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President's Message

Fellow LVARC Members,

Summer is over and the end of the year is rapidly approaching. It is that time of the year to start thinking about club officer elections. We will begin taking nominations for club officers and the Board of Governors at the October meeting. Please think about nominating a candidate or volunteering to run for a position. The club is only as good as it's membership and club leadership. We need your help to grow and move forward. Come to the October meeting and participate in the officer nomination process.

Thanks & 73!!!

John (AB3LZ)

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	188	5
February	194	4
March	167	4
April	113	4
May	179	5
June	202	4
July	169	5
August	132	4
September		4
October		5
November		4
December		4



ARES Event Schedule



2017 ARES Events				
Location	Time	Date	1	
St. Luke's/Lehigh Valley Road Runner's Half Marathon	7:30am	Sunday, April 23 rd	✓	
Palmerton 5K and 10K	TBD	Saturday, May, 13 th	1	
Hanover Township Spring 5K	TBD	Saturday, June, 3 rd	1	
VIA Marathon	TBD	Sunday, September 10 th	1	
Women's 5K Classic	TBD	Saturday, October 7 th		
Delaware & Lehigh Heritage Half Marathon Run/Walk	TBD	Sunday, November 5 th		
Penn State "Thon" 5K Hanover Township	TBD	Sunday, November 5 th		
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 <u>AK3M@rcn.com</u> except for the D&L Rail Trail. Contact Rod (N3XG) at <u>n3xg.radio@gmail.com</u> to volunteer for that event." Mark, AK3M

ARES Report



VIA Marathon is coming up this Sunday. Volunteer operators still needed. Next event is Women's 5K Classic October 5th.



LVARC VE Schedule



2017 LVARC Test Sessions				
Location	Time	Date	1	
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	1	
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		
Summer Break	6:30 p.m.	No Test Session		
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		

"There will be NO test session in July or August, 2017. The regular third Friday of the month test session at the school will resume on Friday September 15, 2017." Mark, AK3M

LVARC VE Report



Date: The next VE test session will be on September 15, 2017

Location: Hanover Elementary School at 6:30 pm.
Registration: Contact Mark (AK3M) at <u>AK3M@rcn.com</u>.

Enrollment: The deadline to register for the September 10, 2017.



LVARC VE Report Mark, AK3M

Report:

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Congratulations:







Club Station



Update

Club Station:

Last month a small group took down the long end fed and installed the 80MOCF which works well. We now have internet access in the shack and also a wireless router in the meeting room. We will need one more work party prior to winter. The VHF antenna needs the additional support, and some feed line needs to be cleaned up.

Repeater:

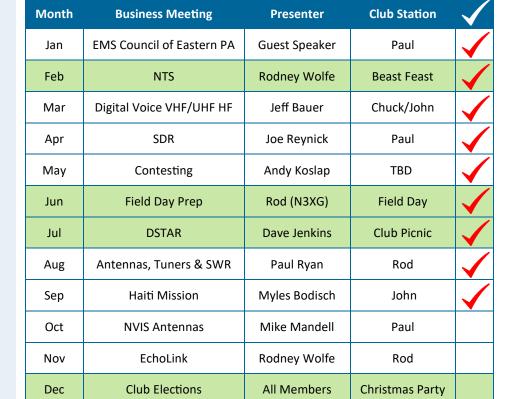
Dstar 2-meter module still not working. The B module is functioning, but not as well as previously. Access to the repeater site is now severely limited by Service Electric, and the outcome of this new policy.



LVARC Meeting and Club Station Schedule



LVARC Meeting and Club Station Schedule for 2017







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.





october 2017

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
1	2	3 LVARC Mtg 7:30 pm Mike Mandell NVIS Antennas	4	5	6	7
8	9 ARES/RACES Net 7:30 pm	10	District 2 RACES Net 7:30 pm 147.255	12	13	14
Deadline to Schedule VE Test	ARES/RACES Net 7:30 pm	17	District 2 RACES Net 7:30 pm 147.255	19	20 VE Test Session Hanover Elem. School 6:30 pm	21
22	23 ARES/RACES Net 7:30 pm	24	District 2 RACES Net 7:30 pm 147.255	26	27	28
29	30 ARES/RACES Net 7:30 pm	31				

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

LVARC Minutes September 2017

Tuesday, September 5, 2017 19:30

Tri-Clover Fire Company, Orefield, PA 9/5/2017

Opening:

The regular meeting of the Lehigh Valley Amateur Radio Club was called to order at 7:30PM on Sept 5 by President Bartos .

There were a total of 19 members in attendance, and the club was joined by no guests.

