

DELAWARE LEHIGH AMATEUR RADIO CLUB Inc.



***W3OK***

***CORRAL***

***DECEMBER 2008***

**Club Meeting December 4<sup>th</sup>**

**At The 911 Center**

UP COMING EVENTS

**December 8<sup>th</sup> – Act 88 (PRB-1) Becomes Law**

**December 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> - Christmas City Special**

**Event Station “WX3MAS”**

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**HAVE A JOYFUL HOLIDAY SEASON**

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**MEETING PROGRAM**

**"Annual Christmas Party!" Put your diet on hold for a few hours while we enjoy each other's company and share homemade delectables at the big table. Bring a dish or dessert, and a few copies of your recipe along with your appetite and sweet tooth.**

**MANY door prizes to be given away.**



## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S SHACK

I hope everyone has put enough wire and aluminum up in the air for the coming winter. This is the time, before the snow flies, to make sure that all necessary antenna maintenance is completed. Remember if it stayed up all winter it wasn't big enough.

I want to take this time to thank everyone who has volunteered during the year for the various activities performed by the DLARC. From the MS walks in the spring to the recent Emmaus Halloween parade, many members lent their time and talents to make them successful. The only activity that was not up to par was the MS150 bicycle ride in Lancaster. We could have used several more hams to man the various stations and SAG vehicles. Please consider volunteering for this event next July 18th and 19th. I have decided to man a radio position this year instead of riding my bike in the event. Don't forget your goodies at the December holiday meeting on the fourth. This is always a good time of sharing food and fellowship with one another.

### AL / W3CE



### MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 6<sup>th</sup> MEETING

**Call to Order:** President AI / W3CE.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by W3CE

**Visitors:** Ben / KB3CTX, Jeremiah / KB3KXR, Jim / N3DW, and Howard / KB3RTB

**Approval of October Minutes:** October Meeting Minutes revised to note that the motion changed our dues structure and not our bylaws. – 1<sup>st</sup> Bryan / AA3WM, 2<sup>nd</sup> KA3IWC / Dave -- Passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** No change to report as presented. 1<sup>st</sup> Ken / N3IYX, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bryan / AA3WM, Passed.

#### REPORTS:

**Membership:** 3 new members, Howard / KB3RTB, Ben / KB3CTX, and Jeremiah / KB3KXR. 1<sup>st</sup> Bill / K3ANS, 2<sup>nd</sup> Don KC3II, Approved.

**Website & Repeaters:** Tone on the 440 repeater is not up. The Web site is in the process of being moved to a new server.

**VE Session :** A VE session will be held on Nov. 7, 2008, as scheduled.

**Club Station:** Is open every Wednesday night.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

**Halloween Parade:** The club received commendations from parade committee for another successful parade.

**PAQSO:** The DLARC bonus stations were a big success with many favorable comments being received from the participants. Almost ½ million points were awarded.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

**WX3MAS Special Event Station:** The special event will be held on December 13 & 14 from the club station and the Greystone building. Volunteers to man the station are needed.

**Special Program:** The club's program for July 9<sup>th</sup> of 2009 will be presented by Riley Hollingsworth / K4ZDH (former head of FCC Enforcement)

**Next month's program:** will be the annual Christmas Party. As always, goodies are appreciated (and expected).

**The Evenings Fascinating Program:** "Ham Radio from the South Pole" presented by Chris Post / WZ3Q. Meeting adjourned by AI / W3CE.

Respectfully Submitted

George / N3SQD Acting Secretary

OCTOBER 2008

### D.L.A.R.C. EXPENDURE REPORT

#### Expenditures:

Telephone

17.68

**Total Expenditures:**

**(17.68)**

Respectfully Submitted,  
**Pete Varounis / NL7XM**  
Treasurer / D.L.A.R.C.

