

The Vox



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President's Message

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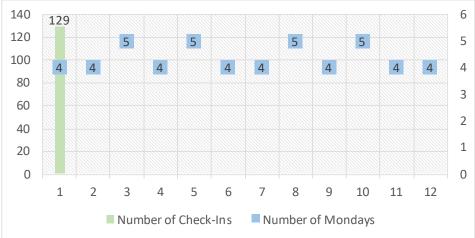
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Monday Night Traffic Net





On Monday nights at 7:30pm the club has a different kind of 'meeting' on the air called a traffic net. Members and non-members can check in and hone their emergency traffic handling skills as part of the net. The net takes place on the primary repeater used by the club on 146.94 Mhz. Messages, bulletins and traffic are handled by the net control station. Tune in for announcements of upcoming meetings and club events.



Check-Ins Every Monday Night LC/LVARC/RACES Net on 146.94 (PL 71.9)

Alternate frequency on 147.735/147.135 (DCS 315)

The Net begins at 7:30 p.m. ET

LVARC Repeaters 146.34 / 146.94 (PL 71.9) 147.735/147.135 (DCS - 315) Club Simplex Frequency - 147.420

2017 Monday Night Check-In Summary							
Month Count Days							
January	129	5					
February		4					
March		4					
April		4					
May		5					
June		4					
July		5					
August		4					
September		4					
October		5					
November		4					
December 4							



ARES Event Schedule



2017 ARES Events				
Location	Time	Date		
St. Luke's/Lehigh Valley Road Runner's Half Marathon	TBD	Sunday, April 23 rd		
Palmerton 5K and 10K (Although not an LVARC event, this event needs operators to provide communications support.)	TBD	May, TBD		
Hanover Township Spring 5K	TBD	June, TBD		
VIA Marathon	TBD	Saturday, September 9 th		
Women's 5K Classic	TBD	Saturday, October 7 th		
Hanover Township Fall 5K	TBD	November, TBD		
D&L Rail Trail Half Marathon	TBD	November, TBD		

"Listen to the Monday Night Net, information at meetings and read the VOX for information as events near. To volunteer, contact Mark (AK3M) at AK3M@rcn.com except for the D&L Rail Trail. Contact Rod (N3XG) at n3xg.radio@gmail.com to volunteer for that event." Mark, AK3M

ARES Report



The first ARES event of 2017 is the St. Luke's/Lehigh Valley Road Runner's Half Marathon to be held on April 23, 2017. Volunteers are needed.

To volunteer, contact Mark (AK3M) at AK3M@rcn.com.





LVARC VE Schedule



2017 LVARC Test Sessions				
Location	Time	Date	/	
Hanover Elementary School	6:30 p.m.	Friday, January 20 th	\	
Hanover Elementary School	6:30 p.m.	Friday, February 17 th		
Hanover Elementary School	6:30 p.m.	Friday, March 17 th		
Hanover Elementary School	6:30 p.m.	Friday, April 21 st		
Hanover Elementary School	6:30 p.m.	Friday, May 19 th		
LVARC Field Day site	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.	Saturday, June 24 th		
Summer Break	6:30 p.m.	No Test Session		
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Hanover Elementary School	6:30 p.m.	Friday, September 15 th		
Hanover Elementary School	6:30 p.m.	Friday, October 20 th		
Hanover Elementary School	6:30 p.m.	Friday, November 17 th		
Hanover Elementary School	6:30 p.m.	Friday, December 15 th		

"Bruce Newell achieved his Technician license at the December 16, 2016 test session and received the call KC3IIM on December 28, 2017. Congratulations and welcome to the hobby." Mark, AK3M

LVARC VE Report



LVARC VE Report Mark, AK3M

Volunteer Examiners

Date: The next VE test session will be on February 17 2017

Location: Hanover Elementary School at 6:30 pm.

Registration: Contact Mark (AK3M) at AK3M@rcn.com.

Enrollment: One person has scheduled to test for January.

Report:

No one scheduled to test at the January 20, 2017 test session. The February 2017 test session will be held on Friday February 17. As of this date, two have scheduled to test at that session. The deadline to register is Sunday February 12, 2017.



Communications





"I've added this page for 2017 to highlight Communications and the Club Station."

John, WB3DX

Club Station







LVARC Meeting and Club Station Schedule



W30I Amateur Radio Station On Air







LVARC Meeting and Club Station Schedule for 2017

Month	Business Meeting	Presenter	Club Station	✓
January	EMS Council of Eastern	ouncil of Eastern Guest Speaker		✓
February	NTS Rodney Wolfe		Beast Feast	/
March	Digital Voice VHF/UHF	Jeff Bauer	Chuck/John	
April	SDR	Joe Reynick	Paul	
May	Contesting	Andy Koslap	TBD	
June	Field Day Prep	Rod (N3XG)	Field Day	
July	DSTAR	Dave Jenkins	Club Picnic	
August	Antenna, Tuners &	Paul Ryan	Rod	
Septembe	Lehigh County	Scott Lindenmuth	John	
October	NVIS Antennas	Mike Mandell	Paul	
Novembe	Skywarn	Guest Speaker	Rod	
December	Club Elections	All Members	Christmas Party	

- September and November are awaiting confirmation from presenters and may be subject to change in the future.
- Please note that there are 4 months that the club station will not be open. They are months that we have other activities scheduled (i.e. Field Day).

