



The VOX



The Official *On-Line*
Newsletter of the

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LVARC Repeaters

146.34 / 146.94 (PL 71.9)
147.735/147.135 (PL 167.9)
447.775 (PL 71.9)
Club Simplex Freq. - 147.420

LVARC/RACES/ARES Net

Every Monday at 7:30 (ET)
146.940 (PL 71.9)

D-Star

W3OI Dstar repeaters are now on W3OI at
147.165, W3EPE at 445.225 and W3OK at
145.110

Join us for a Mid-Atlantic regional net Tuesdays
on the 147.165 port at 7:30 pm.

To register for the Gateway or need information
on setting up the radio, please visit
<https://24.229.28.14/Dstar.do>

W3OI Home Page: <http://www.w3oi.org>

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A Happy and Prosperous 2013!

**Newsletter submissions can be sent to Mark
(AK3M) at AK3M@rcn.com**

Your submissions can be text and/or graphics.



The January, 2013 LVARC meeting will be held on **January 8, 2013** at the Tri Clover Fire Company at 7:30.

LVARC / RACES NET

Don't forget to check into the Monday Night LC/LVARC/RACES Net on 146.94 (PL 71.9) with an alternate frequency of 147.735/147.135 (PL 167.9) The Net begins at 7:30 pm local time (ET).

Many club announcements will be heard there !

Monday Night RACES/ARES Check-In Summary - 2012

<u>Month</u>	<u>Number of Check-In's</u>	<u>Number of Nets/Mondays</u>
January	113	4
February	104	4
March	97	5
April	105	5
May	45	2
June	100	4
July	110	5
August	94	4
September	74	3
October	98	4
November	97	4



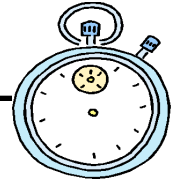
REMEMBER:



Registration for the monthly test session, must be made **NO LATER THAN THE SUNDAY BEFORE THE TEST!**

Contact Mark (AK3M) at AK3M@rcn.com or call 610-865-9183

Minutes of the December, 2012 LVARC Meeting de - Phil (KB3HMK)



The meeting was called to order by President Wolfe at 1939 Hrs, (EST).

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, and then a moment of silence was observed for Silent Keys.

There were a total of 19 members in attendance, and the club was joined by no guests. The following Board Members were present at the meeting: Rod – N3XG, Brian – KW3K, Phil – KB3HMK, Brian – KB3QHA, Paul – N0KIA, Robin – KB3GZV and Gary – N3GRD.

Corrections additions to the minutes: None Noted

Approved by: Walt – KE3SP

Second by: Gail – KB3RDB

Carried (Y/N) Y

Treasurer's Report (Brian – KB3QHA)

Starting Balance: \$,3806.76

Ending Balance: \$4,129.68

Approved by: Carl – AA3IX

Second by: Robin – KB3GZV

Carried: (Y/N) Y

Committee Reports:

Repeater: No problems to report. No new update on the new 94 repeater from the county.

Program: Tonight is the annual cookie cruncher and elections. The January program will be announced soon. If anyone has a topic that they would like to see done as a program, please let Rod know. If anyone would like to do a program, contact Rod.

Volunteer Examiners: One person tested and passed. Myles Bodisch is now KB3ZMA.

Old Business: Nothing to report

New Business: Due to unopposed positions for the officers and board this year, there is no need for an election. Rod asked for motion to elect all unopposed positions. Jeff (N3MFT) made the motion and Bruce (KB3FIH) seconded it. The motion passed. Rod asked for a motion to make a donation of \$50 to the American Red Cross for the use of room at there facilities. The VE test sessions are held there. Carl (AA3IX) made the motion and Paul (N0KIA) seconded it. The motion passed.

Rod asked for a motion to make a donation of \$100 to the Tri-Clover Fire Company for the use of the meeting room. Brian (KW3K) made the motion and it was seconded by Matt (KB3UZE). The motion passed.

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Rod asked for a motion to reimburse him \$109.80 for the door prizes and the Pres Schuyler award. Paul (N0KIA) made the motion and it was seconded by Robin (KB3GZV). The motion passed.

If you know of anyone that is sick at home or in the hospital and needs a radio to let them get on the air, please contact Rod (N3XG).

Rod asked for a motion to change the regularly scheduled January meeting to the 2nd Tuesday of January. This is due to New Years Eve being the 1st Tuesday of January. Brian (KW3K) made the motion and Robin (KB3GZV) seconded it. The motion passed.

This years Pres Schulker award goes to Gary Decker (W3GRD) for his excellence in service through out the year.

Good of the Order: The radio raffle was ok. 100% of the profit went to the club.

Due to hurricane Sandy giving the printer problems this year, the Caty Fire Company could not do a holiday raffle this year. What they will be doing instead is a Tax Amnesty raffle. The drawing will be April 15, which happens to be Tax Day. This is a good way for the club to raise funds. More info will follow.

Gail (KB3RDB) took the general class test and passed.

Congratulations to Gail.

There are 2012 QST magazines in the back for anyone who wants them. Thank you Paul (N0KIA) for donating them.

New member applicants: Mike Zweifel

New Members Motion to Accept by: Dave – N3GRH

Second by: Paul – N0KIA

Carried (Y/N) Y

The LVARC Monthly Business Meeting Closed at 2000 hrs, (EST.)

