

**DELAWARE-LEHIGH AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
Inc.**

**July 2026**

**W3OK**

**CORRAL**

Club Meeting July 2nd, 7 pm at the  
Nancy Run Firehouse.

3564 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem, PA 18020

**Zoom will be available**

July's Program

New VE Testing by Ken Schwarz, WB2LNO



## **Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio Club General Membership Meeting Minutes June 4, 2026**

The Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio Club (DLARC) General Membership Meeting was called to order by Dean, AB3BD, at 7:00 PM on June 4, 2026, at the Nancy Run Fire Company Social Hall. Attendance consisted of 31 members and guests in person and 3 participants via Zoom. Dean led the Pledge of Allegiance.

In his President's Report, Dean stated that preparations for ARRL Field Day were progressing well and thanked everyone involved for their efforts. He also advised members that a financial audit was underway and that information regarding the audit was available for review at the meeting.

During announcements, Wayne, N3FQ, reported that he had intended to petition the Board for funding for the club's new chairs but wished to thank Bob, KD3BFW, who had purchased and donated all of the chairs to the club. Members were informed that K3EVL would be hosting a 4-H Get On The Air event. Doreen reminded members of the upcoming field trip to Bill's Old Bike Barn scheduled for July 25, with participants meeting at the Milkhouse at 8:00 AM sharp. Additional information is available on the club website. Jay noted that Field Day flyers were available, and Aiden reported check-in totals of 9, 10, and 8 participants for recent Thursday Round Table sessions, adding that a trivia night might be a future activity of interest.

Guests were introduced, including Richard, KD3DGH, a newly licensed amateur radio operator, SWL member, manager of SWL Winterfest, and organizer of an SWL listing

club. Pete, KB2RZY, who recently moved into the area, was also welcomed.

Secretary Wayne, N3FQ, reported that the club newsletter had not yet been published and therefore could not request approval of the previous meeting minutes. A motion to accept the minutes was tabled until the next meeting to allow for publication.

Treasurer Larry, KC3JTK, presented the Treasurer's Report for April. A motion to accept the report was made by Ken and seconded by Aiden. The motion carried.

Committee reports followed. Membership reported a current total of 130 members. Adam, N3LAG, reported for the Club Station Committee that the station window had been repaired. Steve, WB3ILA, a new member, commented that he was thrilled with the club station and the resources available to members. No reports were presented by the Technical Committee or the Website Committee.

Under New Business, Jay announced that the Bob Green Memorial event would be held during Field Day. Wayne, N3FQ, provided an update on efforts to transition Volunteer Examiner testing to a digital format and advised that testing conducted during Field Day would continue to use paper examinations.

Under Old Business, Dean expressed frustration regarding the volume of emails received from Groups.io. Members suggested reviewing individual email notifications and adjusting account settings to unsubscribe from unwanted messages or switch to digest delivery. Jay reminded members of the upcoming Field Day cleanup day at the Milkhouse on June 6. Steve asked about Field Day operating sign-up sheets, and Wayne confirmed that sign-up information had been

distributed to all members.

A motion was made to accept Lee, KB2RZY, as a new member. The motion was seconded by Bob and approved by the membership.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:20 PM. A motion to adjourn was made by Adam and seconded by Tim. The motion carried.

Following the business meeting, members enjoyed a SKYWARN presentation and discussion.

73,

Wayne Westfield

## **W3OK Board Meeting Minutes June 15, 2026**

The W3OK Board of Directors meeting was called to order by President Dean Guth, AB3BD, at 7:00 PM. Present were Dean Guth (AB3BD), Jay Reid (KC3ZFR), Wayne Westfield (N3FQ), Larry Butler (KC3JTK), Bill Carlsen (KD3FLY), Henry Adams (KD3AFL), Andrew Parker (WV1B), Terry Swinney (KC3JHT), and guest Tom KD3BZF. Directors Adam Gauntz (N3LAG) and Steve Harper (W3NAM) were absent.

In his President's Report, Dean stated that preparations for ARRL Field Day were progressing well and noted that he had received positive feedback regarding the club's Roundtable Net.

The Secretary reported that there was nothing new to report, as the previous meeting lacked a quorum.

