



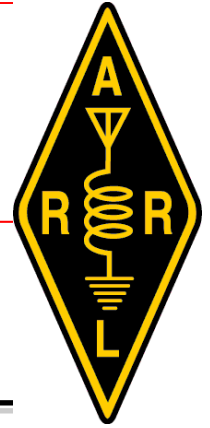
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## The Vice-President's Corner De KA2MYD

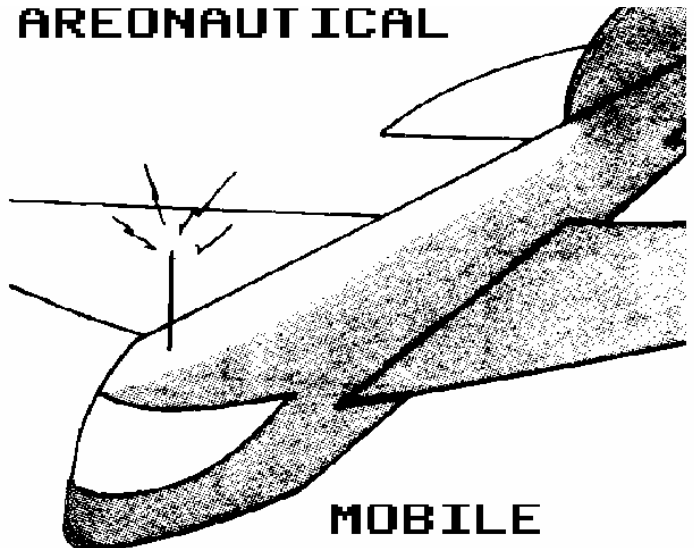


In closing of my term of President, I wish to thank my fellow Officers and all of the members of our fine organization. It was a rewarding experience for me and I feel confident that the new slate of Officers will continue to keep the ball rolling. Further growth is imperative to make things happen and I hope our continued testing will entice new hams to join our organization. Membership time is here again and we need everyone's support to increase our ranks.

Thanks again to all.

73's, Stan WB2PPN

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## CVARA Meeting Notes 2/07/08

**Meeting called** to order at 1904 hours by WB2PPN, President.

**14 Members** present: N2XWS, KC2PBP, WB2PPN, W2WHT, KC2CN, KC2SFU, KC2SFK, KC2RTS, KC2OFS, KC2LEA, K2DAR, WA2TDO, KA2ZFM and N2RXK.

**Minutes** - Minutes of last meeting accepted as published.

**Treasurer's report** – Accepted as read

**Hamfest:** Orange County – Saturday 4/26/08 Middletown NY

**TASIS** Roll Call Net – Sunday 7 P. M.

**Council of the Arts** Run – 05/03/08 – Need 6 people, looking for volunteers.

**Airport Day** – 06/14/08 – We'll run a Foxhunt on airport premises.

**TASIS Group** will run Field Days on June 27, 28, & 29. Will be One Alpha. We need operators. At finish of Field Day, picnic will be held.

05/24/08 – 0900 VE Testing  
1030 EMCOM Testing

**SCARES NET** – K2DAR reports poor reception. Last net check-in was only 5 people. A note has been sent to other counties to ask if they are interested in maintaining this net.

**NEW ELECTIONS** - President / Secretary –  
W2WHT Becky Whiting

Vice President -

KA2MYD Tom Mathewson

Treasurer -

K2DAR Ray Darling

**A motion** was made, seconded and passed to hold Ham of Year Dinner on April 13<sup>th</sup> at 3 P.M. at The Old Mill.

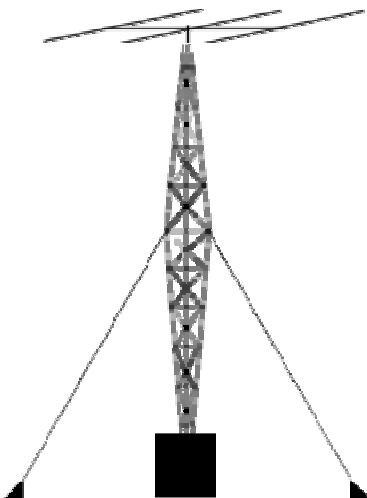
**Comments** ; Repeater hasn't been kerchunking since it was reset. If it starts again, it could be completely reset again.

