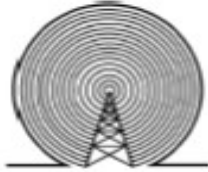


The Ham Arundel News



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Congratulations AARC!

I'd like to thank all the club members who participated in Field Day 2011. We had a successful event logging 2292 contacts which had far exceeded our totals for prior years. Most importantly, was the fellowship of all who pitched in during set up, operating and break down. It was poetry in motion in large part due to the organization and preparation of Bob Rose, AA3RR.

I could not even try to mention all those who participated but I have to make mention of a few individuals:

Bob (KB3MPR) and Kim (KB3NGU) Delamarter – planning, set-up, operating, take-down, LAN

Brenda (KB3ATI) Rose – planning, seup, take-down, documentation, operating

Steve (K3BAY) Kelly – planning, set-up, LAN, take-down

Mark (KA3RNW) Murphy – set-up, operating, take-down

Bob (WA3HOO) Frierson – set-up, take-down

Jim (KB3NQY) Goldsberry – set-up, operating, take-down

Barb (KB3LDM) and Terry (KB3CWQ) Nixon – food planning and prep, operating

There were many more who have participated who I would like to recognize. Make sure you come to the club meeting when we have the post event presentation (date to be announced).

The club is planning two upcoming events, notable the Maryland QSO party on August 13th and 14th, which is sponsored by AARC. Your participation and willingness to keep the club station operating during that time is vital. We also plan to have the club picnic during the same

event.

We also are planning a Fox Hunt. If you are willing to participate in the planning please contact me at N3CK@LIVE.COM.

Recent board activities: the board has pre-approved the purchase of another repeater. We will wait until another good opportunity like the last one we purchased. I again want to thank Tom Provenza for his patience and support in acquiring the last repeater.

Please follow the website for upcoming meeting presentations.

73, Nick /N3CK

THANKS is too small a word.

After five years of incredible service, Andrea Montrose, K3YLW has decided to step down as publisher of the Ham Arundel News. This note is a small representation to say thanks for all your work, hours, thoughts, and professional manner in which the Newsletter appeared each month.

Milford, N3WYG has volunteered to become the new editor. So everyone, please, sent your articles, photos, ideas, upcoming events, etc., to Milford at milford@w3vpr.org.

Saturday August 13 - Club Picnic - 2 PM at Clubhouse

The Club will be providing sodas, water and the hot dogs / hamburgers / cheeseburgers. Club members should bring something to pass or a cover dish. Please only one potato salad and one chips and salsa. Desserts and watermelon will always be greatly appreciated. Please R.S.V.P. to : thnixon@qis.net Please tell us what you are bringing and how many people are coming to the picnic.

Food, Upgrade, and Fun

Greetings!

Mark your calendars for **13-14 August**. That's the weekend of the popular annual **Maryland-DC QSO Party**. We will be operating 1 to 3 stations as W3VPR during this event. We are planning 1 or 2 phone stations and maybe 1 CW station. It's almost as much fun as Field Day except we will operate indoors with air conditioning!!!

The operation schedule will be on Saturday from Noon until Midnight. Then on Sunday, we will operate from Noon until 6 to 8pm. There are four operating categories plus endorsements for VHF only, YL, and youth entries if you are so inclined. It's easy and FUN!

That 12-hour break between operating sessions is very civilized. If you are not going to participate in the MDC QSO Party as an entrant, then join us at the clubhouse as we put W3VPR on the air and give out some bonus points to those who are participating.

Aug 13 is also a scheduled license exam time from Noon until about 3:00pm. Therefore, we will set up one station outdoors adjacent to the clubhouse and begin operating at Noon. Following the exam session we will move the outdoor station indoors and bring up 1-2 additional stations.

