

The OVH ARC Newsletter  
"OLE VIRGINIA HAMS" AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC.  
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# OLE VIRGINIA TIMES

## SEPTEMBER 2004

**Next meeting: September 20, 2004**

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

(Editor)

**Greetings to all OVHer's:**

**(We didn't receive anything from the President.)**

**OVH is in need of someone to conduct the Education Classes. If anyone is interested in doing this on a full-time basis, or sharing the time with others, please contact Ruth/KU4WH or John/KG4NXT.**

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**OFFICERS**

President:	Ruth Frock	KU4WH	331-1234
Vice Pres:	John Heartney	KG4NXT	257-3566
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**DIRECTORS**

Don (Butch) Blasdell	W4HJL	369-2877
Art Whittum	KW4AW	791-4330
Charlie Dale	WA4YGI	361-3091
John Zorger	WA1STU	754-2378

**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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**TECHNICAL COMMITTEE**

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Mike	WV3H	753-9346
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](mailto: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**  
**August 16, 2004**

**Ruth/KU4WH** called meeting to order at 2001 Eastern time.

Following the **Pledge of Allegiance**, all present stated their names and call signs. There were 19 **OVH members** and one guest present.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

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

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

**COMMITTEES**

**REPEATERS – Butch/W4HJL**: The repeaters are working very well. The PL function of the 2-meter machine will be fixed shortly.

**EDUCATION – Ruth/KU4WH**: We are looking for volunteers to teach amateur radio courses for the Club, beginning with a course for potential Technicians this Fall. We will send an e-mail to the OVH e-mail list to solicit volunteers.

**MEMBERSHIP – John/WA1STU**: **Enrique Paz/KG6FHG** and **Eugene Reznick/K3PXR** were read into the minutes for membership at the July 2004 OVH meeting, and were voted into the Club by a unanimous vote at the August 2004 meeting. Welcome to the Ole' Virginia Hams, Enrique and Eugene.

**FAR – Ruth/KU4WH**: **FARFEST** will take place on **September 11** and **12** this year. **David/KG4GIY** asks us to write articles for **AutoCall**.

**ARES - David/KG4GIY**: The mini marathon will take place this Saturday, and we need to be there by 7:00 a.m. On September 11, Prince William County will have an **open house** at the County Headquarters. We need **more volunteers** for the **Marine Corps Marathon**, which is on October 31. The **NCAC Institute** will take place before the Marine Corps Marathon. We are trying to get **ham gear in place** at the various Prince William County **emergency** and **shelter locations**.

**HOME PAGE/PACKET – Bill/N4WJN**: Bill asks us to **keep** our **packet frequencies active**.

**JOTA – Paul/N2PJ**: Paul will be coordinating **JOTA** this year. It will be held at the **Urbana Swim Club** on Saturday, **October 16**. We will **set up** the **antennas** the previous Friday, and **get started** at **8:00 a.m.** on Saturday. Scouts will arrive beginning at 9:00 a.m. **Radio operators are needed**.

**BREAK**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**BPL – Ruth/KU4WH**: **Ed Hare** is setting up a **BPL** reflector to help facilitate communication on BPL. **Bob Zaepfel/K4HJF** is heading up OVH's BPL efforts. We had a brief discussion about various BPL issues.

**50/50**: We collected \$30 for the 50/50 drawing. **John/KG4NXT** won the drawing. John collected **\$15** and the Club collected \$15.

**John/KG4NXT**: **John** and **Theresa/KG4TVM** graciously offered to host an **OVH holiday party** at their house. More details will be forthcoming. Thank you John and Theresa.

**Ken/WB4ZOH**: Ken has a 486 computer that would make a good packet station. If you are interested, please contact Ken.

The meeting adjourned at 2116 Eastern time.