## DECEMBER 2008 QUICK CHECK CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> DLARC RACES/ARES Net	<b>4</b> DLARC Holiday Meeting	<b>5</b> <b>NO V. E.</b> <b>Session This Month</b>	
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> D-Star Net	<b>10</b> DLARC RACES/ARES Net	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> <b>WX3MAS</b> Special Event Station
<b>14</b> <b>WX3MAS</b> Special Event Station	<b>15</b> Newsletter Articles Due	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> DLARC RACES/ARES Net	<b>18</b> Executive Committee Meeting	<b>19</b> Newsletter goes to Webmaster	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> D-Star Net	<b>24</b> <b>NO</b> <b>NET</b>	<b>25</b> Merry Christmas	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> <b>NO</b> <b>NET</b>			

### VE TEST SESSION

There will not be a test session this month. The next session will be January 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at the Northampton County 911 Center. Pretest registration is required. Contact George / N3SQD at [george@bioserv.com](mailto:george@bioserv.com) or Al / W3CE at [w3ce@arrl.net](mailto:w3ce@arrl.net).

### 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. Actually 13 weeks in a period, so 13 net controls would be ideal, and maybe 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 Don / KC3II at [kc3ii@arrl.net](mailto:kc3ii@arrl.net). The NIMS IS-700 and ICS-100 courses are not required 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 be needed to be on the scene of an emergency.

### HARD COPY SUBSCRIPTIONS

Due the increased number of newsletter hard copy requests, the escalating costs have made it necessary to establish a subscription rate of \$10.00 per year for hard copies. This rate is strictly for the mailed hard copies, and not for anything else. And with first class postage having increased in May, there will be an increase in that portion of the hard copy costs. Our club membership number no longer allows us to use bulk mailing, thus the first class postage requirement. That plus paper and printer supplies have to be covered since a member is doing the printing on his own printer. His costs have to be covered. To Subscribe contact Pete / NL7XM at [nl7xm@arrl.net](mailto:nl7xm@arrl.net)

### 4X4 AVAILABILITY

It is that time of year again, when we must prepare our four wheel drive listing for Northampton County EMA. These are the vehicles used to transport nurses from around the county to their respective hospitals in case of a snow emergency. Include in your information the seating capacity of your vehicle and a phone number where you can be reached. The phone numbers will not be given out for any reason. Contact KC3II at [kc3ii@arrl.net](mailto:kc3ii@arrl.net).

### NORTHAMPTON COUNTY AEC

There is an opening for an Assistant Emergency Coordinator (Assistant Radio Officer) for Northampton County. The position requires that the applicant have a general class license or above and has completed the NIMS IS-700 and ICS-100 courses. Interested members should contact Don / KC3II at [kc3ii@arrl.net](mailto:kc3ii@arrl.net).

## 2008 THE DLARC YEAR IN REVIEW

January started with the formation of The 4 X 4 Snow Emergency Transportation Unit for the year. Fortunately there was no need for the service. At our monthly meeting Al / W3CE spoke on WinLink Air Mail and how this aspect of amateur radio came to the forefront during the Hurricane Katrina when telephone, cellphone etc communications were destroyed..

February's monthly meeting had Chris / NU3L's photographic tour of Africa, a program that should not have been missed.

March brought the DLARC's Fiftieth Anniversary Radio Trophy Sprint, a quick fun competition on the 2 meter band and a drill for future possible emergency situations. Barry / KU3X presented a program on antenna matching practices so as to get the most from your antenna. The DLARC was again part of the PEMA weather Drill. And W3OK was on the air for the ARRL DX Phone Contest.

April came and with the nicer weather and Randy / WA2RMZ and Scott / KB2EAR presented a program on the new "D-Star" technology. The Club participated in the Easton MS-Walk, supplying communications for this event.

May brought the Allentown MS-Walk, for which the DLARC supplied communications. The meeting program was Howard / AE3T on "Software Defined Radio". A Hidden Transmitter Hunt was held to test the search and rescue capabilities of the membership. DLARC representatives went to Kutztown University to put on a demonstration on amateur radio for the Boy Scouts who were there for a weekend Jamboree.

June's meeting program was Gary / N2AUO on Satellite Communications with an operating demonstration in the 911 Center parking lot. Also the annual Field Day, emergency 24 hour operation which was held at the Plainfield Farmers Grove. Which even with poor band conditions and a thunder storm was a successful operation.

July's meeting program was Mike / KB3PDR and his experiences as a MARS operator in Southeast Asia during 1963-1967. The MS-150 Pennsylvania Dutch Bike Tour, a two day 150 mile excursion through the Dutch Country at the which DLARC was again the communications arm for the event.

August's meeting program was George / N3SQD with Power Poles revisited, an informative display of just how to streamline your shack. Power Poles are standard for ARES operations.

