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AUGUST 2004

Next meeting: August 16, 2004

Need your input for the Newsletter. The deadline for submissions is the 5th of each month.!!!

(Editor)

Greetings to all OVHer's:

On **Tuesday, August 3rd**, the Ole Virginia Hams were invited to participate in a program called "**National Night Out**" sponsored by the Prince William County Police **Fleetwatch** program. The slogan of the evening was "Let's give crime a going away party." We were providing information about Amateur Radio through demonstrations of radio equipment and the good work we do in our community and throughout the country by showing the DVD supplied to us by the ARRL. It was interesting to share information about what we do for our community to the public and this effort and others like it will pay dividends for OVH now and in the future. It was a successful event complete with music, food, and children and of course the event's special guest, McGruff, the crime dog who tells us to help "Take a bite out of crime." I am pleased that OVH is doing its part to "take a bite out of crime", by participating in the Fleetwatch program. I want to thank to everyone who showed up to help out and a big thank you to **Steve/N4OGR** who coordinated putting our displays together for this event.

The **next meeting** of the Ole Virginia Hams will be held on **Monday, Aug 16th** at the **NOVEC Technical Center** in **Gainesville, VA** at **8 PM**. . If you have any ideas for topics for future meetings please let me know. I am looking forward to seeing everyone on the 16th.

73 for now,

Ruth/KU4WH

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OFFICERS

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WEEKLY NETS

Thursdays - 8:00 PM	RUTH	331-1234
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HAMFEST 2004

David Lane	KG4GIY	361-3042
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FIELD DAY 2004

Brian	WC4J	257-9545
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CLUB ROSTER

Blaine	KB4RKL	369-2877
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EDUCATION

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CLUB EMERGENCY COORDINATOR

Brian	WC4J	257-9545
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ARES AREA EMERGENCY COORDINATOR

David	KG4GIY	361-3042
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F.A.R. REPS.

Ruth	KU4WH	331-1234
Mary Lu	KB4EFP	369-2877

FINANCE

Mary Lu	KB4EFP	369-2877
Bill	N4WJN	590-9562
Ruth	KU4WH	331-1234

GENERATORS

Steve	N4OGR	361-0008
Bill	K9ZD	754-7913

HISTORIAN

Theresa	KG4TVM	257-3566
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HOME PAGE

Bill	N4WJN	590-9562
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JOTA

Paul	N2PJ	330-0796
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LEGAL

Pete	KB4RME	369-2436
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MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

John Zorger	WA1STU	754-2378
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NEWSLETTER

Steve	KB4OF	368-6901
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NEWSLINE

Karl	W4KRL	802-1527
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PACKET

Alan	KD4KBX	330-8844
Bill	N4WJN	590-9562

PICNIC

Ellie	KF4NBO	361-8059
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PROGRAM'S

PUBLICITY

Steve	N4OGR	361-0008
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Q' MASTER

Steve	N4OGR	361-0008
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REPEATER CONTROLLERS

Art	W1CRO	791-4330
Butch	W4HJL	369-2877
Milt	N4SN	369-7265
Mike	WV3H	753-9346
Steve	N4OGR	361-0008
Alan	KD4KBX	330-8844

REPEATER TRUSTEE

Art	W1CRO	791-4330
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SCHOLARSHIP

Jim	W4JTP	392-0150
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SUNSHINE

Jan	KE4TMW	257-0897
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George	K4GVT	791-7688
Bill	K9ZD	754-7913
Karl	W4KRL	802-1527
Bob	K4HJF	335-1939

The OVH Times is the official publication of the "Ole Virginia Hams" ARC, a non-profit organization dedicated to the promotion and enhancement of Amateur Radio. The OVH ARC meets at 8:00 PM every third Monday of the month at the NOVEC Tech Center in Gainesville. Prospective members are invited.

Local information can always be obtained, at any time, through the usage of the OVH repeaters (146.97- & 224.660- Mhz). All are welcome.

Permission is hereby granted for the reprinting of articles and quotations in this letter, provided full credit is given to the OVH ARC, and the author of the article. Contribution of printed articles by both members and non-members is encouraged. The deadline for submissions is the 5th of each month. Submissions should be forwarded to OVH TIMES EDITOR: Steve Meade KB4OF, PO Box 1418, Manassas, VA 20108-1418, or to kb4of@arrl.net

Letters to the Editor and Classified Ads are accepted and welcome. Approx. Circulation – 170

Minutes of the Ole' Virginia Hams Amateur Radio Club Meeting July 19, 2004

Ruth/KU4WH called meeting to order at 2000 Eastern time.

Following the **Pledge of Allegiance**, all presented stated their names and call signs. There were 22 **OVH members** and four guests present.

BUSINESS MEETING

MINUTES - The minutes of the June 2004 OVH meeting were approved with no corrections.

TREASURER'S REPORT - The Treasurer's report was presented by **Bill/N4WJN**. The report was approved.

COMMITTEES

REPEATERS – **Butch/W4HJL**: The repeaters are working very well. There is a minor problem regarding PL tone, but that will be fixed shortly.

EDUCATION – **Ruth/KU4WH**: **Bill/K9ZD**, who has generously given his time and efforts for amateur radio courses for the Ole' Virginia Hams for the past several years, will not be able to teach these courses in the future. Thank you Bill for your help with and dedication to the OVH and the amateur radio community. We are **looking for volunteers** to teach amateur radio courses for the Club, beginning with a course for potential Technicians this Fall.

HAMFEST – **Ruth / KU4WH**: We received a thank you letter from SERVE for our donation to \$200.

FIELD DAY – **Brian/WC4J**: We had a great **Field Day**. Thanks to all, and especially the **CW operators** who did very well. We had contacts on the 80, 40, 20 and 15 meter bands. **Butch/W4HJL** noted that **Phil/AC4PL** did an excellent job as the **Field Day Chef**. **John/WA1STU** is missing a drill and some drill bits from Field Day, and asks that we all look for it. The drill and drill bits are in a Home Depot orange bucket.

