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We hope to see you on May 20th 2025 Social hour is from 1800. Meeting starts at 1830. Talk-in is on 147.180+ meeting. Our June meeting is on 17th

ON THE AIR Tuesdays First June 3rd, Second June 10th and Fourth June 24th  
Tom Luckman WA1TOM will be the net controller. We are looking for other net controllers please sign up with John Laiosa N1BSO. We have a new format. Please sign in on Tuesdays at 2000 (8pm) and join the new conversation

## **Presidents Message**

President's Message:

I hope your spring is going well. We had our Open House last month, unfortunately the weather didn't cooperate. I would like to thank Joe KB1WCK, Wendy KC1TLT, Rick KB1TEE and Phil N1XTB for bringing their equipment and trailers. We did have one Ham visit us with his family. We talked about possibly changing the date next year until May when hopefully the weather might be better and better signage. Remember this month is nomination and election for officers, the positions open are president, vice-president and secretary. Also any apparel orders to me.

John N1BSO

John Laiosa

## Secretary report By Phil McNamara N1XTB

MARA minutes 15 Apr 2025

Meeting called to order by John N1BSO at 1832 at the Bridgewater Library meeting room.

### Attendees

N1BSO John

WA1TOM Tom

Rick KB1TEE

KB1WCK Joe

KC1TLT Wendy

N1UMJ John (via zoom)

Sal KC1VYL (via zoom)

N1IQI Loren

N1XTB Phil

KA1YL Connie

Secretary report as presented in newsletter - accepted

Treasurer and Repeater report for presented and accepted.

New member KC1VYL Sal voted in. Welcome Sal!

### Old Business

Discussed planning for Open house. Weather forecast not great. John would like to demo P25. Rick plans to bring his tower trailer. Set up at 10 am outside weather permitting.

Conference room is available inside.

### New business

Request has been published for a ham volunteer as part of a STEM gathering at Camp Cedar Hill in Waltham

Fall River USS Massachusetts activity 19 April planned. Sal invited. Other activities will be posted on NE1PL.org website.

Nominations and vote are due in May for club officer positions. Tom WA1TOM volunteered for the VP slot. Phil N1XTB volunteered to stay as Treasurer. E mail is to be sent prior to the May meeting soliciting nominations.

WARC open house scheduled for July 12, 8 to 12. MARA is invited to set up a table.

Meeting adjourned

## **Newsletter editor Rick Emord KB1TEE**

I'm still not receiving any other club activities reports please send me anything to help out. The club is trying out some new things to entice new members please present your ideas to the club at a meeting or drop a note to our leadership.

## **Library Open house April 26, 2025**

We had a successful open house demonstration despite the weather. Rain and strong winds made the outdoor portion a little bit challenging. Rick KB1TEE set up his tower trailer on the back parking lot. Phil N1XTB, Wendy KC1TLT, and Joe KB1WCK made set ups inside the basement of the library.



John WI1G Wendy KC1TLT and Joe KB1WCK Phil N1XTB's set up behind John

We had a few guests stop by Mike K1UVH, Tom WA1TOM , Gus and his wife and others called in to check in on the air.





Wendy KC1LTL, Joe KB1WCK, Allen KC1SJS, and John W11G



Rick KB1TEE mobile set up 30'-0" tower in the up position about 12 feet tall with a mag mounted dual band antenna Bob WA1Q set up an hand held with a mini antenna on the frame of the trailer.





Bob WA1Q set up a mini mag mounted antenna and was able to make distant contacts on this.



Bod WA1Q, John N1BSO / Adam KC1TNH, John N1BSO, and John WI1G

## **ARRL Renews Defense of the 902-928 MHz Amateur Radio Band**

ARRL, in a recent filing, encouraged the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to listen to industry stakeholders about the detrimental impacts that proposed changes to the 902-928 MHz band would have for current users.

The FCC is considering a petition by NextNav, Inc., a licensee in the 900-MHz Location and Monitoring Service (LMS), to reconfigure the 902-928 MHz band to obtain more spectrum for itself and replace the LMS with high-power 5G cellular and related positioning, navigation, and timing (PNT) services that would supplement GPS. ARRL filed comments opposing NextNav's proposal in September 2024.



## **Next Generation DXing Track Videos Available**

ARRL has published an 8-video series about the Next Generation of DXing. The all-day seminar was captured at the [76th International DX Convention](#), held April 11—13, 2025, in Visalia, California. It featured expert panelists with deep knowledge of the current state of the art in the DXpedition world.

The group of panelists covered everything from financing and planning of a DXpedition to getting permits, arranging logistics, planning out equipment, managing both remote and local operators, dealing with problems, and much more. The latest technology being used in DXpeditions was explained in detail, including the Radio in a Box (RIB), Starlink, software-defined radios, and the latest digital modes such as FT-8 SuperFox.

