

required when contact credits are redeemed toward supported awards, "Premium services may be developed for LoTW which would require user fees."

Also related to operating awards, the Board agreed to modify some [DXCC Rules](#) to clarify the appointment procedure and eligibility of DXCC card checkers.

Referred to Committee

The Programs and Services Committee (P&SC) is to closely examine the issue of remotely controlled stations, noting that these "pose both opportunities and challenges." The P&SC would "consider the possible advantages, disadvantages, and any potential ethical issues as they relate strictly to the DXCC program" and report its findings by the Board's January 2015 Annual Meeting.

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SKYWARN Information

On 8/16/14 I attended the quarterly Skywarn Advisory Committee meeting at NWS Sterling.

There was discussion on who the sub-nets differ from the main net and all agreed that no changes should be made. In fact Anne Arundel County was again praised and after the meeting (on the way home) it was suggested by William W3QX that our sub-net be used as a model for others.

So thanks to all who have helped make our sub-net and system as good as it is, and lets keep up the good work.



The AACo Skywarn sub-net is our official Amateur Radio communications net for gathering and disseminating hazardous weather information.

Skywarn spotters are the "Ground Truth Eyes and Ears" of the National Weather Service providing real time reports of hazardous weather conditions.

In areas such as Anne Arundel County that are too far away from Sterling Virginia to access the 147.300 repeater and main Skywarn net, we use sub-nets and then relay the info via either Land Line or the Rockville repeater (146.955).

Our NCS operators on record are WA3TOY, KB3UDJ, WZ2DX, N3USP, N3CK, N3KNP, N3SNU, WJ3K, KB3ZVO, and W4ATN.

With these ops we can establish an NCS schedule when we are looking at an extended situation such as major snow storms etc.

Our net is able to call it self up and close as needed independent of the main net and other Skywarn activity due to these trained operators knowledge of the required procedures and willingness to devote their time as they can 73;

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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

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Free Money for AARC! **ARRL Membership Reminder**

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.



Mark Your Calendars

Newcomers are always welcome!

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Club Meetings are held on the first and third Thursdays of the month from 7:30 to 9PM at the clubhouse located at the Davidsonville Family Recreation Center in Davidsonville, MD

Free License Exams every 2nd Saturday of the Month - Check in at Noon, Exams at 1PM - At the clubhouse - Contact KB3ATI

Kit-building, troubleshooting and repair 1 to 4 PM Every 4th Sunday at the clubhouse Contact Raven KB3MUV

2 meter Morning Commuter Net on 147.105 (Typically linked to 147.075 and 444.400) every morning 6:30 to 9:00 am. This is the famous Holly-net. Pre-Holly-net starts at 5 AM or so.

2 meter Net on 147.105 (Typically linked to 147.075 and 444.400) every Wednesday at 8 PM - All Welcome

Club Activities for September.

Sept. 04 2014 (Thu) - Member meeting at the clubhouse. 7:30p

Sept. 11 2014 (Thu) - Board meeting at the clubhouse. 7:30p (we have an "open door" policy and might just make you the VP!)

Sept. 13 2014 (Sat) - (Free) FCC License Exam for Amateur Radio.

Sept. 18 2014 (Thu) - Member meeting at the clubhouse. 7:30p

Sept. 27 2014 (Sat) - Annual Picnic and mini swap meet. Noon. (There will be a fox-hunt before the event, details TBA)

Sept. 28 2014 (Sun) - (support) Annapolis Run for the Lighthouse (Quiet Waters Park)

Sept. 28 2014 (Sun) - (support) TRI 4 The Chesapeake (Smithsonian Environmental Research Center.).

August Test Results

Congratulations goes out to the following;

Matthew Tanner KI4GHM - Upgrade to General
David Thompson KG5CFW - Upgrade to General

Thanks to the following VE's for helping conduct the test session:

Jonathan Graefe KB3ZVO
Bill Lifsey AB3TM
Gordon Davias WV3K
Margaret Goldsberry KB3LGC
Barbara Nixon KB3LDM
Rob Hurd N3HU
Chuck Shefflette AA3CJ
Tom Hogevoil K3TH
Dick Maio WW3R
Keith Miller AE3D

73,
Steve Kelly
VE Team Leader

PRACTICE FOR Field Day June 26-28 2015

Now that the 2014 Maryland-DC QSO Party has come and gone and is a pleasant memory, it's time to start thinking about Field Day 2015 (You can't start planning and preparing too early).

Your AARC Field Day Team is going to select some up-coming contests for club members (Old timers, new hams, experienced hams, all classes) to participate in as a way to prepare for Field Day.

These contests will provide opportunities to use logging programs, learn about propagation, band usage, operating techniques as well as to improve upon or to develop operating skills.

During most of these events we will operate from the clubhouse on a Saturday starting around Noon and ending around Midnight or sooner. Depending on the event, we will operate 1-3 stations using phone and CW.

The first event will be the **2014 November Sweepstakes contest (Phone)** starting at 4pm on 15 November. There are no Third Party concerns as this contest is limited to US and Canadian hams only.

We will have Control Operators available to assist "under-licensed" participants. This contest starts at 4pm and lasts 28 hours. We can only operate for a total of 24 hours. We can only operate one transmitter per entry. We will probably operate two transmitters and submit two entries (Thing 1 and Thing 2).