GUEST SPEAKER

Ina Nenninger of **Tri it Now** spoke about an upcoming “mini triathlon.” The purpose of this organization is to get people interested in triathlons and physical fitness in general. This mini triathlon consists of a short swim, a 1.6-mile run, and a 7-mile bike ride. This event takes place on **Sunday August 22** at the **Freedom Center** and begins at 7:30 a.m. Ina expects that the total time for the event will be about two hours. Brian / WC4J is looking for about 12 OVH members to provide communications support. The website for this organization is www.Triitnow.com.

COMMITTEES – CONTINUED

MEMBERSHIP – **John/WA1STU**: **Diane Lane/KI4FVV** was voted into the OVH unanimously by the OVH members present. Welcome to the Ole' Virginia Hams, Diane. **Enrique Paz/KG6FHG** and **Eugene Reznick/K3PXR** were read into the minutes for membership and will be voted on at the August 2004 OVH meeting.

FAR – **Ruth/KU4WH**: **FARFEST** will be on September 11 and 12 this year. **Autocall** is looking for information for the October newsletter by September 15.

WEEKLY NETS – **Ruth/KU4WH**: As always, we are looking for volunteers to serve as OVH weekly net controllers. If you have time to be a Net Controller, please do so.

ARES – **Steve/N4OGR**: Steve gave us a brief presentation on Fleetwatch. Associated with that, there is an upcoming training seminar called “**READI**” which is an acronym for **Response to Emergencies And Disasters Institute**. The purpose is to teach about responses about terrorist bombing. One takes place on July 22 and others will be forthcoming. We as amateur radio operators have been invited to attend. More information is available on the PW County ARES website.

David/KG4GIY noted that the **Marine Corps Marathon** takes place on **Sunday, October 31**. You can get more information at www.k3xo.net/mcm_form.2004.html or at the **PW County ARES** website. The Marine Corps needs our help with communications with this event as there are spotters at every mile of the 26-mile course, plus monitors at all of the aid stations. Packet operators are especially needed for medical communications. Most people will be done by noon, and everyone will be done by 5:00 p.m.

The **Red Cross** is getting ready to do their **DAT Institute (Disaster Action Team)**. Some of the courses are useful for amateur radio operators. Information will be posted on the PW County ARES website.

We (amateur radio operators) have become very important in the PW County's disaster plan. There will be a presentation on what we can do for PW County emergency officials.

David noted that not all ARES members have "go kits" and suggests that we be prepared with go kits. Information on go kits will be made available on the PW County ARES websites.

PACKET / HOMEPAGE – **Bill/N4WJN**: Bill may be doing a survey of OVH members to see what kind of computer equipment we have to try to optimize the OVH homepage. Bill encourages us to do more packet activity.

HISTORIAN – **Theresa/KG4TVM**: Theresa asks that if any of us have some old (really old – 1960s and 1970s) OVH newsletters, please give Theresa the newsletter or a copy so she make a compilation of the OVH newsletters.

JOTA – **Ruth/KU4WH**: **Paul/N2PJ** will try to coordinate this event. This event takes place in October and is an excellent opportunity to get **Boy Scouts** interested in Amateur Radio.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE – **Steve/N4OGR**: Steve asks that we forward all information regarding OVH members and their families that would interest OVH members to **Jan/KE4TMW** or **Steve/N4OGR**. This information includes positive and happy things such as birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, new ham licenses and upgrades, special accomplishments, or whatever. Other not-so-wonderful information includes hospital stays, illnesses, deaths in the family, or whatever that would deserve a card and/or flowers, or a phone call, visit, or anything else from OVH members that would help cheer up those who need our support. Thank you Jan and Steve for help with the Sunshine Committee.

BREAK

AL/KB4BHB donated another one of his beautiful wood vases, and **BRIAN/WC4J** donated four electronic sparkling and patriotic American flag pins as door prizes. Thank you Al and Brian for your contributions to the OVH. **Tom/WA2QAL** won the **50/50** drawing. Total entries totaled \$33. Tom collected \$17 and the Club collected \$16.

The meeting adjourned at 2122 Eastern time.

73s **Phil/AC4PL**

SUNSHINE CORNER

Congratulations to **John/KG4NXT** and **Theresa/KG4TVM**, celebrating their first anniversary this month! Many more happy years together!

Happy Birthday to our friends and fellow Hams: – **Karl/W4KRL**, **Matthew/KG4UNL**, **Ralph/W4OZO**, **Ben/KF4KJQ**, **Jim/WD4OJY**, **Steven/KM4US**, **Charles/WA8YCK**, **Dale/N4EDE**, and **Harry/W4PVA** (85 years young!). Hope each of you has a GREAT birthday!

National Night Out was fun -- where were you???

73 de **Jan/KE4TMW**

BPL Clearinghouse Info On OVH WEB

If you are a ham who is concerned about what BPL (Broadband over Power Lines) is, and how it will affect Amateur radio, SWL, emergency service, time standard and other HF reception, please go to <http://www.w4ovh.net/> and check the BPL Facts link on the main page.

If you know of any additional links that discuss BPL, please forward those in an e-mail to BPL@W4OVH.NET

Bill South/N4WJN/OVH WEBmaster

North Carolina Utility Ending BPL Field Trial; System Shutdown Pending



(Aug 6, 2004) -- Progress Energy Corporation (PEC) says it's completed Phase II of its broadband over power line (BPL) field trial in the Raleigh, North Carolina, area. In an August 4 PEC internal memorandum made available to ARRL, the company said its program to "test the viability of providing broadband service to communities it serves" will wrap up by the end of August, although PEC still plans to explore "several key strategic issues" regarding BPL through the end of this year. The company reportedly will shut down the system once it's able to move its BPL customers to other broadband providers.

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First "Big Project" Teachers Institute Under Way



(Aug 10, 2004) -- Nine educators from across the US are attending the first ARRL Education and Technology Program (ETP) Teachers Institute. The week-long seminar is aimed at acquainting teachers with effective approaches to teaching wireless technology and electronics. Most of those on hand for the Teachers Institute this week at ARRL Headquarters are associated with schools participating in the ETP ("The Big Project"). The ETP provides amateur equipment to participating schools and promotes Amateur Radio as a pathway to understanding radio and electronics as well as other subjects such as language arts and geography. Project Coordinator Mark Spencer, WA8SME, told seminar participants that he's a firm believer in the value of hands-on learning.