The content is available on the [ARRLHQ YouTube channel](#) as a [playlist](#).

## **Museum Ships On The Air Weekend 2025**

### **MUSEUM SHIPS WEEKEND**

**0000Z 06 Jun 2025 - 2359Z 08 Jun 2025**

**PLEASE NOTE: This is NOT a contest!**



**Please join us on the USS Massachusetts NE1PL**

**If you would like to come down and operate please contact Rick KB1TEE at [kb1tee@gmail.com](mailto:kb1tee@gmail.com) you can operate during anytime we sleep on the battleship**

# **ARRL Field Day June 28-29 2025**

ARRL Field Day is **June 28-29** 2025 ARRL Field Day is always held on the 4th full weekend in June.



**Theme: Be Radio Active**

**2025 ARRL Field Day is June 28-29**

[Rules and Resources](#) | [Facebook Group](#) | [T-shirts & Gear](#) | [Join ARRL](#)

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Jump to the [Field Day Rules](#) Page. Other Field Day resources are available below.

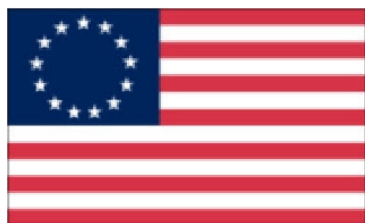
## **Promote Your Club's 2025 ARRL Field Day With Posters**

2025 ARRL Field Day will be here before you know it! We're just 7 weeks away from ham radio's biggest event, held each year on the 4th full weekend of June (28 – 29 for 2025). The theme of "Radio Connects" highlights the many ways amateur radio makes connections.

As radio amateurs, we know the excitement of the weekend: it's part get-together, part emergency communications exercise, part operating event. It is also amateur radio's time to shine and welcome the public to learn about and experience this wonderful hobby.

A major aspect of any successful ARRL Field Day operation is the publicity and outreach: How can the public learn about the event if they don't know it is happening? The ARRL Public Relations and Outreach Committee recently held a publicity workshop for public information volunteers. One of the tools presented is the 2025 ARRL Field Day Poster. It can be posted around your area (think libraries, bulletin boards, community centers, etc.) with your event information filled in on it.

The 11x17" poster is available as a free download [PDF] or available for purchase in packs of 25 from the ARRL Store. It tells the story of amateur radio as fun hobby, resource for public service, and tool for inspiring the next generation of technical leaders by providing a hands-on sandbox where students gain experience in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM).



### *The Annual 13 Colonies Special Event*

*GB13COL*

*TM13COL*

*WM3PEN*

*NY - K2A*

*VA - K2B*

*DE - K2E*

*MA - K2H*

*NH - K2K*

*RJ - K2C*

*MD - K2F*

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*CT - K2D*

*GA - K2G*

*NC - K2J*

*PA - K2M*

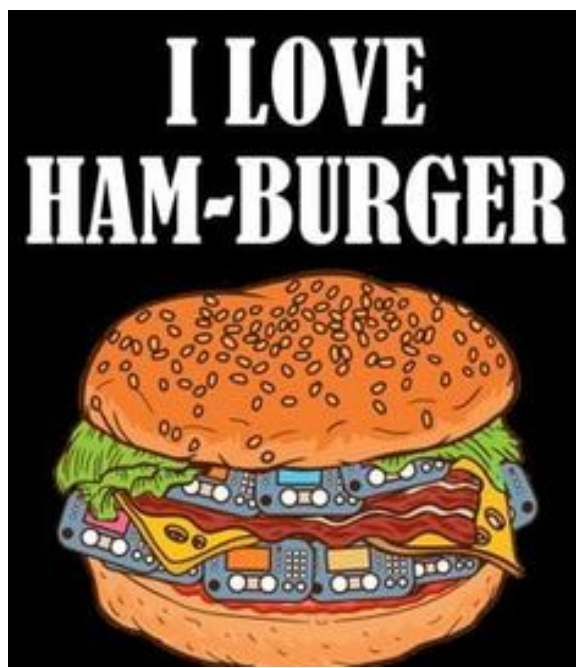
2025 Event Dates / July 1 (9AM Eastern) to July 7 (Midnight Eastern)

(July 1, 2025-1300 UTC to July 8, 2025-0400 UTC)