**73s Phil/AC4PL**

## Sunshine Corner

Farewell to our friends **Bob/KF4FJC** and **Ellie/KF4NBO** who are moving to Geneseo, NY. By the time you read this, they'll already be there, so we'll send a housewarming card to their new address when we get it! They moved on Thursday, September 9th! Ellie tells me they'll be in a smaller house with larger rooms (fewer, but larger), and will be near to one of their daughters. We'll miss them and appreciate the many years they worked at the Hamfest running the Charity Bake Sale. **Lisa/KF4FJD** is now living in Ashburn, VA (maybe we'll hear her on the repeater sometime). We wish all of them luck in their new homes!!

Welcome to new members **Enrique/KG6FHG** and **Al/K3PXR**! Hope to hear you soon on the repeaters!!

Happy Birthday to our fellow Hams: **Mary Lu/KB4EFP**, **Al/KB4BHB**, **Julia/N4UGR**, **Gerald/WW5W**, and **Gus/N4MLE**. Hope each of you has a great day!

Watch out for the kids going back to school, and have fun with Ham Radio!

**73 de Jan/KE4TMW**

### Repeater Maintenance 21 August and 22 August 2004

**Arthur/W1CRO**, **Butch/W4HJL** and **Keith/KM4AA** visited the repeater site on Saturday, 22 August for maintenance actions.

The first order of business was to identify and connect the PL signal line from the 2 Meter repeater to the RLC-3 controller. That was accomplished and tested successfully. **100 Hz PL** is now back in normal operation.

Regaining the PL capability enabled us to restore the squelch sensitivity, which had been decreased to prevent some annoying, disruptive noise interference from bringing up the repeater. The end result should be restoration of nominal receive range for the 2 meter repeater.

Next, Butch and Keith **installed two 12 Vdc cooling fans** in the 2 meter repeater cabinet – replacing two 115 Vac units. So now the fans will be running from battery in the case of power failure.

Thanks to **George/K4GVT** for the loan of a cable mark printer – we were able to mark a number of coax lines and control lines to identify each by function/repeater. This should make easier cable disconnects for testing and maintenance. More labeling will be accomplished in future trips.

**VSWR** checks were made on all three repeaters. All readings were within normally expected ranges – no antenna system problems indicated.

The two-meter receiver sensitivity was checked using Butch's HP signal generator. We were able to break receiver squelch at 0.158 microvolts signal with 1 kHz tone modulation. This resulted in a 50/50 signal to noise condition.

The repeater control receiver sensitivity was 0.3 microvolt with 1 kHz tone modulation for the same scenario.

On 22 August 2004, Butch/W4HJL made an **emergency trip** to the site to **replace a fuse** in the battery charger unit. We didn't catch that the day before and the battery primary feed to the controller ran out of juice. This brought down all repeaters. So a new item has been added to work list item – connect the RLC-3 controller to a DC power supply on mains with a relay changeover to batteries in the event of prime power failure.

Plans for the next series of visits include correction of some more DC supply wiring, adding the above power supply for the controller, bagging and tagging spare PC card assemblies, and providing installation instructions for the spare repeater cards to ensure the correct number of cards and locations are used when placing the two meter repeater in “stand-alone mode” as a hedge against catastrophic failure of the controller. Once the procedures are written, they will be tested to make sure they work.

**73, Art/W1CRO/W4OVH**

**Special Operating Events**  
Downloaded from ARRL Web Site

**September**

**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](http://www.RARChams.org).

**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](http://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/](http://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](http://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.

**Butler, PA:** Butler County Amateur Radio Association, W3UDX. 1300Z-1800Z **Sep 18**. Birthday of the Jeep. General bands 80 to 10. QSL. BCARA, PO Box 1787, Butler, PA 16003.

**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](http://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.

**West Chester (Cincinnati), OH:** West Chester Amateur Radio Association, WC8VOA. 1200Z-2400Z **Sep 25**. 60th Anniversary of Voice of America-Bethany Dedication. 28.305 21.305 14.275 7.275. QSL. WC8VOA, PO Box 913, West Chester, OH 45071. <http://www.wc8voa.org/>

**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](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://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/k0e/](http://www.smarc.org/k0e/).