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Oregon Amateurs Aid in Ocean Rescue



(Aug 9, 2004) -- August 9 2004 -- Two members of the ARRL-affiliated [Coos County Radio Club](#) happened to be in the right place at the right time June 19 and were able to direct an emergency team to the correct site of a near-drowning. Ed Makaruk, KD7JFB, says he and Rick Livellara, KD7NTA, were walking along Bastendorff Beach when they monitored a call on the public service band that a rip tide had carried three

youngsters out to sea. Looking up the beach, they were able to spot the scene. "A surfer was in the water, and we knew that the rescuers were being dispatched by a tourist who was giving them the wrong location," Makaruk said. As Makaruk headed up the beach, Livellara ran to the parking where the surfer had taken the swimmers. "I watched them to make sure they were all right, then put an emergency call out on the 146.280 repeater," Makaruk said. Andy Hoyle, KD7VCQ, heard it and called 911. "Andy was on the phone with them as we were talking and relayed the right location and that the kids were all right," Makaruk said. "I stood and waved in the sheriff when he showed up, then got out of the way so the pros could do their thing. It happened so fast that I was amazed at how walking on the beach and playing with radios turned into a way to help out. How great it is to have an ear listening when you need it!" Ham radio's role got a mention in [The World](#), the local newspaper in Coos Bay, which identified the surfer-rescuer as Clint Wirebaugh. The three youngsters, ages 12, 12 and 14, were not seriously injured.

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Field Day logs received now posted



(Aug 7, 2004) -- The complete [list](#) of Field Day logs received has been posted on the ARRL Web site. The list includes paper logs, e-mailed logs and logs submitted via the Web [applet](#). In the event of errors in the basic information or missing entries, contact [Kathy Allison, KA1RWY](#), 860-594-0295. If an entry is marked as a check log, it is either because it was designated as such or because the ARRL Contest Branch doesn't have sufficient information to properly process the log. In those cases, the ARRL Contest Branch has requested clarification. If no response is received, however, the submissions will remain check logs.

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Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course registration



(Aug 6, 2004) -- Registration for the ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Level I on-line course (EC-001) remains open thru Sunday, August 8, or until all seats are filled. Class begins August 17. Registration for the ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Level II on-line course (EC-002) opens Monday, August 9, at 12:01 AM EDT and will remain open through the August 14-15 weekend or until all available seats have been filled--whichever comes first. Class begins Tuesday, August 24. Thanks to our grant sponsor--the United Technologies Corporation--the \$45 registration fee paid upon enrollment will be reimbursed after successful completion of the course. During this registration period, seats are being offered to ARRL members on a first-come, first-served basis. To learn more, visit the [ARRL Certification and Continuing Education](#) Web page. For more information, contact Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, cce@arrl.org; 860-594-0340.

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FCC says new vanity fee really goes into effect Tuesday, August 10



(Aug 5, 2004) -- The FCC apparently can preempt *The Federal Register* when it comes to setting effective dates for orders. Commission personnel have clarified that the new Amateur Radio vanity call sign regulatory fee of \$20.80 for the 10-year license term actually will become effective Tuesday, August 10, *not* Friday, August 6 as ARRL and others announced, based on information in *The Federal Register*. A staff member at the FCC's Gettysburg office told ARRL that the Commission's computer system has been programmed to accept the new fee starting August 10. A management-level staffer in the FCC's Office of Managing Director explained that the Commission was not necessarily bound by the August 6 effective date *The Federal Register* indicates, which is 30 days after publication of the order containing the new fee schedule. Applicants for amateur vanity call signs will continue to pay the \$16.30 fee per vanity call sign application until the new fee goes into effect. All applications *received at the FCC* on or after Tuesday, August 10 must be accompanied by the new, higher fee.

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New Zealand-Fiji LF/HF contact reported



(Aug 5, 2004) -- Overnight on June 26, ZM2E, a special call sign being used by the Quartz Hill Radio Club of New Zealand, completed a crossband 137 kHz CW/7 MHz SSB contact with 3D2KL on Fiji. The Fiji station was operated by Laurence Howell, KL1X, with ZM2E operated by Andrew Corney, ZL2BBJ; Mike McAlevey, ZL4OL, and Bob Vernall, ZL2CA. The path between Fiji and the station located near Wellington on New Zealand's North Island is around 2500 km (1550 miles), and signals from ZM2E were received about 1 hour before Fiji dusk.

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Special Operating Events

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August

Lincoln, MI: Alcona County Amateur Radio Group, K8A. 1600Z **Aug 7**-0400Z **Aug 15**. 33rd Annual Alcona County Fair. 21.345 14.245 7.245 3.945. QSL. Stanley L. Darmofal, W8SZ, PO Box 15, Harrisville, MI 48740. www.alconaradio.org.

Sycamore, IL: Northern Illinois Steam Power Amateur Radio Operator's, W9S. 1300Z **Aug 10**-2300Z **Aug 16**. 48th Annual Show commemorating Steam Power on the Farm. 28.390 14.245 7.245 3.980. Certificate. Bob Yurs, W9ICU, PO Box 341, Sycamore, IL 60178. www.w9icu.com

Rush Springs, OK: FAA Aeronautical Center ARC, W5F. 1400Z-2200Z **Aug 14**. The Rush Springs Watermelon Festival. 10/15/20/40/80 M. QSL. David Begue, K5FOZ, 2155 County Rd, Tuttle, OK 73089-3112. www.w5paa.org.

West Union, OH: DeForest Amateur Radio Club, W8S. 1400Z-1900Z **Aug 14**. Ohio Covered Bridges On The Air--Adams County, Ohio. 14.250 7.233. QSL. DeForest Amateur Radio Club, PO Box 73, West Union, OH 45693. www.qsl.net/ohio-covered-bridges.