**N2RXK** passed out TASIS COMM GROUP awards.

**WB2PPN** thanked for his service as President of CVARA for the past season.

**Meeting** adjourned at 1953 hours.

**Minutes** submitted by Sunnie Linabery KC2PBP



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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2008

- 3 Apr** CVARA Meeting 7:00 PM  
**13 Apr** Mt. Beacon ARC  
 Tymor Park, Lagrangeville, NY  
**19 Apr** Drumlins ARC  
 Marbletown Fire Department  
**26 Apr** OCARC-NY Hamfest  
 Orange County Amateur Radio Club  
 Wallkill Community Center, Middletown, NY  
**27 Apr** Great South Bay ARC  
 Fireman's Memorial Park, Lindenhurst, NY
- 1 May** CVARA Meeting 7:00 PM  
**3 May** BARA Hamfest  
 Marvin Park (Tioga County Fairgrounds)  
**10 May 2008** 5th Annual Hamfest  
 East Greenbush ARA (W2EGB)  
 East Greenbush Fire Company  
**30-31 May** Atlantic Division Convention  
 (Rochester Hamfest)
- 5 June** CVARA Meeting 7:00 PM  
**14 Jun 2008** Skyline Amateur Radio Club  
 Cortland County Jr. Fairgrounds  
**14 - 16 June** ARRL June VHF QSO Party  
**28 - 29 June** ARRL Field Day
- 3 Jul** CVARA Meeting 7:00 PM  
**12 - 13 July** IARU HF World Championships  
**19 Jul 2008** Genesee Radio Amateurs, Alexander (Batavia), NY  
**19 Jul 2008** RadioCom 2008  
 Utica Amateur Radio Club  
 Frankfort, NY  
 Herkimer County Fairgrounds
- 2 Aug 2008** Tompkins County Amateur Radio Club  
 Trumansburg Fairgrounds  
**2 - 3 Aug** ARRL UHF Contest  
**7 Aug** CVARA Meeting 7:00 PM
- 16 Aug** Rome Radio Club  
 Westmoreland VFD Fireman Field  
**16 - 17 Aug** ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest
- 4 Sep** CVARA Meeting 7:00 PM  
**13 Sep** Saratoga County RACES Association, Ballston Spa Fairgrounds
- 13 - 15 Sep** ARRL September VHF QSO Party  
**20 Sep** EmComm East Conference  
 Monroe County ARES, Rochester, NY  
**20 - 21 Sep** ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest  
**20 - 21 Sep** ARRL International EME Competition  
**2 Oct** CVARA Meeting 7:00 PM  
**18 - 19 Oct** ARRL International EME Competition
- 1 - 3 Nov** ARRL November Sweepstakes (CW)  
**6 Nov** CVARA Meeting 7:00 PM  
**15 - 16 Nov** ARRL International EME Competition  
**15 - 17 Nov** ARRL November Sweepstakes (Phone)  
**4 Dec** CVARA Meeting 7:00 PM  
**5 - 7 Dec** ARRL 160 Meter Contest
- 13 - 14 Dec** ARRL 10 Meter Contest
- Do not forget that every Wednesday nite at 7:30 local on the W2RME/R 146.085/146.685 The CARES net meets. If you are hungry Saturday breakfasts are now being held at "The Dog House" North of North Norwich, around 9:30 a.m***
- If you know of, or hear about any activities that should be listed here, Please pass them on to the editor.
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## FCC FIXES TYPOGRAPHICAL ERRORS IN PART 97

On March 12, in an effort to correct typographical errors in the Commission's Rules (including rules affecting Part 97, the Amateur Radio Service), the FCC released a Memorandum Opinion and Order (MOO) <[http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs\\_public/attachmatch/DA-08-530A1.pdf](http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DA-08-530A1.pdf)>. According to the FCC, these changes in the MOO are "non-substantive editorial revisions" and do not introduce new rules or change old rules applicable to Amateur Radio operators.