We will need operators and loggers. We will probably have some sort of food plan - Several years ago we had an early Thanksgiving dinner with turkey, ham, prime rib, and all the popular side dishes and some great desserts. It was great! I think that was the year we had a double sweep during the contest (YLS versus kids & Oms).

BTW, the 2015 MDC QSO Party will be held the weekend of 8-9 August. Hope to hear you on the air!

Call Out for Special Event Operators

Les KH6CUJ says that we have two races scheduled for the same day, September 28, 2014, due to the recent rescheduling of the TRI 4 The Chesapeake and Duathlon. (It was originally scheduled for Mary 25 and then canceled due to poor response from the runners.)

The other race is the Annapolis Run for the Lighthouse (Half Marathon & 5K). The Lighthouse run will be at Quiet Waters Park. The TRI 4 the Chesapeake Sprint and Duathlon will be at the Smithsonian Environmental Research Center.

We're going to be spread pretty thin, so please help out if you can. We'll take *any* licensed amateur, and we have loaner HT radios if needed. Come practice your emergency communication skill-set.

Contact Les (KH6CUJ

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Upcoming Hamfests

Delmarva Amateur Radio & Electronics EXPO and ARRL Delaware Convention
Saturday, October 4

Mark your calendars!!

The Delmarva Amateur Radio & Electronics EXPO and ARRL Delaware Convention is only two months away! The date is Saturday October 4th and the location is Sussex Technical High School in Georgetown, Delaware. Plan now to attend and enjoy one of the best and most enjoyable Hamfests on the East Coast. Some of Ham Radio's top retailers to include Ham Radio Outlet (HRO) and Quicksilver Radio will be there along with many regional and local vendors. Our low entrance fees are unchanged and tailgating will be a BIG part of the Hamfest. Plan to bring your excess gear and turn it into cash. The guest speaker/forum program includes Bob Bruninga W4APR who will update us on the latest in APRS technologies and operational applications- and other speakers addressing redundancy and reliability in power and communications. As always, expect the best lunch...delicious Delmarva Chicken! Be ready to upgrade...testing will be available for all license classes. This and lots more mean you can't miss this event!

For more information contact Paul Ross at 302-569-1618 or email Paul@nr3p.com

CARAFEST

Sunday, October 5, 2014
Sponsor: Columbia Amateur Radio Association
Type: ARRL Hamfest
Location: Howard County Fairgrounds
2210 Fairgrounds Road
West Friendship, MD 21794
Talk-In: 147.135/R- (PL 156.7)
Website: <http://carafest.org>
Public Contact: David Parkison, KB3VDY
6037 Hunt Club Road Elkridge, MD 21075
Phone: 410-977-1249
Email: trainman195@gmail.com

SOUTHERN MARYLAND TAILGATE FEST

Saturday, October 25, 2014
Sponsor: St. Mary's County ARA
Type: ARRL Hamfest
Location: Hollywood Volunteer Fire Dept
24801 Three Notch Road
Hollywood, MD 20636
Talk-In: 146.64 (PL 146.2)
Website: www.k3nhk.org
Contact: Ken McNeely, KB3YPY
21837 North Essex Drive
Lexington Park, MD 20653
Phone: 301-862-4105
Email: ken.mcneely@yahoo.com

MASON DIXON HAMFEST

Sunday, October 26, 2014
Sponsor: Carroll County Amateur Radio Club
Type: ARRL Hamfest
Location: Carroll County Agricultural Center
706 Agriculture Center Drive
Westminster, MD 21157
Talk-In: 145.410 (PL 114.8)
Website: <http://www.qis.net/~k3pzn>
Public Contact: Steve Beckman, N3SB
2145 Bethel Road Finksburg, MD 21048
Phone: 410-876-1482
Email: n3sb@qis.net

You may view upcoming hamfests which are nearby in Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland-DC, West Virginia and the Virginia area by clicking on the ARRL MDC Section web page at: <http://www.arrrl-mdc.net/hamfest.htm>

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MDC SECTION-WIDE MONTHLY ECHOLINK NET

This MDC section-wide Echolink net is held on the third Friday of the month. It starts at 8:00 pm on the Echolink *WASH_DC* node 6154.

If you would like to join in on RF, the following repeaters and IRLPs have linked in for previous Echolink nets:

- KA2JAI-R operates through the KB3CMA repeater 442.300(+), PL=107.2 in Annapolis, MD
- WB3GXW-R, 147.225(+), PL=156.7, located in Calverton, MD
- N3HF-L, 443.45(+), PL=151.4, located near Ocean City, MD
- N3HF-R, 443.45(+), PL=156.7, located near Silver Spring, MD
- W3ICF-R, 146.73(-), PL=141.3, located near Frederick, MD
- K3CAL-R, 146.985(-), PL=156.7, located near Sunderland, MD
- W3SMR, 147.150 MHz(+), PL=114.8, Brandywine, MD
- N3RO-L, 145.545, Simplex, Frederick Co
- W3SMD-L, 147.51 Simplex, N. St Mary's Co
- K3GMR-R 146.61, No PL, Cheverly, MD

Everyone is encouraged to join in and give any updates on what is going on in your part of the ARRL Maryland-DC Section.

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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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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	442.300+Mhz PL107.2	1st Sunday	1930

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