



The SKYHOOK

HOLIDAY CITY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB



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Toms River, NJ

HAMS I'VE MET



Ham radio is a unique and fascinating hobby because it provides unlimited, pleasant, and unexpected surprises. One is the opportunity to actually meet, face to face, with some of the people you talk with on the HF ham bands. At the next meeting, Stan KB2PD will share with us his experiences in greeting and being greeted by DX hams at home and abroad.

Preliminary Field Day Report

Combining our Field Day with the Old Barney Amateur Radio Club gave us the opportunity to have a great field day.

The weather wasn't overly hot, it didn't even rain, and the park area was plenty big enough for three Yagis and some low HF band dipoles.

Four Field Day stations plus a GOTA station were operating. These included semi-automated CW, SSB, and self-logging JT-65.



All station operation, computerized log keeping and lighting was done without using any commercial power.



Two of the stations were still going strong at 5:00 AM, although the weather got quite chilly overnight.

Marge Penn got some HF experience at the Get On The Air station, and contributed a couple trays of delicious home-made cupcakes to the abundant food assortment on Saturday.

NEXT MEETING:
Thursday July 7 at 7:00 PM
Bldg A, Meeting Rm. #1
Holiday City South Clubhouse A
Santiago Drive at Mule Road
Toms River, NJ

Ocean County ARES® News



The MS-150 is September 24th and 25th of 2016. Joe – KC2SFB, is asking for communications operators for this event. He needs 125 operators to cover this two day tour. If you are interested, you can sign up on line at: <http://main.nationalmssociety.org/HAMS>

The Communications Operations Team is very sorry to say that one of the most valuable members of their team is moving out of the area, and leaving a very large and crucial hole in their endeavors. Norm Williams (W2SPN) is moving this week, and while they wish him all the good luck in the world, Norm has been the sole person keeping the equipment, (old and mostly commercial) going for the past seven years. Norm has donated an uncountable number of supplies and hours either, fixing radios, making one good radio out of three, advising on the technical aspects of the antennas and frequencies, and countless other duties that only someone with the heart and soul of HAM Radio can do.

With this in mind, they can now start to beg for more. They are in desperate need of someone or two or three that can possibly fill this void. If anyone has the experience with old equipment, and would like to step up and fill the enormous shoes of Norm Williams, Their appreciation and thanks would be paramount.

If at all interested, please contact us at either

MS.eventcommunications@yahoo.com,
N3MSS@mail.com, or leave a message on our phone line.

On Wednesday, June 15th, Ocean County ARES held a regular meeting and attendance was light due to graduation ceremonies, but for those that attended, we had a pretty good discussion. I handed out a

hurricane preparedness package, put together by KC2OON. It will be the same information that Keith will discuss in an upcoming webinar. At the meeting we discussed mostly the Communications Needs section of the handout and I would say that we are definitely improving in the area resolving common problems with our systems, such as backup power. Currently, the only ARES repeater that does not have long term backup power is the Manchester 145.170 MHz repeater and I'm working on a plan to try and resolve that. The Manchester machine does have two 80 amp-hour batteries, but they will not last as long as is needed to take us through a hurricane recovery.

Attendance has been very light on the ARES nets. Please try an check in to support the nets.

73 de WX2NJ

Bob Murdock,

Ocean County Amateur Radio Emergency Service® EC

August Chinese Luncheon Plans



We always have a good time at these "all you can eat" parties. We'll be gathering again at the Fortune Buffet. It's next to Ruby Tuesday's on Route 37 near St. Catherine Blvd. We're planning for the second Wednesday in August, so mark your calendars.

UNCLASSIFIED

Warren Keay's widow would like to find a good home for Warren's ham gear. That includes two HF transceivers and two antenna tuners. All were in good working condition a year or so ago. Please contact Larry Puccio or John Roberts for information if you are interested in making an offer.



Also, we have received a donation of the following ham radio equipment from Al Harbord, K2ALF:

Yaesu FT-107M HF Transceiver with SP-107P Matching Speaker and YM-38 Dynamic Microphone
 MFJ Versa Tuner V Model 989 Legal limit roller inductor tuner
 LDG AT-200 Pro II Autotuner

Al assures us that all pieces work. They have original boxes and manuals and appear to us to be in very good condition.

Please contact John Roberts KQ4WR@arrl.net for more information.

Topic Of A Future Meeting



For August: Compact and "Steath" Antennas.

You're Invited

A small informal group of some of our friends and members meets for noon lunch at the Holiday City Diner, Mule Road near Davenport Rd. This month it's July 5 and July 18, and "you're invited."

Our VE Crew

Murray [KD2IN](#), Ed [W1EAP](#), Larry [K2QDY](#),
 John [KQ4WR](#), Stan [KB2PD](#), Steve [N2WLH](#),
 Paul [N2QXB](#), Larry [WA2VLR](#).

License exams are given by appointment at 7pm on the second Wednesday of each month at Holiday City South Clubhouse, Bldg A, which is at the corner of Mule Rd. and Santiago Dr. Call Larry Puccio, K2QDY, at 732-349-2950 for information.

Directions: From either Route 37 W or Davenport Road, take Mule Road to Santiago Drive. Turn into the parking lot from Santiago Drive, and park near the pool. Enter the building nearest the intersection.

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Membership is open to all interested persons. Ham license is not required. Dues are \$25.00 per year, payable Jan 1st. Members joining during the year will have the dues prorated. Family membership \$30.00 per family.

Meetings are held on the first Thursday of every month, at 7:00 pm.

