



# Ham Radio

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## ARRL NEW ENGLAND DIVISION UPDATE

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# Agenda

- ARRL Update
- Assistant Directors
- Plans for Communications
- Plans for first 100-days
- Q & A

# ARRL Update

- Key Appointments
  - Field Services Manager – [Mike Walters, W8ZY](#)
  - Manager Education and Learning – [Steve Goodgame, K5ATA](#)
  - Director of Emergency Management - [Josh Johnston, KE5MHV](#)
- Contesting, DXing, and Operating Events
  - Adjustment of Low Power Limit for ARRL Contests (150w -> 100w)
  - VHF Contest and Field Day Surveys
  - [Field Day 2022 Rules adjustments](#)
  - [ARRL World Wide Digital Contest](#)
- Other
  - [ARRL Response](#) to Forest Service Administration Proposal

# ARRL Update Continued

- Board Highlights
  - Created Emergency Communications & Field Service (standing) Committee
  - [Youth Licensing Program](#)
  - Positive changes in [70+ Lifetime Membership Program](#)
  - [External Investment Manager oversight committee being formed](#)
  - [ARRL Board Leadership](#) (President, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> VPs) elected, Treasurer-elect John Sager, WJ7S effective May 1, 2022
- Looking ahead
  - [Clean Signal Initiative](#)
  - EmComm Plans going forward
  - Additional [ARRL Club Grant Program](#) coming in April
  - Looking to begin making progress with FCC now that [new chairperson is in place](#)
  - 5G Exposure Legislation response – [New Hampshire HB1644](#)
    - SM/SGL updates scheduled for March 11<sup>th</sup> and March 17<sup>th</sup>

# New England Div. Assistant Directors

*What is the role and what do we hope to accomplish?*

- Bring Hams in the division together involved in the Focus Area:
  - Share successful activities, programs, and tools
  - Help promote activities and programs across the division
  - Encourage collaboration to create division-wide programs
- ARRL New England Division Asst. Directors – [more info here](#):
  - **Cory Golob, KU1U** – Assistant Director, Emergency Communications and Public Service Activities
  - **Rob Leiden, K1UI** – Assistant Director, Spectrum Protection and Use
  - **Anita Kemmerer, AB1QB** – Assistant Director, Mentoring and Ham Development
  - **Dan Norman, N0HF** – Assistant Director, Youth Outreach and STEM Learning
- Teams include Section Field Volunteers, HQ Leaders, and Division Members – teams forming now
- ADs in the process of scheduling kickoff meetings via Zoom

# NE Division Communications Plans for 2022

- Cabinet Meetings
  - Four planned for 2022, *first one held on January 8<sup>th</sup>, next one April 16<sup>th</sup>*
  - Sections Managers, Club Presidents, CAC/DXAC Reps, Invited Guests ...
- Town Hall Meetings
  - Three planned for 2022, *first one held on February 16<sup>th</sup>, next one in June*
  - All New England Division ARRL Members
- Club Meeting Attendance
  - Director, Vice Director, and Asst. Director to attend at least 6 Club Meetings per quarter each
- Hamfests – Plans for Hamfests and ARRL Forums
  - ✓ HamCation in Orlando, FL – February 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>
  - ✓ HAM-CON in VT – February 26<sup>th</sup>
  - Maine State Convention in ME – April 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - Spring NEAR-Fest in NH – April 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>
  - HamXpostion in MA – August 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, and 28<sup>th</sup>
  - Candlewood ARA Hamfest – September 11<sup>th</sup>
  - Nutmeg Hamfest, CT State Convention – October 9<sup>th</sup>

# Division Communications Plans Continued

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# Plans for the First 100 Days

## *Action Oriented, Making an Immediate Difference*

- ✓ **Reach out to Board Members and Senior ARRL Leadership** to create common ground for action
- ✓ **Take concrete steps to improve Communications and Collaboration within the New England Division**
  - ✓ Two-way communications via Town Hall Meetings, [nediv.arrl.org](https://nediv.arrl.org), and Groups.io
  - ✓ Quarterly online New England Cabinet meetings – feedback sets the stage for these meetings
- **Appoint a set of Assistant Directors to create a focus and advocacy for important issues** and to collaboratively promote programs to move us forward
  - ✓ Focus for Promotion of Emergency Communications and Public Service Activities
  - ✓ Focus on Promoting Use of and Protecting our Spectrum
  - ✓ Focus for Mentoring and Ham Development
  - ✓ Focus for Youth Outreach and STEM Learning through Amateur Radio
- ✓ **Continue to demonstrate our commitment to supporting Amateur Radio Clubs and Groups** – Personally attend at least 6 club meetings each quarter

*Learn more at* <https://ab1oc.org/first-100-days>





# Q & A