Guests: None

The following Board Members were present at the meeting: John Bartos, Chuck Ballard, Brian Snyder, Mike Mandell, Paul Ryan, Rick Pearce, Rodney Wolfe, Phil Biggs

Approval of Minutes

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

Moved: Chuck, W3CDY Second: Don, N0VGA

Treasurer's Report (Brian-KB3QHA)

The treasurer's report was read. Motion to approve: Chuck, W3CDY

Second: Myles, KB3ZMA

Motion carried **Committee Reports**

Repeater:

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policy. Program:

Tonight, Myles KB3ZMA will talk about his 2 years in Haiti. Next month is Mike KC3BLF on NVIS. November will be Rod on Echolink

Volunteer Examiners:

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ARES:

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Communications:

No report

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Old Business:

7 members participated in the solar eclipse QSO party from the club station. PA QSO Party is Oct 14 and 15.

New Business:



The club received an email invitation for a "How To" festival at the Allentown Library on Wed Sept 20th.

There did not appear to be a lot of interest for a mid-week unknown event.

Club officer nominations will begin next month.

We will also be asking for nominations for the Pres Schuler award this year.

Mark, AK3M, pointed out that the FCC has a new license application form with a felony question on it.

Good of the Order:

John, AB3LZ reminded members sending out bulk email to club members to use the BCC field.

An email came into the club from the PA Turnpike looking for a communication person.

There is a new digital mode in the JT65 family that is shorter to complete a QSO.

Brief discussion of general HF conditions improving very recently.

Chuck, W3CDY mentioned some new Chinese radios coming out for UHF frequencies on channels.

Sick Report:

None

New Member Applicants:

Eric Harding, K3HDG

Motion to accept: Second: Rod, N3XG Carried Mark, AK3M

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 8:29PM

Moved: Chuck, W3CDY Seconded: Rick, KC3EXO

Carried

Minutes submitted by: Mike, KC3BLF



North Jersey Hamfest Start Date: 04/23/2017 End Date: 04/23/2017

Location: Roxbury Senior Center

72 Eyland Avene Succasunna, NJ 07876

Website: http://www.splitrockara.org **Sponsor:** Splitrock Amateur Radio Association

Type: ARRL Hamfest **Talk-In:** 146.985 (PL 131.8)

Public Contact: Michael Greenfeld, K8BQ c/o SARA PO Box 610 Rockaway, NJ 07866

Phone: 866-457-6687

Email: hamfest2017@splitrockara.org

York Hamfest

Start Date: 04/29/2017 End Date: 04/29/2017 Location: Elicker's Grove Park 511 Roth Church Road

Spring Grove, PA 17362

Website: http://www.yorkhamfest.org/
Sponsor: York Hamfest Foundation

Type: ARRL Hamfest Talk-In: 147.33 (PL 123)

Public Contact: Duane Sterner, KB3QLQ 7197 Hershey Road Spring Grove, PA 17362

Phone: 717-332-1385

Email: duane.sterner@yahoo.com

Orange County ARC Hamfest Start Date: 04/30/2017

End Date: 04/30/2017

Location: Wallkill Community Center

8 West Warren Drive Middletown, NY 10940

Website: http://www.ocarc-ny.org

Sponsor: Orange County Amateur Radio Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest Talk-In: 146.76 (PL 100)

Public Contact: Bruce Baccaro , K2ULZ 4 Taffy Lane Newburgh, NY 12550

Phone: 845-562-4226 **Email:** k2ulz@arrl.net

Eastern Pennsylvania Section Convention

Start Date: 05/07/2017 **End Date:** 05/07/2017

Location: Bucks County Community College - Lower

Bucks Campus

1304 Veterans Highway Bristol, PA 19007

Website: http://www.k3dn.org

Sponsor: Warminster Amateur Radio Club

Type: ARRL Convention **Talk-In:** 147.09 (PL 131.8)

Public Contact: George Brechmann, N3HBT 513 Cooper Drive Warminster, PA 18974

Phone: 215-443-5656 **Email:** n3hbt@arrl.net

BARA Spring Hamfest Start Date: 05/27/2017 End Date: 05/27/2017

Location: Westwood Regional Jr./Sr. High School

701 Ridgewood Road

Township of Washington, NJ 07676 **Website:** http://www.bara.org

Sponsor: Bergen Amateur Radio Associaton

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 146.19, 146.79 (PL 141.3) **Public Contact:** Jim Joyce , K2ZO

286 Ridgewood Blvd. Township of Washington, NJ 07676

Phone: 201-664-6725 **Email:** K2ZO@arrl.net

Memorial Weekend Hamfest

Start Date: 05/28/2017 **End Date:** 05/28/2017

Location: Howard County Fairgrounds

2210 Fairgrounds Road West Friendship, MD 21794

Website: http://www.marylandfm.org **Sponsor:** Maryland FM Association

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 146.76, 224.76, 444.0 (PL 107.2) **Public Contact:** John Elgin , WA3MNN 518 Copley Lane Silver Spring, MD 20904