## October

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**Macon, GA:** Macon-Bibb Emergency Management Agency Volunteers and Exchange Club of Macon, W4G. 1600Z **Oct 1-2400Z Oct 2.** Celebrating the 149th year of the Georgia State Fair. 14.255 7.255. Certificate. Jeff Amerson, Exchange Club of Macon, PO Box 13571, Macon, GA 31208.

**Anamosa, IA:** Jones County Amateur Radio Club, N0CWP. 1300Z-1700Z **Oct 2.** 16th Annual Anamosa Pumpkinfest and Weigh-Off. 14.260. Certificate. Jim McClintock, 301 Vine St, Morley, IA 52312.

**Middletown, RI:** Newport County Radio Club, W1SYE. 1400Z **Oct 2-2100Z Oct 3.** Norman Bird Sanctuary Harvest Fair--emphasis on youth. 21.350 14.285 14.071 7.260. Certificate. Newport County Radio Club, Box 3103, Newport, RI 02840. [www.qsl.net/w1syve/](http://www.qsl.net/w1syve/).

**Wallingford, CT:** Meriden Amateur Radio Club, W1NRG. 1600Z **Oct 2-2200Z Oct 3.** "Celebrate Wallingford" CT town festival. 28.375 21.375 14.275 7.275. Certificate. Jim Savage, N1ZN, 19 Broadview Dr, Wallingford, CT 06492-3349. [www.meridenarc.org](http://www.meridenarc.org).

**Youngstown, OH:** Mahoning Valley Amateur Radio Association, W8QLY. 1300Z-2200Z **Oct 3.** Boardman Oktoberfest. 28.450 21.350 14.250 7.250. QSL. Mahoning Valley ARA, PO Box 2950, Youngstown, OH 44511.

**Prince Albert, SK, Canada:** Northern Saskatchewan Amateur Radio Club, CG5EEE. 0000Z **Oct 3-2359Z Oct 16.** City of Prince Albert's Centennial. 21.220 14.220 7.220 3.720. Certificate. NSARC, c/o 532 - 26 St W, Prince Albert, SK, Canada S6V 4R5. US hams include \$2 for certificate requests.

**Jefferson, OH:** Ashtabula County Amateur Radio Club, K8CY. 1400Z **Oct 8-2100Z Oct 9.** Ashtabula County Covered Bridge Festival. 28.460 21.360 14.260. Certificate. ACARC, 722 Lyndon Ave, Ashtabula, OH 44004. <http://acoc.ashtabula.net/radio/>

**Ellijay, GA:** Ellijay Amateur Radio Society, W4A. 2200Z **Oct 8-0200Z Oct 18.** 23rd Annual Apple Festival, Ellijay, Gilmer Co, GA. SSB & CW General bands 80 40 20 15 10 m and 1800-1900 kHz. Certificate. Ellijay Amateur Radio Society, PO Box 1371, East Ellijay, GA 30539. [www.qsl.net/w4hhh/](http://www.qsl.net/w4hhh/).

**Canon City, CO:** Royal Gorge Amateur Radio Club, KB0TUC. 1800Z-2100Z **Oct 9.** From the world's highest suspension bridge. 14.260. Certificate. Chuck Ward, NC0A, 1011 Harrison St, Canon City, CO 81212. [www.qsl.net/rghc](http://www.qsl.net/rghc).

**Forest, VA:** Lynchburg Amateur Radio Club, N4J. 1400Z-2200Z **Oct 9.** Thomas Jefferson's summer retreat. 28.365 21.365 14.265 7.265. QSL. Ed Narwid, W4OAF, 1799 Otterhill Rd, Bedford, VA 24523.

**Gastonia, NC:** Gaston County Amateur Radio Society, N4GAS. 1600Z-2200Z **Oct 9.** 20th anniversary Charlotte Area SKYWARN Net. 145.35 14.260 7.260. Certificate. John Covington, W4CC, PO Box 1604, Belmont, NC 28012. [www.n4gas.org](http://www.n4gas.org).