During the Treasurer's Report, Larry explained that a certificate of deposit had matured and that a portion of those funds had been used to pay for the recently acquired radios and rotator. Funds were also transferred from PayPal to cover the cost of the

rotator cable. Jay KC3ZFR moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, Bill KD3FLY seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Under New Business, Wayne N3FQ reported that Bob Green, KD3BFW, had generously donated all of the station chairs currently being used by the club. The Board agreed that a formal letter of acceptance and appreciation should be provided, and Larry volunteered to prepare the letter. Tom KD3BZF proposed reestablishing an annual club picnic, Dean noted that such events had been held years ago. After discussion, a September or October time was suggested. Wayne moved to establish a planning committee for an annual picnic, Jay seconded the motion, and it carried. Tom also announced his intention to donate two Tidradio H8 handheld radios for use by the club's Youth Coordinator and new young amateur radio operators.

Wayne reported on web administration succession planning and advised that he would assume website administration duties provided MemberPress was not implemented. Jay introduced discussion regarding the possibility of a future W3OK Hamfest. He noted that a recent Hamfest in Stroudsburg drew approximately 200 attendees and suggested the club investigate the feasibility of hosting an event in 2027, potentially during September or October. Jay agreed to research the concept and report back to the Board.

Under Old Business, Wayne provided an update on Volunteer Examiner testing. He advised that paper examinations would be used during Field Day and that VE training sessions would be scheduled during July and August in preparation for resuming testing activities in September. Terry reported that Ken would be presenting information on the testing program during the July General Membership Meeting.

Wayne also provided an update on the club's Groups.io platform, noting that it had been established and announced to the membership through the club newsletter. He further reported that

Bob Green, KD3BFW, had donated a one-year premium subscription, providing access to features including calendars, event reminders, and support for up to 150 users. Dean requested that a letter of appreciation also be sent recognizing this donation.

The Board discussed the ongoing effort to advertise excess club equipment to members through the website. Dean reported that Aiden had not yet been able to coordinate with Adam regarding the inventory. Jay noted that Adam had begun compiling a list during the most recent barn cleanout and had started working with Aiden on the project. Terry suggested notifying members through the newsletter and allowing members exclusive purchasing opportunities for approximately two months before opening any remaining items to the public through the website. Dean also requested that Field Day storage bins be reviewed and that obsolete or substandard antennas be removed from inventory.

The Board considered continued adoption of Ham Club Online following Bill's departure from management responsibilities. Wayne made a motion to move to Ham Club Online for member management, Terry seconded, and the motion carried. Dean voted against the motion, while Larry abstained.

During the Summer Field Day update, Terry reported that no additional paper supplies were needed. Wayne advised that volunteer signups had been distributed and that the food signup would be updated to remove paper supply requests. Larry inquired about collection logistics, and Jay reported that he and Adam would collect supplies on Wednesday. Jay also announced that Bob Green's dedication ceremony would take place at 1:00 PM on Saturday.

Discussion continued regarding improvements to the club's Zoom meeting capabilities and equipment. It was noted that Ralph may have additional recommendations to present. The Board agreed to table the matter until Ralph could provide further information and demonstrations. Wayne agreed to gather member