In this MOO, the FCC is updating the Allocation Table and service rules for the Amateur Radio Service with regard to the band 75.5-81 GHz. In 2003, the Commission released a Report & Order (R&O) <[http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs\\_public/attachmatch/FCC-03-248A1.pdf](http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-03-248A1.pdf)>, commonly called the "70/80/90 GHz R&O," that adopted a transition plan for the amateur use of the segment 75.5-76 GHz. The Commission concluded that moving Amateur Radio operations out of the 75.5-76 GHz band would not pose a major inconvenience to the Amateur Radio Service, but would "substantially benefit future fixed services, because it would eliminate the possibility of harmful interference from amateurs." Accordingly, the primary allocations to the Amateur and Amateur Satellite Services in the 75.5-76 GHz band were downgraded from primary to secondary status, with secondary use ceasing on January 1, 2006. After that date, the band 75.5-76 GHz was no longer available for use by the Amateur Service or the Amateur Satellite Service.

This transition plan was codified in footnote US387 and in Section 97.303(r)(3) of the Commission's Amateur Service rules. Because the transition period has concluded, the Commission "removed expired footnote US387 from the list of U.S. footnotes and we are amending Part 97 of the Commission's Rules to reflect this allocation change by: (1) revising the entry "75.5-81.0" GHz in Section 97.301(a) to read "76-81" GHz; (2) removing paragraphs (r)(2) and (r)(3) from Section 97.303; and (3) renumbering paragraph (r)(1) as paragraph (r)."

In October 2006, the FCC released another Report &

Order (R&O) <[http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs\\_public/attachmatch/FCC-06-149A1.pdf](http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-06-149A1.pdf)>, the "Amateur Phone Band Expansion R&O," that expanded the phone bands. With the release of the MOO, the FCC is making two changes.

The first change to the October 2006 R&O is simply a correction of a typographical error in the Rules for the General phone allocation on 15 meters. In the Amateur Phone Band Expansion R&O, the Commission revised 21.30-21.45 MHz to read 21.275-21.45 MHz, but the current codification of the rule does not reflect this change. All the Commission did was to bring the Rules into alignment with the R&O.

The second change fixed an omission in the Novice/Technician allocation on 40 meters. The FCC found that when the Amateur Phone Band Expansion R&O was released, "the Commission expanded the frequency segment authorized for amateur voice communications within the 40 meter band by correspondingly reducing a band segment used for narrowband emission types by 25 kHz, from 7.100-7.150 MHz to 7.100-7.125 MHz." The revised frequency table in Section 97.301(e) of the FCC's Rules that lists authorized frequency bands for Novice and Technician Class inadvertently omitted 7.100-7.125 MHz from Regions 1 and 3. "Because the Amateur Phone Band Expansion R&O addressed the division of amateur frequencies among permissible emission types and not between geographic ITU Regions, we must further amend Section 97.301(e), as set forth in Appendix C, to implement the Commission's decision. Specifically, we are revising the 40 meter band by reinserting the segment '7.100-7.125' MHz in the Region 1 and Region 3 columns."

The FCC also took the opportunity to remove a double negative from Section 97.303(b). Before the release of the MOO, this Section read: "No amateur station transmitting in the 1900-2000 kHz segment, the 70 cm band, the 33 cm band, the 23 cm band, the 13 cm band, the 9 cm band, the 5 cm band, the 3 cm band, the 24.05-24.25 GHz segment, the 76-77.5 GHz segment, the 78-81 GHz segment, the 136-141 GHz segment, and the 241-248 GHz segment SHALL NOT cause harmful interference to, nor is protected from interference due to the operation of,

the Federal radiolocation service." The FCC chose to take out the word "NOT" to bring the rule's words in line with the spirit of the rule.

KH6 Incoming QSL Bureau Address Change: As of April 1, 2008, Barbara Darling, NH7FY, will assume management of the Hawaiian KH6 Incoming QSL Bureau. All card shipments should now be sent to KH6 QSL Bureau, Big Island ARC, Attn: Barbara Darling, NH7FY, PO Box 1938, Hilo, HI 96721-1938. Any concerns regarding this bureau's operation should be directed via e-mail to Barbara Darling, NH7FY <[nh7fy@yahoo.com](mailto:nh7fy@yahoo.com)>. The ARRL would like to thank former KH6 Incoming QSL Manager Wayne Jones, NH6K, for his years of service.