Hagerstown, MD: Antietam Radio Association, W3CWC. 1600Z-1930Z **Aug 14**. Leitersburg Peach Festival in conjunction with MDC QSO Party. 20/40 m phone 146.55. Certificate. Antietam Radio Association Certificate, PO Box 52, Hagerstown, MD 21740. www.w3cwc.org.

Russellville, OH: Grant Amateur Radio Club, W8B. 1500Z **Aug 14**-2000Z **Aug 15**. Ohio Covered Bridges-Brown County. 14.275 possibly 15/40 m gen bands. QSL. Carolyn Donner, PO Box 158, Hamersville, OH 45130.

Boxborough, MA: FEMARA, K1A. 0000Z **Aug 14**-2359Z **Aug 15**. 2004 ARRL New England Division Convention. 21.250 14.250 7.250. QSL. Mike Bernock, N1IW, 22 Redfield Circle, Derry, NH 03038.

Kankakee, IL: Kankakee Area Radio Society, W9AZ. 1400Z **Aug 14**-2000Z **Aug 15**. Celebrating KARS 80th anniversary. 14.280 7.280. QSL. James Schreiner, K9BIG, 436 S Prairie Ave, Bradley, IL 60915. www.w9az.com.

Newton Falls, OH: Western Reserve Amateur Radio Association, W8T. 1200Z **Aug 14**-2100Z **Aug 15**. Ohio Covered Bridges on the Air. 10 20 49. QSL. Gail Wells, 708 Delaware SW, Warren, OH 44485. www.qsl.net/ohio-covered-bridges/. [Work 6 bridges for certificate.]

Window Rock, AZ: Navajo Amateur Radio Club, N7C. 1400Z **Aug 14**-0200Z **Aug 15**. Com-memorating Navajo Code Talkers Day. 14.260 14.033 7.260 7.033. QSL. N7HG, PO Box 3611, Window Rock, AZ 86515.

Baltimore, MD: Social Security Employees Amateur Radio Club, W3SSA. 1300Z-2200Z **Aug 15**. 69th Anniversary of The Social Security Act. 14.280 7.280. Certificate. Greg Stec, K3ANG, 1624 Pickett Rd, Lutherville, MD 21093.

Pikes Peak, CO: Colorado 14er Event Task Force, Various. 1500Z-1800Z **Aug 15**. Colorado 14er Event. 147.42 21.330 14.260 14.060. QSL. Bob Witte, 21060 Capella Dr, Monument, CO 80132. www.14er.org. Contact 10+ summits for award.

Wrightstown/Grange Fair, PA: Warminster Amateur Radio Club, K3DN. 1600Z **Aug 18**-2000Z **Aug 22**. 50th anniversary of the Agricultural Research Service and 90th ARRL anniversary. 21.280 14.280 7.280 3.880. Certificate. Warminster ARC, Box 113, Warminster, PA 18974.

Marshfield, MA: Marshfield Fair Radio Club, NN1MF. 1600Z **Aug 20-2359Z Aug 29**. 137th annual Marshfield Fair. 18.160 14.260 7.260 3.860 2 m 70 cm. QSL. Robert F. Burns, K1RB, 27 George St, Apt 3, Whitman, MA 02382.

Alliance, OH: Alliance Amateur Radio Club, W8LKY. 1600Z-2100Z **Aug 21**. 100th Anni-versary of Scarlet Carnation and Carnation Days. 28.405 14.295 14.045 7.045. Certificate. AARC-W8LKY, PO Box 3344, Alliance, OH 44601.

Saranac Lake, NY: North Country Chapter American Red Cross, W2B. 1400Z-2000Z **Aug 21**. Celebration of Flight, Lake Clear Air Show. 14.257 14.030 7.250 7.045. QSL. Roland Patnode, W2WIZ, 162 Neil St, Saranac Lake, NY 12983.

Buffalo, NY: Western NY DX Association, W2DXA. 1300Z **Aug 21-1600Z Aug 22**. International Lighthouse Weekend K2L ARLHS-US-090. 21.040 14.040 HF bands CW and SSB. QSL. Robert Nadolny, WB2YQH, PO Box 73, Springbrook, NY 14140.

Burnt Island Lighthouse, ME: Yankee ARC, KA1RFD. 0001Z **Aug 21-2359Z Aug 22**. International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend. 21.270 14.270 7.270. QSL. Rod Scribner, KA1RFD, RR 4 Box 6770, Gardiner, ME 04345.

Dunkirk, NY: Dunkirk Lighthouse/Lancaster Amateur Radio Club, W2SO. 0001Z **Aug 21-2359Z Aug 22**. International Lighthouse Weekend--USA 248 Lake Erie. 21.350 14.250 7.225 3.950. Certificate. Via <http://dunkirkighthouse.com> or Lancaster Amateur Radio Club, 525 Pavement Rd, Lancaster, NY 14086.

Fire Island National Sea Shore, NY: Great South Bay ARC, W2GSB/LH. 1400Z **Aug 21-2000Z Aug 22**. International Lighthouse Weekend at Fire Island Lighthouse ARLHS #286. 7.240 14.260 21.260 28.460. QSL. GSBARC, W2GSB/LH, PO Box 1356, West Babylon, NY 11704. www.gsbarc.org.

St Augustine, FL: St Augustine Amateur Radio Society, N4AUG. 1400Z **Aug 21-2200Z Aug 22**. Activation of St Augustine Lighthouse #789 for ILLW. 21.270 14.270 14.035. QSL. SAARS, PO Box 860084, St Augustine, FL 32086-0084. www.saars.net.

Sioux City, IA: Sooland ARA, K0D. 0001Z **Aug 21-2359Z Aug 22**. Bicentennial of the Lewis and Clark Corps of Discovery. 14.250 7.250. Certificate. Mike Clayton, WD0CJZ, 3600 Transit Ave, Sioux City, IA 51106.

