



The VOX



The Official Newsletter of the

Lehigh **V**alley **A**mateur **R**adio **C**lub - W3OI / KB3SYV
Allentown, Pennsylvania (Lehigh County) - USA

2025 Officers

President: **Rod Wolfe** - N3XG
Vice President: **Steve Olock**
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Treasurer: **Paul Ryan** - N0KIA

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John Bartos - AB3LZ
Scott Leichssenring - KB3YOT
Rick Pearce - KC3EXO
Scotty Redfield - W3SGT
Matthew Vanderhoff - N3VAN

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LVARC Repeaters

146.34 / 146.94 (PL 71.9)
147.735/147.135 (DCS 315)
147.420 (Club Simplex Freq.)
445.025 W3OI D-Star "B" module
147.165 W3OI D-Star "C" module

LVARC/RACES/ARES Net

Every Monday at 7:30p (ET)
on the 94 repeater.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">* 147.735/147.135 (DCS 315)
Automatic Mode Select. Analog* FM or YSF, Yaesu System Fusion), |
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Many club announcements will be heard there!

The November LVARC meeting will be held on Tuesday November 4, 2025 via ZOOM AND In-Person at 7:30p.

Program: October 7 TBA
Plan to attend this Meeting!

The LVARC holds it's monthly meeting the **FIRST TUESDAY** of every month **BOTH In Person AND** using ZOOM at 7:30p Eastern time. Meetings are held at the Tri-Clover Fire Co. in Orefield, PA.

LVARC TEST SESSIONS

The LVARC test sessions are held the **THIRD FRIDAY** of **EVERY OTHER MONTH**.

Contact Mark Miller (AK3M) at AK3M@rcn.com for details.

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

If you have questions, contact Mark (AK3M) at AK3M@rcn.com

Up Coming 2025 LVARC Programs/events

November 4 2025 - LVARC meeting



This Month In LVRC Ham Radio

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LVARC Nets

1. **Monday Night LVARC/ARRS/RACES/ACS Net - 7:30p - 146.94 MHz**
2. **Monday Night USB Simplex Net - 8:15p - 144.255 MHz**
3. **Tuesday Night Net - 2nd & 4th Tuesdays — 8:00p - 146.94 MHz**



de N3XG

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>November 2025</h1>						 Turn clocks BACK 1 hour
2	<div>3</div> <div> LVARC Net 7:30p KB3YOT 2m AM/SSB Net - 8:15p </div>	<div>4</div> <div> LVARC Meeting 7:30p </div>	<div>5</div> <div> Digital Net 7:00-8:00p 145.550 FM Packet </div>	<div>6</div> <div> 2m FM SIMPLEX net 147.420 8:00 </div>	7	8
9	<div>10</div> <div> LVARC Net 7:30p KB3UZE 2m AM/SSB Net - 8:15p </div>	<div>11</div> <div> Tuesday Night Net 146.94 8:00p </div>	<div>12</div> <div> Digital Net 7:00-8:00p 145.550 FM Packet </div>	<div>13</div> <div> 2m FM SIMPLEX net 147.420 8:00 </div>	14	15
16	<div>17</div> <div> LVARC Net 7:30p N3RPV 2m AM/SSB Net - 8:15p </div>	<div>18</div> <div> LVARC Activity Night 7:00p </div>	<div>19</div> <div> Digital Net 7:00-8:00p 145.550 FM Packet </div>	<div>20</div> <div> 2m FM SIMPLEX net 147.420 8:00 </div>	21	22
23	<div>24</div> <div> LVARC Net 7:30p WW3TRG 2m AM/SSB Net - 8:15p </div>	25	<div>26</div> <div> Digital Net 7:00-8:00p 145.550 FM Packet </div>	27	<div>28</div> <div>  TNXGiving </div>	29
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September 2025 Net Report

09/08 - 50
09/15 - 55
09/22 - 53
09/29 - 56

Total Monday Night ARES / ACS Check-ins- 255

Monday Night SSB Net

09/01 - 7
09/08 - 7
09/15 - 8
09/22 - 6
09/29 - 4



Total Monday Night SSB Check-ins - 32

Tesla Net (no report this month due to net manager error)

Wednesday Night Digital Net

09/03 - 5
09/10 - 3
09/17 - 4
09/24 - 0 (no net)

Total Wednesday Night Digital Net Check-ins - 12

Thursday Night 2m FM Simplex Net

09/04 - 6
09/11 - 6
09/18 - 4
09/25 - 6

LVARC UpComing 2025 Events

November 4 - D&L Half Marathon

November - Nominations for 2003 officers and board begin

November - Nominations for Pres Schuler Award

December - Elections for 2026

December - Holiday party

December - Presentation of Pres Schuler Award 2022

December 19 - LVARC Test session



Phonetic Alphabet

de Rod (N3XG)

Did you ever wonder how and why the words associated with our current Phonetic Alphabet were chosen? Did you know the history of spelling words with common words was born from the early telephone industry?

