



# The VOX



The Official Newsletter of the

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

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## 2025 Officers

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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"><li>* 147.735/147.135 (DCS 315)<br/>Automatic Mode Select. Analog</li><li>* FM or YSF, Yaesu System Fusion),</li></ul> |
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**Many club announcements will be heard there!**

The September LVARC meeting will be held on Tuesday September 2, 2025 via ZOOM AND In-Person at 7:30p.

Program: September 2 - “Nano DNA” (Matt - N3VAN)  
*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](mailto:AK3M@rcn.com) for details.

### **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED**

If you have questions, contact Mark (AK3M) at [AK3M@rcn.com](mailto:AK3M@rcn.com)

### **Up Coming 2025 LVARC Programs/events**

September 2 - “Nano DNA” (Matt - N3VAN)  
October 7 - “J Pole Antenna Build” - (Scott - KB3YOT)





READER SUBMISSION

Steve (KC3UKE)

**Monday Night Net Control operators are being sought.** If you are interested in becoming a Net Control operator for the LVARC Monday Night Net, contact Rod (N3XG) at [n3xg.radio@gmail.com](mailto:n3xg.radio@gmail.com).



The LVARC/W3OI annual picnic will be held on Saturday September 13, 2025 at Emmaus Community Park at pavilion #2. For more information, contact Scott (KB3YOT) at [scott\\_leichssenring@hotmail.com](mailto:scott_leichssenring@hotmail.com).

## 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
4. **Wednesday Night Digital Net** - 7:00p - 145.550
5. **Thursday Night - 2m Simplex Net** - 8:00p - 147.420 MHz

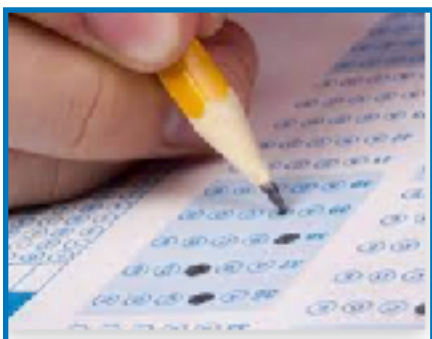


## 2025 LVARC ARES Schedule

Listen to the Monday Night nets, attend LVARC meetings and read the VOX to get specific information.

**October 4 — Women's 5K Classic**

**November 9 — St. Luke's Marathon/RaceFest**



## LVARC Test Session Schedule

**October 17  
December 19**




## Winter Field Day 2026

The LVARC Winter Field Day will be held on January 24 & 25, 2026 at Lake Nockamixon State Park. For more information, contact Scott (KBs3YOT) at [scott\\_leichssenring@hotmail.com](mailto:scott_leichssenring@hotmail.com) or listen to the Monday Night Net or attend meetings.

**The LVARC has many activities still coming up in 2025.**

**Consider helping with these activities and maybe  
running for office in 2026!**

# This Month In Ham Radio

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 <div> <div>LVARC Net 7:30p</div> <div>WW3TRG</div> <div>2m AM/SSB Net - 8:15p</div> </div>	2 <div> <div>LVARC Meeting 7:30p</div> </div>	3 <div> <div>Digital Net 7:00-8:00p 145.550 FM Packet</div> </div>	4 <div> <div>2m FM SIMPLEX net 147.420 8:00</div> </div>	5	6
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14	15 <div> <div>LVARC Net 7:30p</div> <div>N3XG</div> <div>2m AM/SSB Net - 8:15p</div> </div>	16 <div> <div>LVARC Activity Night 7:00p</div> </div>	17 <div> <div>Digital Net 7:00-8:00p 145.550 FM Packet</div> </div>	18 <div> <div>2m FM SIMPLEX net 147.420 8:00</div> </div>	19	20
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## JULY NET REPORT

### **Monday Night ARES / ACS Net:**

July 7 - 48

July 14 - 51

July 21 - 55

July 28 - 44

Total Monday Night ARES / ACS Check-ins: 198

### **Monday Night 2m SSB Net**

July 7 - 4

July 14 - 4

July 21 - 8

July 28 - 7

Total Monday Night 2m SSB Check-ins: 23

### **Tesla Tuesday**

July 8 - 9

July 22 - 8

July 29 - 8

Total Tesla Tuesday Check-ins: 25

### **Wednesday Night Digital**

July 2 - 3

July 9 - 0

July 16 - 5

July 23 - 4

July 30 - 0

Total Wednesday Digital Check-ins: 12

### **Thursday Night 2m FM Simplex**

July 3 - 4

July 10 - 5

July 17 - 8

July 24 - 5

July 31 - 7

Total Thursday 2m Simplex: 29



**NEW MEMBER**

## LVARC New Member

At the August 5, 2025 meeting , the following member was voted in to the LVARC membership. CONGRATULATIONS to **John Dowbachuk (N2XCO)**. Welcome to the club!

