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The October 8th RANV Meeting

Mitch [W1SJ](#)

By now, all New England ARRL members should have received electronic ballots in the New England. The candidates are Tom Frenaye K1KI, a former Director and Fred Kemmerer AB1OC, who is the incumbent. The Radio Amateurs of Northern Vermont RANV will have both candidates give presentations at the Tuesday, October 8th meeting. Vermont amateur radio operators are invited to the meeting to listen to the candidates and ask questions, so that they can make an informed decision on who to vote for.

The meeting will be held Tuesday, October 8, 2024, 7PM until 9PM at the Holy Family Parish Hall, 30 Lincoln Street, Essex Junction. Access is via Lincoln Terrace, off of Lincoln Street, Route 2A, just north of the Five Corners.

The meeting can also be attended on-line on Zoom. The Zoom meeting ID is 532-682-839, or the direct link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/532682839>. The pass code is w1nvt (lower case). An attendant will let you into the meeting. Please make sure your microphone is muted. It will work best if you join the meeting at the start.

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Holy Family Parrish Hall
30 Lincoln Street
Essex Junction, Vt

Repeater: 145.150, PL 100; WB1GQR

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POTA Worked All States Award Certificate
by Paul N. Gayet AA1SU

I was recently awarded the certificate above for chasing POTA Parks in all 50 states. I did not even realize that I had earned it until I happen to check the "My Awards" page on the official web site, which is: <https://pota.app/> .

If you think you have worked some POTA Parks, you may want to check your status on that web site. You can create a password, or just log in with Google or other methods. There are all sorts of awards and certificates that are handed out. They are tracked automatically. When the Park activator submits his/her log, the web site takes it from there. As a Hunter, you do not need to submit a log. So go ahead and see how you've been doing. It may inspire you to Hunt for more Parks. You can also do that from the web site by clicking the Activations tab.

September RANV Meeting Minutes
Bob K1BIF

RANV meeting 9/10/2024
Attendance: N1YD, KB1LOT, AA1SU, W1SJ, K1BIF, KC1IFK, KK1L
On line: KB1NHQ, W2EJC, N1JGB, KC1JGM

Meeting began at 7:11
We did introductions. Mitch, Jeff & Stew trekked up the mountain to fix the repeater, Stew showed pictures of the trip up, and the repeater.

Stew gave an overview of batteries for ham radio. Lead acid has a shorter life, and more significant voltage drop. He went over the family of lithium chemistry batteries. Lithium polymer batteries are the most stable. Nickle cobalt batteries have less density and less life cycles than lithium batteries.

Meeting ended at 8:45

Steering wheel is at JP's at noon Tuesday Sept 17th

Meeting ended 8:40

Bob, k1bif, secretary

The candidates will begin their presentations at 7:45 with 20 minutes for each presentation and 10 minutes each for questions and answers.

There have been a number of serious issues at the ARRL which have come to light. If interested, details on some of these can be found at <https://www.ranv.org/arrlissues.html> . We will have a short discussion about some of these issues prior to the candidates' discussion.

We hope to see many of you at the RANV meeting and ARRL candidates forum, Tuesday, October 8th, starting at 7PM.

73, Mitch

October Chittenden County 2m Net

The next Chittenden County region FM simplex activity will be on **Wednesday, October 23, 2024 at 6:02pm** on 146.55 MHz. Why 6:02? To celebrate Mole Day, of course! Please mark your calendars, spread the word, & we'll see you on simplex soon!

AREDN

Zach K1ZK is setting up some gear on 2.4 GHz and 5.8 GHz for use with the Amateur Radio Emergency Data Network

(AREDN). See arednmesh.org. There's lots of bandwidth on these higher bands — why not use them for high-speed data? With enough interest, we can build a mesh that can carry voice, video, data, etc.

W1XIV 223.86 Repeater Upgrades

The W1XIV 223.86 (-)(100Hz) repeater is now running a new controller with AllStarLink capability.

73 de K1ZK



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NEXT MEETING

Holy Family Parrish Hall
Tuesday October 8th 7:00pm

Meeting Topic

- Division Director Election Presentations

Upcoming, Notices, & Misc

- Steering Wheel: 3rd Tue Noon; JP's Essex, Vt
- VE Exams every 2nd Friday;
- Contact AB1WG for information
- Dues due? Pay online at www.ranv.org/ranvpay.html