**Lake Placid, NY:** Northern New York ARA, N2Y. 1400Z-1900Z **Oct 9.** NNY Section Hamfest/ Convention. 14.265 14.060 10.110 7.245. Certificate. Richard Sherman, 25 Pines Rd, Malone, NY 12953.

**Nowhere, KS:** Douglas County Amateur Radio Club, W0UK. 1400Z-2100Z **Oct 9.** Operating from southern terminus of Midland Historical Railway. 28.365 21.365 14.244 7.244. Certificate. Kenneth Blair, KC0GL, 1711 W 19th Terr, Lawrence, KS 66046.

**Robbinsville, NC:** Smoky Mountains Amateur Radio Team, N4GSM. 1400Z-2000Z **Oct 9.** Anniversary of the opening of Cherochala Skyway. 14.242 7.242. Certificate. SMART, PO Box 517, Robbinsville, NC 28771. <http://main.nc.us/graham/smart/>.

**Shady Valley, TN:** Johnson County Amateur Radio Club, K4C. 1300Z-1900Z **Oct 9.** 14th Annual Cranberry Festival. 7.250. Certificate. JCARC, PO Box 155, Trade, TN 37691.

**South River, NJ:** Raritan Bay Radio Amateurs, K2GE. 1300Z-2200Z **Oct 9.** The 50th anniversary of the Raritan Bay Radio Amateurs. 14.260 14.070 7.220. QSL. Raritan Bay Radio Amateurs, PO Box 392, South River, NJ 08882.

**Sterling, VA:** Sterling Park Amateur Radio Club, K4NVA. 1400Z-2000Z **Oct 9.** The SterlingFest street festival. 14.240 7.240. QSL. Forrest B. Snyder Jr, Attn: SPARC, 805 S Hoga St, Sterling, VA 20164. [www.qsl.net/sterling](http://www.qsl.net/sterling).

**Sandwich, IL:** Wheaton Community Radio Amateurs, K9BSA. 1400Z **Oct 9-1700Z Oct 10.** Three Fires Council Camporall "Scouting the Globe." 21.380 14.280 7.280 3.880. QSL. WCRA, PO Box QSL, Wheaton, IL 60189. [www.w9ccu.org](http://www.w9ccu.org).

**Westfield, NJ:** W2LI Tri-County Radio Association Inc, W2LI. 1200Z **Oct 9-2200Z Oct 10.** Platinum Jubilee, a 70th anniversary celebration. 449.975 28.460 14.260. QSL. W2LI/AA2ZJ, 77 Pershing Ave, Iselin, NJ 08830.

**Festus, MO:** Jefferson County Amateur Radio Club, KB0TLL. 1700Z-2000Z **Oct 16.** Great Ozark Chili Cook Out. 147.075 14.250 7.245. QSL. Lori Robinson, KB0WWQ, 3168 Old Hwy A, Festus, MO 63028-4743.

**Indian Orchard, MA:** *Titanic* Historical Society Inc, W1MGY. 1300Z-2100Z **Oct 16.** Commemo-rating the 41st anniversary of the *Titanic* Historical Society. 14.260 14.033 7.260 7.033. QSL. W1MGY/*Titanic* Historical Society Inc, PO Box 51053, 508 Main St, Indian Orchard, MA 01151-0053. [www.titanichistoricalsociety.org](http://www.titanichistoricalsociety.org).

**Manchester, NH:** New Hampshire Amateur Radio Service Club, Lawrence L. Lee Souting Museum and ARRL New Hampshire Section, N1S. 1400Z-2200Z **Oct 16.** 47th Jamboree-On-The-Air. 20 40 m phone and SSTV. QSL. Daniel Webster Council Office, Max I. Silber Memorial Station, 571 Holt Ave, Manchester, NH 03103. [www.scoutingmuseum.org](http://www.scoutingmuseum.org).

