Delaware - Lehigh Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

W3OK Corral NEWSLETTER

October 1999

Club meeting on Thursday October 7

It's PA-QSO Party Time!

by Don, KA3JWE

The October pep-rally for the PA-QSO Party will begin following the conclusion of the regular meeting. There will be cheerleaders who will lead us in the chant: "**CQ - CQ PA-QSO PARTY**". (Just kidding!) Actually the program will feature a review of the logging software PAQSO PARTY FOR WINDOWS. I will highlight the new features for this year as well as review the basic operation of the program. For those that haven't used the software before, it is available for downloading free from my home page.

The meeting will be held in the **Northampton County Community College in the College Center Room 191.**

The URL is **http://www.enter.net/~donster.** Give it a try before the meeting and I can answer any questions that you might have. It makes logging for the contest very easy and nearly foolproof, so plan on playing in the **PA QSO Party** on **October 9 & 10.** It really is a lot of fun

This meeting will also feature the election of officers for the comming year. Be there or fill in the absentee ballot elswhere in this newsletter.

Emmaus Halloween Parade, October 16 Operators are needed.

by Bob, KE3AW

This year's Emmaus Halloween Parade will be held **Saturday evening, October 16**. Our Club has been providing the radio contact along the parade route for the Emmaus parade for many years. We have been requested to provide this public service again this year.



About 16 amateur radio operators are needed. The only requirements are that you have a vehicle (which will be in the parade), a 2 meter radio, and interest in helping in a public service activity.

We plan to hold our traditional "Dutch Treat" visit to a local restaurant after the parade.

Please contact **Bob/KE3AW (ke3aw@juno.com)**, by phone, radio, etc., at your earliest convenience if you are interested. It's a fun time providing a valuable service.

de Bob KE3AW

Be sure to check story on Page 9 regarding a request from Northampton County Emergency Management for Drill on Saturday October 9th

Just the Minutes

by Dan, W3ZF.

The September 1999 meeting of the Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio Club was held on the Thursday, the 2nd, in Kiva Hall at the Northampton County Community College and was called to order by President Joe Chuk at 1935 hrs EST.



Joe announced that our club station has been moved to the Milkhouse since our other station area has been taken over as a break room by the new "tenents" - the 911 Center.

Another fact brought to the attention of the membership was the recent passing of three of our members: W3ECT, W3GWQ, and John McClary. We had correspondence from W3GWQ's family thanking us for our contribution. A motion to approve the minutes as they appeared in the September newsletter was made by AA3IX and seconded by N3GWR. Motion passed.

Our Treasurer, Dick-KA3MOU gave the Treasurer's report - This is the report for the Month of August 1999. Balance 07/31/99 $3,525.90 Total Income $230.05 Total Expense $461.21 Balance 08/31/99 $3,294.69. Motion to accept Treasurer's Report by K3MP, seconded by N3VJA . Motion passed. Our membership stands at 319.

Sign in sheet for another EMA emergency drill scheduled for Oct 9 was sent around with the attendance sheet. This is on a Saturday and is at the PE&G (?) generating plant (old US Steel plant). This also happens to be the weekend of the PA QSOParty. There is also another EMA drill on Sept 13th Monday at 7:00 at Gracedale.

Barry, N3NVA gave us an update on our repeaters: .511 is giving us trouble. Blowing fuses. Repeater for .70 was upgraded to a GE Master II which puts out 80 watts (formerly it was only about 35 watts). The preamp on this new receiver is "hot". Barry mentioned that the ARCC has yet to update the ARRL handbook reflecting our current position. Numerous notifications have been sent to the ARCC but have not been acted upon. Kay Craigie has been made aware of how the communications have been less than desirable between our club and the ARCC.

KE3AW mentioned that our classes will begin on 09/13 and that the roster looks promising. VE Sessions: The call for Extra Class operators is still being made. CQ CQ CQ DLARC EXTRAS!!! COME IN PLEASE!!

As the meeting continued, an "unidentifiable" voice informed us that this day was Steph's 35th birthday. The entire membership proceeded to celebrate this event in a rendition of Happy Birthday. Service & Welcoming committee reported that there was nothing pending in the way of new memberships. It was forcasted that the next award might be bestowed in about 3 to 4 months (maybe sooner).

A question was raised if there had been any more discussion on kit-building. This was in relation to last month's presentation by Len, N3BSC. If there are any questions, give Len a call.

