

The OVH ARC Newsletter
"OLE VIRGINIA HAMS" AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC.
Post Office Box 1255, Manassas, Va. 20108
Repeaters -- W4OVH -- 146.970- & 224.660- & 442.200+
OVH Nodes -- 145.030 Port 2: 223.660 (SysOp Use Only) Port 3: 223.540 MHz
BBS--BBSNVA/N4WJN (SYSOP--BILL)
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OLE VIRGINIA TIMES

NOVEMBER 1999

Next meeting: 15 November 1999

**Committee Chairperson's!!!! Need your input for the
Newsletter!!!
(Editor)**

Message From the President

Greetings OVH;

Here we are at **Thanksgiving** time grateful for all our bountiful blessings in this great country; connecting on or off-the-air with family and friends. A ham's healthy diet: "hamfeasting."

Our **JOTA** (scouts) participation went over well in Oct led by **John/N4YOB**. Thanks to all operators who helped by running the rigs for the young folks plus set up/take down time. Special thanks to **Jack's/N4YIC** legwork--necessary to make it all happen. Well done!

Thanks to **Larry/KA4CTX** who professionally soloed as net control plus provided neat maps for the **Nokesville Run/Ride** back in Sep. (Inadvertently left out of Oct's news.)

Hoping to see all OVHers at the **Nov 15th meeting**. **Dick/W2YE**, of Sterling, will be giving a program on the **QSL Bureau**. We always enjoy hearing from Dick of the **4 call area**. If you like, bring in a few of your own QSO cards to share.

Upcoming winter activities: **Manassas Christmas Parade**, an **OVH-supported** annual event in Old Towne, happening on **Sat, Dec 4**. Contact **Art/KW4AW** if you can help with this festivity. **Dec 31**, New Year's Eve, will be an "on stand-by" mode for those involved with **Y2K Preparedness**. Check with **Erv/KT4DS** for details.

73 and here to serve YOU, See you Nov 15!

Cathy/AE4UM ☺

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HAMFEST 2000

Jack	N4YIC	335-9139
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FIELD DAY 1999

Bill	N4WJN	590-9562
Wes	N5RTY	368-8544

CLUB ROSTER

Blaine	KB4RKL	369-2877
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EDUCATION

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Brian	KE4NFK	257-9545
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F.A.R. REP.

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Mary Lu	KB4EFP	369-2877

FINANCE

Mike	WV3H	753-9346
Pete	KB4RME	369-2436
Mary Lu	KB4EFP	369-2877
Bill	N4WJN	590-9562

GENERATORS

Tommy	KA4AFU	369-2741
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HISTORIAN

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HOME PAGE

Bill	N4WJN	590-9562
Blaine	KB4RKL	369-2877

J.O.T.A. (Scouts)

John	N4YOB	791-5995
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MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

TBD

NEWSLETTER

Steve	KB4OF	368-6901
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NEWSLINE

Jeff	KV4AP	3615865
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PACKET

Alan	KD4KBX	330-8844
Bill	N4WJN	590-9562

PICNIC

Ellie	KF4NBO	361-8059
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PROGRAM'S

TBD

O' MASTER

Jim	N3ODZ	361-2543
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REPEATER CONTROLLERS

Art	KW4AW	791-4330
Butch	W4HJL	369-2877
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Mike	WV3H	753-9346
Steve	N4OGR	361-0008
Alan	KD4KBX	330-8844

REPEATER TRUSTEE

Art	KW4AW	791-4330
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SCHOLARSHIP

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SUNSHINE

Jan	KE4TMW	257-0897
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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 sameade@erols.com

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

OVHARC W4OVH REPEATER NEWS

Another relatively trouble-free month of operation. The folks at **MobileComm** have been contacted and working to correct the 146.370 MHz interference that we have been experiencing from the pagers located just off Route 28 near the **Manassas Mall**. As of Friday, 05 November, the interference was still with us. Work is going slowly on other projects, but it is still moving.

