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MarkStenning	AA1AC	FazalHameed	KC1YGL
BillBagwill	W1VRA	MahmunahHameed	KC1YIH
BillCameron	KC1YHK	SalimHameed	N8LI
PatEmsellem	KC1IPT	ZachMurtishi	KC1YIG
JeffFrederick	KC1YHY	PaulRecupero	W1NWX

Newport County Radio Club



January 12, 2026

Club Meeting

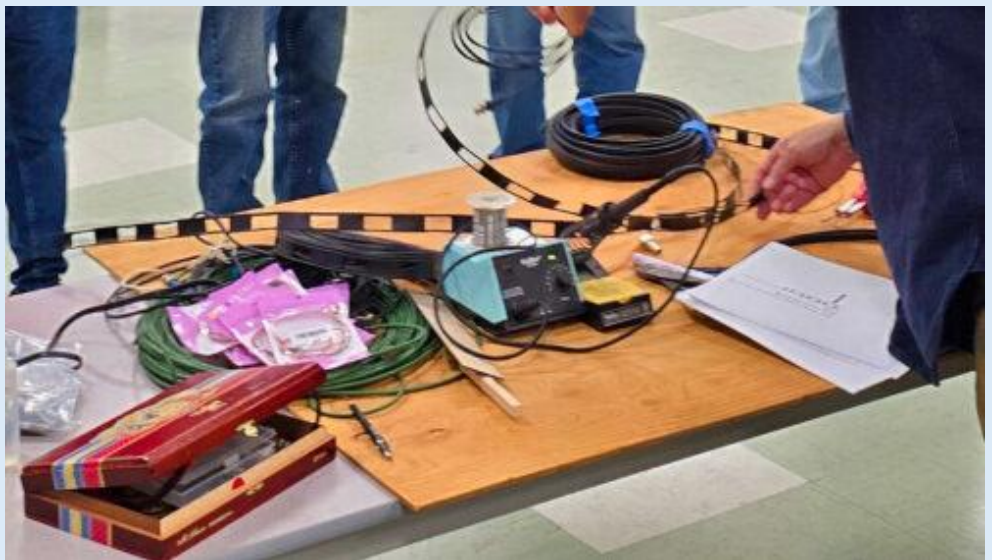
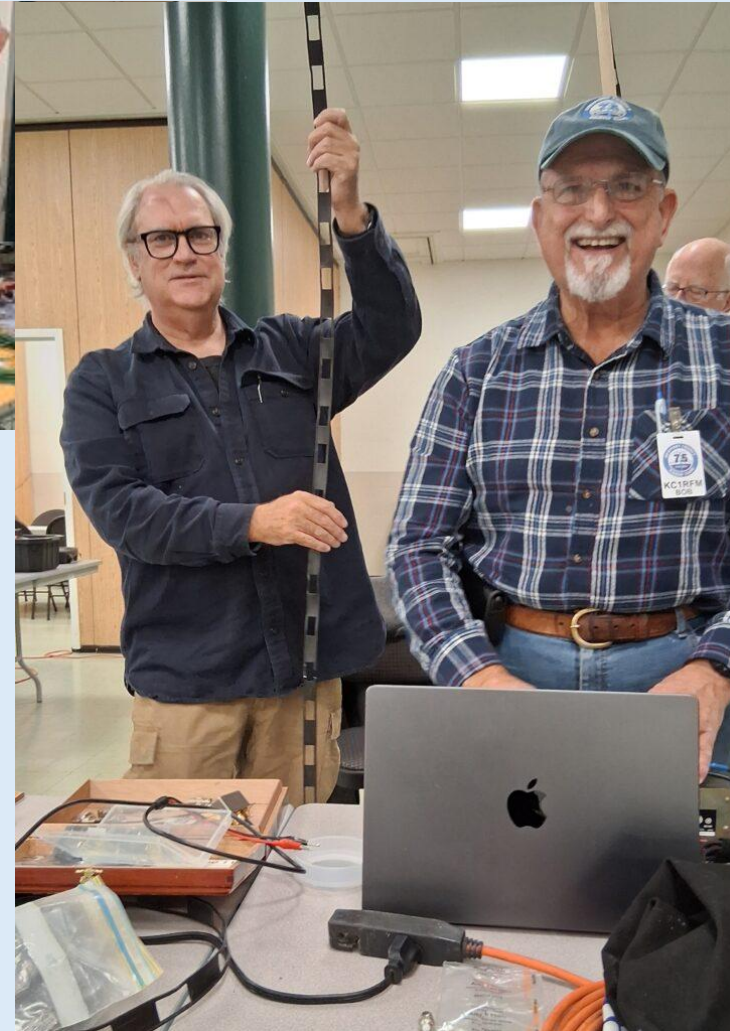