Tuckerton, NJ: Old Barney Amateur Radio Club, W2T. 1300Z **Aug 21-2200Z Aug 22**. ARLHS Lighthouse #USA-911 and 4th Annual Classic Boat Festival. 14.280 7.280 146.835. QSL. Bob Schenck N2OO, PO Box 345, Tuckerton, NJ 08087. <http://www.obarc.org/>

Spirit Lake, IA: Iowa Great Lakes Amateur Radio Club, W0DOG. 1400Z **Aug 24-0200Z Aug 28**. To celebrate 50 years of Club charter. 21.350 14.260 7.250 3.965. Certificate. Bryce Denker, 1818 350th St, Spencer, IA 51301.

Ringoes, NJ: Cherryville Repeater Association II, W4H. 1400Z **Aug 25-2200Z Aug 29**. 2004 Hunterdon County 4H & Agricultural Fair, since 1840. 28.375 21.375 14.275 7.275. Certificate. W4H Cherryville Special Event, PO Box 308, Quakertown, NJ 08868-0308. www.qsl.net/w2cra/.

Core, WV: Greene County Amateur Radio Association, N3GC. 2200Z **Aug 27-2000Z Aug 29**. Celebration of the "Mason Dixon Line" completion. 14.255 14.055 7.255 7.055. Certificate. Roger Swanson, KC8GOJ, 319 Happy La, Fairview, WV 26570.

Owatonna, MN: Owatonna Steele County Amateur Radio Club, KC0BXJ. 1400Z-2300Z **Aug 28**. 150th anniversary of Owatonna, MN. 14.270 7.270. Certificate. Kris Christenson, 1510 Mineral Springs Rd, Owatonna, MN 55060. <http://150.owatonna.org>.

Wausau, WI: WVRA, MAARS, RMRA, W4S. 0900Z **Aug 28-0600Z Aug 29**. Walk for Sarcoma from Marsfield, WI, to Wausau, WI. 21.360 18.150 14.260 7.260. QSL. Gerald Graebel, 624 E Bridge St, Wausau, WI 54403.

Bedford, VA: Roanoke Valley Amateur Radio Club, W4CA. 1100Z **Aug 28-2300Z Aug 29**. Christmas Tree Island, new US Island on the Air. 14.260 7.260. QSL. Ray Crampton, AB4YZ, 1670 Catawba Rd, Troutville, VA 24175. <http://w4ca.host4www.com>.

Green River, WY: Sweetwater Amateur Radio Club, WY7U. 1800Z **Aug 28-1800Z Aug 29**. Butch Cassidy and the Wild Bunch UPRR train robberies. 21.365 14.265 7.265 3.625. QSL. Sweetwater Amateur Radio Club, 1000 South Dakota, Green River, WY 82935. www.qsl.net/wv7u. [Special certificate for working both Jun and Aug events.]

Hanover, MI: Jackson County QRP Outlaws, N8H. 1400Z **Aug 28-2200Z Aug 29**. Hanover's "Rust -N- Dust" Days. 14.250 7.250 5.403.5 3.975. Certificate. William Lauterbach, PO Box 87, Hanover, MI 49241.

Hanover, KS: Crown Amateur Radio Association, K0ASA. 1400Z-2100Z **Aug 29**. Hollenberg Pony Express Station Festival. 18.085 14.245 14.040 7.125. Certificate. Crown Amateur Radio Association, 11551 W 176th Terr, Olathe, KS 66062. www.kshs.org/places/hollenberg/index.htm.

September

Canfield, OH: 20 Over 9 and MVARA Radio Clubs, W8F. 1400-0200Z daily **Sep 1-Sep 6**. 158th Canfield Fair. 28.360 21.360 14.260 7.260. Certificate. Allan Avnet, AB8AA, 2050 East South Range Rd, New Springfield, OH 44443. www.qsl.net/20over9/w8fair.htm.

Tacoma, WA: Radio Club of Tacoma, W7J. 2200Z **Sep 3-1900Z Sep 6**. First BSA Washington State Jamboree "WashJam." 147.28 14.260 7.260 3.910. QSL. Radio Club of Tacoma W7DK, PO Box 11188, Tacoma, WA 98411.

Argonia, KS: Boeing Employees Amateur Radio Society of Wichita, KS, KC0AHN. 1400Z **Sep 3-2000Z Sep 6**. Airfest (sponsored by Klodubusters). 28.365 21.365 14/265 7.265. Certificate. Boeing Employees Amateur Radio Society, Randy Wind, N0LD, 13038 SW 186th St, Rose Hill, KS 67133-8559. www.ourtownusa.com/~bears/.

Piqua, OH: Piqua Amateur Radio Club, W8SWS. 1400Z-2200Z **Sep 4**. Piqua Heritage Festival-- celebrating Piqua's rich history. 14.240 7.240. Certificate. Susan Popp, 1411 Nicklin Ave, Piqua, OH 45356.

Stroudsburg, PA: Pocono Amateur Radio Klub and Eastern Pennsylvania Amateur Radio Association, W3PRK/N3IS. 1400Z-2000Z **Sep 4.** Pocono Garlic Festival. 7.250. Certificate. Dave Haney, W3SJ, RD 1 Box 1250, Stroudsburg, PA 18360. www.qsl.net/w3prk.

Heston, IN: NorthWest Indiana Skywarn, K9NWI. 1000Z **Sep 4-0500Z Sep 5.** Labor Day Steam Show. 28.500 21.350 18.150 14.250. QSL. Bernie Gawronski, 951 North 100 West, Chesterton, IN 46304.

Laguna Woods, CA: Leisure World Amateur Radio Club, W6LY. 1700Z **Sep 4-2100Z Sep 5.** Celebrating the 40th Birthday of Leisure World, Laguna Woods. 28.380 14.250 7.250 14.070 PSK. Certificate. Ernie Senser, 3031 Calle Sonora Unit B, Laguna Woods, CA 92637.

Newark, DE: NERDS, NY3C. 0000Z **Sep 4-2300Z Sep 6.** Only Revolutionary War battle fought in Delaware at Cooch's Bridge. 21.270 14.270 7.270 3.870. Certificate. Gene McDowell, NY3C, 1705 Godwin Dr, Newark, DE 19702.