Hamfest in 16 days. Needs volunteers. CQ CQ CQ DLARC MEMBERS!!! There will be door prizes. Coupon for hamfest can be loaded off of our club's web page.

Joe then turned the podium over to JP N3GWR who was took up the task of being this year's chairperson for the Nominating Committee. Assisting JP were: Jeff (N3QZT), Walt (KB3SP), and Dave (N3EYT). So far, the slate looks like:

President: Don (KA3JWE)

Secretary: Jim (N3DFF)

Treasurer: (who else) Dick (KA3MOU).

THERE WAS NO NOMINATIONS FOR VICE-PRESIDENT!! **CQ CQ CQ DLARC POLITICIANS.**

For the Executive Committee, the nominations were: **Bob (KE3AW),**

Al (WO4H),

Glenn (N3ULW),

Barry (N3NVA),

Carl (AA3IX),

and as Past President, **Joe (W3JD)** who is automatically on the Board.

Per our By-Laws, if any position is left unfilled by the end of this meeting, the "floor" will be open for nomination(s) again at the beginning of the next meeting. It was rumored that Amy (KD3TI) would possibly accept a nomination to the VP position, but since she was not in attendence, it could not be confirmed.

K3YD made a motion that nominations be closed which N3NVA seconded. Motion passed. KD3DNA made a motion to close the meeting, 2nd by KE3SP. All in favor. The 50-50 was won by N3GWR; he picked up about $20.00. There were 37 members in attendance.

The presentation this evening was by **Bob, WF3H** on digital communications. The percentage of members remaining to hear this presentation was higher than normal. The topic was very interesting (as was the presentation). I myself frequently dabble in this mode and find it very exciting. I even have a Western Union Teletype (Model 28) in my shack to provide the genuine aroma of warm oil and the clatter of the "good ole days". By the time you read this, the PA QSO Party will be right around the corner..

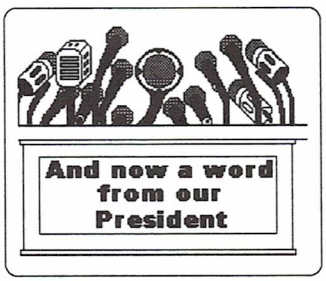
de Dan, W3ZF, Secretary

The Prez Sez

Passing On the Gavel

by Joe Chuk, W3JD, President

As I sit here to compose my last newsletter column as **Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio Club** president, I'm keenly aware that there probably won't be enough room to say all that I would like to. I'll do my best to keep my comments to the space Clarence has allotted for me!



Among the announcements at the start of the September meeting was recognition of the passing of two club members: John McClary (associate member) and Andy Kavcak (W3ECT). Our condolences go out to their families and loved ones.

Another announcement concerned the relocation of club station W3OK from the Greystone Building to the transmitter building (the "milkhouse") at the base of the tower. With the return of Northampton County emergency dispatching operations to Gracedale, the options for W3OK were either to share the station space with the dispatchers who now have use of the room as a break area or to move our equipment to the milkhouse, which has recently been heated and air conditioned. The DLARC executive committee decided that the milkhouse would be a more useful environment for W3OK. The move will take place after some modifications to the space in the building.

After the usual committee reports, our hamfest chairman, Carl, AA3IX, announced some final details concerning the event. By the time you read this, the hamfest will be history, but I have no doubt that Carl and his team again accomplished a successful event.

With club elections to take place at the October meeting, our nominations chairman, JP Fox, N3GWR, presented his committee's slate of candidates. The list is elsewhere in this newsletter, along with an absentee ballot and instructions to use if you are unable to be present for the election. Please make the effort either to attend the meeting or to mail in the ballot. While the officers are running unopposed, with their election assured, there will be a contest for the five director positions.

Our September presenter on HF digital communications was DLARC member Bob Puharic, WF3H. Since Bob emphasized the ease with which anyone with HF privileges can get on the air with one or more digital modes, I wouldn't be surprised to hear of some new digital operations by members who were present for this interesting and well-prepared program!

I'll try to keep my closing comments short. First of all, my thanks go out to all the club members whose support and cooperation have made my two years as president a very rewarding time. I especially thank the officers and directors who served with me. They responded to each need as it arose -- which usually meant extra work for them -- and graciously accepted my direction. We've had to deal with some serious and, at times, controversial issues over the past two years, including the introduction of PL, approving a new location for the repeater (still an ongoing concern), and a major change in how we bring new members into the club. The VE program has been reorganized, and we've had to move our testing and license class sessions and our station to different spaces. Unfortunately, we've also seen lower membership numbers and smaller meeting attendance figures. We need to work together to find ways to reverse that trend.

