



# The Link

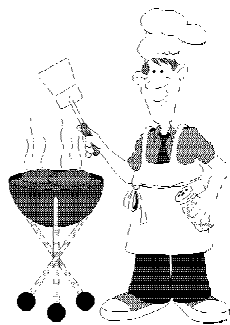
Official Journal of the Buffalo Amateur Radio Repeater Association, Inc.

July 2000

## Annual Mobile Clinic and Picnic is This Month!

It is time once again for BARRA's annual outing, as it were, the annual Mobile Clinic and Picnic at the Cole Road repeater site in Boston, NY on Monday, July 17th. Directions to the site are on Page 3.

For this event, as it has been in the last few years, it is Bring Your Own. BARRA provides grills, condiments, and soft drink beverages, you supply the meat and rolls and salads or whatever. You might want to throw in an extra dog or burger for those members who may come straight from work with no "supplies." Also remember that our insurance policy forbids the consumption of alcohol on our property or at club-sponsored events.



Gathering time will be approximately 5 PM, with the festivities continuing until dark. Drop in whenever you can, and perhaps bring a ham friend along. Keep in mind that the Cole Road site has no "comfort facilities," so plan ahead accordingly.



In case of questionable or bad weather, tune to 146.91/444.00 for updates on the event. Brian, WA2CWF will be in the Boston area the day of the event and will be able to provide directions for those needing them, and provide updates on the weather in the site area. If there should be

rain, the event will be postponed until the following Monday, July 24.

So, plan on attending one of BARRA's most popular yearly events (after the Auction, of course!), and we hope to see you at the repeater on the 17th!

### The BARRA E-Mail Listserver

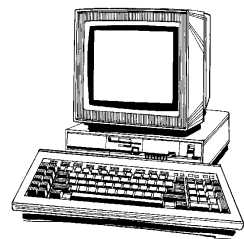
To join, send an empty e-mail message to:  
barra-subscribe@perdix.acsu.buffalo.edu

To send a message to the list subscribers, address your e-mail to:

barra@perdix.acsu.buffalo.edu

## An E-Mail Link?

It has been suggested that *The Link* be available in an electronic format to those members interested such an item as a means of saving money for the club. *The Link* is already operating at an all-time low in terms of expenses, since the only cost incurred for most issues is postage. But, we can make a go of trying some other means as well.



The most likely format for distribution would be the Adobe PDF format, which would ensure that both paper and electronic recipients would receive the same finished product. Back issues of some *Links* are already available in this format on the club web page (see Page 2 for the URL).

If you would be interested in receiving future *Links* in electronic PDF format, please drop a note to the editor at 73323.672@compuserve.com stating your willingness to participate. Note that you must have an e-mail account capable of receiving attachments in order to participate.

You must sign up for this if you are interested as this would be a special e-mailing only to current, paid-up members, and not through the list serve, which has a little more liberal membership policy.

It is hoped that the electronic version of *The Link* will begin with the September issue.

## Membership Roster



Your Editor is woefully behind in providing a current and up-to-date membership roster. He promises to have one with the September issue. We have been providing e-mail addresses in the roster of late, but those are highly changeable. We will go with what we have on file, but if you have recently changed your e-mail address (in the last year or so), or would like yours listed, please notify your editor at 73323.672@compuserve.com with your updated information.

*The BARRA Board and Your Link Editor  
Wish Everyone a Safe and Restful Summer*

## Buffalo Amateur Radio Repeater Association, Inc.

### Club Officers & Directors

President	Mark Lienert KG2DE '00	447-1738
Vice President	Steve Riek N2QJE '00	731-3452
Secretary	Brian Neri WA2CWF '02	838-1673
Treasurer	Ed Swan KD2JW '01	877-0417
Directors	Voit Drankhan KA2WIO '02	941-5569
	Keith Hendershot KB2VKK '02	668-0391
	Gene Kremzier N2OBW '01	632-4369

### Committees & Chairs

Technical	Gil Boelke W2EUP
Link Editor	Doug Alderdice KA2WFT
Associate Link Editor	Dave Sewhuk N2GH
WNYSORC Representative Chair	Ben Bass N2YDM
Membership,	
Roster & Passwords	KA2WFT, W2EUP, KD2JW
Activities List	Ed Swan KD2JW
ID Badges	KD2JW
Erie County Emer. Coord.	Karl Weir N2NJH

### Voice Repeaters

WB2JQK	29.68 -	Buffalo
K2ISO	145.17 -	Wethersfield
K2GUG	146.73 -	Grand Island
W2EUP	146.91 -	Boston
W2OXB	147.00 +	Kenmore
W2EUP	224.82 -	Boston
WR2AHL	442.00 +	Wethersfield
WA2HKS	444.00 +	Buffalo
WB2DSS	444.75 +	Kenmore

### Digital Repeaters

W2EUP-1	145.59	Niagara Falls
N2GH-1	145.59	Wethersfield, NY
K2IMF-1	145.01	Marilla, NY

### RACES Net

Stop by Sunday evenings at 7:00 pm and join the Erie County ARES/RACES net which meets on the 146.91 and 444.00 repeaters. N2NJH is net control.

