



CCDX ARC MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 14th 2026

Meeting was opened by President Fred von Recklinghausen AC1UF at 19:00 who lead the CCDX ARC Members with the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Fred Van Recklinghausen	AC1UF President
Derek Tousley	W1WWW Vice President
Carol Beaver	N1NGE Treasurer
J Rollins	KM6NUY Public Information
Sarah Bailey	KB1HPK
Bruce Bohannon	WA1YZN
Craig Clark	K1QX
George Dragoon	WA5GAD
Larry Levesque	KA1VGM
Jack Lyons	KC1QLD
Ron Osimo	K1CRR
Joe Paolilli	KC1UFK
Christopher Ramsey	KC1KCT

Eric Sopper	KC1YFY
Dave Wilber	K1ZS
Bert Wilkins	KB1VGJ
Lynn Wilkins	KC1SDM

INTRODUCTIONS:

PRESENTATION:

- 1. ARES BOOT CAMP (video) Fred, AC1UF.**
- 2. CCDX AI Secretary in place of CCDX Member Secretary, J. KM6NUY.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to accept the CCDX ARC December 17, 2025, minutes as written by Craig K1QX seconded by Bruce, WA1YZN and unanimously approved.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Carol, N1NGE

SAVINGS BANK OF WALPOLE CHECKING ACCOUNT ACTIVITY:

The Savings Bank of Walpole Checking Account began with a balance of \$4,887.39. During December 2025, a payment of \$200.00 was made to Risk Strategies Company to cover liability insurance. Additionally, dues totaling \$160.00 were deposited into the account for the same period. After these transactions, the ending balance for the checking account was \$4,847.39.

SAVINGS BANK OF WALPOLE SAVINGS ACCOUNT ACTIVITY:

The Savings Bank of Walpole Savings Account began with a balance of \$1,615.13. During the reporting period, interest in the amount of \$0.07 was earned. This brought the new balance in the savings account to \$1,615.20.

SERVICE CREDIT UNION SAVING ACCOUNT ACTIVITY:

The Service Credit Union Savings Account did not issue a statement during this reporting period. As a result, the account balance remains unchanged at \$7.28. This balance will be updated when a new statement is received from the Service Credit Union Savings Account.

ACCOUNT BALANCE SUMMARY:

The following is a summary of the current balances for the club's accounts as of the end of the reporting period:

- **Savings Bank of Walpole Checking Account: \$4,847.39**
- **Savings Bank of Walpole Savings Account: \$1,615.20**
- **Service Credit Union Savings Account: \$ 7.28**

Total: \$6,469.87

These figures reflect the latest available balances, with recent activity already accounted for in the Treasurer's Report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Fred, AC1UF

a. Secure 501(c) 3 status for the club. J. KM6NUY

b. Continue to work out issues with Henry. Bruce WA1YXN and Joel WA1ZYX

C. Develop a speaker's list. Leadership

- d. Sharing duties of the Secretary. J. KM6NUY**
- e. Social Media Presence for the Club. J.KM6NUY**
- f. Successful Field Day. Leadership and Membership**

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

None

PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICERS REPORT:

J, Rollins

- 1. STEM Event – The club is invited back to the Keene STEM night.**
- 2. Virtual Secretary – We have no Secretary. We are going to try AI using Ollie or another product. Craig made a motion to proceed with the process, seconded by Bruce WA1YZN. Motion Passed.**

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Hyland Hill – Bruce WA1YZN awaiting a ride up to the site.**
- 2. Lakes Region Repeater – On a 6-month trial, the Repeater Coordinating Committee was unaware that the repeater was on Blue Top Mountain. Unlikely their project will continue beyond the 6-month trial period.**
- 3. Trailer – Trailer in Jaffery. An external inspection by members of the trailer group revealed that the ties were manufactured in 2004. They recommended replacement. Discussion of the replacement of tires or tires and rims.**

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Fundraising – Account balances have remained steady for the last few years. There wouldn't be substantial amounts of funds for bigger projects. Recommendation from leadership to wait until 501(c)3 process is complete.**
- 2. Equipment donation policy – From time to time, we receive equipment from Silent Keys or other donated by families. There is a need for a process to deal with this equipment. Member recommendations included:**
 - a. Club members have first pick.**
 - b. Sell at Hamfest with proceeds back to the club.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ARES LEADERSHIP CHANGE

- 1. Ron K1CRR Emergency Coordinator (EC).**
- 2. Jon KB1RZJ and Fred AC1UR Assistant Emergency Coordinators (AEC).**

CCDC ARC VEC EXAM RESULTS FROM JANUARY 10, 2026

One upgrade from Technician to General Class.