I ask that you join me in supporting Don Reamer, KA3JWE, to whom I will pass the president's gavel at the October meeting. I could not have done my job without Don's help as vice president, and I have no doubt that his presidency will be marked by progress for the club. My best wishes and pledge of assistance also go to the officers (new and old!) and the directors to be elected at the October meeting. Please make every effort to take part in that election, either in person or by absentee ballot. Attending the meeting will also give you the chance to hear about the latest features of our new president's PA QSO Party logging program, as well as to learn some tips for working the event. We need to hang on to that winner's plaque! I'll see you at the meeting.

deJoe, W3JD.

Fall - The Transition Period...

by Charlie, WA3RSQ

Fall is the time of the year for drastic changes in the weather. The colder drier air associated with the Arctic Front is dipping farther south from Canada into the northern United States.

As the Arctic Air moves south, it pushes the warm moist air from the Gulf further south into the mid-Atlantic states.

This transition from warm moist air to colder drier air continues well into December when the Arctic Front positions itself over the central portion of the US.

On or about September 21, fall begins in the Northern Hemisphere.

This is the time of the year when the Sun is directly over the equator.

This is called the Autumnal Equinox. At this time, the daytime and nighttime are each 12 hours long throughout the world.

From September 21, each day becomes progressively shorter until on or about December 21. At that time the Sun will be located over the Tropic of Capricorn which is located in the Southern Hemisphere at 23 degrees 27 minutes - south latitude.

That time of the year will be know as the (Winter Solstice)

Winter begins in the Northern Hemisphere. Summer begins in the Southern Hemisphere.

When looking at the Sun, it appears to be moving in the sky. The Sun does not move, it is the Earth which is orbiting the Sun and changes location daily in its relationship to the Sun.

The Earth's speed is 66,000 miles per hour in its orbit around the Sun.

Fall is also the time of the year when plants and trees change from their green color to the beautiful colors of orange, purple, brown, yellow, and red. This change of colors attracts many people to the countryside to view one of nature's most spectacular shows.

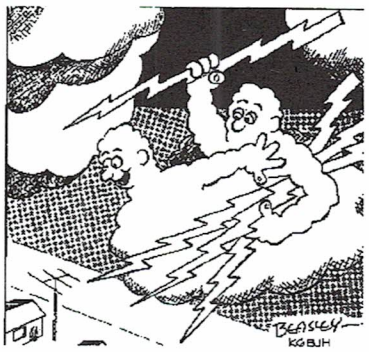
How does this change of color occur?

Contrary to belief, freeze and frost has very little to do with the change, however, weather does play a role.

During the growing season, the leaves are green due to large amounts of a green pigment produced by the plant call, chlorophyll. With the coming of fall, the production of chlorophyll slows down. The leaf's chlorophyll declines thereby giving way to the beautiful colors such as brown, orange and yellow that are also present in the leaves throughout the growing season.

These pigments are called: Carotenoids, which are common in many living things such as bananas and carrots.

Unlike carotenoids, a pigment know as anthrocyanins, are not normally produced by leaves until late in the growing season.



Anthrocyanins turn leaves red and purple, and are responsible for the colors of such fruits as, purple grapes, cranberries and strawberries.

Anthrocyanins and Carotenoids often combine to produce the deeper reds and bronzes of the fall colors.

You ask, "What is the role the weather plays in the autumn colors?"

Deciduous plants cannot survive the dryness and cold of winter.

With the coming of longer nights and shorter days, the plant sends out signals to drop their leaves. In the slowing down process, the plant manufactures less chlorophyll and the formerly hidden carotenoids make their appearance, and anthrocyanins are manufactured, hence the leaves change colors.

Should the leaves not fall, the plants and tree will freeze, and subsequently die.

de Charlie, WA3RSQ

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For Sale

1. **CUSHCRAFT AV-3 vertical antenna**; 10-20 meters, good condition - $25.

2. **TEN-TEC #260** 12 V., 20 A., DC power supply with built-in speaker - $80.

3. **MSC SmartFilter** (Digitally controlled switched capacitance audio filter) w/ power supply--$100

4. **EV-#619 (high impedance) desk microphone** [makes great case for Heil element] $20

All include manual.

