

The Ham Arundel News



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November 2010



The Prez Sez...

As you may know, the November issue is not published until the nominations close at the November business meeting so that is why you are receiving it now. See this year's slate of officers and directors in this issue.

The General Class licensing class fired up with six students and will run through early December. I even got them hooked on contesting already in the CQ Worldwide DX contest last weekend. Each student got to work a European or Caribbean station to get a taste of the new privileges. The Extra Class study hall starts up November. 7 on Sunday afternoons at 1PM. Just show up at the clubhouse and Mark KA3RNW or other qualified instructor will help you make it to Extra Class.

Twenty-four people turned out for the club picnic. Thanks to George N3YSA for helping me shop for the food, drinks, and charcoal and everyone who helped us set up and tear down. It was the perfect fall day!

The October presentation meeting was a packed house to hear Marty W3YOZ speak about the W3SO Pennsylvania mountaintop contest station. It started 14 years ago with a tent, generator, and a mast. Today there are eight towers, miles of hard-line, and two buildings. What a great story!

We still need volunteers to plan and put on the Holiday Party. Laura KB3OGB is this year's Party Coordinator. Let her know if you can help. Ford Hall is holding more classes and dance nights now than ever before. As it turns out, the usual date for the holiday party is not available nor is there any really great alternative. In spite of the football season we settled on Sunday afternoon December 12 at 2 PM. The hall is available and no one will have to drive at night. The club will provide the usual fare from the Boston Market and members are requested to bring a dish to share. Please let Laura know how many are coming and the age and gender of any children 12 and under so Santa can be prepared. Contact Laura at: laura.schlabach@gmail.com (You format the email address – keeps spam down)

There are two more Public Service events to work this year. See the details in this issue and come on out and help.

73, Rick – KK4GV AARC President

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Deadline for submissions – The Saturday after the 3rd Thursday of the month

Mailing Address:

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Post Office Box 308
Davidsonville, MD 21035*

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

The 147.105 and 147.075 repeaters are frequently linked. Please leave an extra second after the courtesy beep to allow the link to reset as well.

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!

Thursday November 4 - Club Meeting - Nominations for 2011 Club Officers

Saturday November 13 - Public Service Event - Striders 50K Run

Contact Mark KA3RNW.

Thursday November 18 - Club Meeting - Tom N3LHD - *Digital Mobile Radio over Amateur Radio: A new Digital Mode for the future*

Saturday November 21 - Public Service Event - Cold Turkey 10K

Contact Mike KA2JAI - mikemontrose at gmail dot com -

Thursday December 2 - Club Meeting - Election of 2011 Club Officers

Sunday December 12 - Holiday Party at Ford Hall at 2PM - Installation of Officers and Presentation of MDQSO Party Awards

Party Coordinator - Laura KB3OGB - contact her to help - laura.schlabach at gmail dot com

Thursday December 16 - No Club Meeting -

Kit-building, troubleshooting, and repair 1 to 4 PM Every 4th Sunday at the clubhouse

Contact Bill/W3LU or Raven/KB3MUV for more information

YL Meeting every 3rd Sunday of the Month at 2:00pm

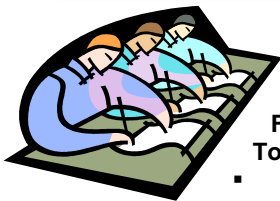
Fall AARC Training Schedule:

General Class Course: 23 Oct - 11 Dec 2010 7 class sessions

Extra Class Study Hall: Sundays, 1-4pm -- 7, 14, 21 Nov and 6 Dec 2010

Contact KK4GV if you want to be an instructor or need additional information.

Students can sign up on the web site at: <http://www.w3vpr.org/node/249>



VE Testing Schedule

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

Third Saturday of each month – 9AM – Laurel ARC – John Creel, 301-572-5124

Fourth Tuesday of each month – 6PM – 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

8PM, On the AARC Repeater 147.105

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	3.820Mhz	Daily	1800
MD-DC-DE Traffic Net	3.557Mhz	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

Slate of Officers for 2011

Following is the slate for 2011 AARC officials. You will notice the absence of a name at the top. After many members have been contacted, not one will consent to run for president. There must be a member out there who would like to be the AARC President for 2011. We need you. Please come forward!

President: OPEN!
Vice-Pres: Nick/N3CK
Secretary: George/N3YSA
Treasurer: Rick/KK4GV
Directors: Vote for 3

Bob/WA3HOO

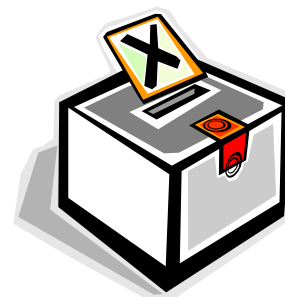
Jim/KB3NQY

Bob/K3RSJ

Terry/KB3CWQ

Chuck/K3ACT

Keith/KB3UDM



It's time to renew!