September's meeting program was Charlie / W3DEA on making your own QSL cards, cheap and easy, to your own tastes.

October was a busy month, the monthly program was Al / W3CE and Bob / WB3W on the PA QSO Party and how to best use the WB3W logging program and the final preparations for the DLARC to be the BONUS Station for this years PA QSO party. The club also held a Simulated Emergency Test using the "Fox Hunt" Technology. Then the QSO Party was held and 442,800 points were given by the DLARC as Bonus Stations. The final event for the month was the Annual Emmaus Halloween parade which the club supplied communications, security and all around safety again this year.

November, Chris / WZ3Q presented as the monthly program, his experiences as a fireman and ham radio operator in Antarctica at the McMurdo Station.

December normally has no set program other than the Christmas get together and party. The Christmas City Special Event Station, WX3MAS celebrated the holiday season again, continuing an almost 40 year tradition.

It was a busy year and a good time was had by all. If you were unable to join in this year, remember that most of these events will be reoccurring next year and you have time to consider joining in. We are trying to put together another year of great meeting programs, and to continue to develop our communication skills should they be needed in any emergency.

de Your Executive Committee

### MEETING PROGRAM CHAIRMAN

The DLARC is still in need for a General Meeting Program Chairman. Someone who can plan and organize programs for each monthly meeting. This chairman can select a committee to assist him and can get ideas from his committee and the general membership. Ideas from the general membership, will enable the Chairman and his committee to get an understanding of what subjects would be of interest to those attending the meetings. Subject matter does not have to be amateur radio related, but just of interest in general. Programs are already scheduled up to April's meeting, so there won't be a large number of programs needed for the balance of the year. So if you are interested in volunteering for this position, contact any member of the Executive Committee.

### WHAT IS YOUR PROGRAM INTEREST?

We need "feedback" and "your ideas". We are requesting your response in behalf of anything you might feel interesting or important for a monthly program. You might be surprised that what you like, is the same as others. So don't be bashful and jot down a few thoughts for a possible program.

## THE NOVEMBER MEETING PROGRAM

Chris / WZ3Q presented a program with photos of his experiences as a Fire / Rescue Captain in Antarctica. The amateur radio aspect was a secondary benefit of his tours of duty there. While being second in command of the fire / rescue team, his duties covered a wide scale of responsibilities, from make sure the runways were clear of penguins and seals, to assuring that fire safety regulations were followed. Starting with the fact that Antarctica is the coldest, windiest place on earth. There was an active volcano on the island, where he was stationed. There were recorded temperatures as low as minus 130 degrees, Chris spent a total 18 months there, stationed at the McMurdo Station, one of the locations where various scientific research projects were conducted by different US groups. Chris reported that it wasn't all work, but that there was time to do some exploring of the area, during which time he operated as a DX Expedition. Sometimes fighting high winds and bitter cold to put up a dipole and work the world with his rig. While there, Chris recorded 6,500 Q's and that didn't include multiple contacts with the same station. He worked 30 plus countries and needed only North Dakota for WAS. All this was done operating only 2 days per week. There was also a regular ham station there with a beam antenna from which Chris also operated, but the DX Expeditions were the most fun. Even with cellphones and computer technology, ham radio is still a viable form of communication for the project area. The Antarctica Ham Station can be found on or about 14.243 Mhz, band conditions permitting, (no times available).

## FUTURE MEETING PROGRAMS

January 8<sup>th</sup>: "Top Band - 160M Revealed." What does it take to put a respectable signal on 160? How big an antenna do you really need? Can you work DX, or just a few states? Barefoot or QRO? Is it any good for contesting, or just ragchewing? Greyline? Longpath? Join us to satisfy your curiosity of all things 160. Bill / K3ANS is your host for the evening and will teach you everything you ever wanted to know about the "Gentleman's Band."

February 5<sup>th</sup>: "Magic Band - 6M Mysteries." The second in our Operating Series theme. Six Meters has come a long way since AM of the 1960's. Conditions that make communications on all other bands impossible, frequently enhance propagation on 6m. Howard / AE3T is our knowledgeable speaker and will cover everything from Aurora Enhancement to Meteor Scatter. A fascinating tour. Not to be missed!