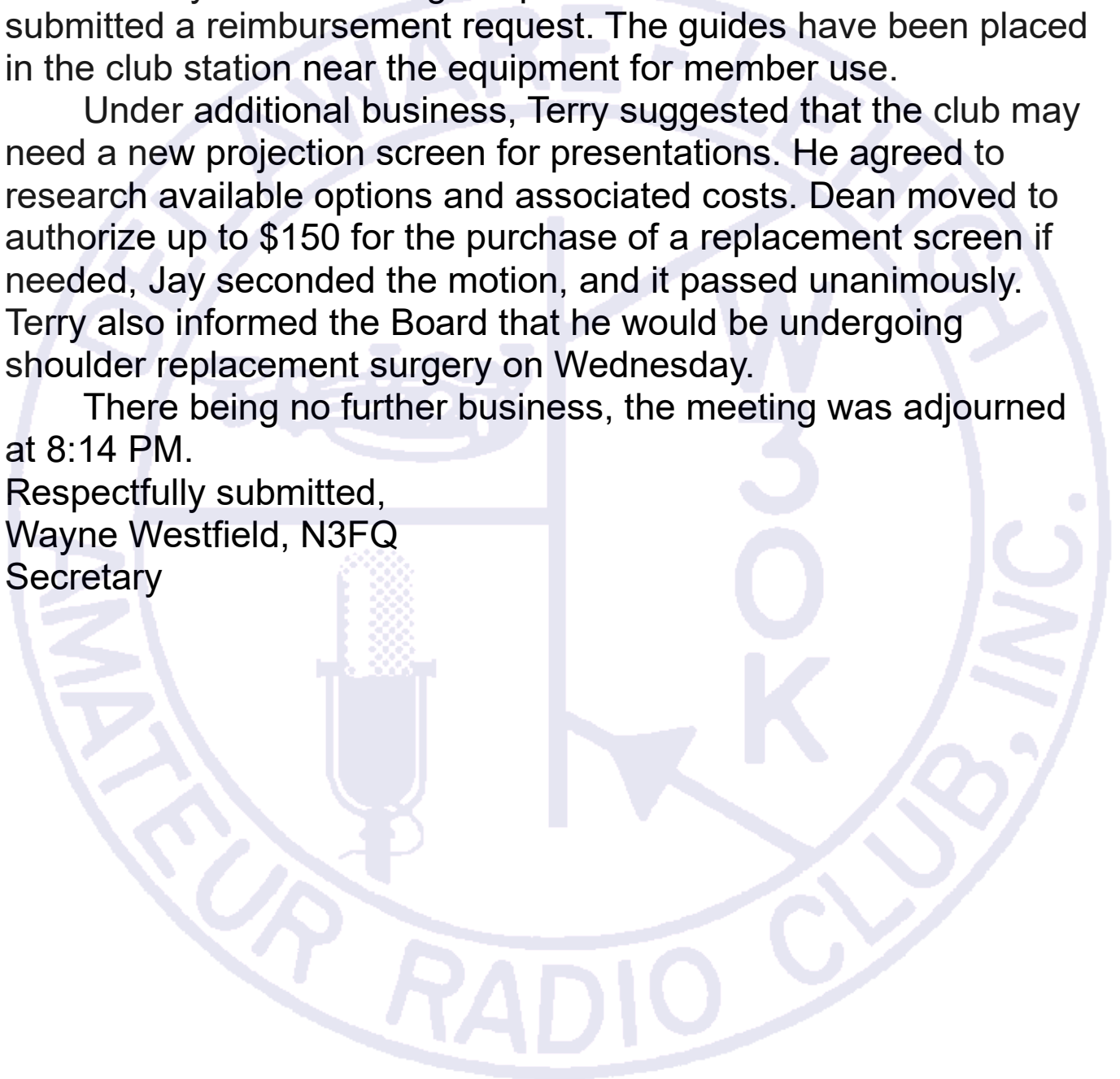
suggestions and relay them to Ralph.

The topics of club coolers and grills were tabled due to Adam's absence. Wayne reported that he had recently acquired several Nifty Guides during a trip to Ham Radio Outlet and had submitted a reimbursement request. The guides have been placed in the club station near the equipment for member use.

Under additional business, Terry suggested that the club may need a new projection screen for presentations. He agreed to research available options and associated costs. Dean moved to authorize up to \$150 for the purchase of a replacement screen if needed, Jay seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Terry also informed the Board that he would be undergoing shoulder replacement surgery on Wednesday.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Wayne Westfield, N3FQ  
Secretary



**SUMMER 2026**

NOT AFFILIATED WITH ANY OTHER CLUB. THANK GOODNESS.

# NATIONAL HAMPOON

## THE GREAT PRESENTS LEHIGH VALLEY HAMS SUMMER SOCIAL TOUR!

FOUR SATURDAYS. FOUR LOCATIONS. ONE EPIC SUMMER!

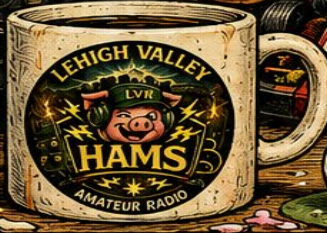
**CQ CQ CQ!**  
CALLING ALL HAMS, FAMILIES & FRIENDS!

EAT!  
LAUGH!  
TALK RADIO!  
REPEAT AS NEEDED.

WHAT COULD POSSIBLY GO WRONG?

ICE CREAM. MINI GOLF. GO-CARTS. FRIENDS. QUESTIONABLE PUTTING DECISIONS!

FINALE STOP: ICE CREAM, MINI GOLF, GO-CARTS, FALL ACTIVITIES & POSSIBLY RADIO-RELATED BRAGGING!