Paradise, AZ: Cochise Amateur Radio Association, K7RDG. 1800Z **Sep 4-1600Z Sep 6.** 25th anniversary Trek to Ghost Town of Paradise, AZ. 21.307 18.115 14.305 7.230. Certificate. Cochise ARA, PO Box 1855, Sierra Vista, AZ 85636-1855.

Schaumburg, IL: Schaumburg Amateur Radio Club, N9RJV. 1300Z **Sep 4-0300Z Sep 7.** Septemberfest. 21.340 14.250 14.035 7.250. QSL. Schaumburg Amateur Radio Club, PO Box 68251, Schaumburg, IL 60168-0251. www.n9rvjv.org.

San Bernardino, CA: Citrus Belt Amateur Radio Club, W6A-W6O. 0000Z **Sep 4-2400Z Sep 12.** 5th annual Route 66 On The Air. 28.466 21.266 14.166 7.266. Certificate. Citrus Belt Amateur Radio Club, PO Box 3788, San Bernardino, CA 92413. www.qsl.net/w6jbt.

New Philadelphia, OH: Tusco Amateur Radio Club, W8ZX. 1300Z-1800Z **Sep 5.** Harry Clever Field Aviation Fly-in and the Wright Flyer. 14.300 7.250 3.950. Certificate. Tim Ashcraft, 502 Oakdale Dr, Dover, OH 44622. www.noard.com/tuscoarc.htm.

Parsons, WV: Mountain State Transmitters Amateur Radio Club, W8T. 1400Z-2000Z **Sep 5.** The Tucker County Hick Festival. 14.235 14.050 7.235 7.050. Certificate. Mountain State Transmitters Inc, PO Box 1492, Elkins, WV 26241.

Paterson, NJ: Robert D. Grant United Labor Amateur Radio Association, N2UL. 1200Z-2200Z **Sep 9.** CQ Labor Day from Great Falls. 28.460 14.260. Certificate. RDGULARA, c/o WA2VJA, 112 Prospect St, Nutley, NJ 07110-0716.

Hebron, CT: NARL, WIH. 1600Z **Sep 9-0200Z Sep 12.** Amateur Radio promotion for the general public. 28.385 21.350 14.260 7.235. Certificate. Ronald F. Cady, 110 Four Mile Rd, West Hartford, CT 06107. www.narl.net.

Rochester, MN: Rochester Amateur Radio Club, W0U. 0000Z **Sep 9-0000Z Sep 20.** Rochester MN Sesquicentennial. 28.380 21.380 14.280 7.280. QSL. W0U Rochester 150, c/o Chuck Gysi, N2DUP, PO Box 142, Rochester, MN 55903-0142. www.RARChams.org.

Findlay, OH: Findlay Radio Club, W8F. 2200Z **Sep 10-1900Z Sep 12.** 65th Annual Findlay Hamfest. 147.15/75 14.300 7.250. QSL. Bill Gaines, 624 S Main St, Bluffton, OH 45817.

West Alexander, PA: Washington Amateur Communications, WA3COM. 2200-0300Z daily **Sep 10-Sep 12.** West Alexander Fair. 21.300 14.250 7.275 3.975. QSL. Ed Oelschlager, N3ZNI, 60 Carl Ave B-2, Eighty Four, PA 15330.

Boulder, CO: Boulder Amateur Radio Club Kids Auxiliary, K1D. 1600Z-2200Z **Sep 11.** BARC/JR has been getting young hams on the air for 11 years! 21.310 14.310 7.310. Certificate. Richard Weingarten, 1133 Northridge Dr, Erie, CO 80516.

Hermitage, MO: Old Hickory ARC, K0A. 1300Z-2100Z **Sep 11.** Hermitage Fall Festival. 18.115 3.963 147.180 147.060. Certificate. Richard E. Hut KC0FDF, PO Box 96, Wheatland, MO 65779.

North Judson, IN: Starke County Amateur Radio Club, W9JOZ. 1300Z-2100Z **Sep 11.** Hoosier Valley Railroad Museum Open House. 14.240 7.240. QSL. Starke County ARC, 405 W Jackson St, Knox, IN 46534.

Roanoke, VA: Roanoke Valley Amateur Radio Club, W4CA. 1400Z-2100Z **Sep 11.** Commemorating N & W Steam Locomotives. 14.260 7.260. QSL. Ray Crampton, 1670 Catawba Rd, Troutville, VA 24175.

Plattsburgh, NY: Champlain Valley Amateur Radio Club, W2UXC. 1300Z-1600Z and 1900Z to 2100Z **Sep 11.** The Battle of Plattsburgh Commemorative Weekend. ±14.270. Certificate. CVARC W2UXC, PO Box 313, Morrisonville, NY 12962.

Decatur, IL: Macon County ARES, K9MCA. 0900Z **Sep 11-1600Z Sep 12.** Special Olympics Weekend. 21.350 14.280 7.275. Certificate. Don Wright, 134 N Westdale Pl, Decatur, IL 62522.

Henri-Chapelle, Belgium: GDV Group (Club Station ON4GDV), ON60USA. 0800Z **Sep 11-1800Z Sep 12.** From the WWII American Military Cemetery, honoring the memory of all men who gave their lives in WWII. 21.250 14.205 14.044 7.044. QSL. Groupe-ment Radio-Amateur de Verviers, Rue des Prairies, 8, Verviers, Belgium B-4800. www.qsl.net/on4usa.

New York City, NY: New York City Transit Amateur Radio Club, K2IRT. 1000-2200Z daily **Sep 11 and Sep 12.** Centennial Celebration of the New York City Subway 1904-2004. 28.325 21.340 14.250 7.240. Certificate. Robert Lobenstein, NYCT-ARC, 333 W 53rd St, New York, NY 10019. roloben@nyct.com.

Brooklyn, NY: Kings County Repeater Association, KC2RA. 1300Z-1900Z **Sep 12.** September 11th Memorial Station from Owls Head Park. 28.340 21.340 14.250. QSL. KCRA, PO Box 285, Brooklyn, NY 11228. Rain date is September 19, 2004. kc2ra.org/special.htm.