Here is a great video that reviews the history and development of what we commonly call the NATO Phonetic Alphabet. this is Number Three Xenon Gome.

<https://youtu.be/UAT-eOzeY4M?si=FhoWFkjJit5T0il7>

Resignations - As you may have noticed, my presence at meetings and ARES activities has been sparse. I am experiencing orthopedic issues which has been effecting by mobility. It is for this reason, I have decided to resign from coordinating ARES activities as well as the VE program.

I would like LVARC member(s) to volunteer to take over these positions. -- I will be able to help them get started. - Mark (AK3M).

Silent Key Memorial

*My chair is sitting empty,
My call's no longer heard,
My radio rests quietly,
From it comes no words.
On my shack door is a message,
That reads "From Me to Thee.
My Frequency's much higher now,
I've become a Silent Key.*



Joseph A. Reynick - KC3DKU

For Sale

A low hour-mint condition Icom 7300 for sale for \$625.00. It was a back-up radio to my 101D and does not have a blemish on it. I am good on QRZ and my phone number is 610-248-4137.



Question: When was the first Thanksgiving NFL football game?

Answer: 1934

Lehigh Valley Amateur Radio Club Monthly Meeting Month General Meeting Date - October 7, 2025

Combo Local and Remote via Zoom

The Meeting was called to order by Rod Wolfe @ 7:30 PM

Secret Word is “J-Pole” and needs to be emailed to Phil @ philbert17@ptd.net to show attendance for online participants.

Rod covered hybrid zoom meeting procedures, zoom will be an active participant in the meeting

Remotes will raise hand to signify a nay vote otherwise no indication will be considered a yes vote

Online was interactive with full communications for both local and remotes

ATTENDEES

There was a total of 33 members in attendance with 9 remote members (as per the email method) and 24 local attendees. There are also 4 guests in attendance.

The following Board Members were present at the meeting:

President – Rodney Wolfe N3XG Present

Vice President –Steve Olock KS3RO Present

Treasurer - Paul Ryan N0KIA Present

Secretary - Phil Bigg KB3HMK Present

Board of Governors:

Rick Pearce KC3EXO Present

Scott Leichssenring KB3YOT Present

John Bartos AB3LZ Present

Scotty Scott Redfield Present

Matthew Vanderhoff Present

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Guests and Attendees of Note:

Eric Schwartz – K3ELS

John Schwartz – KD3BXX

Scott McClellan – W3WT

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1 - Proceedings:

A motion was made to approve the September Meeting minutes as published in the October VOX newsletter. Motion to approve was made by Scott (KB3YOT) and 2nd by John (AB3LZ)

Motion Passed = Y

Program for tonight:

Tonight's program will be about J-Pole Antennas presented by Scott (KB3YOT)

2 - Treasurer's Report (Paul - N0KIA)

Paul presented the monthly financial report for the month of September.

Motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Rick (KC3EXO) and 2nd by Scotty (W3SGT)

Motion Passed = Y

3 - ARES & VE Report

VE Report:

Due to my health issues, I have cancelled the October 17th test session.

ARES Report:

On Saturday October 4, 2025, 12 LVARC operators turned out to supply communications support for the Women's 5K Classic in the Parkway. Their weather was cool and the excitement was plentiful.

I want to thank those operators who participated for picking up the slack. I have been having mobility issues and am unable to make the event in person. Larry (NR3R) took over as NCS, and I listened from home. Despite the last minute's changes, all went very well.

Approximately 2,500 people participated in this event.

A directed net was called at 0952 and was cancelled at 1229.

Those who participated included Larry (NR3R), Terry (KD3BEG), Angelo (W3PIG), Ruth (AC3NN), Bill (KC3WXH), Rod (N3XG), Dan (KC3HWD), Scotty (W3SGT), Mike (KC3HOJ), Mark (W3BQD), Andy (AK3KA), Paul (AC3PG), Phil (KB3HMK) and Rob (AB3RC).

The Limerick Drill will be held on October 29th and the EOC Drill will be November 18th.

4 - Communications:

Website: No issues to report currently.

5 - Repeater report: by Rod N3XG.

No issues to report currently.

If you find that the Wires X is not working, let Jeff (WA3PNY) or John (AB3LZ) know and they will investigate it.

6 - Club Station / Trailer:

The HF antennas were removed from the firehouse roof.

The trailer will be winterized soon.