YOU DO NOT NEED ALL 13 COLONIES TO GET THE CERTIFICATE

YOU DO NOT NEED TO GET THE 2 BONUS STATIONS FOR A CLEAN SWEEP

### **BBQSO 2025 August 19, 2025**



**Please remember our club meeting and BBQSO on Tuesday  
August 19, 2025 @ 1700 start time meeting at 1830**

**Location is at 135 Wareham St Middleborough, MA**

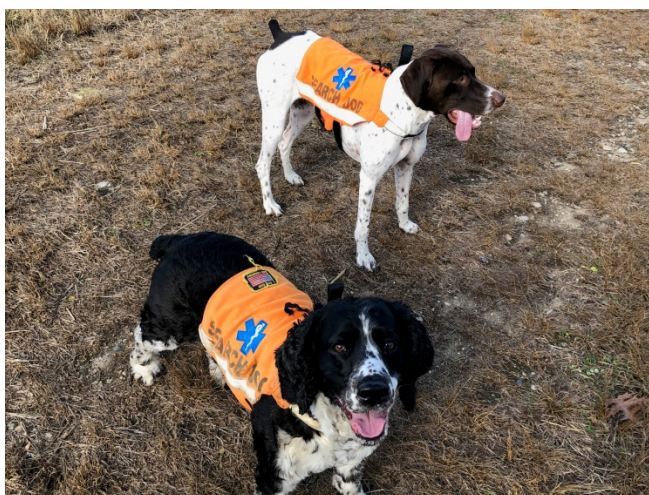
**Talk in is on the MARA repeater 147-180 pl67**





### **Picture from the 2024 gathering**

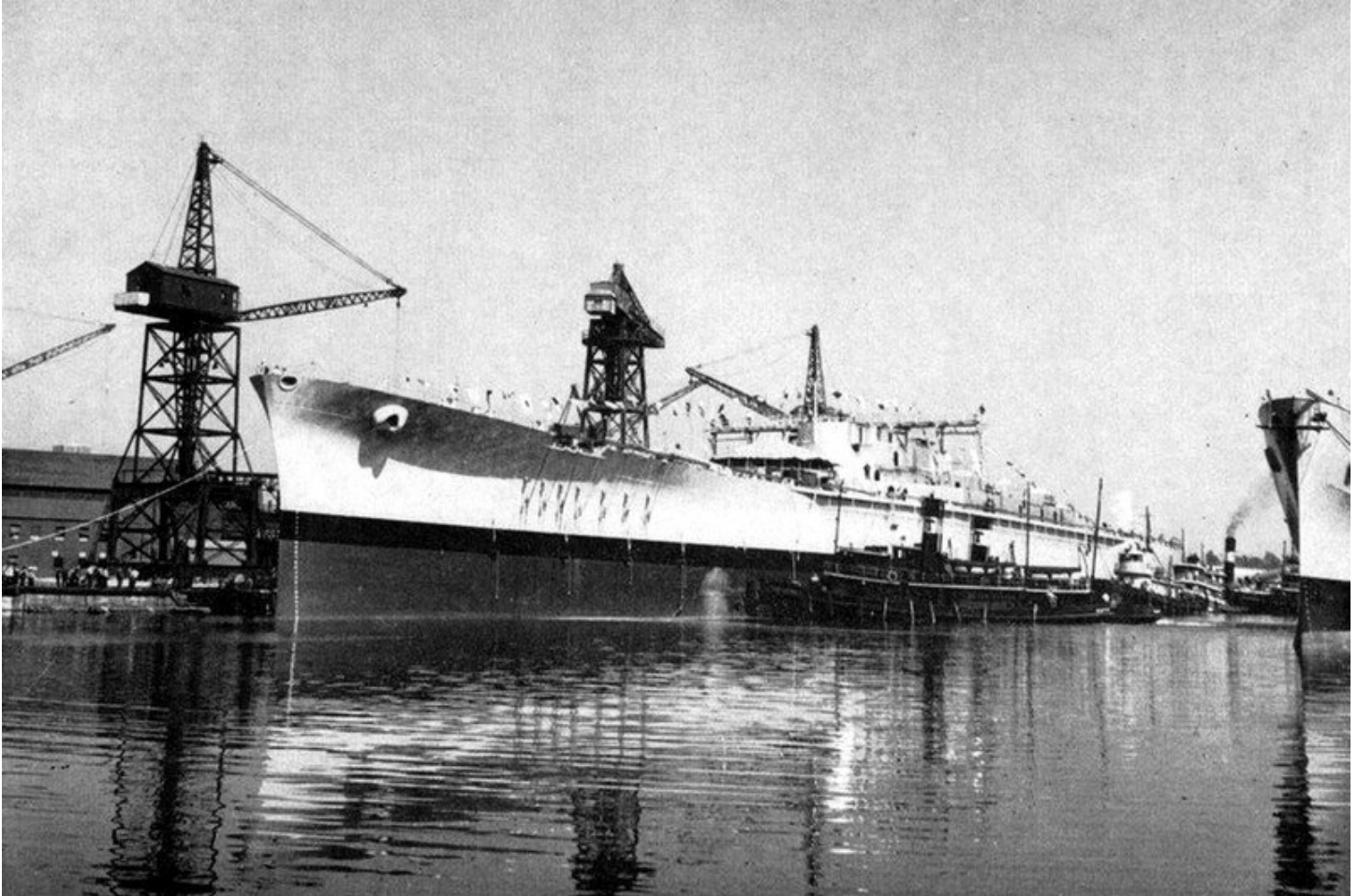
**Bring your own food to cook on the grill beverage of choice please bring something to share with the group. Beverage of your choice it's always a grand time.**