Anthony J. Ruggiero, KC1YTB, 429 Park St Gardner, MA 01440

UPCOMING EVENTS:



Hamfest/Convention

03/15/2026 - [Contoocook Valley Radio Club 2026 Hamfest/Flea Market](#)

Location: Henniker, NH

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: Contoocook Valley Radio Club

Website: <http://www.k1bke.org>

[Learn More](#)



Hamfest/Convention

04/11/2026 - [Seacoast Amateur Radio Flea Market](#)

Location: Hampton, NH

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: Port City ARC

Website: <http://w1wqm.org>

Contest Calendar

November 2025 – December 2026

This calendar covers the major HF contests, but there are plenty of others throughout the year. Visit www.arrl.org/contest-calendar and www.contestcalendar.com for more contest dates and details.

Nov 2025

- 1-3 ARRL NOVEMBER SWEEPSTAKES – CW
- 15-17 ARRL NOVEMBER SWEEPSTAKES – PHONE
- 23 NORTH AMERICAN SPRINT – SSB
- 29-30 CQ WORLD WIDE DX CONTEST – CW

Dec 2025

- 5-7 ARRL 160-METER CONTEST
- 13-14 ARRL 10-METER CONTEST
- 21 ARRL ROOKIE ROUNDUP – CW

Jan 2026

- 3-4 ARRL RTTY ROUNDUP
- 10-11 NORTH AMERICAN QSO PARTY – CW
- 17-18 NORTH AMERICAN QSO PARTY – SSB
- 23-25 CQ WORLD WIDE 160-METER CONTEST – CW

Feb 2026

- 1 NORTH AMERICAN SPRINT – SSB
- 8 NORTH AMERICAN SPRINT – CW
- 9-13 SCHOOL CLUB ROUNDUP
- 14-15 CQ WORLD WIDE WPX – RTTY
- 21-22 ARRL INTERNATIONAL DX CONTEST – CW
- 27-28 CQ WORLD WIDE 160-METER CONTEST – SSB
- 28 NORTH AMERICAN QSO PARTY – RTTY

Mar 2026

- 1 CQ WORLD WIDE 160-METER CONTEST – SSB
- 1 NORTH AMERICAN QSO PARTY – RTTY
- 7-8 ARRL INTERNATIONAL DX CONTEST – SSB
- 15 NORTH AMERICAN SPRINT – RTTY
- 28-29 CQ WORLD WIDE WPX – SSB

Apr 2026

- 19 ARRL ROOKIE ROUNDUP – PHONE

May 2026

DELETED

Jun 2026

- 6-7 ARRL INTERNATIONAL DIGITAL CONTEST
- 27-28 ARRL FIELD DAY

Jul 2026

- 11-12 IARU HF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP
- 18-19 NORTH AMERICAN QSO PARTY – RTTY

Aug 2026

- 1-2 NORTH AMERICAN QSO PARTY – CW
- 15-16 NORTH AMERICAN QSO PARTY – SSB
- 16 ARRL ROOKIE ROUNDUP – RTTY
- 29-30 WORLD WIDE DIGI

Sep 2026

- 13 NORTH AMERICAN SPRINT – CW
- 20 NORTH AMERICAN SPRINT – RTTY
- 26-27 CQ WORLD WIDE DX CONTEST – RTTY

Oct 2026

- 3-4 COLLEGIATE QSO PARTY
- 19-23 SCHOOL CLUB ROUNDUP
- 24-25 CQ WORLD WIDE DX CONTEST – SSB

Nov 2026

- 1 NORTH AMERICAN SPRINT – SSB
- 7-9 ARRL NOVEMBER SWEEPSTAKES – CW
- 21-23 ARRL NOVEMBER SWEEPSTAKES – PHONE
- 28-29 CQ WORLD WIDE DX CONTEST – CW