**Owosso, MI:** Michigan Net, QMN, K8QMN. 1600Z-2000Z **Oct 16.** Telegraphers Reunion; American Morse will be retransmitted. 14.050. QSL. Morse Telegraph Club, PO Box 457, Allegan, MI 49010.

**San Ramon, CA:** Mount Diablo Amateur Radio Club, W6CX. 1600Z **Oct 16**-1900Z **Oct 17.** Pacificon convention and the Boy Scout Radio Jamboree. SSB 28.390 21.360 14.290; SSTV14.230. QSL. MDARC, PO Box 23222, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523. [www.pacificon.org](http://www.pacificon.org).

**Grandfather Mountain, NC:** Goldsboro Amateur Radio Club, W4GOL. Beginning 1500Z **Oct 18.** East Coast Mile High Event. 28.490 21.350 14.280 146.580 446.000. QSL. Ray Lane, KD4FV, 612 Gloucester Rd, Goldsboro, NC 27534. [www.geocities.com/dzdz/geo/Garc.htm](http://www.geocities.com/dzdz/geo/Garc.htm).

**Oneonta, AL:** Blount County Amateur Radio Club, W4BLT. 1500Z-2200Z **Oct 23.** Blount County Covered Bridge Festival. 14.260. QSL. W4BLT, 2745 Co Hwy 39, Oneonta, AL 35121. [www.qsl.net/w4blt/](http://www.qsl.net/w4blt/).

**Palestine, TX:** Palestine/Anderson County ARC, K5PAL. 1300Z-2200Z **Oct 23.** Hot Pepper Festival. 14.260 7.263. Certificate. David Carnathan, N5XPC, 504 S Micheaux, Palestine, TX 75801. [www.pacarc.org](http://www.pacarc.org).

**Randleman, NC:** Tri-County ARC, NC4AR. 1400Z-1830Z **Oct 23.** 16th Annual NASCAR Day Festival. 14.278 7.268. Certificate. NC4AR, PO Box 747, Trinity, NC 27370.

**Brevard, NC:** Transylvania County Amateur Radio Club, K4HXZ. 1600Z-2200Z **Oct 31.** Halloween in Transylvania County. 28.335 21.365 14.295 7.237. Certificate. TCARC, PO Box 665, Pisgah Forest, NC 28768.

**Pumpkin Center, Jacksonville, NC:** The Onslow Amateur Radio Club, Inc, WD4FVO. 1900Z-2359Z **Oct 31.** Halloween from PumpkinCenter. 28.360 14.260 7.260 3.860. Certificate. The Onslow Amateur Radio Club, Inc, PO Box 841, Jacksonville, NC 28541. [www.onslowarc.org](http://www.onslowarc.org).

## **ARRL Exam Session Search** **Downloaded from ARRL Web Site**

### **18-Sep-2004**

**Sponsor:** LAUREL ARC VEC  
**Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)  
**Contact:** JOHN B CREEL  
(301)572-5124  
**VEC:** [Laurel VEC](mailto:LaurelVEC)  
**Location:**  
384 MAIN ST  
LAUREL WOMEN'S CLUB  
PRE-REGISTRATION PREFERRED  
LAUREL, MD 20707

### **18-Sep-2004**

**Sponsor:** MADISON VE TEAM  
**Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)  
**Contact:** JOHN T BERRY  
(540)543-2580  
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**VEC:** [ARRL/VEC](mailto:ARRL/VEC)  
**Location:** MADISON WAR MEMORIAL BUILDING  
MAIN STREET  
MADISON, VA 22727

### **25-Sep-2004**

**Sponsor:** AERO ARC  
**Time:** 1:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)  
**Contact:** PATRICIA E STONE  
(410)687-7209  
**Email:** [AC3FAC3P@YAHOO.COM](mailto:AC3FAC3P@YAHOO.COM)  
**VEC:** [ARRL/VEC](mailto:ARRL/VEC)  
**Location:** BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY  
2133 SANDPIPER CIRCLE  
REGISTRATION @ 1:00 PM  
WHITE MARSH, MD 21162

