

# Zero Beat

4-88

Our 40th ARRL affiliated year  
Special Service Club

Hampden County Radio Association, Inc.

Springfield, MA

## April Meeting

Our April meeting will feature a speaker from New England Telephone, who will discuss the telephone technology in use today and what is planned for the future. This will also include a discussion of various telecommunications related material.

## Recent VE Exams

The following people attended recent HCRA sponsored exam sessions: John WA1IKO upgraded to General; Paul KA1OWZ and Peter KA1PUM received Extra written credit; Harold Woering and Tim Cramer, previously unlicensed, earned their Tech tickets; Kevin N1FJV and Leo KA1PIW passed Advanced. Thanks to all VE's at all sessions: KA1KPH, NO1M, N1SR, WA1YYK, K1BXE, KA1KRJ, KA1MEW, NM1K

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## President's Column

Every club or organization has people working behind the scenes making everything work. The HCRA is no different in that there are many people working to make the club run. I'd like to mention a few hardy souls who make sure our newsletter comes together.

Aside from our regular contributing writers (many thanks to all of them!) Bob, KA1KPH, is our editor and he gets the ball rolling (and really makes the ball!) by putting together news worthy items into a newsletter format. Bob uses a desktop publishing program to format Zero Beat and prints it out on a laser printer [not this month-Ed] (which accounts for the offset look and detailed graphics).

Getting information for Zero Beat depends on our members among other sources. If your wondering why you don't read about yourself, its probably because Bob didn't know what you were doing.

After Bob gets a copy that he is happy with, the original is brought down to our printer for the 200 plus copies. The printer also folds and staples the newsletter.

When its ready, Ron WB1ETS and Lil KA1MPS get it and stick on the mailing labels. They keep our updated mailing list on their computer and generate labels when we are ready for a mailing.

Ron and Lil spend the next evening putting on the labels and stamps (where necessary). The next morning Zero Beat goes in the mail, and I get it a few days later. Bob, Ron and Lil our collective hats are off to you! When it comes to Zero Beat you make things happen!

As long as we're on the subject..... we're looking for an Assistant Editor. Someone who can help extract news from you members and help set up the newsletter. Bob would still handle the publishing and much of the writing. If you're interested (and you don't have to have a computer) please contact Bob, KA1KPH, or myself at 596-8216. It's not much work, it's fun, and it will really help us out.

de Steve WA1EYF

**Field Day**  
**WINY**  
**Agawam High School**

1988 Meetings  
 Apr 1 HCRA meeting  
 9 YCCC meeting  
 May 6 HCRA meeting  
 Jun 3 HCRA meeting  
 5 YCCC meeting

**Exam Schedule**

For all West exams please contact Yorke K1BXE at 413.566.3010 for more information. For East Exams contact Jeanette KA1MEW at 413.786.1463 for info.

**HCRA Meetings**  
 First Friday of each month  
 Feeding Hills Congregational Church  
 Center of Feeding Hills  
 Intersection of routes 57 & 187  
 Doors open at 7:30 PM  
 Meeting starts promptly at 8:00 PM

**Telecommunications**

**April 1st, 1988**  
**Feeding Hills**  
**Congregational**  
**Church**  
**Feeding Hills Center**

06-Apr-88 7:00 PM West  
 04-May-88 7:00 PM West  
 01-Jun-88 7:00 PM West  
 11-Jun-88 8:30 AM East  
 10-Sep-88 8:30 AM East  
 10-Dec-88 8:30 AM East

**See You There!**

**Future HCRA Meetings**

<u>Club Meeting</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Board Meeting</u>
1-Apr-88	Telecommunications	5-Apr-88
6-May-88	DX trip	10-May-88
3-Jun-88	Annual Banquet	none

HCRA 10m net every Thursday at 9:00 PM on 28.650 MHz  
 WMSspeed net Monday to Friday at 7:30 PM on 28.450 MHz  
 YCCC Swap Net meets at 8:00 PM Thursdays on 28.303 MHz  
 Western Mass Traffic Net (cycle 2) meets at 1:00 PM Monday thru Friday on K1FFK/R 146.91 MHz  
 WMPN (SSB) Mon to Sat at 6 PM on 3.937 MHz; WM (CW) net evenings at 7:00 PM on 3.562 MHz  
 Ten Meter Rag Chew Net (SSB) meets Sunday nights at 7:00 PM local on 28.400 MHz

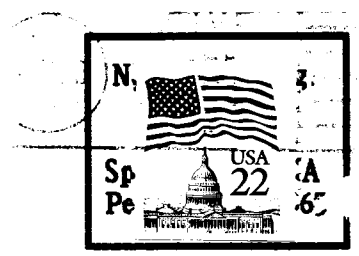
The Western Mass Slow Net meets Monday thru Friday at 7:30 PM on 28.450 MHz. This is a CW traffic training net for all license classes. Please check in! KB1TH is the net manager.

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**P O Box 17**  
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