**1 SATURDAY 7-18-26**  
MOUNTAIN VIEW DRIVE-IN  
602 Jacobsburg Rd.  
Nazareth, PA 18064  
5 PM



**2 SATURDAY 8-15-26**  
LUCKY STROKES GOLF AND GRILL  
7200 Airport Rd.  
Bath, PA 18014  
5 PM



**3 SATURDAY 9-19-26**  
ROLLING HILLS RECREATION  
4565 Spring Hill Dr.  
Schnecksville, PA 18078  
5 PM



**4 FINALE! SATURDAY 10-17-26**  
BEAR ROCK JUNCTION  
8181 PA-309  
New Tripoli, PA 18066  
5 PM



ICE CREAM, MINI GOLF, GO-CARTS, FALL ACTIVITIES & MORE!  
BRING YOUR APPETITE, YOUR PUTTER & YOUR RADIO!

**QUESTIONS?**

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**May 16<sup>th</sup> - SATELLITE STATION ANTENNA WORK**



Pictures by Dave Blankenship, N3EYT

## Barn Clean-up on June 6, 2026

The following were seen at the barn clean-out on Saturday, June 6, 2026:

KC3II - Ralph; KC3WMT - Tim; KC3JTK - Larry; N3EYT - David; WV1B - Andrew; N3SQD - George; KD3BZF - Tom; KD3DGH - Richard; NOHRP - Paul; N3NVA - Barry; KC3WBW - Joe; N3OTP - Al; KC3YUC - Mark; KC3ZFR - Jay; and KU3X - Barry  
Pictures by Dave Blankenship, N3EYT.





## Satellite Antenna Work at Milk House 20 June 2026

After finding and errant wire, the satellite antenna and rotator are working together. Should be ready for Field Day.

David Blankenship

Following pictures are by Dave, N3EYT







## WEDNESDAY NIGHT NETS

Additional Net Controls are needed for the Wednesday Night ARES, RACES & DLARC net. If we have enough interested operators, it will only be necessary for each operator to have only one net session in each three-month period. 13 weeks in a period, then 13 net controls would be ideal, and some extras to fill in if needed.

This would give us a pool of experienced controls, for any emergency which would arise. Interested operators should contact George, N3SQD at [george@bioserv.com](mailto:george@bioserv.com). The NIMS IS-700 and ICS-100 courses are not needed to be a net control, but should the need arise, and we do supply controls and operators for real emergencies, then the courses requirement will be in effect and EMA issued IDs will need to be on the scene of an emergency.

### NORTHAMPTON COUNTY ARES, RACES AND DLARC NET

All Radio Amateurs are welcome to take part in the ARES, RACES and DLARC net. This net meets Wednesday at 1900 hours local time, on the W3OK Repeater 51.76, 146.70 and 444.90 (pl 151.4). With an alternate frequency of 147.135 + DPL 315) W3OI Repeater. Other inputs are the 146.85 repeater, (151.4 PL) and Echolink at K2PM-R.

QCWA Chapter 17 holds a net Monday evening at 7:30 PM On 3958 +/- depending on conditions.

Mid-Atlantic D-Star Net meets each Tuesday at 7:30 PM. The following repeaters Dstar repeaters are available in the Lehigh Valley. W3OK -145.11000MHz -0.600 Port C – W3OI -147.16500MHz +0.600 Port C, – W3OI - 445.02500MHz -5.000 Port B

All repeaters on the net are linked through **Reflector 020 port A**, so all stations checking into the net should make sure that they have *their local repeater call sign followed by the letter "G" in the eight positions of the RPT2 field*. Otherwise, you will only be heard locally and not over the Reflector. Dongle users wishing to check into the net should Log On by connecting directly to Reflector 20, port A, rather than through your local repeater to conserve local bandwidth.

# EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2025–2026

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Steve Harper / W3NAM  
Andrew Parker / WV1B  
Henry Adam / KD3AFL  
Terry Swinney / KC3JHT (Past Pres.)

**PHONE NUMBERS FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE DLARC CAN BE FOUND ON THE WEBSITE / MEMBERSHIP LISTING CLUB MEETINGS.**

All regular meetings of the D.L.A.R.C. are held on the first Thursday of each month at 7 PM at the Nancy Run Firehouse. TALK IN ON 146.700 (PL 151.4)  
Club Station Telephone Number **484-291-1527** Email Address – [W3OK@arrl.net](mailto:W3OK@arrl.net)

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