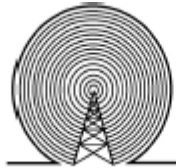


The Ham Arundel News



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The Prez Sez . . .

Health is Everything – You don't realize how true this is until you or someone you know doesn't have it. It not only impacts you but also your relatives and friends. Take the time needed to take care of yourself. Material things can be replaced, your health can't. Be good to yourself.

New Equipment – A lot of work has been performed at our clubhouse to create an alternate E.O.C. site for the county. Next time you're at the clubhouse, take a look at some of the changes. We now have another tower up on the right side of the clubhouse with antennas on it. The telephone pole has been taken down, it was the home of a zillion bees. There is still a lot of work to do and we may be asking for volunteers to help. One of the last things we need to do is create a ground ring around the building. To do this we will need to dig a trench around the building and bury a ground cable and ground rods. This will take a work party later this year when the temperature cools off.

Club Officers – Have you given any thought on how you can serve the club next year as a Club Officer? Now is the time to start investigating the position you would like to hold. The club is successful and running real well, now is the time to jump in. We have some incredibly talented people in the club, and we should have them helping to make the decisions for the club.

What's happening at the club? – The best place to find out is the club's website. From club program meetings, Special Events, to new equipment or features added. Check it out! The membership has been very active at putting notes and information on the site. You're missing a lot, if you're not visiting the AARC website.

We are a club of Great People having a Great Time.

Bob Montagne / K3REM

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Meetings:

General Business 1st Thursday at 7:30 PM
Board Meeting 2nd Thursday at 7:30 PM
Program/Activity 3rd Thursday at 7:30 PM

Dues:

\$20 per year, payable December 1st
Discounts available for family members and students

World Wide Web:

www.w3vpr.org

AARC Supports The Maryland Slow Net:

3.563 MHz CW 7:30 P.M. Daily

Repeater Frequencies:

Davidsonville	Millersville	Glen Burnie	Annapolis
147.105+		147.075+	
223.880-	224.560-		
444.400+			442.300+

PL: 107.2 for all repeaters except Davidsonville 440 which is 156.7

Visitors are welcome to all meetings and nets. Meetings are held in the Clubhouse at the Davidsonville Family Recreation Center, Queen Anne Bridge and Wayson Roads off of MD Route 214 near Davidsonville, MD. For en-route directions, make initial contact on the 147.105 repeater.

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Mark Your Calendar!

August 7 Business Meeting

7:30 P.M

1st presentation by Bill Rynone on power consumption, the difference between a good power saw and a bad, power calculations. 2nd presentation by Bob Rose: a wrap up of the AARC Jr. Field Day.

9 VE Testing

12 Noon

Maryland QSO Party

Noon to Midnight on Saturday and Noon to 8PM on Sunday. We'll be meeting at the clubhouse at about 10AM to set up. Operation will commence outside at Noon to not conflict with the test session. After testing, operations will move into the clubhouse.

This is one of our favorite events and is a lot of fun. As large as AARC is we should be winning this contest every year. Our junior club, AARC Jr. (KI3DS), has actually won this contest once and usually finishes second.

21 Program Meeting

7:30P.M.

Robert Zimmerman / KB3IWD The Hubble Space Telescope: An Idea That Would Not Die

VE Testing Schedule



Second Saturday of each month - AARC - Robert Rose / AA3RR, 410-437-8193

Third Saturday of each month - Laurel ARC - John Creel, 301-572-5124

Fourth Tuesday of each month - MMARC - Harold Nichols / WB4OGP, 410-757-0493

To all exams bring:

- Picture ID
- Social Security Number or FCC Registration Number (FRN)
- **ORIGINAL** and a **COPY** of current FCC amateur radio license
- **ORIGINAL** and a **COPY** of all element credits (e.g., FCC letters, old licenses or unexpired Certificates of Successful Completion of Examination-CSCE).

Wednesday Night Talk Net -- All are welcome

Wednesday Night Talk Net at 8PM, On the AARC Repeater 147.105

Please join in. Open to all.



Other Amateur Radio nets

Name	Frequency	Day	Time
Morning Commuter Net	147.105+ PL 107.2	Weekdays	0600
AA County ARES Net	146.805-Mhz PL 107.2	Sunday	2000
Baltimore Traffic Net	146.670-Mhz	Daily	1830
Maryland Emergency Phone Net	3.920Mhz	Daily	1800
Maryland-DC-Delaware Traffic Net	3.643Mhz	Daily	1900 and 2200
Maryland Mobileers Net	146.805 PL107.2	Monday	1930
Maryland Slow Net	3.563 MHz	Daily	1930
React Net	147.105+Mhz PL107.2	1st Sunday	1930

ARRL Membership Reminder:

Free Money for AARC!

ARRL Affiliated Clubs receive a commission for every new ARRL membership and renewal they submit to ARRL Headquarters. Clubs retain a portion of the dues for each regular or senior membership submitted to ARRL Headquarters:

- **Clubs retain \$15 for each new membership OR lapsed membership (of two years or more).**
- **Clubs retain \$2 for each renewal. A RENEWING MEMBER can renew at anytime, even before their current membership term expires.**

Send your application and payment (made out to AARC) to the club treasurer.

Public Service!



Two large public service activities are just around the corner. The first is on Sunday morning, August 24, and is the Annapolis Ten Mile Run. We'll have simplex nets on 2 meters and 440 and will need lots of operators.

