaching

Special Needs - Pre-Register

Nashville TN 37220-1304

Nominees for the 2018 NARC Officers and Board of Directors positions

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Board Members Adam Deland, W8IFG

(3 seats open) Mark Campbell, W0GZR

Cale Mooth, K4HCK

Terry Floyd, K4EQX

ARRL Executive Committee Updated on Entry-Level License, Amateur Auxiliary Revision

The ARRL Executive Committee reviewed plans to implement recommendations of the Entry Level License Committee, when it met on October 14 in Hartford, Connecticut. At its July meeting, the ARRL Board of Directors called for work to go forward on a plan to pursue additional HF digital and phone privileges for Technician licensees. The Executive Committee was told that New England Director and Entry-Level License Committee Chair Tom Frenaye, K1KI, will work with ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, and International Affairs Vice President Jay Bellows, K0QB, to develop the specifics of a proposal to the FCC requesting expanded frequency and mode privileges for Technicians. This will be completed in time for review by the full Board of Directors at its January meeting.

Frenaye explained this week that enhancing the Technician license would be “an immediate step that can take place with little FCC impact, since the question pool would not need to be changed.” He pointed out, however, that this approach “does not rule out longer-term consideration of a new entry-level license.” The Entry-Level License Committee had recommended both steps in its July report to the Board.

FT8 Mode is Latest Bright Shiny Object in Amateur Radio Digital World

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It's still in beta testing, but FT8 — the latest digital bauble to capture the imagination of the Amateur Radio community — has been luring away many of those already using the popular JT65 “weak-signal” mode. FT8 is included in a beta release of [WSJT-X](#), version 1.8.0-rc1. Among its biggest advantages is a shorter transmit-receive cycle, meaning quicker contacts. The [notes](#) for the “candidate” release say that FT8 offers “sensitivity down to -20 dB on the AWGN channel.” Contacts are four times faster than with JT65 or JT9, and an entire FT8 contact can take place in about 1 minute.

The new mode is named after its developers, Steven Franke, K9AN, and Joe Taylor, K1JT. The numeral designates the mode's 8-frequency shift keying format. Tones are spaced at 6.25 Hz, and an FT8 signal occupies just 50 Hz. Unlike JT65 or JT9, transmit and receive cycles in FT8 each last about 15 seconds. Like JT65, FT8 requires accurate time synchronization. An auto-sequencing feature offers the option to respond automatically to the first decoded reply to your CQ.

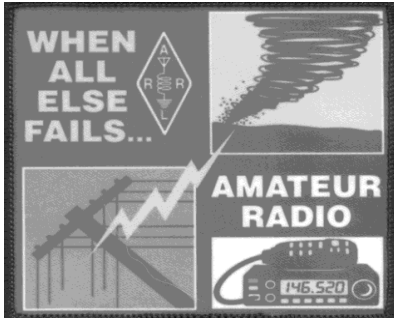
“FT8 is an excellent mode for HF DXing and for situations like multi-hop Es on 6 meters, where deep QSB may make fast and reliable completion of QSOs desirable,” Taylor's release notes assert.

For more information go to ARRL.org

**"We are what we repeatedly do.
Excellence, therefore, is not an act but a habit."**

- Aristotle

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Don't Miss These Next Meetings!

**Next Meeting:
Thursday
November 16, 2017
7:00 PM
Lock Two Club House**

**Breakfast Meeting
December 2, 2017
8:00 am
Ryan's at Rivergate**

**December Meeting
December 21, 2017
6:00pm Ryan's Restaurant, Rivergate**