NCRC Year in Review Year-End Dinner Party



NCRC Year in Review

Build Night



Pete Lawson Outdoor Adventure

Sunday, September 7th , 2025



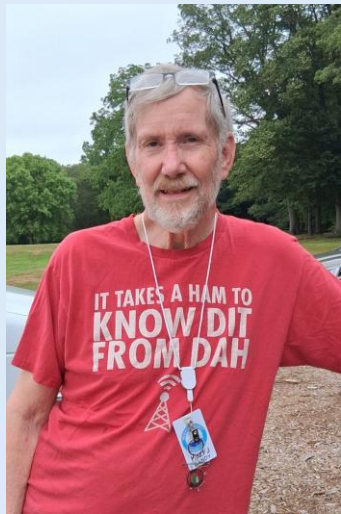


Saturday (October 18, 2025) the NCRC hosted a JOTA event at Fort Wetherill State Park in Jamestown. Scout Troop 1, Rotary Club of Jamestown spent an afternoon of fun and amateur radio operating. The weather was perfect!



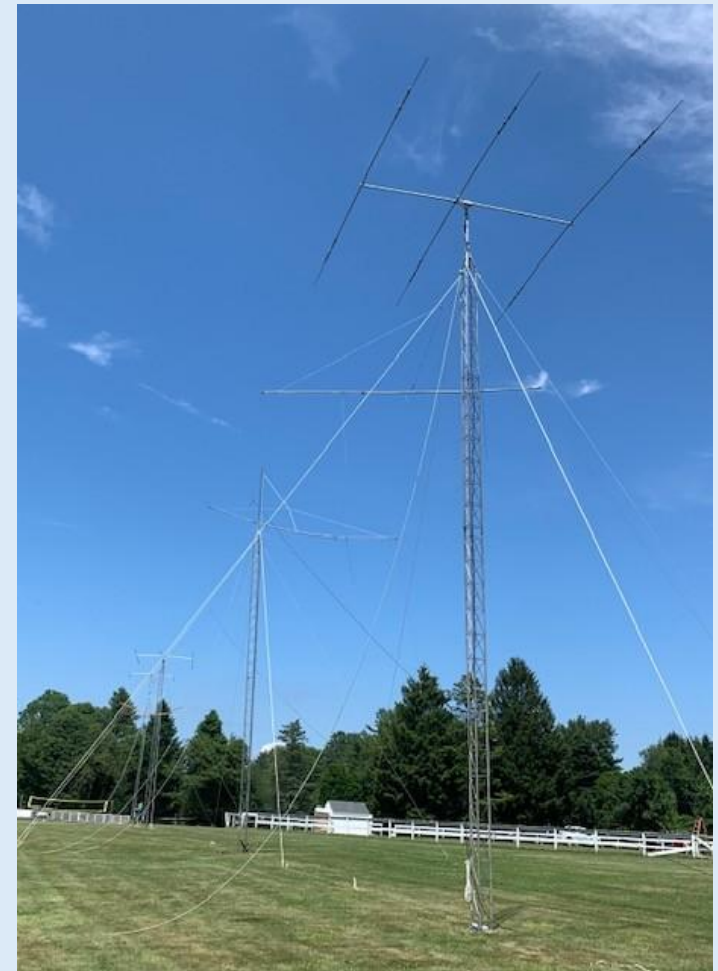
NCRC Year in Review

Parks On The Air



NCRC Year in Review

Summer Field Day



NCRC Year in Review

Great Monthly Meetings!