Motion by: Brain – KW3K

Second by: Gary – W3GRD

In favor: Y

Respectfully Submitted de KB3HMK, Secretary.

\$\$\$ W3OI Finances \$\$\$	
Balance ending November, 2012 - \$4,129.68	

THIS MONTH IN HAM RADIO

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
January		1 New Year's Day 2013	2	3	4	5
6	7 ARES RACES Net 7:30	8 LVARC Meeting Tri-Clover 7:30	9 Dist. 2 RACES Net - 7:30 147.255	10	11	12
13 Deadline to schedule test	14 ARES RACES Net 7:30	15	16 Dist. 2 RACES Net - 7:30 147.255	17	18 LVARC Test Session 7:00 pm	19
20	21 ARES RACES Net 7:30	22 LVARC Activity Night Tri-Clover	23 Dist. 2 RACES Net - 7:30 147.255	24	25	26
27	28 ARES RACES Net 7:30	29	30 Dist. 2 RACES Net - 7:30 147.255	31	2013	

LVARC Meeting - Tuesday January 8 - 7:30 - Tri - Clover FC

Test Session - Friday January 18 - 7:00 pm - Red Cross Building

LVARC Activities/Events

Mark your Calendar

PRINT, CLIP and POST



Monday January 7 --- LC RACES/ARES Net - 7:30 pm (146.94)
Tuesday January 8 --- LVARC Meeting (7:30 - Tri Clover FC)
Sunday January 13 --- Deadline to schedule for license exam
Monday January 14 --- LC RACES/ARES Net - 7:30 pm (146.94)
Friday January 18 --- LVARC Test Session (Registration required)
Monday January 21 --- LC RACES/ARES Net - 7:30 pm (146.94)
Tuesday January 22 --- LVARC Activity Night (7:30 - Tri Clover FC)
Monday January 28 --- LC RACES/ARES Net - 7:30 pm (146.94)

There may be additions and deletions to the above dates. Listen to the Monday Night Net, the newsletter and announcements at meetings for changes.

LVARC VE Report

de Mark (AK3M)

At the November 16, 2012 LVARC test session, one tested and one passed.

CONGRATULATIONS to Myles Bodisch who earned his Technician license.



VE's in attendance, **Mark** (AK3M), **Frank** (W3FTU) and **Walt** (KE3SP).

REMEMBER: The LVARC offers amateur radio testing. If you want to obtain your entry level license or if you wish to upgrade, the LVARC can help.

Test sessions are given the 3rd Friday of each month.

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED!!! Registration must be made no later than the Sunday before the Friday test session.

To schedule a test or for more information, contact Mark (AK3M) at AK3M@rcn.com or call 610-865-9183.



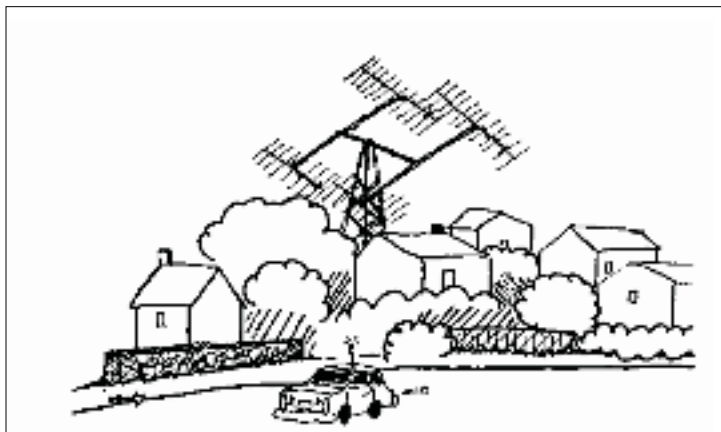
Have an article, diagram or an opinion you would like to share with the LVARC members in this newsletter? Send it to Mark (AK3M). You can submit VOX material in any form. Send it via email (AK3M@rcn.com) or US mail (5508 Hale Ave - Bethlehem, PA 18017). You can send pictures, diagrams or text. **The newsletter needs YOUR material to continue!**



Do your New Year's resolutions include submitting an article for YOUR club's newsletter or maybe volunteering for an ARES event in 2013?



The VOX can only survive with submissions from its readers, the LVARC members! Send your articles, pictures, diagrams to Mark (AK3M) at AK3M@rcn.com. Communications support for ARES activities can also only survive with your support! - Mark (AK3M)



Ok Fred. I'm on Maple Street. Now which house is yours?

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CONGRATULATIONS to **Myles Bodisch** who earned his Technician license at the November 16 test session.

Myles received his call, **KB3ZMA**, on Wednesday November 21, 2012 just in time for Thanksgiving!

2013 LVARC Dues

Dues for 2013 are being accepted. Individual Membership is **\$17.00** (Includes autopatch) and a Family Membership is \$20.00 (Includes autopatch). Dues can be paid at a **meeting, U.S. mail** or **PayPal** via the LVARC website. If paying by US mail, send your dues to:

Brian Snyder
PO Box 3134
Easton, PA 18043




The LVARC ARES needs your help in 2013!

WELCOME 2013 LVARC OFFICERS AND BOARD

At the November 6, 2012 meeting, the slate of officers was closed. Since the slate of officers is filled and there were no contested offices, there was **no election** at the December, 2012 meeting. The following officers will be in effect beginning January, 2013.





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Vice President:	Brian - KW3K
Secretary:	Phil – KB3HMK
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