73,
Art - KW4AW

An FYI:

Thank you's go out to **Art** and the **Technical Committee** for doing the legwork necessary to rid the repeaters of **pager interference**, etc. Surely, it takes diplomacy as well as technical skill to get this priority accomplished. So, **hats off to you guys!**"

Cathy/AE4UM

OVHARC Christmas Parade Support

As of this writing, pickings are slim on the parade support team. Please refer to last month's Ole Virginia Times Oh, what the heck - here's the info again: December 4th for the **54th Annual Manassas Christmas Parade**. It will start at 1030. Starting line up will be located near **Wu's Garden** restaurant on Mathis Avenue. All OVH'ers need to **check in** at the start point by **0830** to get last minute info, parade lists, etc. The **roads** usually get **blocked off** along the parade unit by **0900**. Sometimes before. The entire event should finish by 1330 - 1345 with Santa Claus reaching the Reviewing Stand near the caboose in downtown Manassas.

Please contact **Art/KW4AW** at kw4aw@ieee.org or kw4aw@n4wjm.#nova.va.noam or 146.970 or (gas) 703.791.4330, and let him know which checkpoint is your favorite.

73,
Art, KW4AW

FOR GIVE AWAY TO GOOD HOME

I have a Hewlett-Packard Ink-jet **ColorPrinter** that went into self-destruct mode last year. it is an **HP-560-C**. All the circuit cards are in good shape - operable. Most of the mechanical parts and cover are in very good condition - including the ink cartridge carriers. Unfortunately, something shattered in the paper feed mechanism and, since it was out of warranty, it cost too much to fix. Anyone need it for parts - come and get it.

kw4aw@ieee.org

OVH J.O.T.A. Pictures on the WEB

A few sample pictures of the recent OVH/Scouting Jamboree On The Air, J.O.T.A., event are now available for viewing on the OVH WEB page. The URL is: [http://www.qsl.net/olevahams73, de Bill, N4WJN](http://www.qsl.net/olevahams73,deBill,N4WJN)

September OVH Meeting Minutes

The September OVH Meeting Minutes have been posted on the **OVH WEB** site, and on the **BBSNVA packet BBS**. Also a few additional links have been added to the **HAMLINKS** section of the OVH WEB, as well as some other updates to the WEB site. Check it out at:

<http://www.qsl.net/olevahams/>

Also, check the **OVH MEETINGS** link on the OVH WEB!
73, de Bill, N4WJN

VOLUNTEER EXAMINER COOPERATIVE

(Retrieved from the ARRL Homepage and the November Issue of AUTOCALL) and then "lifted" from the F.A.R.A Toroid

BRING TO THE EXAM:

1. Picture identification (Minors bring parent with picture ID)
2. Completed FCC Form 610 (most VE Teams will supply at exam)
3. Original and copy of current FCC amateur radio license
4. Originals and copies of all active certificates of successful completion of prior exams
5. Exam fee (\$6.45)

14-Nov-1999

Sponsor: WINCHESTER ARS
Time: 1:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: GREGORY W LANHAM
(540) 722-4792
VEC: ARRL/VEC
Location: PRE-REGISTRATION URGED
LORD FAIRFAX COMMUNITY COLLEGE
US ROUTE 11, ROOM 34, MIDDLETOWN, VA
22645

04-Dec-1999

Sponsor: CULPEPER/MADISON VE TEAM
Time: 09:00AM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: JOHN T BERRY
(540) 543-2580
VEC: ARRL/VEC
Location: ST STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
N EAST ST., CULPEPER, VA 22701

11-Dec-1999

Sponsor: MOUNT VERNON ARC
Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: JOHN L FORREST
(703) 971-3905
VEC: Laurel VEC
Location: LEE DISTRICT PARK
TELEGRAPH RD & ROSE HILL DR FRANCONIA,
VA

12-Dec-1999

Sponsor: WINCHESTER ARS
Time: 1:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: GREGORY W LANHAM
(540) 722-4792
VEC: ARRL/VEC
PRE-REGISTRATION URGED
Location: LORD FAIRFAX COMMUNITY
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ARRL CONTEST NOTES

(Retrieved from the ARRL Homepage) and then
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11/19-22/99

Six-Meter Annual Winter DX Contest, sponsored by Six Club, 6 meters only 2300Z Nov 19 to 0300Z Nov 22, Exchange grid squares, count 1 point for each QSO. Final score is total QSO points =D7 total grid squares. Awards. Send logs by Dec 20 to: Six Club, PO Box 307, Hatfield, AR 71945; sixclub@6mt.com; <http://6mt.com/contest.htm>.