NCRC Year in Review

Winter Field Day



Newport County Radio Club



January 12, 2026

Club Meeting



Approval of November 10, 2025, Meeting Minutes



Newport County Radio Club (NCRC) Meeting Minutes, 10 NOV 2025

Attendees: Jim Sendrak, Willy MacLean, Brian Cottle, Mike Rousseau, Joe DeMarco, Keith Henry, Ellen Vadney, Bruce Bragg, Bob Matose, Paul Recupero, Crystal Thibault, Corry Thibault, John Brewer, Chris Lirakis, Bill Bagwill, Bill Cameron, Greg Bonaguide, Jim Sammons, Bob Beatty, Rene Martel, Rich Townsen, Jeff Frederick, Mark, Mueller Scott Nacey (Z), Robert Marro (Z), Rich Travers (Z), Paul Fredette (Z), Chuck Kesson (Z), Evan Bowen (Z), Ed Gosling (Z), Dave Quinn (Z), Stephan Crawford (Z), Mike Sell

2026 Officers and Executive Committee: The slate of 2026 Club officers and Executive Committee members as presented at the October meeting was approved by vote of the Club Secretary per ARTICLE EIGHT Section 4) of the Club bylaws. Jim Sendrak, KC1LVG, will once again serve as President, Joe DeMarco, WA1VEE, Vice President, John Jackman, N1SMX, Treasurer and Mike Sell, AA1XQ as Secretary. Keith Henry, KC1LPV, Bob Matose, KC1RFM, Evan Bowen, K1GEA, Willy MacLean, W1LY, and Bob Beatty, WB4SON will make up the 2026 Executive Committee in addition to the aforementioned Club officers.

NCRC October Meeting Minutes: A motion to approve the October meeting minutes was approved.

New Member: Jim Sendrak welcomed Bill Cameron to the Club. Bill lives in Barrington and heard about NCRC by listening to chatter on our weaknight 2m nets. Unfortunately, he is not able to get in to the repeater with his HT, only receive. However, two things should work to remedy this situation: Firstly, the J-Pole antenna Club build project; Secondly, an upgrade to our existing repeater. More to follow on both of these initiatives. A motion to approve Bill's membership was seconded and agreed upon.

Treasurers' Report: John Jackman, NCRC Treasurer, presented his report for the Club's September and October financial expenditures. The September Pete Lawson Outdoor Adventure expenses resulted in higher than average totals for typical months. Also the October expenses included two payments for Club equipment insurance owing to changes made to the list [i.e. additions & subtractions]. We will be receiving a refund check from the ARRL.

Club Events:

Christmas Party: Keith Henry, Crystal Thibault and Linda MacLean are planning our December Christmas Party to be held at the Hometown Tavern in Warren, R.I. on December 6th. Tickets will be available for purchase on the W1SYE website for \$35.00 per person. Cash bar open at 1800 hours, dinner at 1900 hours.

Jamboree-on-the-Air (JOTA): JOTA is an annual world-wide scouting event to encourage scouts to become "radio-active." It is always held on the third weekend in October. This year

Troop 1 from Jamestown sent eight scouts to participate in an activation from Fort Wetherill State Park. Willy MacLean, W1LY, Jim Sendrak, KC1LVG and Bill Bagwill, W1VRA coached the scouts working 20m and 40m SSB contacts as W1SYE. Logs from this JOTA/POTA activation have been uploaded to the POTA and Log-of-the-World [LoTW] websites.

