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Hampden County Radio Association, Inc.

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W1NY-2 Upgraded

The W1NY-2 bulletin board has now moved and has been upgraded. The system is now located at NQ1C's house in the center of Springfield. The system is currently running on a beam pointed west/southwest. Hopefully an omnidirectional antenna will be installed within the next few weeks, but until then, more of you may have to go through the W1NY-1 digipeater.

The system has also been

upgraded to do much of it's forwarding on 220 Mhz. This will leave the 145.01 Mhz frequency open for more users. Also, there is a "backbone" on 220 Mhz set up to make it easier for bulletin boards to forward directly to more places.

We have changed the system from running W0RLI's software to AA4RE's version. For the most part, operation of the system will look pretty much the same to you. The one major enhancement is

that the AA4RE software allows more than one person to use the system at one time. "Busy" messages should be rare now with the new system.

The bulletin board will be unavailable on Sunday evening from approximately 9:15 PM to 10:15 PM for data backups.

If you have any questions regarding the bulletin board system, please feel free to contact Bob, NQ1C, or John, AC1T.

Ham Caliplates Wanted

Mike, W1DGJ, is looking for used callplates (license plates with callsigns on them) in any condition for swapping with collectors. If you have any, give Mike a call at 583-6678 in Ludlow, MA.

Using the BBS

Signing on to the system: Set up your TNC, radio, and computer as you normally would for packet operations. Enter "CONNECT W1NY-2". You may have to use "CONNECT W1NY-2 VIA W1NY-1" if you are not within range of the bulletin board.

If you have not used the system since it's upgrade, you'll be told (continued on page 3)



The W1NY-2 bulletin board system consists of a "PC clone", a Lafayette HA-146 for 2 meters, and a Kenwood TM-3530 for 220. The TNC is a DRSI PC*PA card, which goes inside the computer.

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LAST UPDATE 01/23/89 19:54 MEMBERSHIP ROSTER CALL **HCRA** MBR ARRI LIC SIGN NAME EXP. TYPE MBR CLASS WINLE ADOLPHSON ROBERT Α 89 Y A KA1QDO ANDERSON GAIL 89 F N G NC12 ANDERSON GEORGE A 89 R L E KA1QDR ANDERSON GEORGE A 89 F N N W1NQG ANDREWS WESLEY J 89 R Y A KA1JDY ARCHAMBAULT ROBERT R 89 R N Т AC1T BALBONT JOHN 89 Y Α R Ε KA1MPA BARRETT ROBERT E 89 R Y F. KA1MPS BEAUCHEMIN LILLIAN 89 F N Т WB1FIP BEAUCHEMIN MAURICE 89 L R N T WB1ETS BEAUCHEMIN RONALD 89 R Y Α WA1SOF BEAUREGARD PETER М 89 R Y KA1LZD BEGGETTA DOMINIC 89 P R Y N KB1TF BEHRENS RICHARD R Y Α WAIHFF BERG STEVEN м 89 R Y Е N1EUZ BERTAGNOLLI DAVID B 89 R N G BESSETTE W1DKY ROBERT F 89 R Y Е N1ET2 BLAIR CHARLES D 89 R Y G K1 ISW BOUDREAU DAVID 89 Y R G W1NMQ BOUDREAU JOSEPH 89 Α R Y Α W1VNE BRODEUR LEO H J Y 89 R Ε KA1CRX BROUGH ROBERT 89 R Y Т NM10 BROWN ELAINE R 89 F Y E NJ1U BROWN JOSEPH Е 89 Y Ε KA1QEM BROWN RUTH 89 Τ F Y N CAMPAGNA PAUL 89 Α N 11 NB1R CARPENTER EDWIN Н 89 R N F K1 DFC CARPENTER PHILIP J 90 R N G NA1W CARPIN ALAN A 89 R Y E N1D00 CARROLL LYNDA 89 N Т N1DJM CARROLL JR RONALD 89 T. F N G KA1GYT CHARTIER ROLAND J 89 R N G K1CPJ COHEN ROBERT A 89 R Y Α KA1OAS COHEN SCOTT 89 F N N K1CYD CORCORAN GEORGE В 89 Y G WAIYCA COTE TRYON W 89 R Y A N1AFY COURNOYER NORMAN A 89 R Y G WATUTO CUSANELLI BRUCE P RQ R Y T N1CYH DAHDAH KURT J 89 R Y Т DEBOTE ARTHUR 89 Y U WB1FVS DELNICKI THOMAS A 89 N R A KA1CAX DESANTIS FRANCIS ιŢ 89 R Y G KA1LIT DEVINE DONALD Е 89 R Y G K1JDL DIEFENDERFER RICHARD P 89 R Y Α NO1M DOERPHOLZ SR. KENNETH Е 89 E KW10 DONHAM PERRY c 99 R N Ε W1TXS DOWNING RICHARD 89 E R L G N1CQT DRAKE ALBERT ιŢ 89 Y A N1 EHS DUNT.AP CAROL 89 F N G Α DUNT.AP K1 TT CHARLES Н 89 Y Ε KAINCW DUNLAP DEBORAH 89 F N N KA1PBA DUNLAP **JEFFREY** 89 F N A Т KA1PAZ DUNLAP JOSEPH 89 F Α N N KA1PAY DUNLAP PAULINE Т 89 F N N NIDZH DUQUETTE DAVID Α 89 R T K1BE DUQUETTE **JEFF** 89 J Y E KAIDTR ERICKSON ARMAND c 89 R N T N1PF FOREST NORMAN P 89 R Y Ε W1TTL FOSTER ED н 89 R Y G W1 NYP GADBOIS ROBERT G 89 R N A KA1PFX GARDELLA DONALD N R 89 R N KA1PDT GARDELLA RICHARD C 89 N N1DXY GAUDREAU RONALD P 89 R N Т KA1RJB GINGRAS EDMOND 89 R N М N W1RED GLEASON PATRICK מ 89 R Y E WA1PLS GOLDBERG **EDWARD** М 89 R Y Т KA1ECJ GOVER MUREL 89 G ND1P GRADY KENNETH R 89 Y E R KA1LGI GRASSETTI CARLO 89 R Y Α Α KA1MWZ GRASSETTI THOMAS М 89 F G Y K1BUB GRAVEL ROBERT F. 89 R Y Ε WA1PGT GRIFFIN GERRY 89 N N1FOW GRIFFIN MICHAEL P 89 F Y T KA1QFE GUTOWSKI ROBERT 89 Т