Dec 2026

- 4-6 ARRL 160-METER CONTEST
- 12-13 ARRL 10-METER CONTEST
- 20 ARRL ROOKIE ROUNDUP – CW

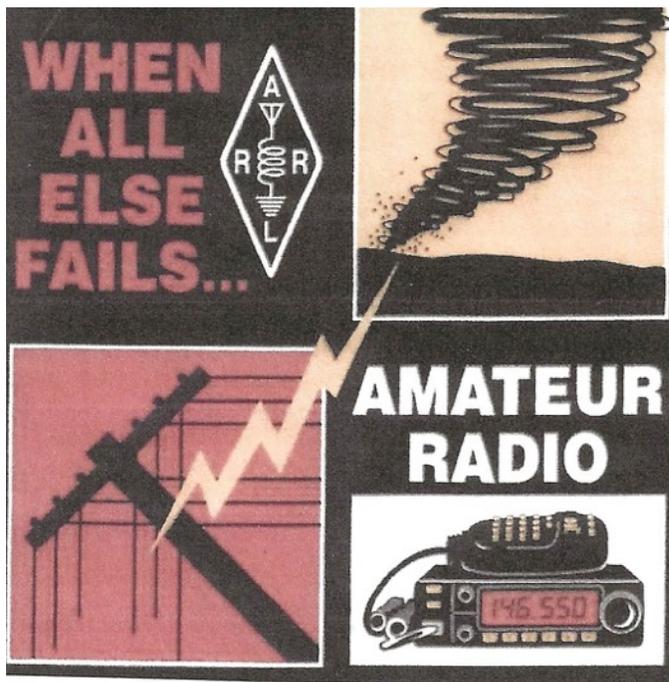
ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to Adjourn the CCDX ARC Monthly Meeting was made at 20:45 by Graig K1QX seconded by Joe KC1UFG and unanimously approved.

Respectively Submitted,

Ronald Osimo, K1CRR

Meeting Minutes Approved: February 11th, 2026



CHESHIRE COUNTY DX AMATEUR RADIO CLUB ADDENDUM



The National Association for
ARRL Amateur Radio



Amateur Radio Emergency Service® – ARES® Fact Sheet

Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES): ARES is a program of ARRL The National Association for Amateur Radio®, offering to the public and to its partners trained, federally licensed operators who are skilled in applying a wide range of effective emergency/disaster communications techniques and who are committed to supporting our partners' missions in service to the public.

ARES Vision Statement: ARES is the premier amateur radio emergency communications service to the United States and its territories.

ARES Mission Statement: ARES strives to be an effective partner in emergency/disaster response, providing the citizenry and public service/safety partners with communications expertise, situational awareness, and capabilities of professional communicators.

ARES Values:

- **RELEVANT:** ARES is there When All Else Fails®... and before.
- **LEADERSHIP:** ARES leverages the strength of its ARRL member-volunteers and the leaders within its organizational structure to create and nurture professional-level relationships with community, government, and other partners in emergency management.
- **RESOURCEFUL:** ARES strives to be an invaluable tool that communities and first responders can call upon in times of need for reliable and robust communications.
- **INNOVATIVE:** ARES adopts state-of-the-art capabilities for deployment, setup, and operation of world-class, resilient communications from operations centers to field locations.
- **SKILLED:** ARES volunteers have access to leading training courses in radio communications and related technologies to support wide-ranging emergency scenarios.
- **EQUIPPED:** ARES provides robust, multi-spectrum analog and digital communications as well as networking assets to its trained force of volunteers, regardless of location, for in-person, mobile, and fixed capabilities.

ARES Partners: ARES partners are served agencies that fall into two broad categories: government agencies (federal, state, local, and tribal) and non-governmental organizations (NGOs).

AUXCOMM: AUXCOMM is a training standard managed by the Emergency Communications Division of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) of the Department of Homeland Security. ARRL and ARES support and encourage AUXCOMM training.

ARES Engagement (Government Agencies): ARES volunteers working with government agencies will function in partnership with the served agency in accordance with agreements or Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) at the federal, state, or local level. An ARES volunteer will abide by the guidelines of the served agency while not in conflict with ARES guidelines and training. This level of service may vary from Emergency Operations Centers (EOCs) to field deployments with a variety of government organizations. Government agencies may require additional training or screening, including AUXCOMM or EOC training.

ARES Engagement (NGOs): ARES has had a long history of partnerships with other NGOs and maintains agreements with many at all levels of response. ARES volunteers assist these organizations in many capacities, including at shelters, aid stations, and operations centers in times of need. Some of these organizations may require additional training or other requirements. ARES volunteers are encouraged to participate to the level they feel is appropriate for them.

Further information is available at www.arrl.org/ares.