Paying your dues is now easier than ever. Not only can you renew on-line, you can even pay on line. Or you can renew on-line and bring a check to the clubhouse or party. Or mail it in or renew at the party. There is even a "renew with no changes" short form that you can if all your information is the same. The most common change we need to know about is if your e-mail address changes. We are going almost totally electronic with newsletters, announcements, and rosters. This really saves the club a lot of money and keeps you informed with more timely information.

Renew here: <http://www.w3vpr.org/node/35>

If you receive a paper copy of this newsletter, a renewal form is enclosed.

Area Hamfests

2011		Location
1/23	Maryland Mobileers Amateur Radio Club Talk-In: 146.805 / 146.205 Contact: Frank Winner , N3SEO Phone: 410-647-3335 Email: n3seo@aol.com Website: http://www.mobileers.org/	Odenton Volunteer Fire Department Hall 1425 Annapolis Road (Route 175) Odenton, MD 21113
3/26	Maryland State Convention (Greater Baltimore Hamboree & Computerfest) Sponsor: Baltimore Amateur Radio Club Talk-In: 146.67 (PI 107.2) Contact: Keon Hayes , KE3HAY Phone: 410-499-7117 Email: w3ft67@yahoo.com Website: http://www.gbhc.org	Maryland State Fairgrounds 2200 York Road Timonium, MD
4/30	Great Hagerstown Hamfest Antietam Radio Association (W3CWC) Talk-In: 147.09 Contact: Karin Christensen , KB3GFV Phone: 301-432-2358 Email: dilbert@wildblue.net Website: http://w3cwc.org	Location: Ag Expo Center 7313 Sharpsburg Pike (Route 65) Boonsboro, MD 21713

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/>

Public Service Opportunities!

Striders' 50K Run Saturday, November 13 0800

Contact Mark KA3RNW.

Cold Turkey 10K Sunday, November 21 0830

Contact Mike KA2JAI - mikemontrose at gmail dot com -

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AARC Repeater Linking!

Linking the "105" and "075" repeaters has provided handheld coverage throughout much of the county by eliminating formerly "dead" areas and mobile coverage has also been enhanced.

It is hoped that the operation will be seamless and users will simply consider the system to be one big repeater.

The NE quadrant of Anne Arundel County, defined at the northern point as roughly the intersection of Rt's 2 and 695, and the NE side of Rt 2 following it down to College Parkway, is low terrain bordered by the Chesapeake Bay, Magothy, and Patapsco Rivers. Intervening high ground in the area of Rt 2 and Rt 50 blocks, along with tall buildings in Parole, signals from the '105' machine in the NE quadrant of the county.

The '075' machine, located on a high tower on Solley Rd, in the NE part of the county near the Baltimore City line, is ideally sited to provide solid coverage of the NE county quadrant. It also has plenty of overlap with the '105' machine so operators generally do not have to change back and forth between machines.

The benefits are much improved radio coverage for mobiles and coverage for handhelds in areas where none was possible before. Participation in the Wednesday night net and Skywarn are now possible for many more AARC members and guests, and RACES/ARES capability is enhanced.

The 075 machine also serves as a backup in case the 105 machine fails (linked or not).

When engaged in a QSO please allow a pause of 1 sec before transmitting.



ARES/RACES

Calendar of meetings & activities:

COMMEX November 9, 1930hrs

Meeting will be on & Nov 20
from 0900 thru 1200 hours at the EOC.



COMMEX dates have been cleared with the EOC for the second Tuesdays from 1930 thru 2030 thru the end of 2010.

<https://sites.google.com/site/aacaresraces/> or tinyurl.com/aacaresraces



Highlights from the SKYWARN Advisory Committee Meeting - 06 Nov 2010

Submitted by Kurt WA3TOY

1. NWS Sterling will be having an Open House on April 30, and May 01 2011. All are invited to visit and tour the facility. Contact Kurt WA3TOY for additional details.
2. Tom Horne W3TDH and I are planning to do the table at the Timonium Hamfest again in 2011. We will need help staffing the table. All interested contact either Tom W3TDH or Kurt WA3TOY.
3. SKYWARN Recognition 2010 will be December 3 and 4. The event will start at 00:00 UTC (19:00 EST) to 00:00 UTC (19:00 EST). During this event, try to contact as many National Weather Service Office Amateur Radio Stations as possible. You can receive a certificate or get more information by going to: <http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/mtr/hamradio/index.php>
4. The New Website for the National Capital SKYWARN Group is now up and constantly being improved. The new web site is: www.wx4lwx.org
5. NWS Sterling is planning on participating in Field Day 2011 as WX4LWX under a class F EOC station. Operators and set-up help will be needed. Contact Virginia AK4EA for more information.
6. Virginia AK4EA is willing to teach a SKYWARN Net Control Class in the Baltimore area if we can get some people interested. If you would like to take this 3 hour class, please contact Kurt WA3TOY.
7. The next SKYWARN Advisory Committee meeting is tentatively planned for February 12th at 14:00 at the Sterling NWS office.

AARC STAFF - 2010

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- **Clubs retain \$2 for each renewal. A RENEWING MEMBER can renew at any time, even before their current membership term expires.**

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

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