March 5<sup>th</sup>: "Rotatable Dipoles." Dave / KA3IWC will demonstrate the simplicity and beauty of the most efficient antenna ever conceived, but with one incredible advantage; being able to point it! Dave will show us exactly how to inexpensively build one that takes surprisingly little space, and will last for years and years.

April 2<sup>nd</sup>: "Theory For the Rest of Us." A collection of ideas and explanations that defy all reason but make perfect sense. A symposium of collected contributions delivered by various selected Members exclusively for your entertainment. You don't want to miss this one!

May 7<sup>th</sup>: "Fox Hunting Made Easy." A practical workshop by DLARC President, Al / W3CE. Starting with an ARRL Fox Hunt video production, this conference will demonstrate how to inexpensively build and use various directional antennas necessary for signal location. The methods learned here can prepare you for assisting in Search and Rescue Operations, as well as tracking sources of harmful interference. Apply your new skills in the upcoming Club Fox Hunt!

## CHRISTMAS CITY SPECIAL EVENT STATION

Again this holiday season, the DLARC special event branch, The **Christmas City Amateur Radio Club** will be on the air, over the weekend of December 13th and 14th with the call of WX3MAS. This our way of celebrating Christmas and wishing other hams around the world a "Merry Christmas" from the twin Christmas Cities of Nazareth and Bethlehem. Lou / KB2VCI will again chair this event and is looking for support from the general membership. Operators will be needed to set up and tear down the station, plus man the radios during the on air period. Lou did a good job last year, even with equipment failures, but volunteers are needed to continue our tradition. Contact Lou at ramgl@netcarrier.com. to sign up if you haven't already. A final sign up session will be at the December general meeting. Also "Goodies" are needed to preserve the strength of the operators.

## HELP THE ENVIRONMENT

Donate your old, empty printer ink cartridges to the Club for recycling. Any brand, model, size or shape; color or black. Please bring them to the meeting in a leak proof ziplock type baggie and give them to the Treasurer. This simple act can help your Club by reducing recurring expenses, and make you feel a lot better about our environment.

## THE AMY ZIMMERMAN AWARD

### PURPOSE;

Ham Radio-related humanitarian act, deed or service that benefited the community. This award was originally conceived as a memorial to Amy Zimmerman for her service in the community and amateur radio.

- a. Qualifying act, deed or service should benefit those outside of amateur radio. (example: hams working with non-hams)
  - b. A single extraordinary act, deed or service could qualify. (working the 9/11 disaster)
  - c. Qualifications should not include normal everyday operating or contesting.
  - d. Qualifications should not include being an event chairperson of a single event every year.  
An individual may receive the award more than once, but not for the same reoccurring act, deed or service. Multiple awards will be given for cooperative efforts by any members.
1. a. A description of the act, deed or service which qualified the individual or individuals for the award must be entered into the Executive Committee minutes  
b and the minutes of the general club meeting at which the award was presented.
  2. Only DLARC club members in good standing are eligible for the award. They must also have been members of the club at the time they performed the activities for which the award is being presented.
  3. The award is to be considered and reviewed each year, but may not necessarily be presented each year if there are no qualified candidates.
    - a. A three person committee is to be formed each December by the executive committee consisting of the past president and two club members at large.
    - b. The committee's function is to determine candidates who qualify for the award (either through suggestions from other club members and/or their own deliberations) and present them to the executive committee at the January executive committee meeting, as potential recipients. The executive committee may add or subtract from the committee's list of nominees the name of any qualified club whom they believe does not meet the eligibility requirements of the award.
    - c. The award winner will be decided by a majority vote of the executive committee.  
The award consists of the following: The Amy Zimmerman Plaque and a press release to the ARRL and local news agencies .

### “AMY ZIMMERMAN AWARD”

Please fill out this form and nominate your choice for The Amy Zimmerman award. The award will be chosen from these nominations by the award committee. The award committee will present their recommendation to the Executive Committee for final approval. The award will be presented at the March general meeting. Return this form to any Executive Committee member.

I nominate \_\_\_\_\_

for the Amy Zimmerman award. Because: (Use additional pages if necessary)

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## MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE!