Blair Bates, K3YD Bethlehem, PA 610.865.0687 (evenings, till 2200 EDT) E-mail: K3YD @ arrl.net

Some Ham websites

de Bob,KE3AW

Just scratching the surface, but here are some websites that members may find interesting to explore, and discover as a valuable reference. Many are cross-linked to other sites. Other DLARC members may wish to add their favorites to the list in future issues of the W2AM Carral.

DLARC:
http://www.kutztown.edu/faculty/chuk/dlarc

ARRL :http://www.arrl.org

N3NVA (Barry) http://www.enter.net/~n3nva/

W3ZF (Dan) http://members.zdial.com/~heathkit/

KA3JWE (Don) http://www.enter.net/~donster/

WA3RSQ (Charlie)http://www.enter.net/~wxdata/

WX3TAZ(John)http://www.users.fast.net/~jholmes/

W7TPQ (Leon):http://www.raper.com/hamradio

Dayton Hamvention: http://www.hamvention.org

Call sign lookup:

University of Arkansas

http://www.uarl.edu/~hamradio/index.html

Buckmaster

http://www.buck.com/cgi-bin/do_hamcall

QRZ http://www.qrz.com

Dealers:

Ham Radio Outlet http://www.hamradio.com

AmateurElectronicSupplyhttp://www.aesham.com

Universal Radio http://www.universal-radio.com

de Bob, KE3AW

W2VU named editor of CQ

Current CQ **VHF Editor Richard Moseson, W2VU,** has taken on additional duties as the new editor of CQ magazine. CQ Communications Inc **President Dick Ross, K2MGA,** announced Moseson's appointment Wednesday--six weeks after the death of long-time **CQ Editor Alan M. Dorhoffer, K2EEK**. Moseson's appointment was effective as of September 1.

*p-1YSince joining CQ Communications in 1992, Moseson has been involved in numerous projects, including creation of CQ's Amateur Radio videotape series, management of CQ's 50th anniversary issue, development of the magazine's various Web sites, and--most recently--the launch of CQ VHF in 1996.

An Amateur Extra class licensee, Moseson has been an amateur since 1970. He is active on a variety of modes and bands on HF, VHF, and UHF.

CQ has been in publication since 1945. Moseson said one immediate change would be to actively solicit feature articles on all aspects of Amateur Radio from all segments of the amateur community.

The ARRL Letter

Here is a true story about Neil Armstrong...

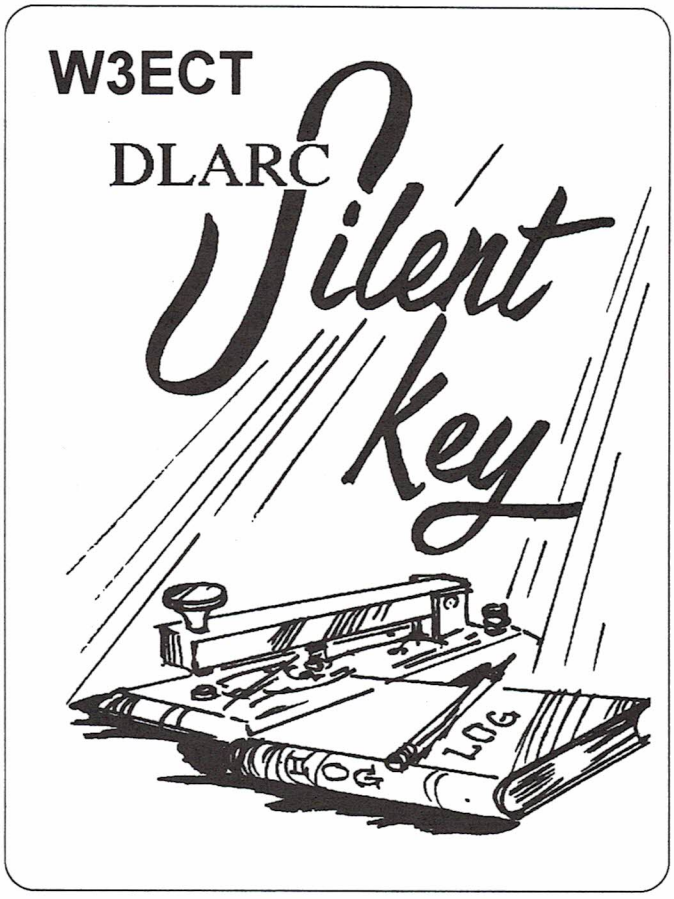
When Apollo Mission Astronaut Neil Armstrong first walked on the moon, he not only gave his famous **"one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind"** statement but followed it by several remarks, usual com traffic between him, the other astronauts and Mission Control.