LI/NJ-QRP Doghouse Operation Sprint, sponsored by the Long Island QRP and New Jersey QRP clubs, 1700-2100Z Nov 20. Single op QRP, CW only. 160 80 40 20 15 10 meters. Work stations once on each band, exchanging RST, telephone area code and first name. Count 2 points/QSO. Final score is (QSO points =D7 power multiplier) + bonus points. Power multiplier: less than 1 W output power =D7 10; 1 to 5 W =D7 7. Bonus points: Battery/solar operation from home--100; Portable field location, battery/solar operation with temporary antennas outside of home--100 points. Awards. Submit logs within 30 days to Kevin F. Glynn, 429-73rd St, Brooklyn, NY 11209; kfglynn@prodigy.net.

November Sweepstakes, Phone. See October QST, page 88.

Sixth Annual North American Collegiate ARC Championship, phone. Runs concurrently with the ARRL November Sweepstakes contest. Participation limited to clubs at institutions of higher learning beyond the high school level. Colleges may enter Sweepstakes in any of the valid Sweepstakes entry categories and abide by all of the ARRL Sweepstakes rules.

In an effort to encourage club station improvements all contacts must be made from the established club radio station located on a college campus, if one exists. (No

SUNSHINE CORNER

Happy Birthday to our ham buddies Butch W4HJL, Charlie WA4YGI, Gene KD4RHC, Ken KM4UH, Michael N4REI, Joseph KD2RO and Joe AB4QV.

Happy Thanksgiving to all, and remember to count the blessings we have as hams!

73 de Jan KE4TMW

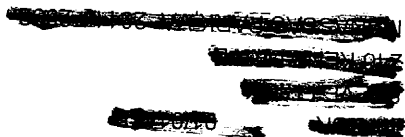
"portable" operation from a nearby contest "super station.") A club may operate from a member's station provided that a club station does not exist on campus. Official results will be based on those published in QST so all contestants must submit a valid log to the ARRL. The combined champion is based on a points system whereby each CW and phone score is divided by the highest scoring collegiate score for that mode and multiplied by 1000. The overall combined score is the sum of the CW (held earlier in the month) and phone points. Separate champions will be determined for CW, phone and combined scores.

Contestants must also submit a score summary (the contest summary sheet, not a complete log) to: Robert Barron, PO Box 180703, Austin, TX 78718-0703; ka5wss@tapr.org; Provisional scores and winners will be available on the Collegiate Championship home page at <http://www.collegiatechampionship.org/>.

LZ DX Contest, CW only. Sponsored by the Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs, 1200Z Nov 20 to 2100Z Nov 21. 80 40 20 15 10 meters. Categories: A--single op multi band; B--Single op single band; C--Multi op; D--SWL. All stations must stay on a band for 10 minutes before changing to another band. Exchange RST and ITU zone. Count 6 points for QSO with an LZ station, 3 points for QSO outside your continent, 1 point for QSO inside your continent. Multiplier is ITU zones per band. Final score is QSO points =D7 total ITU zones. Awards. Send log within 30 days to: BFRA, PO Box 830, 1000 Sofia, Bulgaria; lz1bj@yahoo.com; <http://www.qsl.net/lz1fw/contest/#rules1>.

11/27-28/99

CQ WW DX Contest, CW. See October, QST, page 87.



FIRST CLASS MAIL



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MEETING: NOVEMBER 15TH
8:00 PM
NORTHERN VIRGINIA ELECTRIC COOP
Gainesville Technical Center
5399 Wellington Road
Gainesville, Virginia

Guest: Dick / W2YE
QSL BUREAU
(Bring some of your "rare" QSL Cards to share)

Upcoming: "Manassas Christmas Parade"
Saturday, Dec. 4th
Sign-Up to help out -- OVH-Supported Annual Event