By Pete / NL7XM

It's that time, already! DUES are payable for the calendar year 2009. Here's how easy it is to remit your club DUES and keep your valuable D.L.A.R.C. Membership current. Whether in person or by mail, **CHECKS made payable to the D.L.A.R.C.** are the preferred method of payment to more accurately record your timely renewal. Please ensure that your callsign appears somewhere on the instrument, such as in the memo field. Paying with cash is discouraged, but if you really, *really* have to, kindly make certain you are prepared with the correct sum according to the rate table shown below. Remember, if your DUES are not paid by February 1st, your membership will expire.

### 2009 DUES Rates / No Changes

Regular Membership 18-64 years of age:

Jan. - Dec. ....\$17.-

65 and over, or retired from all forms of employment (no age limit)

Jan. - Dec. ....\$12.-

Additional Family member  
each \$3.-

Associate Individual Membership  
\$10.-

**You are strongly encouraged to MAIL your DUES** so that I may conduct the bulk of the record-keeping duties apart from where I believe you deserve the most of my attention. In person at Club Meetings, I'd prefer to answer your questions, address your concerns, and welcome your thoughtful revenue raising and savings ideas.

Therefore, it is firmly advocated that DUES correspondence be mailed to:

**Pete Varounis / NL7XM**  
**P.O. Box 3026**  
**Easton, PA 18043-3026**

Enclosing a S.A.S.E will bring your new membership card back to you immediately if you can't attend the next Meeting where they are routinely distributed. You may write to me anytime with questions regarding DUES, or to discuss issues that you believe are my responsibility at: [nl7xm@arrl.net](mailto:nl7xm@arrl.net) Include your phone number if you prefer a live reply.

de Pete / NL7XM DLARC Treasurer

### **William N. Goodman, CPA**

**Certified Public Accountant**  
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### **NEW IDEA FOR DLARC MEMBERS**

Your business card here for a small monthly fee. A square this big will be available for a listing, like the one to the left. Bill / K3ANS has taken advantage of this opportunity.

For more information Contact Pete / NL7XM  
at [nl7xm@arrl.com](mailto:nl7xm@arrl.com)

## PA QSO BONUS STATION REPORT

Q's of Bonus Station Ops

W3OK/CHE	(KB3PDR)	119	
W3OK/UNI	(N3EBH)	314	
W3OK/LEH	(KE3AW)	306	
W3OK/ LEH	(KA3IWC)	22	2,214 "Qs"
W3OK/NHA	(KC2ZA)	616	
W3OK/NHA	(NL7XM)	17	442,800 Bonus points given out
W3OK/NHA	(NC3P)	175	
W3OK/NHA	(W3DEA)	18	
W3OK/NHA	(KC3II)	6	
W3OK/NHA	(KB3QFA)	2	
W3OK/NHA	(Clubhouse)	236	
	(KB3IUE-AA3OU-N3IYX)		
W3OK/CAR	(W3SQ-WB3IWC)	87	
W3OK/Pik	(W3JXQ)	180	
W3OK/R	(W3CE)	74	
W3OK/M	(KX3Q)	42	

de **Pete / NL7XM**

### *Silent Key*

*The D.L.A.R.C. Wishes to honor and to express its sadness at the passing of a club member or former club member.*

***JANICE POPE / W3WBS***

### EXAM FEE INCREASE

ARRL VEC Announces Exam Fee Increase (Nov 6, 2008) -- On November 6, The ARRL VEC announced that as of January 1, 2009, the fee to take an ARRL Volunteer Examiner (VE)-administered Amateur Radio license exam will increase by \$1, from \$14 to \$15. According to ARRL VEC Manager Maria Somma, AB1FM, ARRL VE teams may retain up to \$7 of this fee to directly reimburse their teams' out-of-pocket examination expenses; currently, VE teams keep \$6. This is the first time in four years that the examination fee has been adjusted.

### MONTHLY BRAIN TEASER

"A special prize awaits the first Club Member to submit the correct answer to this month's Brainteaser to the Treasurer via E-mail. He must be present at the next Meeting to receive it, or it goes unrewarded. Officers, Board members, and Brain Teaser Authors are not eligible to win."

de **NL7XM**

No one was ever able to answer the October BrainTeaser. Perhaps it was too hard! Here are the answers, followed by a brand new question...

- 1) What word in the English language has three dotted letters in a row? - Hijinks.
- 2) What word has eight letters and only one vowel? - Strength.
- 3) What word, starting with a consonant, is trailed by four vowels? - Queue.