Alexandria, MN: Runestone ARC, W0W. 1100Z **Sep 13-2300Z Sep 24.** Kensington Runestone Discovery. 21.070 14.250 14.050 7.200. Certificate. Bill Klundt, 509 Pine St S, Sauk Centre, MN 56378.

Big Rock, IL: DeKalb County Amateur Radio Operators, W9P. 1300Z **Sep 15-2100Z Sep 20.** 110th Annual Big Rock Plowing Match. 28.390 7.245 14.275 7.115 CW. Certificate. Bob Yurs, W9ICU, PO Box 341, Sycamore, IL 60178. www.w9icu.com.

Mena, AR: Ouachita Amateur Radio Association, W5HUM. 1300-2000Z daily **Sep 17** and **Sep 18**. Lum'n Abner radio program and 100th anniversary of museum building. 21.300 14.250 7.235 3.895. QSL. OARA, 268 Polk 36, Hatfield, AR 71945.

Freedom Township, OH: Portage Amateur Radio Club, KB8UUZ. 2100Z **Sep 17**-0200Z **Sep 20**. National POW/MIA Awareness Day. 28.375 21.375 14.235 7.245. Certificate. Tom Parkinson, 9992 State Route 700, Mantua, OH 44255.

Bennington, VT: Southern Vermont Amateur Radio Club, N1B. 1300Z **Sep 18**-1700Z **Sep 19**. Bennington Antique Car and Motorcycle Show. 14.285. Certificate. Ken Lanoue, KB1GSZ, 30 East St, Bennington, VT 05201. www.classypages.com/sovarc/.

Sardinia, OH: USS *Jurassic* Star Trek and Amateur Radio Club, W8J. 1400Z-2100Z **Sep 18**. Tenth Anniversary of the USS *Jurassic* club. 14.280 gen portion 40/20/15m. Certificate. Carolyn Donner, PO Box 158, Hamersville, OH 45130. www.qsl.net/k8ssj.

Slidell, LA: Ozone Amateur Radio Club, W5SLA. 1300Z-1000Z **Sep 18**. 40th Birthday of the Ozone Amateur Radio Club. 14.250 14.035 7.240. QSL. Ozone Amateur Radio Club, PO Box 553, Slidell, LA 70459.

Luray, VA: Richmond Amateur Radio Club, K4R. 1000Z **Sep 18**-1600Z **Sep 19**. Richmond Amateur Radio Club Fall Expedition Event. 14.245 7.245 3.845 144.190 50.190. QSL. Richmond Amateur Radio Club Fall Expedition Event, PO Box 35279, Richmond, VA 23235. www.rarclub.net.

Waterloo, AL: Muscle Shoals Amateur Radio Club, W4JNB. 1400Z **Sep 18**-0200Z **Sep 19**. Commemorating the 1838 Indian "Trail of Tears" in SE USA. 21.360 14.260 7.260 3.860. Certificate. MSARC, PO Box 3782, Muscle Shoals, AL 35662.

Fredricksburg, TX: North Texas Renewable Energy Group ARC, W5S. 0000Z **Sep 23**-2359Z **Sep 26**. Club will operate a solar powered station at TRE Roundup. 28.400 21.320 14.270 7.260. Certificate. Greg Hall, 18011 Old Preston Ct, Dallas, TX 75252.

Eldon, MO: Lake of the Ozarks Amateur Radio Club, W0W. 1600Z-2200Z **Sep 25**. Early Days Power and Tractor Show. 28.400 21.340 14.240 7.240. Certificate. John Baremore, KC0CRO, 182 Bear Paw Cr, Camdenton, MO 65020.

Otsego, MI: Allegan County Amateur Radio Club, KC8ITU. 1200Z-1700Z **Sep 25**. 17th Annual Art Festival. 21.335 14.235 7.235. Certificate. ACARC, David Catalano, N8KQS, 3324 Pine Tree Dr, Allegan, MI 49010.

Springfield, IL: Sangamon Valley Radio Club, W9DUA. 1600Z **Sep 25**-2000Z **Sep 26**. 3rd Annual International Route 66 Mother Road Festival. 14.280 14.250. QSL. Sangamon Valley Radio Club, 1025 S Sixth Street, Springfield, IL 62703. www.w9dua.com.

Tulsa, OK: Tulsa Amateur Radio Club, W5IAS. **Sep 25**. From Chandler Park, celebrating 80 years of service to the Tulsa area Amateur Radio community. 10 15 20m. Certificate. Tulsa ARC, 3701 Stevens Ave, Sand Springs, OK 74063. www.w5ias.com.

Fairmount, IN: Grant County Amateur Radio Club, W9EBN. 1500Z-2200Z **Sep 25**. James Dean Country Where Cool Was Born and Car Show. 146.79 28.430 14.243 7.244. Certificate. L. B Nickerson, 517 N Hendricks Ave, Marion, IN 46952. www.grantarc.com.

Milton, ON, Canada: Mississauga Amateur Radio Club, VC3HCR. 1400-2000Z daily **Sep 25** and **Sep 26**. 50th Anniversary of Halton County Radial Railway Museum. 28.480 21.315 14.240 7.227. Certificate. MARC, c/o Michael Brickell, VE3TKI, 2801 Bucklepost Cres, Mississauga, ON L5N 1X6 Canada. www.marc.on.ca. Non-Canadians, send 2 IRCs or Green Stamps to cover postage.

Springfield, MO: Southwest Missouri Amateur Radio Club, W0EBE. 1500Z-2300Z **Sep 25**. Vote for your favorite grilled picnic meat! 14.300. Certificate. Erik Weaver, N0EW, 4857 E Farm Rd 136, Springfield, MO 65809. www.smarc.org/k0g/.