Just before he re-entered the lander, however, he made the enigmatic remark **"Good luck Mr. Gorsky."** Many people at **NASA** thought it was a casual remark concerning some rival Soviet Cosmonaut. However, upon checking, there was no Gorsky in either the Russian or American space programs. Over the years many people questioned Armstrong as to what the "Good luck Mr. Gorsky" statement meant, but Armstrong always just smiled.

On July 5, 1995 in Tampa Bay FL, while answering questions following a speech, a reporter brought up the 26 year old question to Armstrong.This time he finally responded. Mr. Gorsky had finally died and so Neil Armstrong felt he could answer the question.

When he was a kid, he was playing baseball with a friend in his backyard. His friend hit a fly ball, which landed in beneath his neighbor's bedroom windows. His neighbors were Mr. & Mrs. Gorsky. As he leaned down to pick up the ball, young Armstrong heard Mrs. Gorsky shouting at Mr. Gorsky. "Sex! You want sex?! You'll get sex when the kid next door walks on the moon!"

via Amsoft News



The Passing of a freind

by Ray, W3TDF

Monday, August 23, 1999 was a sad day for many Lehigh Valley hams whose lives had been touched by **Andy, W3ECT**.He was born on Sep 16th, 1923 in Nazareth. Although he never became active in club activities, his presence was felt by many who were active.

Like Elmering former **DLARC** President Tony Kazmakitis. Andy became a silent key after 2 weeks in St Lukes Hospital, where he slipped into a coma after only 2 days there.

He was licensed in the 50's and spent many hours at the work bench experimenting and building. He was a radio operator on a B-17 during WWII, where he flew 20 missons over Germany and won 5 airm medals, which led to his interest in becoming a ham. ***for DLARC, Ray, W3TDF***



FCC relaxes rules for spread spectrum

via ARRL Bulletin

The FCC has relaxed rules governing the use of spread spectrum techniques by radio amateurs and opened the door to the possibility of international spread spectrum communication. The Report and Order in WT Docket 97-12 adopted August 31 concludes a proceeding that originated with an ARRL petition in December 1995 and has been pending since 1997.

The FCC adopted rules that will allow Amateur Radio stations to transmit additional spread spectrum emission types. Once the new rules become effective November 1, hams will be able to use techniques other than frequency hopping and direct sequence spreading. In addition, the new FCC rules will permit US hams to use spread spectrum techniques to communicate with amateurs in other countries that permit SS. Spread spectrum communication has been limited to stations within FCC jurisdiction.

The new rules require that spread spectrum stations running more than 1 W incorporate automatic transmitter power control. Amateur stations using SS are restricted to a maximum power of 100 Watts.

The Commission also amended the rules to eliminate what it called "now-unnecessary record keeping and station identification requirements" that apply only to stations using spread spectrum. The FCC agreed to let SS stations identify themselves using conventions developed by the Amateur Radio community.

Roanoke Division Vice Director Dennis Bodson, W4PWF, who has followed the League's Spread Spectrum initiative through from start to finish was pleased with the outcome of the proceeding. "I'm very happy," he said. "The League got everything it wanted and more--all of which, I believe, will help to promote this mode on the amateur bands."

Stations employing spread spectrum techniques will remain secondary to--and must accept all interference from--stations employing other authorized modes. The FCC declined to authorize the use of spread spectrum techniques on additional bands or frequencies.

A copy of the FCC's complete Report and Order is availabl at

http://www.arrl.org/announce/regulatory/wt97-12.

No word yet on Amateur Restructuring

An FCC staff member says the Commission staff is "diligently working" towards getting a Report and Order on Amateur Radio license restructuring out the door. But beyond that, the FCC staffer--who did not want to be identified by name--said it was impossible to predict when that would happen. Rumors aside, the FCC official said that Commission rules prevent "revealing any information about internal thinking or scheduling" on the restructuring question.

The proceeding--known formally as the 1998 Biennial Regulatory Review of Part 97 (WT Docket 98-143)--must jump through a number of hoops within the FCC bureaucracy. The FCC's move last spring into consolidated offices at The Portals also disrupted routine work flow.