Phone: 301-641-5313

Email: marylandfm@verizon.net



Ocean-Monmouth ARC Spring Hamfest

Start Date: 06/03/2017 **End Date:** 06/03/2017

Location: Spring Lake Heights Independent Fire

Company No. 1 700 Sixth Avenue Spring Lake Heights, NJ

Website: http://www.n2mo.org

Sponsor: Ocean-Monmouth Amateur Radio Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest **Talk-In:** 145.110 (PL 127.3)

Public Contact: Joe Kruszewski , KC2SVS 1508 Essex Court Toms River, NJ 08755

Phone: 732-618-5328 **Email:** joekru1@hotmail.com

MBARC Spring into Summer Hamfest

Start Date: 06/04/2017 **End Date:** 06/04/2017

Location: Employees Recreation Center (near Downstate Location: MOESC

Correctional Facility) 83 Red Schoolhouse Road Fishkill, NY 12524

Website: http://www.wr2abb.org Sponsor: Mount Beacon ARC Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 146.970 (PL 100)

Public Contact: Adam Nowik Jr , KC2DAA 106 Boardman Road Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

Phone: 845-849-3666 **Email:** KC2DAA@aol.com

William H. Pouch Scout Camp Hamfest

Start Date: 06/04/2017 **End Date:** 06/04/2017

Location: William H. Pouch Scout Camp - Camporee

Parking Lot 1465 Manor Road Staten Island, NY 10301

Website: http://www.wa2cp.org

Sponsor: Camp Pouch Amateur Radio Association

Type: ARRL Hamfest **Talk-In:** 147.315 (PL 118.8)

Public Contact: Gary Lindtner, KB2BSL

1465 Manor Road (Ham Radio) Staten Island, NY 10314

Phone: 718-504-0030 **Email:** hamfest@wa2cp.org

27th Annual Bloomsburg Hamfest

Start Date: 06/10/2017 **End Date:** 06/10/2017

Location: Lime Ridge Community Center

6405 4th Street Lime Ridge, PA

Website: http://www.qsl.net/cm-arc/hamfest.htm

Sponsor: Columbia-Montour ARC

Type: ARRL Hamfest **Talk-In:** 147.225+ (PL 85.4)

Public Contact: Dave Schack, WC3A 1586 State Route 93 Berwick, PA 18603

Phone: 570-951-9694

Email: ten_speed_99@yahoo.com

Garden State Amateur Radio Association Spring

Hamfest

Start Date: 06/11/2017 End Date: 06/11/2017 Location: MOESC 100 Tornillo Way Tinton Falls, NJ

Website: http://www.gardenstateara.org/hamfest Sponsor: Garden State Amateur Radio Association

Type: ARRL Hamfest Talk-In: 147.045 (PL 67)

Public Contact: Rem Hunnewell , K2REM 160 Belmar Avenue Oakhurst, NJ 07755

Phone: 732-889-6692

Email: HAMFEST@GardenStateARA.Org

HOSARC Hamfest Start Date: 06/11/2017 End Date: 06/11/2017

Location: New York Hall of Science Parking Lot

47-01 111th Street Queens, NY

Website: http://www.hosarc.org

Sponsor: Hall of Science Amateur Radio Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest Talk-In: 444.2 (PL 136.5)

Public Contact: Stephen Greenbaum, WB2KDG

85-10 34th Avenue, Apt. 323 Jackson Heights, NY 11372

Phone: 718-898-5599 **Email:** WB2KDG@arrl.net



W2QW Hamfest Start Date: 06/17/2017 **End Date:** 06/17/2017

Location: Piscataway High School

110 Behmer Road Piscataway, NJ 08854

Website: http://w2qw.org/hamfest.htm **Sponsor:** Raritan Valley Radio Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 146.625 (PL 103.5); 442.25 (PL 141.3), 146.52

Public Contact: E Drew Moore, W20U 30 Ethel Road Piscataway, NJ 08854

Phone: 732-801-4654

Email: drumor@optonline.net

BARC's Father's Day Hamfest

Start Date: 06/18/2017 **End Date:** 06/18/2017

Location: Arcadia Volunteer Fire Company Carnival

Grounds

16020 Carnival Avenue Upperco, MD 21155

Website: http://www.w3ft.com

Sponsor: Baltimore Amateur Radio Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest **Talk-In:** None

Public Contact: Dave Shadwell, AB3TE PO Box 120 Reisterstown, MD 21136

Phone: 443-465-6583 **Email:** w3ft67@vahoo.com

Harrisburg Radio Amateurs Club Firecracker

Hamfest

Start Date: 07/01/2017 **End Date:** 07/01/2017

Location: Harrisburg Area Community College

3599 Industrial Road Harrisburg, PA 17101

Website: http://www.w3uu.org

Sponsor: Harrisburg Radio Amateurs' Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest Talk-In: 146.76 (PL 100)