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14-Aug-2004

Sponsor: MARC VE TEAM

Time: 8:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

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VEC: [Laurel VEC](#)

Location: ALLEGANY COUNTY EMER MGT BLDG
CUMBERLAND, MD 21502

14-Aug-2004

Sponsor: RICHMOND ARC/RAVE

Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

Contact: PATRICK WILSON
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Location: J SARGEANT REYNOLDS COMM COLL
1651 E PARHAM RD-BLDG B
WWW.W4PW.ORG (TO REGISTER)
PRE-REGISTRATION URGED!
RICHMOND, VA 23228

14-Aug-2004

Sponsor: SOUTHERN PA COMM GROUP VE TEAM

Time: 10:00AM (Walk-ins allowed)

Contact: CAROL KIRSCHMAN
(717)235-0273

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Location: SHREWSBURY BOROUGH HALL
35 W RAILROAD AVE
CAROL@NFDC.NET
KC6GMN@NFDC.NET
SHREWSBURY, PA 17361

14-Aug-2004

Sponsor: MOUNT VERNON ARC

Time: 9:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

Contact: JOHN L FORREST
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VEC: [Laurel VEC](#)

Location: FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH-PARK IN REAR
2723 KING ST
DOOR@INTERSECTION OF CHURCH
& ATTACHED SCHOOL BUILDING
ALEXANDRIA, VA 22302

14-Aug-2004

Sponsor: VARA & MARA
Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: GERALD E NAUMAN
(540)434-0859
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Location: WOODMEN OF THE WORLD BLDG
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KN4FM@ARRL.NET (FREQ 145.130)
SIGN-IN 9:00 AM
DAYTON, VA 22821

14-Aug-2004

Sponsor: ANNE ARUNDEL RC
Time: 1:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: ROBERT L ROSE
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Location: AARC CLUBHOUSE
DAVIDSONVILLE FAMILY REC CTR
PRE-REGISTRATION PREFERRED
MAY REGISTER FROM 12 NOON TO 1
DAVIDSONVILLE, MD 21035

15-Aug-2004

Sponsor: RAPPAHANNOCK VE GROUP
Time: 1:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: CURT R BARTHOLOMEW
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Location: PORTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY
2001 PARKWAY BLVD
WWW.N4NW.ORG
STAFFORD, VA 22554

21-Aug-2004

Sponsor: LAUREL ARC VEC
Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: JOHN B CREEL
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VEC: [Laurel VEC](#)

Location:
384 MAIN ST
LAUREL WOMEN'S CLUB
PRE-REGISTRATION PREFERRED
LAUREL, MD 20707

04-Sep-2004

Sponsor: BALTIMORE ARC
Time: 2:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: LORENZ W SCHAEFER
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VEC: [Laurel VEC](#)

Location: BARC MTG & TRAINING FACILITY
12360 OWINGS MILLS BLVD
PRE-REGISTRATION PREFERRED
MAY REGISTER FROM 1 TO 2 PM
OWINGS MILLS, MD 21117

11-Sep-2004

Sponsor: MOUNT VERNON ARC
Time: 9:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: JOHN L FORREST
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VEC: [Laurel VEC](#)

Location: FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH-PARK IN REAR
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& ATTACHED SCHOOL BUILDING
ALEXANDRIA, VA 22302

11-Sep-2004

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Location: AARC CLUBHOUSE
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MAY REGISTER FROM 12 NOON TO 1
DAVIDSONVILLE, MD 21035

12-Sep-2004

Sponsor: WARS & NSDXA
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Location: TIMBROOK PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING
231 E PICCADILLY ST
PRE-REGISTRATION URGED
WINCHESTER, VA 22601

18-Sep-2004

Sponsor: LAUREL ARC VEC
Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: JOHN B CREEL
(301)572-5124
VEC: [Laurel VEC](#)

Location:
384 MAIN ST
LAUREL WOMEN'S CLUB
PRE-REGISTRATION PREFERRED
LAUREL, MD 20707

18-Sep-2004

Sponsor: MADISON VE TEAM
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MADISON, VA 22727

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From: Fusaro, Norm W3IZ [w3iz@arrl.org]
Sent: Friday, July 30, 2004 3:56 PM
To: Fusaro, Norm W3IZ
Subject: Club News

Good Reading

This week we took the opportunity to highlight a bright and energetic young ham, Caleb Gerbrandt, KD7RDY. This young man has jumped into ham radio with a passion for contesting and DXing. At 15, and a ham for only two years, he is already an Extra class operator and has over 200 countries in the log. His story is worth reading.

<http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/club/cc-stories/2004/0730/>

Mt Baker ARC is doing a great job with youngsters and has a fantastic booklet that they give out to all new hams. This is something that other clubs may want to use as a model for their own mentor program. The club is doing a great job training young operators and developing strong ties in the community.

ARRL Certification and Continuing Education (C-CE)

The time to prepare for emergencies is before they happen. ARRL is offering through its Certification and Continuing Education Program (CCEP) Certification courses in emergency communications. The courses are designed to train the operator in handling various types of communication that are essential in times of disaster. Because the topic of emergency communications is so diversified and so much information is available, the material is broken into three levels: Introductory, Intermediate and Advanced.

In addition to the Em-Comm curriculum, CCEP is offering technical courses in Antenna Modeling, RFI, Digital Communications and Satellite Communications. Continuing Education Units (CEUs) are available for all ARRL Certification and Continuing Education courses.

For more information, please check the web at: <http://www.arrl.org/cce/>

Brochures

Did you know that the ARRL has brochures and fliers for your club to hand out at public events and displays? There are brochures aimed at adults, youth and even the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. They can be ordered from ARRL through Linda Mullally, KB1HSV at kb1hsv@arrl.org. All of the brochures are professionally printed in color. There is no charge for brochures, however, there is a nominal charge for shipping.

Brochures can also be downloaded from the web at:

<http://www.arrl.org/htdig/?method=and&words=brochure&x=18&y=13>

Safety First

Summertime is when a lot of hams are busy doing antenna work and getting their stations ready for the upcoming contest season and other operating event throughout the fall and winter months. We want to remind you that safety should be your number one priority. When working with antennas, be careful not to be working around power lines. Towers require safety equipment like safety belts and body harnesses. This equipment should be inspected before each use to make sure that it is in proper working order. For more safety information visit the web at: <http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/pdf/0106091.pdf>

Electrical safety is another area that Amateur's should be concerned. Here is a link for information on this subject: <http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/pdf/AntBk.pdf>

73,

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