**Please do not give food to these terrorists no matter how cute they look**

# USS Massachusetts launch remembrances event

September 20<sup>th</sup> 2025 come on down and help us operate for the commemoration of the ships launch



## Could this be the end of Ham Radio Licenses?

Mar 12, 2025 UNITED STATES

President Trump has unveiled a massive new FCC deregulation initiative-what does this mean for communications, broadcasting, and ham radio? <https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachmen...> In this video, we break down: The key points of Trump's FCC deregulation plan how this impacts amateur radio, broadband, and telecom industries. What changes to expect in licensing, spectrum management, and regulations. The potential benefits and concerns from industry experts. Is this a game-changer for the FCC and communications freedom? Drop your thoughts in the comments!

## Free ARRL Events App Now Live for 2025 Dayton Hamvention



Make the most of your time at Dayton Hamvention® with the free [ARRL Events app](#). Hamvention is the world's largest annual gathering of radio amateurs, and will be held May 16 – 18 in Xenia, Ohio. There is a lot to do and see. Use the ARRL Events app to make sure you don't miss a beat and plan out your visit now. Hundreds of your fellow hams have already installed the app this week.

The app includes Hamvention's full program, so you can browse and schedule forums, preview the extensive list of exhibitors, and find affiliated events. During the event, attendees can use other app features to follow the hourly prize drawings populated by the Dayton Hamvention Prize Committee and browse building and site maps.



Those going are also encouraged to tap on the MyProfile icon in the app to add their name and call sign, email address, and any additional information they would like to share with other Hamvention guests. The MyBadge icon displays a QR code of your event badge that can be scanned by another attendee or exhibitor using the Scan Badge icon – instantly connecting shared contact information with other hams at the event.

The app is available for [Apple](#) and [Android](#) smart devices. You may also access the [web browser version](#), which is optimized for nearly any browser or other type of mobile device.

Download the app here: [www.tripbuildermedia.com/apps/arrl](http://www.tripbuildermedia.com/apps/arrl) (or use the [web version](#)).

## WARC SK KA1PS George McCarron

Hello Fellow WARC members and Friends

We were notified by Phil N1XTB that KA1PS George McCarron has passed away at the age of 92. Not sure if he was a member of Whitman at one time but he was a friend of many members.

Just got the sad news that KA1PS George McCarron became an SK a few days ago. He ran the Sector 2B RACES net for a long time. There is a great obit published for him:

<https://www.macdonaldfuneralhome.com/obituary/george-mccarron>

George was a long time Marshfield resident. I see he was mentioned in at least one WARC newsletter.

Regards 73  
Bob WA1Q



**Massasoit Amateur Radio Association Executive Board**

**President : John Laiosa acting as president**

**Vice President: OPEN**

**Secretary: OPEN**

**Treasurer: Phil McNamara N1XTB**

**Call Sign Trustee: Phil McNamara N1XTB**

**Newsletter editor : Rick Emord KB1TEE**

**2M Repeater 147.180+ (Tone 67.0)**

**440 Repeater 444.550+ (Tone 88.5)**

**APRS Node Node 144.39 W1MV-1**

**Packet BBS 145.09 N1XTB-4**

**Packet Node Brockton 145.09 W1MV-7 (BROCK)**

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**Skywarn: <http://wx1box.org> and**

**[www.powersrvcs.org/w1gmf/skywarn.htm](http://www.powersrvcs.org/w1gmf/skywarn.htm)**

**Mailing Address P.O. Box 428 Bridgewater, MA 02324**

**Monthly meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month, Tuesday Night.**

**Zoom meeting will be at 6:30pm.**

**Our Meetings-On-The-Air are held all other Tuesday evenings at 8PM on 147.180+ and has a new format.**

**The South Shore Skywarn Net is held every Saturday evening at 8PM local time on 147.180+ and is open to all hams.**

**VE Exams are held the 2nd Saturday of every month, in Braintree contact Steve Cohen, W1OD via email [w1od@arrl.net](mailto:w1od@arrl.net). Walk-ins are no longer permitted. We will be hosting VE exams drop a note to Steve to confirm a reservation**