Public Contact: Tim Lehman , KB30ZA PO Box 453 Hummelstown, PA 17036

Phone: 717 461-3398 **Email:** kb3oza@arrl.net

Murgas ARC Hamfest and Computerfest

Start Date: 07/02/2017 **End Date:** 07/02/2017

Location: Polish American Veterans Club

2 South Oak Street Wilkes-Barre, PA

Website: http://murgasarc.org
Sponsor: Murgas Amateur Radio Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest Talk-In: 146.61 (PL 82.5)

Public Contact: Herb Krumich, K2LNS

311 Meadow Run Road Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702

Phone: 570-829-2695

Email: murgasarc@gmail.com

Valley Forge Hamfest Start Date: 07/08/2017 End Date: 07/08/2017

Location: Kimberton Fire Company Fairgrounds

Route 113 and Firehouse Lane

Kimberton, PA 19442

Website: http://www.marc-radio.org/hamfest2.htm

Sponsor: Mid-Atlantic Amateur Radio Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 145.13, 147.06 (PL 131.8) **Public Contact:** Brian Kelly, AA3BK

30 North Valentine Drive Garnet Valley, PA 19060

Phone: 240-498-1964

Email: AA3BK@marc-radio.org

SCARC 2017

Start Date: 07/16/2017 **End Date:** 07/16/2017

Location: Sussex County Fairgrounds

37 Plains Road Augusta, NJ 07822

Website: http://www.scarcnj.org

Sponsor: Sussex County Amateur Radio Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest Talk-In: 147.3 (PL 151.4)

Public Contact: Dan Carter, N2ERH 8 Carter Lane Branchville, NJ 07826

Phone: 973-862-8197 **Email:** <u>Hamfest@scarcnj.org</u>



JSARS Hamfest by the Shore Start Date: 08/27/2017 End Date: 08/27/2017 Location: Riverwood Park 100 Riverwood Drive Toms River, NJ 08753

Website: http://jsars.org

Sponsor: Jersey Shore Amateur Radio Society

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 146.910 (PL 127.3)

Public Contact: Don McGlaughlin, K2HCW

PO Box 811 Ocean Gate, NJ 08740

Phone: 732-237-9448 **Email:** K2HCW@comcast.net

New Jersey State Convention Start Date: 09/10/2017 End Date: 09/10/2017

Location: Gloucester County 4-H Fairgrounds

235 Bridgeton Pike (Route 77) Mullica Hill, NJ 08062

Website: http://w2mmd.org **Sponsor:** Gloucester County ARC

Type: ARRL Convention
Talk-In: 147.18+ (PL 131.8)

Public Contact: Sheldon Parker, K2MEN 643 Betty Rose Avenue Gibbstown, NJ 08027

Phone: 856-423-1767 **Email:** k2men@comcast.net

CARAFest

Start Date: 10/01/2017 **End Date:** 10/01/2017

Location: Howard County Fairgrounds

2210 Fairgrounds Road West Friendship, MD 21794

Website: http://www.carafest.org **Sponsor:** Columbia Amateur Radio Association

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 147.390+ (PL 156.7)

Public Contact: David Parkison , KB3VDY 1257 Stevens Avenue Arbutus, MD 21227

Phone: 410-977-1249 **Email:** info@carafest.org

Mid-Atlantic States VHF Conference

Start Date: 10/06/2017 **End Date:** 10/08/2017

Location: Holiday Inn Bensalem-Philadelphia

3327 Street Road Bensalem, PA 19020

Website: http://packratvhf.com

Sponsor: Mt. Airy VHF Radio Club (Packrats)

Type: ARRL Convention

Talk-In:

Public Contact: Rick Rosen, K1DS

7676 Springwater Place, #101 Boynton Beach, FL 33437

Phone: 215-284-5517 **Email:** rick1ds@hotmail.com

HOSARC Hamfest Start Date: 10/08/2017 End Date: 10/08/2017

Location: New York Hall of Science Parking Lot

47-01 111th Street Corona, NY 11368

Queens, NY

Website: http://www.hosarc.org

Sponsor: Hall of Science Amateur Radio Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest **Talk-In:** 444.2 (PL 136.5)

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LVARC Classified



N3XG Items for sale:

Amplifier

Skywalker 500 watt HF Amp. \$300.00 Amp is in perfect working order, 160 - 10 meters.

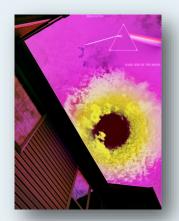
Contact Rodney N3XG.RADIO@gmail.com for availability and sales.



LVARC Club Photos









Solar Eclipse QSO Party from the club station.







Photos courtesy of John Bartos, AB3LZ



LVARC Club Photos



Haiti Mission presented by Myles Bodisch









Photos courtesy of Don Hoppes, NØVGA