Amateur Radio Exempt from California's New "Hands Free" Law: On July 1, the State of California will have new laws on the books to deal with the use of wireless telephones while driving. There has been some confusion as to whether California amateurs who operate in their car will be affected by the new law. According to the California Department of Mo-

tor Vehicle's Web site <[http://www.dmv.ca.gov/cellularphonelaws/dl208\\_03cell\\_phone.pdf](http://www.dmv.ca.gov/cellularphonelaws/dl208_03cell_phone.pdf)>, "the use of dedicated two-way radios such as walkie-talkies or Citizen Band (CB) radios is not affected by the new law" for drivers 18 or older.

\* Notes from the DXCC Desk: ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, reports that the 2007 ZL1GO/8 DXpedition to Kermadec Island has been approved for DXCC credit. "If you had cards rejected for this operation, please send an e-mail <[dxcc@arrl.org](mailto:dxcc@arrl.org)>; to the ARRL DXCC Desk to have your DXCC record updated," Moore said.

\* Snake Update: E-mails to name the W1HQ snake <<http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2008/02/21/100/>> keep coming in to ARRL HQ. According to ARRL News Editor S. Khrystyne Keane, K1SFA, more 600 names have been submitted. "I am sorting through the names and soon the W1HQ team will go through all of them and choose the name for our ascot."



## American Radio Relay League Fact Sheet The ARRL Public Relations Department

### SUMMARY:

The American Radio Relay League (ARRL) is the national membership association for Amateur Radio operators. The League represents Amateur Radio interests to regulatory bodies, provides technical advice and assistance to Amateur Radio enthusiasts and supports a number of educational programs throughout the country. ARRL is a non-profit organization.

### HISTORY:

The ARRL was founded in 1914 by inventor Hiram Percy Maxim.

### MEMBERSHIP:

Current ARRL membership is approximately

156,000.

### STAFF:

120 full- and part-time staff members.

### PUBLISHING:

ARRL publishes monthly membership journal QST and two special interest magazines along with over 160 books and software titles and a variety of special interest newsletters.

### LOCATION:

The American Radio Relay League is located at 225 Main Street in Newington, Connecticut. Along with the administrative headquarters building, the seven acre site is home to W1AW, the League's Amateur Radio station. Amateur Radio operators from all over the world come to ARRL to operate from W1AW.

*This might solve the mystery ~*

*By N2GVB*

*Who the heck was KILROY???*

*KILROY WAS HERE!*

*In 1946 the American Transit Association, through its radio program, "Speak to America," sponsored a nationwide contest to find the REAL Kilroy, offering a prize of a real trolley car to the person who could prove himself to be the genuine article.*

*Almost 40 men stepped forward to make that claim, but only James Kilroy from Halifax, Massachusetts had evidence of his identity.*

*Kilroy was a 46-year old shipyard worker during the war. He worked as a checker at the Fore River Shipyard in Quincy. His job was to go around on the ships being built and check on the number of rivets completed as riveters were on piecework and got paid by the rivet.*

*Kilroy would count a block of rivets and put a check mark in semi-waxed lumber chalk, so the rivets wouldn't be counted twice. When Kilroy went off duty, the riveters would erase the mark.*

*Later on, an off-shift inspector would come through and count the rivets a second time, resulting in double pay for the riveters.*

*One day Kilroy's boss called him into his office. The foreman was upset about all the wages being paid to riveters, and asked him to investigate. It was then that he realized*

*what had been going on.*

*The tight spaces he had to crawl in to check the rivets didn't lend themselves to lugging around a paint can and brush, so Kilroy decided to stick with the waxy chalk. He continued to put his checkmark on each job he inspected, but added KILROY WAS HERE in King-sized letters next to the check, and eventually added the sketch of the chap with the long nose peering over the fence and that became part of the Kilroy message. Once he did that, the riveters stopped trying to wipe away his marks.*

*Ordinarily the rivets and chalk marks would have been covered up with paint. With war on, however, ships were leaving the Quincy Yard so fast that there wasn't time to paint them.*