The second public service event is the second annual Annapolis Triathlon which, despite some rumors to the contrary, is slated to take place on Sunday morning, September 7. We'll probably have *three* nets running for this one, as we did last year.

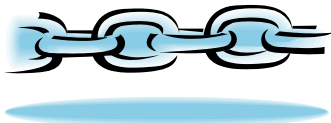


If you are interested in helping, even if you've had no prior experience, we can pair you up with one of the "old salts" as needed. Most of the operating locations can use an HT while some others will require a mobile rig.

We provide important internal communications for the race organizers, keeping them up to date with race progress as well as any logistical needs that may surface, and are always on the lookout for participants that may need medical attention.

Please contact me to sign up! Thanks

Ted Redick / K3TED tredick@verizon.net H: 410 647-2795.



Link of the Month

N2LVI's Delaware Valley Area Hamfests
Over 45 Area Hamfests Listed

VICTOR AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, Camden, NJ W2VTM

Providing On-line Hamfest Information Since 1993 - 15 Years!

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<http://www.qsl.net/w2vtm/hamfest.html>



ARES activities:

AA Co. ARES mini-SET (Simulated Emergency Test) was held on July 26

Situation: Category 1 Hurricane with flooding

There were
7 locations:

3 "shelters" 3 "staging areas" and the EOC. All participants, except those at the EOC, were outdoors using emergency power.

Modes used were voice and packet - all simplex

De-briefing will be held on August 16 at 0900

It was the best exercise ever!



MD 21061

The next regular ARES meeting, at the EOC, will be on Saturday, September 11 at 0900.

If you are interested in ARES, contact Frank Winner at N3SEO@aol.com

Note: The EOC is located at the Henry L. Hein Public Safety Building, 7480 Baltimore Annapolis Blvd (between Crain Highway and Ritchie Highway) Glen Burnie,

NEWSLETTER - MARYLAND SLOW NET

MEETS DAILY AT 3563 @ 7:30 P.M. LOCAL TIME

July 2008

June Honor Roll (15+ check-ins)
W8CPG, WE2G, KG2HA, KA3NZR

June Statistics
Sessions: 30 Minutes: 684
QTC: 136 QNI: 158

TO: MSN
FROM: W8CPG

Student News

- Congratulations to Joe/KB3LNM and Roy/WA2TWS who are nearing the finish line. Harry/KA3NZXR sent his “pat on the back” to Joe and Roy for their perseverance with training under difficult QRN conditions and not being fair weather operators. Great going men!

Net Protocol

- Training messages 169 and 170 (NCS Section) advise sending stations up and down the band in increments. Please note these increments/frequencies are subject to frequent change depending on the activity and timing of other nets and/or individual stations. Use discretion and timely checking of the band before MSN sessions so as to not confuse students or interfere with other activities.

Around The Net

- Thanks to Harry/KA3NZR for volunteering as Alternate NCS and MDD Liaison on Sunday nights.
- Carter/N3AO and Ted/W1HGY both sent compliments on the MSN Newsletters. Thanks guys.
- Roy/WA2TWS got three of the four questions from WB9LBI correct: 1 – Boxing; 2 – Niagara Falls.; 3- -Asparagus and Rhubarb; 4 – Strawberry. Next question: In many liquor stores you can buy pear brandy, with a real pear inside the bottle. The pear is whole and the bottle is real and uncut in any way. How did the pear get inside the bottle? Please reply to W8CPG via Radiogram on MSN.
- Frank/N3ZOC noted that the ARRL has built a fixture to aid in researching the effects of CFLs and LEDs with switching power supplies (power supplies have been a problem). More information later.
- Milt/K4OSO advised that the Navy and Marine Corps have re-activated the Navy and Marine Corps MARS training nets using CW! The activation specifically noted the efficiency of CW in instances when voice and digital communications have faltered or failed. Good news for CW!
- Roy/WA2TWS further endorsed CW in Issue #3, '08 FISTS Keynote, noting that: 1. cell towers are easy terrorist targets; 2. satellites may be vulnerable to sophisticated interference and space junk; 3. the Internet is vulnerable to hackers and cyber-terrorists, e.g. “China experimentally shut down the nation of Latvia for a day,” and most nations are developing communications crippling techniques.

Cryptoquips and Philosophy du Jour

We ought to hear at least one little song every day, read a good poem, see a first-rate painting, and if possible speak a few sensible words – Johann Wolfgang Von Goethe. Shoes divide men into three classes. Some men wear their father’s shoes. They make no decisions of their own. Some are unthinkingly shod by the crowd. The strong man is his own cobbler. He insists on making his own choices. He walks in his own shoes – S. D. Gordon. “Gentle Thoughts” - The sole purpose of a child’s middle name is so he can tell when he’s really in trouble. Long ago when men cursed and beat the ground with sticks, it was called witchcraft. Today it’s called golf. If you smile when things go wrong, you have someone in mind to blame.

MSN NET ASSIGNMENTS

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
MSN NCS	K4OSO	N3ZOC	KA3LTN	WB9LBI	K3IN	N3WK	AA3SB
ALT. NCS		K3IN					KA3NZR
MDD REP	W3CB	N3ZOC	KA3LTN	N3ZOC	K3IN	N3WK	KA3NZR

73, Bruce/W8CPG AR

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