*Welcome John to the club if you meet him on the air or see him at a meeting!*



## St. Luke's Race Fest

The St. Luke's RaceFest will be held on Sunday November 9 2025. To volunteer, contact Rod (N3XG) at [n3xg.radio@gmail.com](mailto:n3xg.radio@gmail.com).

Keep informed by listening to the Monday Night Net, attend meetings and reading the VOX.

**Lots  
Happening  
at the  
LVARC!**



**Your** newsletter, the VOX, needs your input! Send your submissions to Mark (AK3M). They can be text and/or graphics. Send your input to Mark (AK3M) at [AK3M@rcn.com](mailto:AK3M@rcn.com)).



## **FREE Technician Class License Course**

de Bob (WB3JSZ)

Do you know someone interested in getting started in amateur radio? The following is a FREE course for getting a Technician license. Feel free to distribute this URL to anyone you wish.

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**A free, weekly, live, Amateur Radio Technician Class Licensing course on Zoom will begin on Thursday, Sept 4,** and will run through Thursday, October 16 (7 sessions). The three-hour sessions will start at 6:30 PM Eastern Time. These are the classes that we have been holding for years sponsored by the Amateur Radio Club of the National Electronics Museum. Please publicize this with anyone you know that you think would be interested. Those wishing to sign up should email [roland.anders@comcast.net](mailto:roland.anders@comcast.net).

We have overlapping mailing lists, so if you received a duplicate of this message, thanx for your understanding.

Tom K3YH

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## **LVARC PICNIC!**

**Saturday, September 13th —- 11:30 - 2pm**

Emmaus Community Park - 1356 Shimerville

Rd, Emmaus, PA 18049

(Note the venue change from previous years)



Doug N3WGH is taking a head count and helping coordinate picnic activities. Please email Doug so that we have an accurate number to purchase hot dogs, hamburgers and drinks

**[N3WGH@ARRL.NET](mailto:N3WGH@ARRL.NET)**



Dear Fellow LVARC Members,




I am pleased to cordially invite you to join our free upcoming **Webinar – Discover Geochron with Patrick Bolan, KJ7ZSU**, on **Wednesday, September 3, 2025, at 7:30 PM ET**.

Patrick, Head Wrangler at Geochron, will share the fascinating history and innovation behind the world's most iconic global timepieces, including the Geochron Atlas. This promises to be an engaging presentation that blends history, technology, and amateur radio.

**Highlights of the presentation include:**

- An inside look at Geochron's legacy and modern digital evolution
- Stories from Patrick's 23,000-mile motorcycle journey visiting Geochron owners across 48 states
- A unique perspective on how Geochron products support amateur radio and global awareness

 **Exclusive Offer:** All attendees will receive a special discount coupon toward Geochron products.

**You are invited to a Zoom webinar!**

**When:** Sep 3, 2025, 07:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

**Topic:** Geochron Presentation

 Join from PC, Mac, iPad, or Android:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84768131586?pwd=qTHiOtzZBL9lJuYOR1x0DcK5fkNLpy.1>

**Passcode:** QCWA

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# Lehigh Valley Amateur Radio Club Monthly Meeting

## Month General Meeting Date August 5, 2025

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Combo Local and Remote via Zoom

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

Secret Word is CUCUMBER and needs to be emailed to Phil @ [philbert17@ptd.net](mailto: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 8 remote members (as per the email method) and 25 local attendees.

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 Absent

Scott Leichssenring KB3YOT Present

John Bartos AB3LZ Present

Scotty Scott Redfield Remote

Matthew Vanderhoff Remote

### Guests and Attendees of Note:

There were no guests in attendance

### 1 - Proceedings:

A motion was made to approve the July Meeting minutes as published in the August VOX newsletter. Motion to approve was made by Dan (KC3HWD) and 2nd by Chuck (W3CDY)

Motion Passed = Y

### Program for tonight:

APRS presented by Rod (N3XG)

September's program will be presented by Matt (N3VAN) on the Nano VNA.

The October Hands On Night will be a Roll Up J-Pole Antenna.

### 2 - Treasurer's Report (Paul - N0KIA)

Paul read the financial report for the month of July

Motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by John (AB3LZ) and 2nd by Chuck (W3CDY)

Motion Passed = Y

### 3 - ARES & VE Report

VE Report: The next test session will be held on August 15, 2025 and will be held at Hanover Elementary School in Bethlehem. Registration is necessary. To register, contact Mark (AK3M) at [AK3M@rcn.com](mailto:AK3M@rcn.com).

