



Meeting March 3rd at IU20

The Prez Sez

by Bryan, AA3WM



Spring is in the air ... well, almost. As I write this, we are in the midst of a virtual heat wave – the temperature today is in the upper 40's – break out the sunscreen!

Speaking of weather, March is the time of year that a Weather Drill is held – March 10th this year.

The DLARC License Preparation Classes will be starting on March 15th this year. As in the past, these free classes welcome anyone interested in becoming an FCC licensed amateur radio operator. (Licensed hams are always welcome to sit in, too.) They offer both theory and Morse code instruction. Please pass the word to friends, family, and acquaintances who might be interested.

Coming up in April, May, and June are the MS Walks and Bike Tour. These are important events that we, as amateur radio operators, can contribute to by volunteering our time to help with the communications. This year's MS Events are:

- Sunday, April 17, 2005 – MS Walk - Hugh Moore Canal Park, Easton, PA
- Sunday, May 1, 2005 – MS Walk - Rose Garden Pavilions, Allentown, PA
- June 11-12, 2005 - MS150 PA Dutch Bike Tour

Every fourth weekend in June (June 25-26 this year)

the ARRL's Field Day Event takes place. This year, as in years past, DLARC will be participating in this event, joining thousand of amateurs across the United States. Charles, W3DEA, is this year's Field Day Chairman – Thank-you, Charlie, for taking on this responsibility! Please make sure that you take the time to let Charlie know where you can help out.

de Bryan, AA3WM

March Program

by Tom, KB3IUE

Hello Everyone, first of all I want to thank my good friend Dave...N3LWY for all his help with last month's amazing speaker. Not only did he find Charlie (WA3MGD) and put me in touch with him, he also assisted in safely getting him back home. "Thank you" Dave!

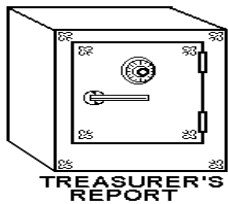
As of today I still do not have a presentation for the March meeting. I have several potential guests, but no one is quite ready. If you feel you can help out, please, contact me either on the airwaves, or on the internet, (Unit7254@aol.com). The pay is not too great, but the reward for an evening of bonding and sharing knowledge with your fellow Hams is "priceless". Please contact me, all offers will be considered! Hope to see you at the meeting.

73's de: Tom (KB3IUE)



Treasurer's Report

by Dick, KA3MOU



Delaware-Lehigh Amateur
Radio Club, Inc. Income & Loss
Statement.

Balance	12/31/04	\$5,146.84
INCOME		
Club Dues		\$1,416.00
Donation Anonymous		50.00
Interest Checking		4.23

TOTAL INCOME		\$1,470.23
EXPENSES		
Postage		\$107.00
Refund Dues Overpayment B. Esch		4.00
Supplies C. Lazarchak Ink B/C		56.23
Telephone		17.73

TOTAL EXPENSES		\$184.96
Balance	1/31/05	\$6,432.11

de Dick, KA3MOU, Treasurer

DLARC General Meeting Minutes – February 3, 2005

by Charlie, W3DEA

**Meeting called to order by Bryan AA3WM – 35
members present, 24 needed for quorum.**

*Secretary & Treasurer minutes / reports being
approved are including December's (January's)
general meeting. There was not a quorum for the
January meeting.*

REPORTS

Secretary – Charlie W3DEA

- ✓ December general meeting minutes – no changes, 1st- Ken n3IYX, 2nd- Dave KA3IWC, Passed

Treasurer – Dick KA3MOU

- ✓ January – no changes, 1st- Bill N2DH, 2nd- Mike K7PTL, Passed
- ✓ February – no changes, 1st- Ed W3APE, 2nd- Barry N3NVA

Repeater / Web Page – Barry N3NVA

- ✓ .700 ker-chunking problem seems to have come to an end
- ✓ web page script problem, being looked into
- ✓ Barry N3NVA explained how to use the auto patch