### **03-Oct-2004**

**Sponsor:** DCMARC  
**Time:** 12:30PM (Walk-ins allowed)  
**Contact:** KENNETH L COURTNEY  
(301)856-3005  
**Email:** [AA3NN@AOL.COM](mailto:AA3NN@AOL.COM)  
**VEC:** [W5YI VEC](mailto:W5YIVEC)  
**Location:** PALMER PARK REC CENTER  
7720 BARLOWE RD  
PALMER PARK, MD 20785

### **03-Oct-2004**

**Sponsor:** BALTIMORE ARC  
**Time:** 2:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)  
**Contact:** LORENZ W SCHAEFER  
(410)247-0578  
**Email:** [N3WKE@ARRL.NET](mailto:N3WKE@ARRL.NET)  
**VEC:** [Laurel VEC](mailto:LaurelVEC)  
**Location:** BARC MTG & TRAINING FACILITY  
12360 OWINGS MILLS BLVD  
PRE-REGISTRATION PREFERRED  
MAY REGISTER FROM 1 TO 2 PM  
OWINGS MILLS, MD 21117

### **09-Oct-2004**

**Sponsor:** ANNE ARUNDEL RC  
**Time:** 1:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)  
**Contact:** ROBERT L ROSE  
(410)437-8193  
**Email:** [AA3RR@EROLS.COM](mailto:AA3RR@EROLS.COM)  
**VEC:** [Laurel VEC](mailto:LaurelVEC)  
**Location:** AARC CLUBHOUSE  
DAVIDSONVILLE FAMILY REC CTR  
PRE-REGISTRATION PREFERRED

MAY REGISTER FROM 12 NOON TO 1  
DAVIDSONVILLE, MD 21035



**09-Oct-2004****Sponsor:** RICHMOND ARC/RAVE**Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)**Contact:** PATRICK WILSON

(804)932-9424

**Email:** [W4PW@ARRL.NET](mailto:W4PW@ARRL.NET)**VEC:** [ARRL/VEC](http://ARRL/VEC)**Location:** J SARGEANT REYNOLDS COMM COLL

1651 E PARHAM RD-BLDG B

WWW.W4PW.ORG (TO REGISTER)

PRE-REGISTRATION URGED!

RICHMOND, VA 23228

**09-Oct-2004****Sponsor:** MOUNT VERNON ARC**Time:** 9:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)**Contact:** JOHN L FORREST

(703)971-3905

**Email:** [WZ4A@ARRL.NET](mailto:WZ4A@ARRL.NET)**VEC:** [LaurelVEC](http://LaurelVEC)**Location:** FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH-PARK IN REAR

2723 KING ST

DOOR@INTERSECTION OF CHURCH

&amp; ATTACHED SCHOOL BUILDING

ALEXANDRIA, VA 22302

**09-Oct-2004****Sponsor:** SOUTHERN PA COMM GROUP VE TEAM**Time:** 10:00AM (Walk-ins allowed)**Contact:** CAROL KIRSCHMAN

(717)235-0273

**VEC:** [ARRL/VEC](http://ARRL/VEC)**Location:** SHREWSBURY BOROUGH HALL

35 W RAILROAD AVE

CAROL@NFDC.NET

KC6GMN@NFDC.NET

SHREWSBURY, PA 17361

**09-Oct-2004****Sponsor:** VARA & MARA**Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)**Contact:** GERALD E NAUMAN

(540)434-0859

**Email:** [GENAUMAN@SHENTEL.NET](mailto:GENAUMAN@SHENTEL.NET)**VEC:** [ARRL/VEC](http://ARRL/VEC)**Location:** WOODMEN OF THE WORLD BLDG

STATE ROUTE 42

KN4FM@ARRL.NET (FREQ 145.130)

SIGN-IN 9:00 AM

DAYTON, VA 22821

**10-Oct-2004****Sponsor:** WARS & NSDXA**Time:** 1:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)**Contact:** ALAN R MOECK