A year ago, the FCC proposed phasing out the Novice and Technician Plus licenses, leaving just four amateur license classes in place--Technician, General, Advanced, and Extra. The Commission also asked the amateur community to express its opinions on Morse code requirements, but offered no specific recommendations of its own.

The previous month, the ARRL Board of Directors issued its own plan to restyle Amateur Radio. Among other details, the ARRL plan also called for four license classes and for "refarming" Novice/Tech Plus subbands to provide additional spectrum for higher-class operators. Under the League plan, the Technician license would remain unchanged, and the General would become the entry-level ticket for those interested in HF operation. The ARRL proposed Morse code requirements of 5 WPM for General and 12 WPM for Advanced and Extra class.

"We are simply in that period of time when no information is available," the FCC staff member said. "This is a normal part of the Commission's quasi-judicial decision-making process and a necessary part of being objective and fair to all."

The FCC staff member said that although comments and reply comments are in--some 2200 comments were filed in the proceeding, mostly by individual amateurs--more late-filed ones continue to turn up. He said the FCC staff "is working on resolving this docket" along with its other tasks.

Before the long-awaited Report and Order sees the light of day, the Wireless Bureau staff first must digest the comments. Then, the staff will circulate its recommendations to the Commissioners.

The Commissioners and their staff will mull the WTB input and accept a plan that quite likely represents a compromise.

The ultimate FCC decision will come either at the Commission's monthly meeting or it will be handled "on circulation"--outside of an actual meeting. A Public Notice will be issued, and the actual Report and Order will follow. The bottom line is that Amateur Radio operators will have to wait a few weeks or a few months longer before the restructuring issue is resolved.

"No one wants this proceeding decided more than we do," the FCC staff member concluded. To which most hams would shout a resounding "Amen!".

The ARRL Letter

Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio Club Inc.

Income & Loss Statement.

Balance		**$3,525.90**
INCOME		
Credit Refund City of Easton	25.00	
Dues & Arrl Renewal	185.05	
VE Test Session	20.00	

TOTAL INCOME	**230.05**	
EXPENSES		
Gifts Plaque		86.88
Memory Of E. Marcus & J. McClary		50.00
Newsletters for September		140.00
PA QSO Mobile Plaque		30.00
Postage		78.53
Renewal ARRL		32.00
Supplies Directory Copies		6.41
Telephone		37.44

TOTAL EXPENSES		**461.26**
TOTAL INCOME - EXPENSES		**-231.21**
Balance 8/31/99		**$3,294.69**

Total Membership 319 as of 9/2/99.

de, Dick, KA3MOU, Treasurer

FCC Sequential Call Sign Update

The following shows the last call sign in each group to be assigned for each FCC district under the sequential call sign system as of **August 9, 1999.**

For more information about the sequential call sign system, see FACT SHEET PR5000 #206-S dated May 1998.

Further questions can be directed in writing to Federal Communications Commission, 1270 Fairfield Rd, Gettysburg, PA 17325-7245; e-mail FCCITD@fcc.gov.

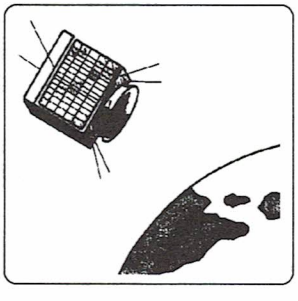
District	Group A Extra	Group B Advanced	Group C Tech/Gen	Group D Novice
0	AB0IX	KI0QQ	++	KC0GHO
1	AA1UQ	KE1LQ	++	KB1EHX
2	AB2GI	KG2QY	++	KC2FKG
3	AA3ST	KF3DJ	++	KB3EDE
4	AF4PL	KV4BN	++	KG4EIC
5	AC5TB	KM5VS	++	KD5HYZ
6	AD6JA	KR6CG	++	KF6YKY
7	AC7BK	KK7UC	++	KD7GHF
8	AB8EK	KI8JA	++	KC8MYF
9	AA9XG	KG9QB	++	KB9VBQ

++ All call signs in this group have been issued in this district. Call sign grants will be drawn from the next call sign group..***ARLB052***

Last occupants leave MIR

Hudson Loop

Russia has finally abandoned the Mir space station. The last three astronauts closed the hatch on the aging and ailing complex for the final time, after securing on-board equipment and experiments and boarding a rocket bound for home. It is believed that the amateur radio equipment was not salvaged and will still be aboard when Mir is sent into a destructive orbit to burn up in the atmosphere sometime next spring.



