DELAWARE LEHIGH AMATEUR RADIO CLUB Inc.

MAY 2022

W3OK CORRAL

Club Meeting May 5, 7:30PM at the Nancy Run Firehouse. It will be another hybrid meeting with members at the Firehouse and on Zoom.

MAY MEETING PROGRAM TBA







APRIL MEETING MINUTES

The General Meeting was held at the Firehouse and on ZOOM.

President Jim Matlack, KC3MKP called the meeting to order at 7:41p.m.

President's Report:

Jim said he got a letter from Stephanie. She formally resigned as a member, as past president, and Board Member.

Jim got a list of equipment from AL, W3CE. George, N3SQD, said that what is planned is that half a dozen radios were tested operational. They went on Ebay to see what the prices would be for these radios. Then cut the price in half on what Ebay was priced. Then offer the radios to club members only. The club members will be able to say they're interested in a particular radio at the stated price because there will be no bidding. All the names will be collected over a month. Then there will be randomly drawn if there is more than one person for that radio. It will be limited to one radio per Ham.

At the last Board Meeting, it was decided about Field Day that if we don't get enough members to participate, it will be cancelled. It's not worth having it with just a handful of people doing everything. We have to get more participation in Field Day. There is a need of a Chairperson, members to help setup, members to participate, and members to tear down and clean up. The Board agreed on providing hot dogs, hamburgers, all the fixings, and drinks. Bring pot luck would be appreciated. Field Day has always been about emergency preparedness and being ready to take on anything concerning emergency. It's was never a contest. Problem last year was that members came to eat, sit around and chat, never worked any station, and then went home. It was said that the proposal from George, N3SQD, for Plainfield Township was rejected because what Plainfield was asking for us to provide too much. Too many restrictions. Jim said that he had a place at Upper Milford Firehouse. He reserved the place already just in case we can't find another place.

There is a need of a club member to take over on the Board with the resignation of Stephanie. Terry, KC3JHT volunteered for the position.

Still looking for programs for the General Meetings. It seems to be a lot harder than it was expected. Seems nobody wants to do any programs.

Guests:

We had one guest, who is also been reinstated. Michael Shimko, KA3MVN.

Secretary's Report:

John, N3IGA, asked if there was any additions or corrections to the Meeting Minutes as printed in the Newsletter last month. A motion to accept the Minutes from March was made by Terry, KC3JHT and second by Steve, W3NAM and motion was carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Larry, KC3JTK, presented the report for March. A motion by Dean, AB3BD to accept the report. Doreen, K3PDL second the motion and so moved.

Committee Reports:

Membership:

Terry. KC3JHT, reported that there are 101 paid members, 2 associate member, and 9 life members to bring the total of 112 members.

Club Station: No Report

Tech Committee: No report

Website: No Report

Repeater: No Report

New Business:

Classes for Technician will start on April 13, 7pm to 9pm. The class will be on Zoom and not in person. If you know anyone who may be interested, have them contact Bob, KE3AW at <u>ke3aw@arrl.net</u> for information. As of at this time, there are 4 people interested. Advertisements have been in the newspapers and TV especially SECTV.

Old Business: None

Awards: None

Adjournment:

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Terry, KC3JHT and seconded by Doreen, K3PDL. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30p.m.

DLARC Equipment Sale

The milk house will be open on Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings for the next few weeks for club members to come and inspect the equipment that is for sale.

The equipment winners will be chosen after the May club meeting. AL, W3CE

DLARC NET QUICK CHECK CALENDAR

May 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 MOTHER'S DAY	2	3	4 DLARC NET Doreen K3PDL	5 DLARC MEETNG 7:30pm	6	7
8	9	10	11 DLARC NET Terry KC3JHT	12	13	14 ARMED FORCES DAY
15	16 DLARC BOARD MEETING 7:00pm	17	18 DLARC NET Dave N3EYT	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 DLARC NET AI W3CE	26	27	28
29	30 MEMORIAL DAY	31				

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, 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 George, N3SQD at <u>george@bioserv.com</u>. 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.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY 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 147.350 (DCS 315) W3OI Repeater. QCWA Chapter 17 holds a net Monday evening at 8:30 PM on 3960 +/- depending on conditions. Other inputs are the 146.85 repeater, (151.4 PL) and Echolink at K2PM-R. 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 20, port A, rather than through your local repeater to conserve local bandwidth.

A Contesting Word to the Wise

When submitting contest logs, many contest sponsors will provide an email confirmation of your entry. It's always advisable to check your confirmation email or the contest's Logs Received page to ensure that your entry has been submitted and that your entry category, club name, and location are correct. ARRL, *CQ*, and other contest sponsors allow you to resubmit your log with any corrections before the log submission deadline. The most recent uploaded log will be used for scoring purposes. After the deadline, some contest sponsors will release raw scores that reflect the results before any log checking has been completed. If, after the deadline, you notice an error in your log submission, contact the contest sponsor to correct it before the results are tabulated and made public. -- <u>The ARRL Contest Update</u>

LOOKIN' FOR DLARC MEMBERS' HELP

Each spring and fall for the past number of decades DLARC has offered classes in preparation for the FCC ham license tests. I suppose many reading this message may have gone through the classes, as I did back in 1990.

The classes have proven to be very helpful to passing the license exam, but also in allowing new hams to get some ideas of how they might set up their unique stations, learn on-the-air protocol, experience hands-on transceivers, to name a few additional information beyond the FCC exam. Each of the two sessions per year, spring and fall, have been scheduled for 10 Tuesday evenings, 7: 00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The 10th session is dedicated to VE testing for those in class as well as non-students.

We want to continue the classes, but this year we are facing a problem. We need a room for the fall series of classes. The room at the 911 Center cannot be guaranteed for us at this time. Although we would like to start classes on the traditional day after Labor Day, we may need change the start day and date, and /or class times when we find a location. We'll cross that bridge when we come to it!

So, here is where your help can be valuable. We are looking for leads from anyone who knows of a possible meeting room(s) in a school, library, church/synagogue, fire hall, municipal building, etc., which could meet our needs, and if so, would you please pass that information to us – with the contact's name and phone number if known. We are most interested in locations near the center of Northampton County but will appreciate all leads to pursue.

Contact: Bob Green/KE3AW <u>KE3AW@ARRL.NET</u> or phone 610.419.9286 TNX,

Bob/KE3AW

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

If any member has anything that they think would interest other club members such as Ham Radio articles, Contesting, and any other interesting subjects, please send them to me to put in our newsletter. It really doesn't have to be any radio subject.

You can send your information to my email address located at the end of the Newsletter. My email has changed due to change in Internet provider. My new email address is <u>n3iga@ptd.net</u> so please make sure to change it in your contact list.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please check the web page roster listing. It is important that your telephone number and email address are correct. This is the only way we can contact members. If you do not receive the newsletter in your email and are registered for the phone tree and do receive the notices by phone, your email address is incorrect on the roster, and the same for your telephone number. There has been a new roster put up so it would be a good idea to see if you have all the updated information on yourself is there. Take notice of who is not there and who is new.

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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 Nancy Run Firehouse. TALK IN ON 146.700 (PL 151.4) Club Station Telephone Number – 484 291-1527 Email Address – w3ok146700@gmail.com

THE W3OK TRUSTEE --- Barry Vogt / N3NVA

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