VE – Bill N2DH

- ✓ W3OI does not want to alternate months with us for VE sessions

W3OK (Milkhouse) Club Station – Al W3CE and Ken N3IYX

- ✓ Clean up went well
- ✓ 911 (county) has lost their keys to the milkhouse and barn
- ✓ Wednesday nights are going well (the station is open Wednesdays for anyone in the club to come on out)

Tech Net – Charlie W3DEA

- ✓ Ten stations called in for the first DLARC Tech Net
- ✓ Next Tech Net is March 2nd at 8PM

Membership / Guests Dick KA3MOU and Bryan AA3WM

- ✓ Vote into membership, Ronald Jackson KB3LPS (not present), 1st – George N3SQD, 2nd – Dave KA3IWC, Passed
- ✓ No new applications
- ✓ Welcome to guests: Ken Feldman and Lawrence Frey

Programs - Tom KB3IUE

- ✓ Tonight's program "Physics and RF"
- ✓ Asked for suggestions

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ✓ Tom N3MQL thanked DLARC for involvement in the Dogs Walk For Cancer
- ✓ Next weather drill is March 10, if interested contact Dick KA3MOU
- ✓ Technician License classes start March 15
- ✓ MS Walks are April 17 (Easton) and May 1 (Allentown). If interested contact Charlie W3DEA or Larry KB3JMS

Adjournment

- ✓ 1st – Al W3CE, 2nd – George N3SQD, Passed

de Charlie, W3DEA

Dues Are Due

by Dick, KA3MOU

It's the time of the year that dues are past due. This could be your last NEWSLETTER. You already missed being in the Clubs Directory and E-Mail list.

If your DUES are not paid by MARCH 3, 2005 your membership will be terminated. Reinstatement to membership by the MARCH meeting will be accepted without penalty. Thereafter, reinstatement application shall be the same as for a new member.

Dues Reminder for 2005

Dues are due. Check your mailing label. If the label has EXP. 12/31/04 your dues are PAST DUE.

Dues are as follows:

Membership 18-65 years of age

Jan. - Dec. \$17.00

July - Dec. \$8.50

Under 17 years, 65 or over or Retired (no age limit).

Jan. - Dec. \$12.00

July - Dec. \$6.00

Additional family member, each \$3.00

Associate Membership \$10.00

If paying your dues at a meeting, use an envelope with your call on the outside of the envelope. If paying dues by check, make the check out to DLARC.

If you mail your dues, mail the dues to:

RICHARD A DECH / KA3MOU
120 MCILHANEY AVENUE
BATH PA 18014-1612

If you have any questions about dues, you can call Dick / KA3MOU at 610-837-1585.

73, de Dick Treasurer of DLARC W3OK

A Walk in Time

By Barry G. Kery, KU3X

Shown in this issue is the Hallicrafters S-38 shortwave radio. This radio was designed by Raymond Loewy and was put on the market in 1946. Production of this model stopped in 1955 when the replacement model, S-38C, came out. The S-38 had six tubes and a BFO control for copying CW. The radio had four shortwave bands and one AM band (.54 mhz to 32 mhz). The main VFO is on the left side and a fine tune VFO is on the right hand side. This radio came through with an automatic noise limiter. It is a transformerless radio and it would work on AC or DC power. This radio sold for \$47.50.



de Barry, KU3X

73 de WF3H

by Bob, WF3H

As most of you know, the last year or so has been one

of great changes for me. Having lost my job, and having gotten married last year, I moved to Lebanon, PA while looking for work.

I recently acquired a great position, in fact, one of the best job offers in my life. That is the good news. The bad news is it's in Phoenix, AZ. I will be moving there starting March 1. But, before I did, I wanted to express my appreciation for all that DLARC and ham radio has done for me over the years.

I got my license in 1990, through the DLARC ham radio classes. Taught by Chris Hornaman (NU3L), Robin Moseley (WA3T), and others, it was a great introduction to amateur radio.

Ham radio has been more than a hobby over the years; much, much more than a hobby. I got into contesting and measured my skills against world class operators, learning far more than I ever contributed. I learned to erect towers, and conquered my anxiety at tower climbing (you'll never be lonely when it's discovered you can climb towers!).

