



THE VOX

Lehigh Valley Amateur Radio Club
Newsletter
January 2026

PLEASE WELCOME and SUPPORT the 2026 OFFICERS:

President: Dan Longo -- KC3HWD
Vice President: John Bartos – AB3LZ
Treasurer: Paul Ryan – N0KIA
Secretary: Phil Bigg -- KB3HMK
Board Members:
Eric Hagan – N3EJH
Scott Redfield – W3SGT
Mike Salvaggio – KC3UCX
Matt Vanderhoff – N3VAN
Rodney Wolfe – N3XG

Upcoming Events:

January 6 @ 7:30pm – January Meeting [Topic – Winter FD]
January 20 @ 7pm – Hands on night [Prepare gear for Winter FD]
January 23 – January 25 – Winter Field Day [Nockamixon State Park Cabin #9]

Weekly Nets:

Monday 7:30pm – ARES / ACS Net – 146.94
Monday 8:15pm – 2m SSB – 144.255 USB
2nd and 4th Tuesday 8pm – Tesla Tuesday Chat – 146.94
Wednesday 7:00pm – Digital Mode Net – 145.550 [Contact KB3YOT for Mode]
Thursday 8:00pm – 2m FM Simplex – 147.42

YOUR HELP NEEDED:

The LVARC is looking for help with the following:

Newsletter Editor / Publisher:

Did you get a degree in journalism and do not know what to do with it? Did you ever take a creative writing class and want to share those skills with the world? No? Perfect, we have a deal for you. The club is in need of a newsletter editor / publisher for the VOX. Applicants are encouraged to email Dan KC3HWD with a sample of their journalism style or simply include "I would like to be the VOX editor" in the body of the email.

2026 Club Presentations:

Would you like to share your enthusiasm for a specific facet of amateur radio? Is there something you would like the club to explore / present? If you have suggestions for programs for 2026 or would like to share your passion with the club, please contact Dan KC3HWD. All suggestions and volunteer presentations are welcome and considered.

2025 Pres Schueler Award:

The 2025 Pres Schueler Award for dedicated service to the LVARC and the positive representation of amateur radio was presented to Matt N3VAN. Please congratulate Matt!

Mark AK3M / SK

De N3XG

Like many of us, my first contact with a club member was Mark AK3M. He was the friendly voice on the other end of the phone that provided information on club meetings and a warm and welcoming invitation to join. As I got to know him, I realized that his leadership style was one of inclusion and quiet service to others. Mark resurrected the Pres Schueler Award, Started the VE Team, and spent countless hours working with our served agencies to ensure that the club responded to requests for assistance. Mark always kept his vision oriented towards the goal and did not spend much time worrying about the journey. As we remember Mark and his accomplishments, let's honor his memory by being inclusive, providing service to others, and keeping promises. Mark will be fondly remembered and sorely missed.

Triva Question:

What is the sum of infinite integers? [$x = (1+2+3+4+5+\infty)$]
See answer at the end of the newsletter.

December 2025 Meeting Minutes

Combo Local and Remote via Zoom

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

Secret Word is Christmas 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 29 members in attendance with 9 remote members (as per the email method) and 20 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 __Present

Matthew Vanderhoff __Present

Guests and Attendees of Note:

There were no guests in attendance

1 - Proceedings: A motion was made to approve the November meeting minutes as published in the December VOX newsletter.

Motion to approve was made by John (AB3LZ) and 2nd by Scott (KB3YOT)

Motion Passed = Y

Program for tonight:

Tonight's program will "Short Wave Listening" by Rod (N3XG)

The December Hands on Night will be on the 16 th, and it will be the annual holiday party

2 - Treasurer's Report (Paul - N0KIA)

Paul presented the monthly financial report for the month of November 2025

Motion to accept the treasurer report was made by Scotty (W3SGT) and 2nd by Matt (N3VAN)

Motion Passed = Y

3 - ARES & VE Report

VE Report: There are no tests sessions scheduled at this time. There are some ideas on how to keep the program going.

ARES Report: The D & L Marathon was held on November 9 th . Rod thanked everyone who helped out. The next event will be in April 2026. More info to follow when the date approaches.

4 - Communications:

Website: No issues to report

5 - Repeater report: by Rod N3XG.

No issues to report currently. The Slatington voter was turned back on. A fiber cable was changed. It should be better now.

6 - Club Station / Trailer:

The trailer was winterized.

7 - Old Business:

A lease agreement has been made between the club and Tri-Clover Fire Company. Rod went over the details. Rod and Paul will meet with the fire company to finalize the lease. Discussion followed.

Winter Field Day is on January 24th and 25th. The club has a cabin from January 23rd to the 25th at Nockamixon State Park. The club does not have the original cabin that was rented. We now have cabin #9. Let Scott (KB3YOT) know if you will be staying the night. Let Matt (N3VAN) know if you plan on bringing any food. The club will be doing QRP again this year. Looking at one voice and one digital station. Scott said that we will do a POTA activation on Friday night. If you have any questions, please contact Scott (KB3YOT).

The total points for regular Field Day were reported in the QST magazine. The club made 4,114 points.

The yearly election of officers was held at the December meeting. There was one absentee ballot. That person was not in attendance. The judges were Doug (N3WGH), Scott (KB3YOT) and Charlie (W3QXI). The results were tallied.

There was a tie, so the club did another election to do the tie breaker. The following members were elected for the 2026 term: Eric (N3EJH), Scotty (W3SGT), Mike (KC3UCX) and Matt (N3VAN). There were only four members elected. This is due to the fifth position going to Rod (N3XG) for being the previous president.

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:

There was discussion about a new projector for the club. A motion was made by Scott (W3SGT) and seconded by John (AB3LZ) to purchase a new projector not to exceed \$250. The motion passed.

8a - New Members:

Mark Capozzoli – KC3YUC

Bill Hines – KD3CBZ

A motion was made by Mike (KC3UCX) and seconded by Scott (KB3YOT) to accept the new members.

Motion Passed: Y

9 - Sick Call

Nothing to report

10 - Good of the Order:

Mike (KC3UCX) reported that there are no hamfests for December. The next one will be January 10th in Harrisburg and March 14th in Cherry Hill.

Mike (KC3UCX) also reports that he has an ARRL Radio Map of the World free to anyone who wants it.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Scott (KB3YOT) and 2nd by Scotty (W3SGT)

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM

Respectfully Submitted Phillip Bigg KB3HMK, Secretary

Triva Answer: Negative one-twelfth (- 1/12)

Here's a great video on the math: https://youtu.be/w-l6XTVZXww?si=_k3PdTB26Gz23k2s