NM1 K HACK .TR RUSSELL. T 89 KA1PIW HAMILTON LEO J 89 R Α KA1ZE HILINSKI STAN W 89 R N Α WALOUZ HOTALING CASPER W 89 R Υ G WIALL HUGHES GEORGE н 89 R Y Α KAlifc HURTLE JEAN E 89 KB1MU ISHAM DAVID W 89 Y R Α WA1SMH JACKOWSKI ALPHONSE ıΤ 89 v G R JACQUES NORMAN R 89 N П NIFJ JOHNSON FRANDY A 89 Y Е W1 UWX JUNKINS JR CLIFFORD E 89 L WD8QYU KESLER JOHN М 89 R Y WA1VRH KLIMAS RONALD J 89 R Т KA1JWG KNIGHT GORDON ĸ 89 R Y G KA1ONV KNIGHT JANET 0 89 F Υ N WA1NYU KRAJEWSKI JOSEPH G 89 R Y KRASSLER ADOLPH 89 N A U W1 HG.T KRUCZEK CHET R N Т KALIOS KUC THEODORE 89 N R R T KA1GIP LA MORDER RUSSELL Е 89 R Y Α NO1C LAFLEUR BOB 89 R F. KA1PHI LAMAGNA PASQUALE М 89 R N N K1FUA LAVALLEY FREDERICK L 89 N T K1 ZKH LEINHAUSER DONALD 89 E R Y G WB1BWD LEMAY DON 89 N R G NIEPE LEMOTNE T.ARRY 89 R G KA1LXT LETO ALLAN R 89 Y R Α W1WLE LITTLE ROBERT ĸ 89 G L WA1GZO LOCKWOOD TED 89 N G Ε R K1NBS LOMBARD **GRANVILLE** F 89 Y G R WATYYK TOMONACO .TACK 89 R Y Е WA1WSS LUCARDI WILLIAM С 89 N R Т W1DGJ LUDKIEWICZ MICHAEL N Е N1FCL MACIOROWSKI ROBERT J 89 R Y T DK1TM MALNER JUERGEN 89 N E R F. KB1Y MARKVART JAMES E 89 R Y E NO12 MARTIN CHRISTOPHER 89 R Y Е K1 SUD MAYO ROBERT Y G KA1ERS MCCARTHY WILLIAM 89 R Y Α KIMAL MCCONKEY MARVIN 89 R N A KA1KPH MCCORMICK ROBERT Р 89 R т. F. NC1B MCCORMICK SHAWN М 89 F L Е WIBXB MENSCH HARVEY Р 89 R Y W1GOP MILES ALBERT 89 N J G WB1EHS MURNANE BARBARA 89 Y R Е WB1APD MURNANE JOHN Р 89 F Y Α KA1DWI NADEAU FRED 89 R N Т WA3EEC NAGURNEY LADIMER c 89 WB1DLH NELSON GEORGE 89 Н E WA1EYF NELSON STEVEN 89 K R Y Е WB1BZH NICKOLLS KENNETH 89 R R Y Т WIBVR NOBLE PERCY 99 L N Α AB1 T NORMAN GARY 89 R E Y E KA1MZP NORTON DAVID s 89 R Т KA1HXH ODONNELL BERNARD .A. 89 R N т WA1UIV OVERSTREET **EDGAR** G 89 R Y Α KA1SIU PASQUINO ANNE 89 Т R N K1IJU PEACOR C N 89 R N G K1 T.TV PEACOR ח J 89 F L G WB1FIO PHILLIPS BETTY Α 89 F Α KA1NYH PHILLIPS ELAINE 89 Y KA1FHX PHILLIPS ROGER C 89 F N T N1CBD PHILLIPS THOMAS 89 G Α R Υ K1 BXE PHILLIPS YORKE р 89 R Y E WA1DNB PHOENIX ROBERT Н 89 R N G KB1AZ PIATEK FRANK 89 NF1I PINARD BOB 89 R Y Ε KA1KRJ PLATANITIS JAMES F 89 Υ E KA1MEW PLATANITIS **JEANETTE** 89 L R Y E KA1NVN PLOUF HOWARD В 89 R Y т POMEROY HOWARD 89 U K12YM POOLER ν Y ALFRED 89 Ε NClI POTTS FRANCIS M 89 Y E WA1ECR POTTS 89 GARY F R N A K1FO POWLISHEN STEPHEN J 89 R Y Ε KA1DNX PRENTICE LESLIE 89 Y Α KA1HAB PUFFER RICHARD L 89 R N N WA1WTK REGNIER LOUIS 89 G KA1SFK RENALDI DUANE 89 R N KB1TH RIBEIRO MICHAEL