If there appears to be a strong demand for station use we will add additional nights.

Right now we will see who shows up and people will have to share time on machines if we get more than 3 or 4 at a time.





march 2017

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
			District 2 RACES Net 7:30 pm 147.255	2	3	4
5	6 ARES/RACES Net 7:30 pm	7 LVARC Mtg 7:30 pm Digital Voice VHF/UHF HF Jeff Bauer	District 2 RACES Net 7:30 pm 147.255	9	10	11
Deadline to Schedule VE Test	13 ARES/RACES Net 7:30 pm	14	District 2 RACES Net 7:30 pm 147.255	16	17 VE Test Session Hanover Elem. School 6:30 pm	18
19	20 ARES/RACES Net 7:30 pm	21 Club Station Chuck/John	District 2 RACES Net 7:30 pm 147.255	23	24	25
26	27 ARES/RACES Net 7:30 pm	28				

There are no scheduled hands-on nights for 2017. However, the club station will be open for selected third Tuesday nights.

LVARC Minutes Feb 7, 2016

Tri-Clover Fire Company, Orefield, PA

2/7/2016

Opening:

The regular meeting of the Lehigh Valley Amateur Radio Club was called to order at 7:30PM on Feb 7, 2017 by V. President Ballard .

There were a total of 22 members in attendance, and the club was joined by no guests.

Guests: None

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed.

Moved: Don, NOVGA Second: Phil, KB3HMK

Treasurer's Report (Brian-KB3QHA)

Treasurer's Report was read.

Motion to approve: Gary, W3GRD

Second: Dan, KC3HWD

Motion carried

Committee Reports

Repeater: Rod, N3XG reported Update PO for Icom repeaters has been issued. 2 Meter station at EOF replaced with Kenwood TM-281. Dual band station replaced with Kenwood TMV-71. Kenwood TS 2000 HF rig being sent back to Kenwood for repairs.

Program:

Rod (N3XG) will give the presentation for the evening on the National Traffic System.

Volunteer Examiners:

Mark, AK3M No one scheduled to test in January. Next session February 17. Two people have registered.

ARES:

Mark, AK3M First event will be St. Luke's Road Runners Half-Marathon on April 23. At least 8-9 volunteers needed. 8 AM to Noon. Please contact Mark, AK3M to volunteer.

Communications: Chuck, W3CDY. First meeting was before the regular meeting. All forms of club communications will be open for discussion. If any member has any comment on our written communications, such as documents on the website and emails from the club, please send your comments to Chuck, W3CDY

Club Station:

Last month was the first open session. Tested equipment and cleaned up some of the wiring. There was a broadband noise problem. A technician from PPL was going to look into the problem, but has not reported back yet.

Old Business:

Dues are still due! Anyone who has not paid their dues can do so during break, by mail or by PayPal from



the website. Members will be removed from the active roster if they haven't paid their dues by March 1 for the year (\$20)

Annual club dinner (Beast Feast) is February 21 at the Old Country Buffet. 6:30 pm star For the donation to the Tri-Clover Fire Company, it was explained that in the letter to the Fire Company, it was made clear that the club had a good year, and had some excess funds that were used for the contribution, in part in recognition of the use of the beer cooler for the club station and the electricity we use.

The club may or may not make future contributions at the same level, based on our finances.

New Business:

None

Good of the Order:

Rod(N3XG) is in need of an assistant for Field Day planning. This will be a training position, with the intent that the person will take over next year. This is the last year that Rod will be doing this job.

Kenny(KC3BLE) still has a Kenwood TS450S transceiver available for sale.

Sick Report:

John (AB3LZ) recently had open heart surgery. He is reported to be in good condition, but is not able to have visitors yet.

Carl Hoffmeyer is still healing. If anyone could assist with transport or respite care, it would be appreciated.

New Member Applicants:

KC3ICG.

Motion to accept: Steve, K2OPA

Second: Mark, AK3M

Carried Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 8:32PM

Moved: Rick, KC3EXO Seconded: Don, NOVGA

Carried

Minutes submitted by: Rob, AB3RC



LVARC Club Announcements



Your VOX input is needed!

Send any VOX submissions to:

John, WB3DX at johnahilderbrand@gmail.com

The VOX is your newsletter. Feel free to submit articles and pictures for inclusion of the VOX.

General Interest



Classified

The following items are for sale by Kenny Bass, KC3BLE

- Kenwood TS-450S transceiver Asking \$400 or best reasonable offer.
- Astron RS-35A power supply Asking \$100 or best reasonable offer.
- U.S. M3 Fighting Knife (detailed replica) Asking \$25 or best reasonable offer.

"In use only from 1943-1944, the M3 trench knife was a close-combat knife issued to airborne troops, army rangers, and military members not otherwise equipped with a bayonet."

Call Kenny at (610) -776 -0717