More information about JOTA at:

<https://www.scouting.org/international/jota-jotw/jota/>

Parks-on-the-Air (POTA): Joe DeMarco, WA1VEE, has been mentoring individuals on POTA activations at various parks around the State. This has been a very successful venture thus far with strong participation amongst newer hams in the Club. This includes instruction on how to spot on the POTA website and hunt stations, how to setup a portable station, call "CQ POTA", log contacts and submit logs. POTA activations are an excellent tool to increase operator proficiency and all in the Club are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to learn from a POTA Elmer.

Coordinator Programs: Jim Sendrak introduced the idea of Coordinator Programs to the membership at the October meeting. Meeting Presentations, Fund Raising, JOTA and Field Day [Antennas/Tents/Radios] are all Programs requiring a coordinator.

W1AAD D-Star Repeater: The W1AAD D-Star repeater will be disconnected from the internet starting 30NOV2025. It will still function as a D-Star repeater but be devoid of web access. Internet costs are approximately \$120.00/month so the Club will realize a savings of roughly \$1,500 per year.

W1SYE Analog Repeater: The Club has started a search for an upgraded 2m repeater. The Executive Committee have allocated \$4,000 for the purchase and designated Dave Neal, W2DAN, Paul Fredette, K1YBE, and Mike Sell, AA1XQ to complete this action. We hope to purchase a commercial-grade used Motorola MTR-3000 unit.

Member Dues: We are in the process of preparing a budget for the 2026 calendar year and plan to increase member dues to \$40.00 per year. This aligns with inflation and will support increasing field day, build night, PLOA, Christmas party, etc. expenditures.

Winter Field Day: Winter Field Day [WFD] will take place on 24-25JAN2026 with setup starting on 23JAN. The Club has secured permitted use of Glen Park for these dates and preliminary planning for the event has begun. It is not yet clear whether we will operate two stations or just one and what antenna[s] will be used. More to follow on this effort.

Summer Field Day Results: The results from summer Field Day 2025 have been published by the ARRL. The NCRC participated in the 2A category and placed third behind the Radio

Amateurs of Northern Vermont, W1NVT, and the Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society, K4MN as shown in the table below.

2A	
Radio Amateurs of Northern VT	
W1NVT (+W1PUP)	4,158 2 20 17730 VT
Cape Fear ARS	
K4MN (+WA3COU)	3,167 2 40 16,440 NC
Newport Co. RIC	
W1SYE (+NE1TH)	3,039 2 47 15,290 RI
Muskegon ARC	
K5CM (+KK5J)	2,788 2 12 13,878 OK
Greer ARC	
K5SY (+K54EA)	3,180 2 38 11,945 SC
Albuquerque DX Assn.	
WSUR (+N2GG)	2,279 2 18 11,158 NM
Nicholsey Co. Wireless Assn.	
K9FN (+W8TD)	2,191 2 20 10,230 IL
Rochester (NY) DX Assn.	
W2RDX (+W2ZAN)	2,251 2 20 10,221 WNY
Mississippi Valley ARA	
W5MVA (+W9FOC)	2,464 2 14 9,477 WI
Halipala ARC	
W7PX	2,880 2 8 9,128 MT
Falmouth ARA	
K7RN (+W1NOB)	2,278 2 25 9,069 MA
Tom's Garage ARC	
N6M	2,130 2 6 7,926 SD
Piglet Radio	
NBCCN (+K5BTP)	1,899 2 17 7,581 IN
Devenogga	
WS0EV (+A3J)	1,407 2 4 7,247 TN

In this table the first entry is the club callign followed by the QSO total, a power designator [6W - 100W ≡ "2"], the number of participants, the point total and the ARRL section. The complete list of Field Day 2025 results can be found at the link below:

<https://contests.arrl.org/contestresults/2025/Field-Day-2025-FinalQSTResults.pdf>

Community Outreach and Support >>> Mike Rousseau, KC1NEJ, assembled a number of hams from the Club to support the Third Annual Sakonnet Coastal Bike and Stroll that took place Saturday November 1st in Island Park. Other hams supporting the event were Mike Cullen, K1NPT, Mark Flaherty, W1MBF, Ray Perry, KC1IPC, Ellen Vadney, N1ELN, John Vecoli, KC1KOO, Jeff Frederick, KC1YHY, Chris Carruba, KC1WVZ, and Brian Cottle, N1TBT.