(540)869-1117

**Email:** [WA2RPX@ARRL.NET](mailto:WA2RPX@ARRL.NET)**VEC:** [ARRL/VEC](http://ARRL/VEC)**Location:** TIMBROOK PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING

231 E PICCADILLY ST

PRE-REGISTRATION URGED

WINCHESTER, VA 22601

**12-Oct-2004****Sponsor:** YORK HAMFEST FOUNDATION**Time:** 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)**Contact:** RAYMOND A SHAUB

(717)292-3529

**Email:** [W3AXC@ARRL.NET](mailto:W3AXC@ARRL.NET)**VEC:** [ARRL/VEC](http://ARRL/VEC)**Location:** ADAMS ELECTRICAL CO-OP

200 TRINITY ROAD

ADAMS ELEC CO-OP MTG RM

INTESECTION US RT 30 &amp; PA 616

YORK, PA 17404

**16-Oct-2004****Sponsor:** LAUREL ARC VEC**Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)**Contact:** JOHN B CREEL

(301)572-5124

**VEC:** [LaurelVEC](http://LaurelVEC)**Location:**

384 MAIN ST

LAUREL WOMEN'S CLUB

PRE-REGISTRATION PREFERRED

LAUREL, MD 20707

**24-Oct-2004****Sponsor:** RAPPAHANNOCK VE GROUP**Time:** 1:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)**Contact:** CURT R BARTHOLOMEW

(540)720-2392

**Email:** [N3GQ@ARRL.NET](mailto:N3GQ@ARRL.NET)**VEC:** [ARRL/VEC](http://ARRL/VEC)**Location:** PORTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY

2001 PARKWAY BLVD

WWW.N4NW.ORG

STAFFORD, VA 22554

**IN BRIEF****Extracted from The ARRL Letter Vol 23 No 36.txt**

\* This weekend on the radio: The ARRL September VHF QSO Party, the North American Sprint (CW), the WAE DX Contest (SSB), the CIS DX Contest (RTTY), the Swiss HTC QRP Sprint, the Tennessee QSO Party and the ARCI End of Summer PSK31 Sprint are the weekend of September 11-12. JUST AHEAD: The North American Sprint (SSB), the ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest, the SARL VHF/UHF Contest, the Scandinavian Activity Contest (CW), the Collegiate QSO Party, the Mediterranean Islands Award Contest, the South Carolina QSO Party, the QRP Afield event, the Washington State Salmon Run and the QCWA QSO Party are the weekend of September 18-19. The 144 MHz Fall Sprint is September 20. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests/> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/> for more info.

\* ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration: Registration for the Technician Licensing course (EC-010) remains open through Sunday, September 12. Classes begin Friday, September 24. With the assistance of a mentor, EC-010 students learn everything they

need to know to pass the FCC Technician license class test. To learn more, visit the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Web page or contact the ARRL Certification and Continuing Education Program Department [cce@arrl.org](mailto:cce@arrl.org).

\* Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course registration: Registration for the ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Level II on-line course (EC-002) opens Monday, September 13, at 1201 AM EDT and will remain open through the September 18-19 weekend or until all available seats have been filled--whichever comes first. Class begins Friday, October 1. Thanks to our grant sponsors--the Corporation for National and Community Service and the United Technologies Corporation--the \$45 registration fee paid upon enrollment will be reimbursed after successful completion of the course. Seniors are strongly encouraged to participate. 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 <http://www.arrl.org/cce>. For more information, contact Emergency Communications Course Manager Dan Miller, K3UFG, [cce@arrl.org](mailto:cce@arrl.org); 860-594-0340.