### DECEMBER BRAINTEASER

by **NL7XM**

In the following string of letters, a logical sentence may be obtained by removing all unnecessary letters:

**AALLLOUGNINCEACELSSSEANRYTELNETCTEERS**



## WEBSITE OF THE MONTH

<http://www.livescience.com/space/081107-new-sunspots.html>

New flares of activity spotted on the sun.

Thank you, W3GMN via K3ANS

## COMMITTEE CHAIR PERSONS

Education -----	Bob / KE3AW	Programs -----	VACANT
Membership -----	Vic / N2OFF	Social Activities -----	AI / W3CE
Public Relations -----	Bob / KE3AW	PA QSO Party -----	Tom / KB3IUE
Loaner Equipment -----	George / N3SQD	Station Trustee -----	Don / KA3JWE
VE Coordinator -----	George / N3SQD	County Radio Officer -----	Don / KC3II
Newsletter Circulation -----	Pete / NL7XM	Web Master -----	Brad / W3JXQ
Newsletter Editor -----	Don / KC3II	Christmas City Station -----	Lou / KB2VCI
Nominating Committee --	Bill / NC3P	RFI Committee -----	AI / W3CE
Field Day -----	Tom / KB3IUE	Awards -----	Charlie / W3DEA

These are the committee chairpersons as they stand now. As you can see there is a lot of overlapping between these chairs and the DLARC Executive Committee. If any member would like to chair any of these committees feel free to volunteer. There is a need to diversify responsibility among the membership.

## RACES EMERGENCY REQUIREMENTS

As of September 2006, NIMS IS-700 and ICS-100 course certifications are required for participation in on site RACES emergency operations. These courses can be taken on line by going to [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov) and following the directions. These certifications are also necessary in order to receive the county photo IDs. These IDs will be forth coming, but at this time the fire, police and other emergency groups are being taken care of first. These requirements are not needed to participate in the weekly Wednesday nets. The only requirement for these nets is a valid amateur radio license and an interest in emergency communications.

## SELL YOUR UNUSED EQUIPMENT

Don't forget the DLARC has a website section where you can sell your excess or unused equipment. It is listed under MISC and the website header, as "For Sale Items". To use this service, contact Brad / W3JXQ at [w3jxq@snycomp.com](mailto:w3jxq@snycomp.com). And be sure to include a photograph if you have one, with this information. Also if you are in the market for a particular item, check this listing, it may be there.

## FYI

The ARRL rebate program is back for ARRL member renewals via the Club. Once again the Club gets to keep \$2 for each renewal. And, they will allow us to keep \$15.00 of a **new** membership fee when processed through the Club.

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The winners of the November meeting door prizes were Bob / KE3AW, Jim / N3DW and Vic / N2off.

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The Wednesday DLARC, ARES and RACES nets will not be held on Christmas Eve and New Years Eve.

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The EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA District 2 ARES Net meets every Wednesday at 1930 hours local time. (Just after the DLARC Net ) In 147.255 (pl 162.2). And linked to 449.375 on Blue Mountain, 443.350 in Allentown and 147.180 in Berks County.

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The DLARC 10 Meter Net will not be held until after the first of the year.

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The OK Corral is an organizational publication for the purpose of informing members of the D.L.A.R.C. of educational and training opportunities, club events, relevant news articles and a monthly calendar of daily activities, meetings and dates. Every member of the D.L.A.R.C. Is welcome to contribute articles of interest to this newsletter. Opinions, items of interest, and even suggestions towards the improvement of newsletter and/or the DLARC itself would also be accepted, a sort of "Letters to the Editor" section.

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**CLUB MEETINGS**

All regular meetings of the D.L.A.R.C. Are held on the first Thursday of each month at  
7:30 PM at the Northampton County 911 Center.  
TALK IN ON 146.700 (PL 151.4 )

**THE W3OK TRUSTEE  
DON REAMER / KA3JWE**

The W3OK Corral is published monthly and is the Official Publication of the  
**DELAWARE LEHIGH AMATEUR RADIO CLUB INC.**

**ARES, RACES AND DLARC NET**

All Radio Amateurs are welcome to participate 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 145.11 ( 151.4 )

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