### BARRA Packet BBS

BARRA has a bulletin board area on the IPBUFF (N2NJH) Packet/Internet gateway system. Connect through any local node that shows IPBUFF in its node list. IPBUFF is available to 1200 baud users directly on 145.63 Mhz.

### BARRA Home Page

<http://hamgate1.sunyerie.edu/barra.htm>

CBs-Scanners-Ham-Marine-Business Radios-Radar Detectors

## HIRSCH'S

WNY's Largest Communication Store Since 1961  
219 California Drive - Williamsville, NY 14221

Hours-M,T,Th,F 12-9:00; Sat. 10-5:00; Closed Wed.

(716) 632-1189

Sales - Service - Installation

FFL#  
16-12569

N.Y. STATE LIC. #  
DEALER - D555  
GUNSMITH - G428

K2PWL  
IRWIN LASHER  
DEALER IN FIREARMS & ACCESS.

CERTIFIED INSTRUCTOR  
NRA - PISTOL - RIFLE - SHOTGUN  
N.Y. STATE - HUNTER TRAINING

838-1468 EVE.

## DEPAOLO ELECTRIC



ROBERT DEPAOLO, Licensed Electrician  
P.O. Box 1194  
N. Tonawanda, New York 14120

Licensed  
&  
Insured

694-5817

Service  
&  
Installations



## EAST COAST AMATEUR RADIO, INC.

WESTERN NEW YORK'S FINEST  
AMATEUR RADIO AND COMPUTER CD-ROMS  
— RADIO REPAIR —

<http://www.eastcoastradio.com>  
e-mail: [ecar@eastcoastradio.com](mailto:ecar@eastcoastradio.com)

314 Schenck St.  
N. Tonawanda, NY 14120

Phone: 716-695-3929  
1-800-995-1787  
Fax: 716-695-6067

When you patronize our advertisers, tell them  
you saw their ad in The Link!

The *Link* is published eight times a year by BARRA, the Buffalo Amateur Radio Repeater Association, Inc. The opinions expressed herein, however, are not necessarily those of the Board of Directors, nor of BARRA. Letters to the editor are solicited and must be signed. Names and addresses will be withheld if requested. Material for the *Link* should be sent to the Editor:

Buffalo Amateur Radio Repeater Ass'n  
 P.O. Box 507  
 N. Tonawanda, NY 14120-0507

or may be submitted electronically to the editor's CompuServe address: 73323,672. If submitting through the Internet, the full address is 73323.672@compuserve.com. The editor may be reached by telephone in the evenings at (716) 833-8375.

**ARTICLES**

Articles for the *Link* on any subject, technical or general interest, are always welcome and encouraged. When submitting material to the *Link*, please type it or submit it electronically, if possible. Remember that the editor reserves the right to make necessary changes including reformatting and condensing for space and that Full Membership may be obtained by writing articles.

**LINK DEADLINES**

All material must be submitted to the Editor by the end of the month previous to the issue (e.g. December 31st for the January issue). Of course, if the material is received earlier than that date, you will have a better chance of getting your article in the next issue. All advertising is subject to the same deadline.

**ADVERTISING**

Want-Ads are free to BARRA members and are published in the next available issue. Ads from other hams are accepted free on a space-available basis. Ads appearing in other club newsletters with which BARRA has an exchange agreement are reprinted on a space-available basis.