*As a result, Kilroy's inspection "trademark" was seen by thousands of servicemen who boarded the troopships the yard produced. His message apparently rang a bell with the servicemen, because they picked it up and spread it all over Europe and the South Pacific. Before the war's end, "Kilroy" had been here, there, and everywhere on the long haul to Berlin and Tokyo.*

*To the unfortunate troops outbound in those ships, however, he was a complete mystery; all they knew for sure was that some jerk named Kilroy had "been there first." As a joke, U.S.servicemen began placing the graffiti wherever they landed, claiming it was already there when they arrived.*

*Kilroy became the U.S.super-GI who had al-*

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*ways "already been" wherever GIs went. It became a challenge to place the logo in the most unlikely places imaginable (it is said to be atop Mt. Everest, the Statue of Liberty, the underside of the Arch De Triumphe, and even scrawled in the dust on the moon.)*

*sevelt, Stalin, and Churchill at the Potsdam conference.*

*The first person inside was Stalin, who emerged and asked his aide (in Russian), "Who is Kilroy?"*

*And as the war went on, the legend grew. Underwater demolition teams routinely sneaked ashore on Japanese-held islands in the Pacific to map the terrain for the coming invasions by U.S. troops (and thus, presumably, were the first GI's there). On one occasion, however, they reported seeing enemy troops painting over the Kilroy logo! In 1945, an out-house was built for the exclusive use of Roo-*

*To help prove his authenticity in 1946, James Kilroy brought along officials from the shipyard and some of the riveters. He won the trolley car, which he gave it to his nine children as a Christmas gift and set it up as a playhouse in the Kilroy front yard in Halifax, Massachusetts.*

*Now You Know!*



Thinking about upgrading or getting your ticket,?  
Here are some upcoming testing sites:

WWW.HAMXAM.ORG  
CORNING, NY 14830

04-Apr-2008

Sponsor: ROME RADIO  
Time: 6:30 PM (No walk-ins)  
Contact: WILLIAM L EFFLAND  
(315)853-5700  
Email: K2GVI@LOCALNET.COM  
VEC: ARRL/VEC  
Location: WESTMORELAND FIRE DEPT  
STATION ROAD  
PLEASE REGISTER 5 DAYS BEFORE!  
WESTMORELAND, NY 13490

02-May-2008

Sponsor: ROME RADIO  
Time: 6:30 PM (No walk-ins)  
Contact: WILLIAM L EFFLAND  
(315)853-5700  
Email: K2GVI@LOCALNET.COM  
VEC: ARRL/VEC  
Location: WESTMORELAND FIRE DEPT  
STATION ROAD  
PLEASE REGISTER 5 DAYS BEFORE!  
WESTMORELAND, NY 13490

19-Apr-2008

Sponsor: INDEPENDENT  
Time: 10:15AM (Walk-ins allowed)  
Contact: PATRICIA A SMITH  
(607)936-3522  
Email: N2XAM@AOL.COM  
VEC: ARRL/VEC  
Location: CORNING PUB LIB SE STEUBEN CTY  
300 CIVIC CENTER PLZ

## **CVARA CLUB OFFICERS**

**President:** Stan White WB2PPN

**Vice Pres:** Thomas Mathewson, KA2MYD

**Treasurer:** Ray Darling, K2DAR

**Secretary:** KC2PBP Sonja / WB2PPN Stan, only as an assistant

**Trustees:** Ray Darling, K2DAR, Jim Leahy, K2JL

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Tom, KA2MYD, editor of the Bugle is ALWAYS looking for submissions  
Your views, comments, and articles will gladly be published. Send your articles to.....

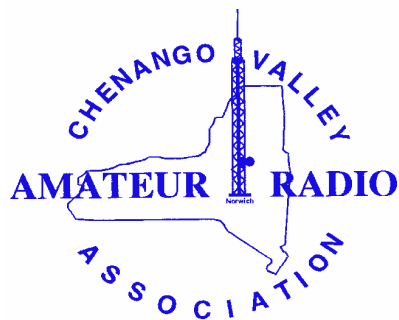
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***Deadline for the May 2008 Bugle is April 10th***

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