ARES Report: The next ARES event scheduled is the Women's 5K Classic held in the Parkway. Your help is needed! If you can volunteer your time and expertise, contact Mark (AK3M) at [AK3M@rcn.com](mailto:AK3M@rcn.com)

The D & L Marathon will be held on November 9. More info to follow.

The club did radio communications for the Quadzilla Endurance Event that was held at the Lehigh Valley Zoo. There were 10 members that participated. A big thank to all.

### 4 - Communications:

Website: Nothing to report

#### 5 - Repeater report: by Rod N3XG.

Thanks goes out to Jeff (N3MFT) for fixing the kerchunking that was happening on the 94 repeater.

The IP switch for the 135 repeater is not working properly. Will need access to the site to try and fix it.

#### 6 - Club Station / Trailer:

The tires and bearings will be serviced soon. More info to follow.

#### 7 - Old Business:

The MOU that Lehigh County asked the club for is in the hands of the county solicitor. When it is finalized, Rod will let the members know.

Rod met with the fire company officers and discussed the concerns both from the fire company and the club. One concern are the antennas on the roof. After discussion, it was decided to take the antennas down. The board will discuss ideas to adapt to the change. Rod also asked if the club and the fire company can do some kind of lease agreement. The fire company is looking into. More info to follow.

September 13<sup>th</sup> is the club picnic. Rod asked for a volunteer to coordinate. If no one steps forward, the picnic could be cancelled. Let Rod know if you're willing to be the coordinator.

The club made 3,024 points for Field Day this year. It was discussed about early tear down. The club tries to end early due to the possibly being hot in the afternoon. There's a possibility of leaving one radio up and tearing the rest down. Discussion followed.

The next POTA activation will be on August 9<sup>th</sup> at Jacobsburg State Park.

Winter Field will be on January 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> at Nockamixon State Park. We have a cabin rented for the weekend. Please let Scott (KB3YOT) if you will be spending the night to reserve a bed for you.

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 mentioned that there will be no open carry of firearms at any club event. A policy will be drafted by the board and presented to the members.

#### 8a - New Members:

John Dowbachuk (N2XCO)

Motion to accept was made by Mike (KC3UCX) and seconded by Scott (KB3YOT)

Motion Passed: Y

## 9 - Sick Call

Joe Reynick (KC3DKU) has an incurable medical condition. Please keep him and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

## 10 - Good of the Order:

The club made \$80 from the sale of some club equipment. Thank you to Mike (KC3UCX) for the sale

Chuck (W3CDY) showed the members a very tiny 2-watt uhf radio that he bought from China.

September 15<sup>th</sup> is "Talk Like a Pirate Day" for those that are interested.

Mike had the following report for upcoming Hamfests:

Valley Forge Hamfest – August 10<sup>th</sup>

Gloucester County ARC Hamfest – September 7<sup>th</sup>

Eastern Pa. ARA Hamfest – September 14<sup>th</sup>

Kutztown Antique Radio & Vintage Electronics Meet – September 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Chuck (W3CDY) and 2nd by Scott (KB3YOT)

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

## Amateur Radio!

It's educational; it's a hobby; it's a public service communication service. It's what YOU make it with your interests.

# AMATEUR RADIO CLASSES



**THE DELAWARE-LEHIGH AMATEUR RADIO CLUB**

**will offer FREE CLASSES**

**to help you prepare for the FCC test for the**

**Entry-level Amateur Radio License**

**and, for those wishing to upgrade their current license, classes for the**

**General License Class**

**9 weekly classes will begin on September 2, 2025.**

**On the 10<sup>th</sup> week an FCC license test session will be offered.**

**Classes will be held in Nazareth from 7 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday evenings.**

**If you wish to register in the classes, have interest or questions about amateur radio, email [KE3AW@ARRL.NET](mailto:KE3AW@ARRL.NET), or call 610.419.9286.**

**Leave your name, phone number, and/or e-mail address. We will respond promptly.**

**Websites: [DLARC.CLUB](http://DLARC.CLUB) & [ARRL.ORG](http://ARRL.ORG)**

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# 10 Highlights In This VOX

*Did you read them?*

1. The **September 2, 2025 LVARC meeting** will be held using ZOOM **AND** In Person on **Tuesday September 2 at 7:30p.**
2. LVARC picnic - September 13
3. New LVARC member!
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7. July net report.
8. Women's 5K Classic. - Oct 4.
9. Next scheduled test session - Oct. 17.
10. FREE Technician license course.



**and more**