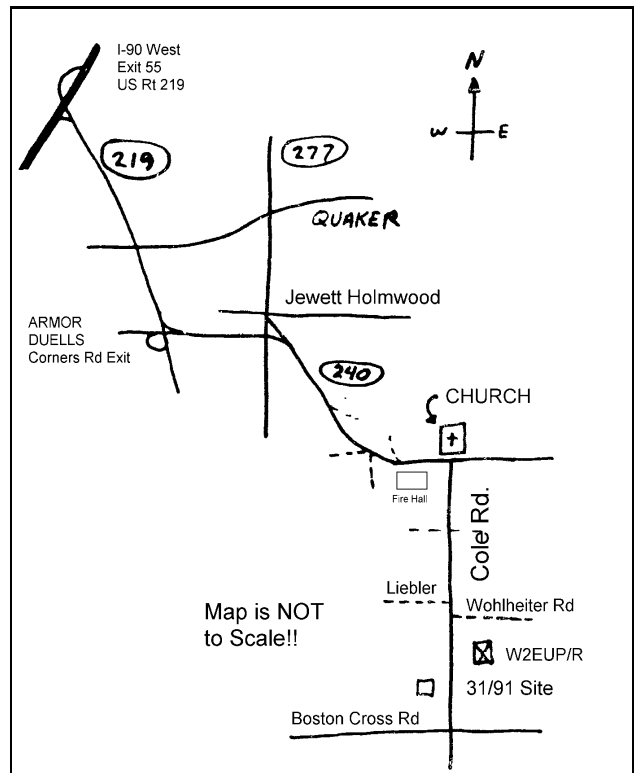
Display advertising is available at the prevailing rates. Business card size is currently \$2.00/mo; full page is \$16.00/mo. Contact the editor for rates for other sizes.

**DUES**

Basic membership rate	\$20.00
Family member in the same household as first member	3.00
Discounts from basic rate	
Senior Citizen (65+)	-5.00
Disabled	-5.00
Voting member	-5.00
Full-time student with ID	-5.00
Each new member recommended	-1.00

**Note:** A voting member is a member who has performed a service for BARRA (e.g. helped out at an activity, written a *Link* article, etc.).

## Directions to the Cole Road Repeater Site



**TO W2EUP/R FROM BUFFALO:**

- Take the Thruway, I-90, westbound, to Exit 55, US Rt 219.
- Continue down US 219 to the Armor Duells Corners exit (after Mile Strip Rd).
- At the top of the exit, turn right.
- Proceed to intersection with Rt 277, and continue straight through.
- Proceed along 240 about 2.1 mi. as it bends and twists its way along. Watch for a fire hall on your right -- Cole Rd is soon after!
- After the fire hall, very shortly on your left is a white church. Almost immediately is a right turn, watch for yellow "T" sign -- this is Cole Rd! Turn rt. onto Cole Rd.
- Proceed along Cole Rd approx. 6.1 miles. The site is less than 1/2 mile from the intersection of Liebler and Wohlheiter Roads. Look for two 100 ft. towers on your left.
- Turn left onto dirt road just past a pond and small house. Go up small hill and watch for directions for where to park. **DO NOT PARK ON THE DIRT ROAD - IT IS A DRIVEWAY FOR A RESIDENCE!**

The Mobile Clinic will begin around 5:00 pm and continue until dark, or thereabouts. In case of "iffy" weather, listen to 146.91/444.00 for updates from WA2CWF about local conditions in Boston.

Buffalo Amateur Radio Repeater Ass'n  
Post Office Box 507  
N. Tonawanda, NY 14120-0507



*"Serving Western New  
York and the Niagara  
Peninsula"*

## FIRST CLASS MAIL

---

# Calendar of Events

## GENERAL MEETINGS

General meetings are held at St. Bartholomews Episcopal Church, Brighton & Fries Roads, Tonawanda, across from Kenmore East HS. Doors open at 7:00 pm for rag chew, business meeting at 7:30, with program following.

**Monday, July 17, 2000** - Annual BARRA Mobile Clinic and Picnic at the Cole Road repeater site. Bring your picnic goodies and your rigs and roast the wieners and bench the radios (or is it the other way around?) and enjoy a summer evening with the BARRA crew at the Cole Road repeater site. Rain date: Monday, July 24th.

**Monday, September 18, 2000** - Meeting Program TBA.

**Monday, October 16, 2000** - BARRA Annual Meeting and election of board members.

**NO GENERAL MEETINGS IN  
MARCH, MAY, AUGUST OR NOVEMBER**  
The *Link* is not published in those months

## BOARD MEETINGS

Board Meetings are held the second Monday of every month at GLB Electronics, 151 North America Drive (formerly Commerce Pkwy), West Seneca. The meetings begin at 7:30 pm and members are always welcome to sit in on a meeting or bring concerns to the board.

## TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

The Technical Committee has work parties every Wednesday evening, 8:00 pm, at GLB Electronics. Stop by and give a hand to a repeater or other BARRA project.

The Technical Committee has formal meetings the first Friday of each month around 7:30 pm at GLB. Come on out to BARRA's own CCITT (Coffee & Crumpets Interrupted by Technical Talk), where progress of current projects is evaluated and new projects are planned. The meetings usually conclude with munchies at a nearby restaurant.