ARRL Club Coordinator Announcements >>> John Brewer, N1SXB, is our ARRL Affiliated Club Coordinator for the State of Rhode Island. John had two announcements for the group:

First and foremost, the ARRL campaign to pass the Amateur Radio Emergency Preparedness Act continues. Please see;

<https://www.arrl.org/current-legislation>

Hams can send a letter to their Senator or Congressman from their home computers with just a few clicks at;

<https://send-a-letter.org/hoa/>

Second, Icom is offering a chance to win a "dream station" by joining the ARRL, renewing an ARRL membership or by donating to the ARRL Diamond Club. The station includes the following:
-Icom IC-7760 HF/50 MHz Transceiver
-200 W Transceiver, 60th Anniversary Signature Edition
-Icom IC-PW2 HF/50 MHz 1 kW Linear Amplifier
-Icom SM-50 Advanced Desktop Microphone

Please see details at:
<https://www.arrl.org/arrl-diamond-club>

Projects and Builds >>> Chris Lirakis, W1QIS, discussed the anatomy of the 2m J-Pole antenna and showed several variants. One is fabricated from copper pipe another from 450Q ladder line and still another from 300Q twin lead. Chris passed around a survey to gauge Club interest in the planned build night scheduled for next Monday night, 17NOV, 1900 hours, at St. Barnabas Parish Hall. Note that other Elmers are welcome for this build to assist with such items as soldering, construction techniques, matching networks, etc.

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Treasurer's Report



Newport County Radio Club Statements of Assets, Liabilities and Capital At November 30, 2025

Assets	
Cash.....	1,842.45
PayPal.....	8,876.64
Total Assets	<u>10,719.09</u>
Liabilities & Capital	
Liabilities.....	-
Club Equity.....	(10,719.09)
Total Liabilities & Capital	<u>(10,719.09)</u>

Newport County Radio Club Statement of Income

11 Month Period Ending November 30, 2025

Income	
Grants.....	1,260.00
Dues.....	2,815.00
Donations.....	706.00
Education.....	330.00
Misc.....	-
Total Income	<u>5,111.00</u>
Expenses	
Grants.....	(1,502.54)
Paypal.....	-
Supplies.....	(5,605.16)
Education.....	(385.00)
Utilities.....	(2,629.76)
Insurance.....	(695.94)
Banking.....	(250.71)
Total Expenses	<u>(11,069.11)</u>
Net Income (Loss)	<u>(5,958.11)</u>

Newport County Radio Club Statement of Cash Flow

11 Month Period Ending November 30, 2025

Cash at January 1, 2025	16,677.20
Cash Inflows	
Grants.....	1,260.00
Dues.....	2,815.00
Donations...	706.00
Education...	330.00
Misc.....	-
Total Cash inflows	5,111.00
Cash Outflows	
Grants.....	(1,502.54)
Paypal.....	-
Supplies.....	(5,605.16)
Education...	(385.00)
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Notes:

Unrestricted cash	\$6,245.27
Restricted ARRL Grant	\$2,962.31
Restricted Pete Lawson Fund	\$1,121.36
Restricted IBM Grant	\$390.15

Newport County Radio Club Change in Capital

11 Month Period Ending November 30, 2025

Beginning Capital.....	16,677.20
Prior period adjustment.....	-
Net Income (Loss).....	(5,958.11)
Ending Capital	<u>10,719.09</u>

Treasurer's Report



**Newport County Radio Club
Statements of Assets,
Liabilities and Capital
At December 31, 2025**

Assets	
Cash.....	8,731.94
PayPal.....	1,030.31
Total Assets	<u>9,762.25</u>
Liabilities & Capital	
Liabilities.....	-
Club Equity.....	(9,762.25)
Total Liabilities & Capital	<u>(9,762.25)</u>

