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CLUB REPEATER
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The Club meets on the SECOND MONDAY of each month at the Manassas Park Recreation Center, on Old Centerville Rd, Manassas Park, Va. Meetings start at 8:00 PM and visitors are always welcome.

The next meeting will be on Monday, April 9, 1979

CLUB OFFICERS:

President Jay Watkins AC4N Secretary Steve Meade KB4OF
Vice President Herb Plummer W4FJP Treasurer Ed Fleming WD4AVI

NEW MEMBERS

The club welcomes four new members, they are: Paul S. Dell'Aria WD4RFB; Gene Marden AI4W; Linda Marden N4AFU; and Lowell E. Puckett KA4GCL.

NOVICE LICENSE COURSE

A Novice License course will start on Tuesday, April 10 at 7:30 PM and every tuesday following that for a total of 10 weeks. Instructors for the course will be; Janet Ahalt N4BEG, Tony Martin W4FOA, Jules Deschenes W4ERS, and Mike Feher N4FS. The cost is \$7.00 for the NEW issue of TUNE IN THE WORLD WITH HAM RADIO which has been completely rewritten and now includes a student workbook.

F.C.C. RULES - NEW EDITION

A brand new edition of the FCC's amateur rules complete to January of this year is available at the Government Printing Office. The revised edition has the stock number of 004-000-00357-8 and the price is \$1.40. The address is Superintendent of Documents, Washington DC 20402.

NEW FCC LOCATION DEVICES

The new FCC location devices are fast, accurate, and may spell the end of the "Jammer." Requiring only ONE-TENTH of a second sample time, the mobile units can track down moving signals in minutes. Only two are in use so far. FCC expects to equip field enforcement groups across the nation, now that equipment and techniques are proven.



MANASSAS HAMFEST

This year's Manassas Hamfest will be on June 3, 1979. 1st Prize is a TenTec Omni-D Six-Band Transceiver. 2nd Prize is a Tempo Syncom Synthesized 2m Hand-held w/TT pad. 3rd Prize is a Bird Model 43 Wattmeter with one element. Tailgaters Prize is a Drake WH-7 Wattmeter.

One thing that will help to make this year's hamfest the finest we have ever had is YOUR SUPPORT. We need volunteers for many different jobs that have to be done on both Saturday and Sunday. We will have to devote part of Saturday, June 2, to clean-up and set-up of the Prince William County Fairgrounds for exhibitors and tailgaters. And of course, we will need many more the day of the hamfest. If you have not been able to attend some of the monthly meetings, now is the time to contribute some time to the club. YOUR working with other members of the club will make the 1979 Manassas Hamfest a pleasure to all, not just for those who attend the hamfest, but even those who will be working at the hamfest.

WHAT KIND OF A CLUB MEMBER ARE YOU?

Some members are like wheelbarrows - no good unless pushed.
Some members are like canoes - they need to be paddled.
Some members are like kites - if you don't keep a string on them, they fly away.
Some members are like kittens - they are more contented when petted.
Some members are like footballs - you can't tell which way they will bounce next.
Some members are like balloons - full of wind and never down to earth.
But some members are like gems - they glow and become more valuable every day.

1979 FIELD DAY

Jim Fry WA4ZWN has a tough job. Jim is this year's OVH Field Day Chairman. What makes this job so tough, is that both the Manassas Hamfest and Field Day occur during the month of June. Trying to get bodies out to Field Day is an exasperating experience. It doesn't have to be that way. With the exception of a limited number of members holding various positions with the club, the majority of members may or may not attend one club meeting per month. The only "major" requests that the club makes on it's members is the hamfest, field day, and communications for the Manassas Christmas Parade. Everything being considered, these events should not cause hardships on anyone.

If your schedule is such that you can not participate in most of the club's activities, your participation in at least some of the activities would help make the OVH a healthier and even more active club. Amateur Radio is a hobby that all of us enjoy. An active, healthy club can be quite helpful in the pursuit of our hobby, but the club needs your support.

Field Day is a contest; a learning experience; and at times, a showcase (good or bad) as to what the local ham club is capable of doing during an emergency. With WARC around the corner, what have YOU done to justify having the frequencies and privileges that we have today, and hopefully still have next year.

BIKE - A - THON

There will be a bike-a-thon in Alexandria on Saturday, May 5th. The OVH has agreed to provide communications for the event. We need additional volunteers in order to have two hams per car. If enough volunteers are available, it would be possible to have a morning and afternoon "shift" which would shorten the amount of time each person would have to commit to the event. For more information contact Sam Lebowich WB4HAV at this coming meeting.

YL NET

The YL net, which meets Monday nights at 8:00 PM on the 97 repeater, is getting off to a slow start. So far, only four YL's have checked in. They are hoping for more YL's to join them. The net was formed so the YL's could talk and perhaps meet each other. It's an informal get-together with non-technical conversations. The net is asking for all licensed YL's to join in and for non-licensed YL's to ask their OM's to be control operators and permit them to join in. Come on YL's, there is no need to be shy or nervous when it's nothing but women getting to know each other over the air.

CORRECT YOUR LICENSE

If you have moved, it is suggested that you bring your license up to date. It might cause you unhappiness. Suppose that someone starts using your call even though you are off the air. A violation is reported. It doesn't reach you because your address is not correct. You can even lose your license and not know it! Be sure it is up to date. Modifications are made by forwarding a copy of your license along with a Form 610 to Gettysburg PA 17325 Atten. Box 020.

TROUBLE AT LAFAYETTE

Lafayette has been in financial trouble for several months now, and the Wall Street Journal reports that the latest rescue attempt was terminated on 28 Dec 78. Last year they negotiated with two private groups for the sale of all or part of their business, but no agreement was reached - now a third attempt has failed. Stock Exchange trading in Lafayette stock was suspended on 1 Dec 78. Things don't look good for the company and any member would be wise to be cautious in placing reliance on warranties of goods being purchased, as they might not be there when warranty backing is called upon.

OH! BY THE WAY

Trying not to keep you under suspense, the Novice Class mentioned earlier will have it's classes at Stonewall Jackson High School. I thought it might be worth mentioning. Sometimes the editor is a little absent minded. SORRY!!!!

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FIELD DAY QUESTIONNAIRE: Give to Jim WA4ZWN at the meeting or mail to Jim Fry WA4ZWN
c/o Ole Virginia Hams A.R.C. Box 1255, Manassas, Va. 22110

Your Name & Callsign: _____

Which day(s) can you work? Saturday _____ Sunday _____ Both _____

What hours can you work? _____ to _____

What band(s) do you prefer? _____ mtr phone _____ cw _____

Do you know someone who would like to help log?(Perhaps someone interested in Ham Radio) _____

What equipment if any could you provide? _____

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