

February 2003

WAWA NEWSLETTER

WAWA Newsletter
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Matheson Ave
Winslow, Maine 04901

The next meeting of the Waterville Area Wireless Association is scheduled for Saturday March 1st at the Winslow Junior High School.

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MEETING NOTES 2/8/03

February's meeting was held at Crystal Falls in Chelsea during Winterfest. Ron WISSF called the meeting to order at 10:00AM.

MS Walkathon

Maury KB1EZZ stated that he is looking for some help to provide communications for the Multiple Sclerosis Walkathon which will be held in Waterville on Sunday April 6, 2003. It was decided that we would hold off until the March meeting to make plans for it.

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Application for Membership

- 1. Call Sign: _____
Class: _____
- 2. Name: _____
- 3. Address: _____

4. E-mail address : _____

5. Do you want to be listed in the member section of our web site?: YES ____ NO ____

6. Please indicate the Bands and Modes Which You Operate:

1.2G 440 220 144 50 28 24

21 18 14 10 7 3.5 1.8

SSB CW AM FM RTTY PACKET ATV

APRS PSK31 EME AMSAT

7. mail this application and annual dues of \$10 per individual or \$15 per family to:

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Notice

Dear Readers,

If anyone would like to contribute information related to WAWA or Ham Radio please email me. Also, if readers would like to have editorials or opinions related to Ham Radio published in this newsletter please contact me by email.

Elizabeth Stevens
k1liz@amsat.org

If you have any questions please call Ron on the 146.76 Mhz Waterville Repeater or by phone at 873-2071. Meetings are held the first Saturday of each month at the Winslow Elementary School on Benton Ave. in Winslow. If the first Saturday is a holiday weekend, the meeting may be postponed a week. Check before traveling in poor weather.

OFFICERS OF WAWA

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MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Membership dues are \$10 Annually, \$15 per Family, payable in January. Dues paid after October 1st are credited for the following year, even though membership starts immediately.

Dues are used for printing and mailing of the club's newsletter, post office box, and miscellaneous projects approved by the membership. No member or officer is paid for their services with club funds.

Total requirement for membership is payment of dues and filling out an application. Dues are waived for Junior members, defined to be people under the age of 18 with a genuine interest in amateur radio.

Membership entitles you to a monthly club newsletter and a vote in club business at the monthly meeting.

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Kids On The Air

The announcement for the special event station that the club will sponsor will appear in the April issue of QST magazine which will be out in March. The event will run from 10:00AM until 12:00PM on April 5, 2003 after our regular meeting. It will be on 20 meters on 14.280MHZ.

ARRL Accreditation

It looks as though enough of our members are also ARRL members so that we will be able to become accredited by the ARRL. Joe AA1YD has completed the paperwork and it will be presented at the next club meeting to be voted on.

The next meeting will be on March 01 2003 at the Winslow Jr. High School at 9:00AM

Compiled by: Joe AA1YD

UPCOMING HAM EVENTS

March 28-29 Lewiston Maine, Andy Hamfest and State Convention at Ramada Conference Center, (exams)
April 19 Greater Portland Electronics Fleamarket
 Stewart Morrill American Legion Post #35
 413 Broadway, South Portland ME
June 7 Bangor Hamfest at Hermon High School

PRELIMINARY TEST DATES FOR 2003

March 2003

15 Sat 9:00a So. Portland, AL Post #35,413 Broadway
WZ1N/ARRL John Bergeron 207-799-3687

April 2003

5 Sat 9:00a Bangor, PSARC clubhouse 14 Bomarc Road
K1AG/ARRL Bill Sullivan 207-947-4051
19 Sat 10:00a At Greater Portland Electronics Flea mkt.
WZ1N/ARRL John Bergeron 207-799-3687

May 2003

17 Sat 9:00a So. Portland, AL Post #35,413 Broadway
WZ1N/ARRL John Bergeron 207-799-3687
3 Sat 10:00a Bath, Maine, Patten Free Library
N1WC/ARRL Wes Clements 207-729-8563

June 2003

7 Sat 9:00 Bangor Hamfest, Hermon High School
K1AG/ARRL Bill Sullivan 207-947-4051

PLEASE NOTE THAT THESE ARE TENTATIVE DATES ONLY

Contact the listed VE team leader before traveling to verify location, time, current fee and exams. being offered.

Provided by Ron Manson, W1SSF

WAWA WEDNESDAY NIGHT NET

A weekly net is held Wednesday evening at 19:30 local time (7:30 PM) on the KQ1L linked repeater system. The system is currently made up of the 145.35, 146.67, 146.82, 146.85, and 146.88 repeaters. The net is used to pass traffic and bulletins, and to coordinate club activities. It starts with bulletins and traffic, and continues with informal conversations.

Ample opportunities are given to check in to the net. Check-ins are either In and Out. With Traffic or Bulletins, or just basic. The net is not restricted to club members, any amateur with 2 meter privileges are welcome to join in. A Net Script provides continuity between various control operators.

The club thanks Dave - KQ1L for graciously allowing the club to use the system.

Look for the usual offset of 600 Khz and be sure to use a 100 Hz tone to activate.

Local club activity can be also be found on the 146.76 repeater.

In the event the KQ1L repeater system is unavailable, the club will attempt to use the 146.76 repeater (negative offset and no tone) or 146.55 simplex for nets and to coordinate activities.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Business Meetings are held on the First Saturday of the month (Usually skipping July) at the **Winslow Jr. High School**, which is located off Benton Avenue in Winslow.

The business meetings give us a chance to keep aware of our finances, to coordinate our activities, and to exchange ideas about the hobby. Usually, in addition to direct club business, we will coordinate activities such as testing, classes, Walkathons, Field Day, the next Hamfests, upcoming contests, and other topics of interest to the members.