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that you are a new user. Enter "REGISTER" and answer the three questions—your first name, your zip code, and your home BBS (probably W1NY).

Checking for messages: You can check your messages with the "LM" command. This command will list out all messages to or from you. The "L" command will list messages since the last time you have done "L", and the "LL n" command will list the last "n" messages. "LT" will list all the NTS traffic available on the system for delivery or relay to other nets. There are many other variations to the list command—use "H L" to get full information.

Reading messages: You can use "RM" to read all messages to you, or you can use the "R n" command to read message number "n".

Killing messages: After you have read a message, you should kill it. "K n" will kill message number "n". "KM" will kill all messages to you (the ones you read with the "RM" command). "KT" is used after you have copied an NTS traffic message from the system. Do not wait to kill an NTS message from the system until you have delivered or relayed it. Kill it immediately. If you are unable to deliver or relay the message, repost it on the system.

Sending a message: You can send bulletins (messages that all can read), private messages (to one specific person), or NTS traffic. With a bulletin, you may wish to send it to ALL, or to a specific interest group, such as AMSAT or DX. For a private message, you would send it to a specific callsign. For NTS traffic,

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Club Calendar

March	HCRA/West Exam Club Meeting Board Meeting	March 1 March 3 March 7
April	HCRA/West Exam Sky Warn Board Meeting	April 5 April 7 April 11
May	HCRA/West Exam DX Board Meeting	May 3 May 5 May 9
June .	Banquet HCRA/West Exam < No Board Meeting > Field Day	June 2 June 7 June 24-25

HCRA meeting are held at Feeding Hills Congregational Church at 8:00 PM. Contact Phil Smith, **KA1MP** (413) 562-4731

HCRA/West Exams are held at Agawam High at 7:00 PM sharp. Contact Jeanette Platanitis, KA1MEW (413) 786-1463

HCRA/East Exams are held at Minnechaug Regional High School, Wilbraham MA. Contact Yorke Phillips, K1BXE (413) 566-3010