**Newport County Radio Club
Change in Capital
11 Month Period Ending December 31, 2025**

Beginning Capital.....	16,677.20
Prior period adjustment.....	-
Net Income (Loss).....	<u>(6,914.95)</u>
Ending Capital	<u>9,762.25</u>

**Newport County Radio Club
Statement of Income
11 Month Period Ending December 31, 2025**

Income	
Grants.....	1,260.00
Dues.....	3,015.00
Donations.....	856.00
Education.....	384.00
Misc.....	-
Total Income	5,515.00
Expenses	
Grants.....	(1,502.54)
Paypal.....	-
Supplies.....	(6,951.32)
Education.....	(385.00)
Utilities.....	(2,768.26)
Insurance.....	(511.79)
Banking.....	(311.04)
Total Expenses	(12,429.95)
Net Income (Loss)	<u>(6,914.95)</u>

**Newport County Radio Club
Statement of Cash Flow
11 Month Period Ending December 31, 2025**

Cash at January 1, 2025	16,677.20
Cash Inflows	
Grants.....	1,260.00
Dues.....	3,015.00
Donations...	856.00
Education...	384.00
Misc.....	-
Total Cash inflows	5,515.00
Cash Outflows	
Grants.....	(1,502.54)
Paypal.....	-
Supplies.....	(6,951.32)
Education...	(385.00)
Utilities.....	(2,768.26)
Insurance...	(511.79)
Banking.....	(311.04)
Total Cash Outflows	<u>(12,429.95)</u>
Cash at December 31, 2025	<u>9,762.25</u>
Notes:	
Unrestricted cash	\$5,288.43
Restricted ARRL Grant	\$2,962.31
Restricted Pete Lawson Fund	\$1,121.36
Restricted IBM Grant	\$390.15

Treasurer's Report



Newport County Radio Club Statement of Cash Flow 12 Month Period Ending December 31, 2025	
Cash at January 1, 2025	16,677.20
Cash Inflows	
Grants.....	1,260.00
Dues.....	3,015.00
Donations...	856.00
Education...	384.00
Misc.....	-
Total Cash inflows	5,515.00
Cash Outflows	
Grants.....	(1,502.54)
Paypal.....	-
Supplies.....	(6,951.32)
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Newport County Radio Club Expense Summary 12 Month Period Ending December 31, 2025	
Supplies	Amount
Repeater	(5,110.04)
Field Day	(995.99)
Projector	(518.00)
Annual Dinner	(143.06)
Checks	(128.83)
Badges	(80.40)
SWAG	25.00
	<u>(6,951.32)</u>
Utilities	Amount
Cox	(1,398.00)
St. Barnabas	(500.00)
Hallman Toilets	(300.00)
USPS PO Box	(222.00)
Zomm/GoDaddy	(194.26)
CubeSmart	(154.00)
	<u>(2,768.26)</u>

New Members



- **K1NW** **Brian Maynard** Wakefield, RI EXTRA
- **KC1YTA** **Jonathan Zerbus** Middletown, RI TECH
- **KC1YHY** **Jeff Frederick** Middletown, RI TECH

NCRC Coordinator Program



Coordinators:

POTA Joe Demarco	Education Ellen Vadney	Meeting Presentations ?	Projects/Build Nights Chris Lirakis	Fund Raising ?
Logo Merch Will Maclean	I. T. Bob Beatty	Field Day(s) ? ? ? Antennas Tents Radios	Mentors Bill Boyes	JOTA ?

- Main contact for each division
- Team building within each division
- Coordinate who / what / when / where
- Report to membership



Winter Field Day



2026

January 23 24 25
Fri Sat Sun



Old Biz

W1SYE Repeater Update



"I have the Repeater and Controller working together now. I want to get all the schedules and DTMF assignments for enabling and disabling the repeater.

I am close I will need a bit more time but it is good progress."

Dave Neil – W2DAN



MEMBER DISCUSSIONS