7 - Old Business:

Lehigh County finalized the MOU. Rod will have posted on the website for the members to view it.

Rod sent a thank you letter to the QWCA for their donation to the club

The club picnic was a success. A big thank to Doug (N3WGH) for coordinating the event.

The club made a donation of \$50 to the “Tunnel to Towers” in memory of Joe Reynick (KC3DKU).

The Pa. QSO Party is this weekend.

Winter Field Day is the weekend of January 24th and 25th. We will be participating in Nockamixon State Park again this year. We have a cabin rented for the whole weekend (Friday, Saturday & Sunday). We will be activating a POTA station on Friday and then possibly from another state park on Saturday. If you plan on staying any of the nights, please let Scott (KB3YOT) know. Any questions, please contact Scott (KB3YOT).

Matt (N3VAN) said that if you have an android phone, you can download an app for the Nano VNA. This will help with viewing the screen being displayed on the phone.

Net control operators are needed for Monday night net, please contact Rod, N3XG if you're willing to learn and help out the running of the net.

8 - New Business:

Rod asked for a motion to open nominations for officers and board members for the 2026 term.

The motion was made by Ed (KC3OLB) and seconded by John (AB3LZ)

The following members were nominated:

President

Matt (N3VAN) – Declined

Jeff (WA3PNY) – Declined

Scott (KB3YOT) – Declined

Dan (KC3HWD) – Accepted

John (AB3LZ) – Declined

Vice President

Steve (KS3RO) – Declined

John (AB3LZ) – Accepted

Treasurer

Paul (N0KIA) – Accepted

Secretary

Phil (KB3HMK) – Accepted

Board

Rick (KC3EXO) – Accepted

Mike (KC3UCX) – Accepted

Matt (N3VAN) – Accepted

Scotty (W3SGT) – Accepted

Scott (KB3YOT) – Declined

Doug (N3WGH) – Declined

Eric (N3EJH) – Accepted

Mike (AC3OT) – Accepted via a phone call made by Dan (KC3HWD) at the meeting and then communicated to the secretary that night.

There were no more nominations.

Rod then asked for a motion to suspend nominations until the November meeting.

The motion was made by Rick (KC3EXO) and seconded by Matt (N3VAN)

8a - New Members:

Eric Schwartz – K3ELS

Dave Fuller – KA2TSM

A motion was made by Mike (KC3UCX) and seconded by Dan (KC3HWD) to accept the new members.

Motion Passed: Y

9 - Sick Call

Doug (N3WGH) is feeling under the weather due to certain circumstances.

10 - Good of the Order:

Phil (KB3HMK) has a Honda generator for sale. He is asking \$900 for it. If interested, contact Phil.

Steve (KS3RO) stated that he will not run for any officer or board position this year due to he and his wife will be moving to another county to live with his mother. He will still be a part of the club. He will have amateur related equipment for sale. He will send an email out with the info.

Mike (KC3UCX) gave Rod \$100 for the club. This is from equipment the club wanted to sell.

Jeff (WA3PNY) stated that he had issues with squirrels getting at his antenna cables. He did some research and found out that squirrels don't like peppermint. He found a peppermint spray that you can put on the cables. So if you're having issues with squirrels getting at your cables, give this a try.

Mike (KC3UCX) had the following info on upcoming hamfests:

B,A,R,A, Fall Hamfest – October 11th

Technology Swap Meet – October 18th

RF Hill Hamfest – October 19th

W3UU Hamfest – October 25th

NJARC Hamfest – November 22nd

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by John (AB3LZ) and 2nd by Scott (KB3YOT)

Motion Passed: Y

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM

Respectfully Submitted Phillip Bigg KB3HMK, Secretary

On The Air Nets for Lehigh Valley Amateur Radio Club

- Monday 730 PM 146.94 Club Net, Formal Alphabetical (suffix) Check In,
- Monday 815 PM 2M SSB Simplex 144.255 (note new freq.) casual round robin net following the Monday night net
- Tuesday, 8 PM 146.94 repeater casual round robin net on Non-Meeting Tuesday Nights
- Wed 7 PM Digital
- Thursday 8 PM FM Simplex 147.420

True or false: Turkeys can fly.

Answer: True



10 Highlights In This VOX

Did you read them?

1. The **November 4, 2025 LVARC meeting** will be held using ZOOM **AND** In Person on **Tuesday October 7 at 7:30p.**
2. Silent Key
3. Turn clocks BACK one hour.
4. St. Luke's RaceFest - November 9.
5. Sept Net Report
6. September 2025 meeting minutes.
7. **ARES resignation.**
8. **VE resignation.**
9. Wild turkeys CAN fly.
10. Thanksgiving trivia(s).



and more



2025