Local Nets

10 Meter Ragchew Net	Sunday 7:00 PM 28.400			
Nutmeg VHF Traffic Net	Daily 9:30 PM 146.28/88			
80 Meter Ragchew Net	Tuesday 8:00 PM 3.709 Mhz			
WMPN	Daily 6:00 PM 3.937			
WMSN	Tuesday & Thursday 7:30 PM 3.713			
WMCWN	Daily 7:00 PM 3.562			
WMTN	Monday-Friday 1:00 PM 146.31/91			
CPN	Monday-Saturday 6:00 PM 3.965			
	Sunday 10:00 AM 3.965			
Mt. Tom Information Net	Wednesday 7:30 PM 146.34/94			
Mt. Tom Swap Net	Follows Mt. Tom Information Net			
Mt. Tom Emergency Net	Sunday 8:45 AM 146.34/94			
RASON	Daily 9:00 PM 146.13/73			
WESCON	Daily 8:30 PM 147.78/18			
CN	Daily 7:00 & 10:00 PM 3.640			
CSN	Monday-Friday 7:30 PM 3.720			
CSTN	KY1T PBBS, 145.01 Mhz			

N1ACS	RODOWICZ	KATHY	A	89	F	Y
N1SR	RODOWICZ	STEFAN	J	89	R	Y
N1DOP	ROY	MARIE	A	89	F	Y
N1ABJ	ROY	ROBERT	T	89	R	Y
N1CHS	RUDDY	DANIEL		89	R	Y
WB1FNP	RUSSELL	PETER	N	89	R	N
NJ1E	SAMPLE	WILLIAM	С	89	R	Y
WIRIL	SCHOFIELD	KENNETH		89	R	N
N1DUY	SEBOLT	JAMES	R	89	R	Y
KA1LXW	SHAFFER	LEONARD	D	89	R	Y
KA1CDS	SHAPRAS	PETER		89	R	Y
K1NJC	SHEEHAN	JOHN	J	89	R	Y
WAliao	SHELLEY	JOHN	J	89	R	Y
K1GTE	SHERMAN	JOHN	P	89	R	Y
WB1BZG	SHUKAN	DONALD	С	89	R	Y
NK1I	SHUTT	BARBARA	С	89	R	Y
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W1HDQ	TILTON	EDWARD	P	99	L	N
WAIVAH KV1C	TIPPETT	ROBERT	M	89	R	N
	TOURIGNY	LEO	_	89	R	N
NQ1E	VANDERSCOFF	ROBERT	C	89	R	Y
	WALKER	DAVID	В	89	R	N
W1FAB	WALKER	KENNETH	D	89	R	N
	WALLACE	THEODOR	G	89	A	N
K1 RBS	WALSH	GEORGE	W	89	R	N
W1 HOD	WEBB	L	A	89	R	Y
W1CJK	WERENSKI	WILLIAM	F	89	R	Y
WINPL	WHITE	EDWARD	J	89	R	N
K1WVX	WING	WILLIAM	P	89	R	Y
W1RLV	WITOWSKI	THADDEUS	J	89	R	N
	WOLINAN	LAURENCE	E	89	R	Y
KB12W	WOLOS	RICHARD	A	89	R	N
K1UOR	YOUNG	DORIS	J	89	F	N
K1 NWE	YOUNG	ROBERT	С	89	R	Y
W1KK	ZAVARELLA	ARTHUR		99	L	Y
	ZAVARELLA	RALPH	A	89	R	N
WB1CXC	ZERDECKI	RUDY	J	89	R	N

send it to the destination zipcode. You may also want to send your message to another system, such as W1AW, or K1UGM. You can use NEBBS to send your message to all New England BBS systems, or ALLBBS, to send your message to every BBS in the world (please use ALLBBS sparingly!) For NTS traffic, you want it to go to NTSxx where "xx" is the state abbreviation for the traffic's destination.

Use the "SB" command to send a bulletin, the "SP" command to send a private message, or the "ST" command to send traffic. Your command might look like "SB to @ bbs". Replace the "to" with the call of the receiving station, and the "bbs" with the call of the bbs where the message should end up. Some examples might be "SP KA1LKB @ K1UGM", or "ST 95819 @ NTSCA".

You will then be prompted for a subject. You may enter whatever subject you like, although for NTS messages you should use "QTC location" to show where the message is going to.

You may then enter your message. End it with either a control-Z, or an /EX, and then press return. You'll be told that your message has been stored.

There are many other things you can do with the bulletin board, but I'll save those for another article. For now, just enjoy the system, and tell all your friends "I can be reached on packet @ W1NY". I even put it on my QSL cards!

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Forwarding & Address Correction Requested