Mir had been plagued with a variety of problems, including a fire and a serious collision with a supply freighter in 1997. Space travelers from several countries, many of them amateurs, had been passengers on Mir, including a number of American astronauts. Amateur radio had been a major activity on Mir with FM simplex voice communications on VHF and UHF, and packet, and slow-scan TV. The German SAFEX repeater had been in operation on the 70 cm band for several years. But for all its problems, Mir ushered in a new age of international cooperation in space. It was the shining star of the Soviet Space program. But in the end, Mir had outlasted the Soviet Union and the supply of funding to keep it in orbit.

via This Week in Amateur Radio

September VE Session

by Stephanie KB3DNA

The September VE Session was held on Friday, Sept. 3rd at the Gracedale Complex. 3 of 4 elements administered to 2 candidates were passed. **Anthony E. Good upgraded from Advanced to Amateur Extra.**

The VE's in attendance were:

Dick Dech, KA3MOU

Bob Green, KE3AW

John Greenage (Lead), WX3C

Cary Rufe, K2YIY

Martin Hoppe, N3DL

My sincere thanks to Bob, who has worked more than his fair share of sessions and is always there to support our fellow hams!!!

The October session is currently scheduled for **Friday, October 8th.** VE's need to report no later than 6:45 p.m., with the session beginning promptly at 7 p.m. All VE's interested in working the session need to check in with me in advance. I can be reached at **610/266-0176** or at **stephc64@juno.com.**

de Stephanie, KB3DNA

Drills

We are still looking for net controls for the **Wednesday night drills.** If you can help, contact Dick Dech **KA3MOU** or Clarence Snyder , **W3PYF** and tell us that you cn help.

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Annual election to be held at October 7 meeting

Nominations for DLARC officers and directors took place at the club meeting on September 2. The choices of the nominations committee were presented by the committee's chairperson, J.P. Fox, **N3GWR**.

Members nominated as officers were: Don Reamer, **KA3JWE** (president); Amy Zimmerman, **KD3TI** (vice president); Jim Hogarth, **N3DFF** (secretary); and Dick Dech, **KA3MOU** (treasurer).

Since the members present approved the nomination of these candidates, and there were no further nominations for the officer positions, the nominees will automatically assume those offices after the election of the directors. As required by DLARC by-laws, Joe Chuk, **W3JD**, is stepping down as president after two years in the office. As immediate past president, he will automatically assume a position on the Board of Directors.

The committee presented four incumbent directors for re-election. They are Glenn Brodt, **N3ULW**; Bob Green, **KE3AW**; Al Krensavage, **WO4H**; and Barry Vogt, **N3NVA**. Two additional candidates presented by the committee for director positions are Jeff Keller, **N3QZT**; and Carl Seier, **AA3IX**.

The five director candidates receiving the most votes in the October 7 election will fill the director positions for the next year.

Absentee ballot available for DLARC annual election

In 1998, the Executive Committee established a procedure to allow DLARC members who are not able to be present for the annual election of officers and directors to cast their votes as absentees. If you're not able to attend the election personally on Thursday, October 7, 1999, at 7:30 PM, but still want to vote, here are the steps to follow:

1. Cut out the absentee ballot on the right, and place check marks next to **no more than five** names of candidates for the office of Director. (Since there is only one candidate for each of the four officer positions, those positions are automatically filled by virtue of the nomination of the candidates at the club meeting of September 2, 1999.) Do not put your name on the ballot.
2. Fold and tape the ballot, and seal it in an envelope with your name and call (and, optionally, your address) in the return address portion of the envelope.
3. Submit your vote in either of these ways:

   a. Mail the envelope to:

   DLARC Elections
   Greystone Building - Gracedale Complex
   RR 8
   Nazareth, PA 18064-9278

   OR

   b. Give the envelope to a member who will be attending the election, who can then deliver it to **Dick Dech, KA3MOU**, at the club meeting.

To be included in the count on election night, all mailed absentee ballots must be received at the above address by **Wednesday, October 6, 1999**. All hand-delivered absentee ballots must be given to Dick Dech at the meeting site by **7:15 PM** on election night.

Each ballot **must** be in a sealed envelope with the **name and call** of the voting member on the outside. Remember to fold and tape the ballot form to preserve the secret character of the vote. Ballot forms will be removed and separated from their envelopes before they are opened by the election committee members. Ballots with more than five names checked will be disqualified.