\* ARRL to sponsor free emergency communications seminar at PACIFICON: The ARRL will offer a free Amateur Radio Emergency Communications course seminar Saturday, October 16, in conjunction with PACIFICON 04 in California. The seminar will not include the Level I course itself. It's open to all interested hams. ARES/RACES volunteers, ARECC course participants and ARRL Field Organization leadership (SMs, SECs, DECs and ECs) are especially encouraged to share experiences and brainstorm ideas for motivating volunteers and coordinating activities. A PowerPoint presentation will be followed by group discussion of multiple disaster scenarios, comments from emergency communications leadership, discussion about the ARRL Amateur Radio emergency communications courses, the status of grants from the Corporation for National and Community Service and corporate partner United Technologies Corporation, updates on emergency communications tools and a quiz to determine personal preparedness. The seminar takes place Saturday, October 16, 1:15 PM until 4:45 PM, in Salon F at the San Ramon Marriott, 2600 Bishop Drive, San Ramon, California. Seating is limited. If you plan to attend, contact Dan Miller, K3UFG, [k3ufg@arrl.org](mailto:k3ufg@arrl.org); 860-594-0340; fax 860-594-0259. More information on PACIFICON 04 is on the convention Web site <http://www.pacificon.org/>. Seminar attendance does not include admission to the convention.

\* Stanley L. Burghardt, WOIT, SK: Stan Burghardt, WOIT (ex-W0BJV), of Watertown, South Dakota, died August 22. He was 93. He was the founder of Burghardt Radio Supply Inc (now Burghardt Amateur Center). Licensed in 1931 as W9BJV (which became W0BJV in 1946), Burghardt remained active on the air--especially on 6 meters--until his death. He also had been active in satellite work and was a member of ARRL, AMSAT and SMIRK. Burghardt started out selling ham radio parts in 1937 and in the 1950s expanded his Watertown operation into a popular Amateur Radio equipment supplier. The company has been a regular QST advertiser for the past 50 years, and many early ads featured a photo of Burghardt with his signature. Burghardt sold the business to Jim Smith, W0MJY, but he remained active in the company until January 2002. A service was held September 1.

\* Industry Canada soliciting comments on Morse requirement: Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC) says Industry Canada (IC) is seeking comments from Canada's amateur community on recent RAC proposals dealing with Morse code as a qualification for Amateur Radio HF operation. RAC has proposed that IC delete the mandatory requirement for Morse testing but leave it as a voluntary qualification, since some countries retaining a Morse requirement may require Morse credit for reciprocal operation. The RAC recommends that Canadian amateurs endorse the proposal, Gazette Notice DGRB-003-04, Consultation on "Recommendations from Radio Amateurs of Canada to Industry Canada Concerning Morse Code and Related Matters," released August 28. Canadian amateurs have 60 days to comment.

## **Information Needed For New OVH WEB Calendar**

This is to all OVH officers and BoD members, and to all Committee Chairpersons of record. I am working on adding a month-at-a-time calendar to the OVH web. It will show a short description of upcoming events, activities, meetings, classes, by month and day. It will be an easier way to see all events for a given month of interest to OVH members in a single view. I don't have complete details on just how it will look (I am just finishing the design), but this note is a call for information so I'll be ready.

Please, if you are involved with events of interest to OVH members, please send a short e-mail to me with that information. All events normally mentioned at club meetings, on the nets, or from newspapers or magazines are needed. Please make me a normal part of your notification routine; if you are involved in events or know of events, I need the date and time, and a contact name/callsign/phone number.

The space on the calendar is limited, probably no more than 70 characters per day, so it will be brief and to the point; Name of Event, Time of Event, Contact Name. These events need not all be amateur radio related but I just don't have time to include everything, nor do I want to, so not too much "outside" stuff. I will however need complete details if it is to be included.

I hope to have about 3 months in advance on the calendar pages (one month per web page), so even events that are way down the road are needed. If they are beyond 3 months then remember to notify me when it is within the three month timeframe.

This is something I have wanted to do for a long time, but just never got around to it. Although I already have several of them created, I am open if any of you are webpage gurus and know a place to get some HTML code that already has calendars created. But nothing fancy; no CGI, JAVA, ActiveX or the like. I abide by the KISS principle; it's just easier for me that way...not fancy I know, but the information gets out there just the same.

This can't happen without your help, so please send them along.

73, Bill N4WJN