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## **NEXT MEETING:** National Weather Service Tour

We will be touring the NWS at the Burlington International Airport. John Goff KB1QBI, the Lead Forecaster and NOAA/NWS Program Coordinator will be our tour guide.

Since the only parking available at the airport is the parking garage members can meet up at the Civic Center beforehand to work out carpools. The cost for parking is \$1 for the first hour and \$3 for the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> hours. John has agreed to keep timing to under an hour.

The NWS office is on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Main Terminal next to the police office.

The tour will be at 7:00 and we will meet at the O'Brien Civic Center afterwards for club business and snacks .

## **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

KATHI K1WAL, SECRETARY

### **BUSINESS –**

- Newsletter Editor needed. Robin N1WWW is inundated with work and sadly must resign as editor. Kathi K1WAL is willing to assist but is in a state of limbo until learning whether her husband's company will remain in VT or not.
- A motion was made and approved at the July meeting to investigate the purchase of a trailer for storage and transporting equipment for Field Day.
- Kathi K1WAL will bring snacks to our next meeting.

**MEETING –** The RANV Picnic at Killkare State Park. Unfortunately the secretary was unable to attend but the word is a great time was had by all. Members of STARC were invited since their Hamfest was that day and they were fairly close by. A few of them were able to attend. There was food, radios, antennas, good company, and for something different – sunshine!

## **HAM RADIO CLASS OCTOBER 26** MITCH W1SJ

The weekend Ham Radio Class returns to our area on Saturday, October 26. This will be the first class in Burlington in 18 months. The Technician class runs 8:30 AM until 6 PM on Saturday. A General Course runs on Sunday, same times. Students can take the 1-day Technician or the 2-day General Course. License Technician operators can take the 1-day General course to upgrade.

The courses come complete with the on-line course training system which allows students to prepare for class at their computer. A course workbook is also provided. Exams will be given at the conclusion of class both days, at 6 PM.

Pre-registration is required for this course. Students should enroll at least a few weeks prior to class to allow time for study. Register by calling Mitch at 879-6589, or go on-line to [www.ranv.org/weekend.html](http://www.ranv.org/weekend.html).



AB1DD and W4YFJ – a K3 Showdown

## CHAMPLAIN MINI MAKER FAIRE 2013

CARL AB1DD

The 2013 Maker's Faire will be held September 28 & 29 at Shelburne Farms. This will be a 2 day event this year. We have been accepted to exhibit ham radio. This year Maker Faire organizers would like more educational and hands on demos as opposed to people sitting and talking on the radio. The plan is to have several of ongoing events. As we did last year, we will have a Morse code chart with a key so people could try their hand with code. Jeff, N1YD has agreed to do a demo "the speed of electricity". We can have an EchoLink/IRLP station going, as well as an HF station and a demonstration of digital modes such as PSK. One recommendation they had was something on how a radio wave gets from here to there – perhaps a fox hunt? Other ideas are welcome.

To make this happen we need people. We will need people to man the booth, to help set up and tear down the antenna and equipment, and people to run the demonstrations. If you are not able to make the event you could still help by making up a poster such as a propagation picture, Q-codes, digital and CW shortcuts, etc. that we can display in the booth.

The Fair will be at the Shelburne Farms Coach Barn. The hours are:

Saturday, September 28, 10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, September 29, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

For more information about the Maker Faire go to <http://www.champlainmakerfaire.com>

This was a fun event last year. Come on out and help support the club and ham radio. Contact me at [ab1dd@arri.net](mailto:ab1dd@arri.net)



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### Upcoming, Notices, & Misc

- Mini Maker Fair Sept. 28 & 29
- Steering Wheel: 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues 6:30; Ninety-Nine Restaurant, Taft Corners, Williston
- VE Exams every 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday; Red Cross Building 29 Mansfield Ave, Burlington
- Dues due? Pay online at [www.ranv.org/ranvpay.html](http://www.ranv.org/ranvpay.html)

### NEXT MEETING

Tuesday • September 10 • 7:00pm  
**National Weather Service Tour**  
Burlington International Airport

Afterwards meet at the O'Brien Civic Center  
113 Patchen Road, South Burlington for a  
quick meeting and snacks.

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