Absentee Ballot - 1999 Election DLARC Board of Directors

Vote for **no more than five** candidates:

- ❒ Glenn Brodt - N3ULW *
- ❒ Bob Green - KE3AW *
- ❒ Jeff Keller - N3QZT
- ❒ Al Krensavage - WO4H *
- ❒ Carl Seier - AA3IX
- ❒ Barry Vogt - N3NVA *

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Emergency Management Drill

by Dick, KA3MOU

Monday September 13, 1999 there was a emergency management drill at Gracedale Complex. Nick Tylenda Emergency Management , ask the Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio Club W3OK to participate in the drill. At 1900 hours the drill was called and went to 1950 hours. There were three types of messages pass darning the drill. One type was a Red Type message with high Priority, meaning this was a real message for either Nick or Curt KA3MOB.

The other type was a Green: Standard Drill Message Traffic. The other type was a Yellow: Additional Drill Message Traffic Weather related. Club members with there HT's were placed in different sites at Gracedale. There were two club members in the 911 Center with there HT's.

There were no problems with transmitting with the HT from the 911 Center. I would like to thank all members who helped with the drill. **Clarence W3PYF** helping with net control, **Dave N3EYT, Glenn N3ULW, Greg KB3CKD, Fred N3QLU, Ed AA3OU, Dennis KB3DFW and John N2MWQ. Bruce KA3ONZ** and **Barry N3NVA** were at home helping with the drill. I would like to thank all who helped with the drill.

de Dick KA3MOU

Big Test Coming

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by Clarence, W3PYF

On **Saturday October 9th** the Northampton County Emergency Management Division will conduct a full scale exercise at the PE&G Generating Plant (formerly Northampton Generating) located off Route 329 in Northampton Borough.

The exercise is scheduled to begin at **0900 hours and is expected to last approximately two to three hours.**

This facility is an anthracite waste coal-fired(clum) co-generation plant capable of producing 104MW net of electrical power and 80,00 pounds per hour of process steam.

Emergency Management would like to use club members for communications traffic handling and safety back-up

If you can participate advise either **W3PYF or Dick, KA3MOU....**

Good Samaritan



This good samaritan was walking home late one night when he came upon this drunk on the sidewalk. Wanting to help, he asked the drunk "do you live here?" "Yep". "Would you like me to help you upstairs?" "Yep". When they got up on the second floor he asked "Is this your floor?" Yep.

Then he got to thinking that maybe he didn't want to face the man's irate wife because she may think he was the one who got the man drunk. So, he opened the first door he came to and shoved him through it, then went back downstairs. But lo and behold when he went back outside, there was another drunk. So he asked that drunk "Do you live here?" "Yep". "Would you like me to help you upstairs?""Yep". So he did and put him in the same door with the first drunk. Then went back downstairs.

Where, to his surprise, there was another drunk. So he started over to him. But before he got to him, the drunk staggered over to a policeman and cried "For God's sake officer, protect me from this man.

He's been doing nothing all night long but taking me upstairs and throwing me down the elevator shaft!"

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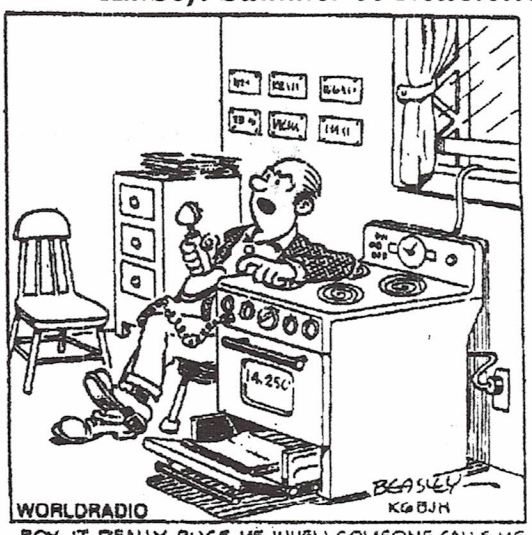

BOY, IT REALLY BUGS ME WHEN SOMEONE CALLS ME "JUST AN APPLIANCE OPERATOR!"

All Amateur Radio Operators are invited to
Participate to the DLARC, RACES & ARES nets
on 146.70 W3OK/RPT with an alternate of W3PYF/RPT 145.11
W3OK trustee Chris Hornaman, NU3L
The Nets are held on Sundays at 9:30 AM and Wednesdays at 7:00PM

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