Western New York Club Comm

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This is being sent to registered ARRL affiliated club contacts. Please forward this to your club's leadership team. Club Leaders, feel free to leverage this information to support your club. Act and share as you see fit.

News from Newington: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zVrWJZRsyeY
Simplified Antenna Modelling: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4LQCnG8Bo0k
de the ARRL Letter: https://hackaday.com/2026/11/03/the-depiction-of-amateur-radio-in-the-movies-and-tv

Radio Trek: The Next Generation

NYQP 2026 is behind us. Rhetorically: how did your club do with engaging Technicians and new licensees? What did you learn about your club and its readiness to both attract and actively engage fresh, new members?

Take your learnings and build upon them. Clubs have another opportunity in December with the **ARRL's 10 Meter Contest**, where Technicians enjoy both voice and CW privileges. Make it a club activity (AWAC; Activity Within A Contest) to participate-in, not a contest to win. Encourage the entire club to be part of it and make it fun, drawing-in new and "bystander" licensees.

Here's an approach. Call it "[Club Name] 10-meter Mayhem, Part 2" (or leave off the "Part 2" if you didn't do it for NYQP), have a club meeting (or a couple of breakfasts) in November to discuss the AWAC, show attendees how to log in simple ways, have participants post their results to 3038scores.com (it doesn't matter if they send their log to the ARRL), and you have a topic for your very next club meeting where participation is recognized and your new and inactive licensees feel like they're part of the club in a big way. *Oh, and maybe find out if they need help putting up a dipole or having a radio to use, beforehand*.

Friday, December 4 at 7:00 PM ET (0000 UTC Saturday) through Sunday, December 5 at 6:59 PM ET (2359 UTC Sunday); log in UTC of course; it's that long because different parts of the world will be heard at different times of the day and there are two full-cycle days to make contact with them. Read the rules, of course.

There will be one more opportunity to get your Technicians and new licensees actually on-the-air with a club-wide activity: the January VHF Contest. Make that an AWAC! More on that in the *next* issue.

Coming soon

A proven approach to getting your Freshmen involved in your club's public service activities, in preparation for Spring, 2027!

Amateur Radio STEAM FUN! Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math; and FUN, too!