I found a great interest in talking with boaters around the world, which led to my own boating hobby. This also led me to discover the U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. I became qualified as a radio operator for the Coast Guard in NY City shortly after 9/11/2001. I had an opportunity to see, and to participate in military activities defending our country as a result of ham radio. As many of you are aware, a number of DLARC members including me, Barry (N3NVA), Dick (KA3MOU) and others were in NY after the attacks to support the Red Cross. As a result of this work, Bill Goodman K3ANS nominated me for, and I was given the Amy Zimmerman award for "Ham of the year" in 2003, one of my proudest achievements.

DLARC has given me so much over the years. The friends I've made will never be forgotten, and the skills I've learned will be with me always. I regret having to move, but I am a different person because of ham radio and the camaraderie it's provided over the years. It's been fun, rewarding, interesting and, with no sense of exaggeration, a life changing experience.

The members of DLARC are truly unsung guardians of the community, always willing to put the interests

of others ahead of themselves. If I've learned to do that in some small measure, it is due to the shining examples provided by members of a club I will always be honored to be associated with.

Ham radio will travel with me, as I'm taking my equipment (minus the tower), and will be on the air again, hopefully by this fall. After all, in Phoenix, there is no winter season to interfere with tower work!

Listen for me on the Maritime Net (14.3 MHz), and I hope to maintain the friendships I've made over the years. Good luck all, may you have all the fortune, health and happiness anyone could wish for.

73 de Bob, WF3H

NEW NEW NEW NEW NEW NEW

Please check out the Tech Net on the W3OK repeater system. It will be on Wednesday, March 2nd at 8:00 pm, after the ARES/RACES net.

The Tech Net is run by Charlie, W3DEA.

Picture from the Feb. Meeting

by Brad, KB3JXQ

This is Charlie, WA3MGD giving his very interesting talk on "Physics and RF."

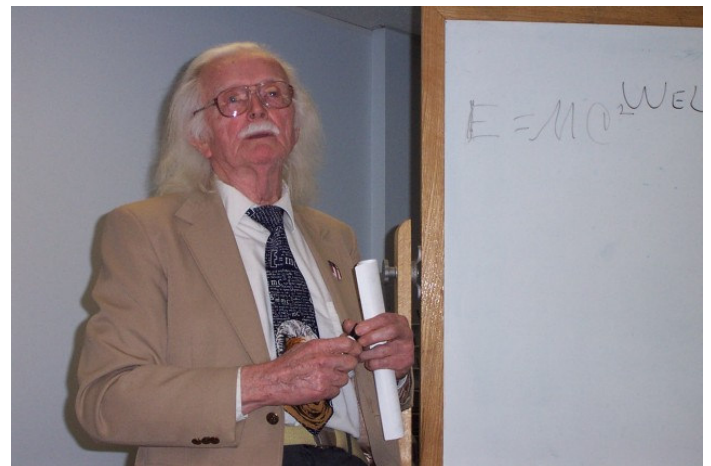


Photo by Brad Snyder, KB3JXQ

de Brad, KB3JXQ

Favorite QSL cards

The following card was submitted by **Pete, NL7XM**, and shows a contact that he made in Antarctica.

The W3OK Corral welcomes all members to submit their favorite QSL cards.



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2005		MARCH					2005
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
Send your entries for the calendar to: kb3jxq@snycomp.com		1	2 ARES / RACES Net 7:00 pm <u>TechNet 8:00 pm</u>	3 Club Meeting 7:30 pm	4 VE Testing 7:00 pm	5	
6	7	8	9 ARES / RACES Net 7:00 pm	10	11	12	
13	14	15	16 ARES / RACES Net 7:00 pm	17	18	19	
20	21	22	23 ARES / RACES Net 7:00 pm	24	25	26	
27	28	29	30 ARES / RACES Net 7:00 pm	31			

All Amateur Radio Operators are invited to Participate in the DLARC, RACES, and ARES nets: 51.76, 146.70, and 444.90 W3OK/RPT (pl 151.4) with an alternate of W3PYF/RPT 145.11 (pl 151.4)
W3OK trustee Chris Hornaman, NU3L
The Nets are held on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM

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7:30 PM at IU20 Building in Palmer Township
TALK IN ON 146.70
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