Contact me if you have any questions or want to help: aa3rr@w3vpr.org Bob/AA3RR

Rules Change for MD QSO Party

In 2010, the Anne Arundel Radio Club assumed sponsorship of the MD QSO Party and it was a reasonable success given the propagation issues on the first day (Two solar flares). Four AARC members participated in the QSO Party and submitted logs. Therefore, in 2011 we changed the rules to award bonus points to those stations that make a single contact with W3VPR.

This change represents a challenge for our club because that commits us to having at least one station on the air as W3VPR during the contest. A good faith effort would require multiple stations (e.g., Phone and CW). And while we don't have to operate the entire 20 hours over the weekend, we do need to be on-the-air both days for a large

percentage of the time (7-8 hrs on Saturday and 4-5 hrs on Sunday).

On the other hand, if we are going to participate as Club entry competitor, then we will need to operate during most if not all of the 20 hour contest period with multiple stations using Phone and CW.

Interested in operating for a couple hours during the Maryland QSO Party from the clubhouse, then please let me know. You can contact me at: aa3rr@w3vpr.org.

Also, let me know your operating mode preference: Phone or CW?

We need about 8-10 club members to assist in setting up and operating stations at the clubhouse during the contest.

The operating phases of the Maryland-DC QSO Party Are: Noon to Midnight on Saturday, 13 August and Noon to 8:00pm on Sunday, 14 August.

Contact me if you have any questions or want to help: aa3rr@w3vpr.org Bob/AA3RR



Solar Power



Mark, KF5EUT, told the May club meeting how he powers his station using the Sun.

One nice summer Saturday morning some club members helped move a tower to Holly's QTH to replace the one she lost in a windstorm.



Left to right are: W3MC, KK4GV, W2GPS, K3ACT, KB3NQY, 3 sons of W3MC

What do I get for my dues?

Many times I am asked, "**What do I get for my dues?**" After all, the newsletter and roster are electronic now and anyone can read the newsletter on-line. (The roster takes a password but any member can see it and even print a copy).

Aside from the obvious, six repeaters, two digipeaters, full blown club station, clubhouse, presentations, operating events, training, and testing, my answer is typically, "**The value of club membership is inherent in belonging to and supporting an amateur radio organization that you participate in and care about.**"

It's not about what you get. It's about why you care. You are a ham and this is your club. So get involved!

73, Rick - KK4GV - AARC Treasurer

Did You Know...

In the Fall of 1976 Russ Lockett/WA3IBE advised the Club of the possibility of getting a clubhouse on the old NIKE site in Davidsonville. The DFRC (Davidsonville Family Recreation Center) had taken control of the property. A committee of Club members was immediately appointed to investigate this opportunity. They looked over the property and chose the present clubhouse building, requesting that the radar platform be left standing. A verbal agreement was made with the DFRC to occupy the premises pending a written agreement. The building was in a sorry state. There was no heat, no water, no electricity. However, this did not deter the AARC. The members wanted more than anything to have their own clubhouse once again.

(from the History of the AARC)

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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 any time, even before their current membership expires.

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

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n3wyg@w3vpr.org

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

Mailing Address:

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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

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 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!



Saturday August 13 - Club Picnic - 2 PM at Clubhouse

Contest and VE session starts at noon - Picnic at 2PM so VE's can join in. Note - Testing will be held down the hill at Ford Hall, contesting at clubhouse, picnic at the gazebo/shelter.

Saturday/Sunday, August 13 & 14 - MDC QSO Party

Set up 10AM - Operating Noon to Midnight Saturday - Noon to 8PM Sunday
OPERATORS NEEDED - WE ARE THE SPONSORS SO WE NEED TO BE ON AIR!

Thursday, August 18 - 7:30 PM - Club Meeting

Presentation - MARS Stations and inter-operability excise plan

Thursday, September 1 - 7:30 PM - Club Meeting

Presentation - Fox Hunting (The radio transmitter kind)

Saturday August 20 - Major inter-operability excise with MARS.

Anne Arundel County, Howard County and Prince Georges County

Saturday, October 15 - Club Storage Building work party

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

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

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