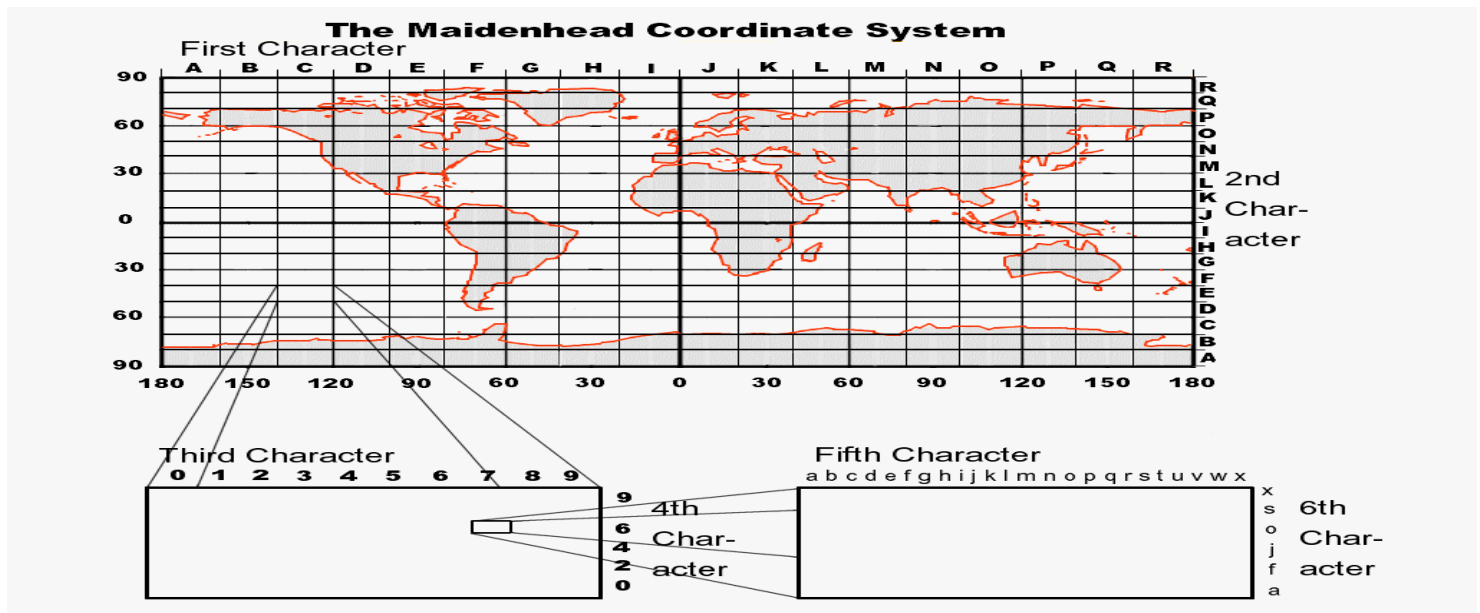
Location: Meeting Room #1 in the Holiday City South Clubhouse.

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DX Opportunities For July



Begin	End	Call	Entity	QSL via	Bands	Modes*	Miles	Dir	IOTA	Grid
Jun 15	Jul 14	3B8/MØRCX	Mauritius	LotW	40-6m	S,R,J,P	9304	E	AF-049	LG89sq
Jul 18	Jul 25	3DA0AY	Swaziland	ZS6AYE	40-10m	D	8192	ESE	'	KG53sa
Jun 28	Jul 05	6Y7R	Jamaica	NN7AZ	80-2m		1517	S		FK18ie
Jul 11	Jul 16	8P6MM	Barbados	LotW	40-10m		2164	SSE	NA-021	GK03fe
Jul 11	Jul 16	8P6NN	Barbados	LotW	40-10m		2164	SSE	NA-021	GK03fe
Jun 28	Jul 04	9H3G	Malta	JH3FUK	40-10m	C,S,R,P	4634	ENE	EU-023	JM75ex
Jun 23	Jul 08	C6AUX	Bahamas	VE3IKV Direct	6m,hf	C,S	1049	S	NA-113	FL14ak
Jul 01	Aug 03	CP1XRM	Bolivia	EA5RM	80-10m		3886	S	'	FH54ta
Jun 17	Jul 13	D44TWO	Cape Verde Is	M0OXO	40-6m	S,C,D	3647	ENE	'	IM78hq
Jul 16	Jul 17	EG9LH	Ceuta & Melilla	EC7DZZ	80-10m		3647	ENE	'	IM78hq
Jun 22	Jul 04	J6/NY3B	St Lucia	LotW	40,20,15m	S,C	1966	SSE	NA-108	FK93mu
Jun 22	Jul 11	J79XE	Dominica	WB4WXE	40-6m		1869	SSE	NA-101	FK95ij
Jul 02	Jul 12	J7HQ	Dominica	LotW	80-10m	C	1869	SSE	NA-101	FK95ij
Jul 04	Jul 10	J8/KE1B	St Vincent	LotW	'		2003	SSE	NA-025	FK92ho
Jul 04	Jul 10	J8/W6NN	St Vincent	LotW	'		2003	SSE	NA-025	FK92ho
Jul 19	Jul 24	JT0YPS	Mongolia	UA9YPS	80-6m	2mEME	6361	N		ON38ma
Jul 19	Jul 24	JT0YTX	Mongolia	RA9YTX	80-6m	2mEME	6361	N		ON38ma
Jul 19	Jul 24	JT0YGC	Mongolia	RA9YGC	80-6m	2mEME	6361	N		ON38ma
Jul 11	Jul 19	JT5FW	Mongolia	Club Log	80-10m		6361	N		ON38ma
Jun 26	Jul 02	JW7QIA	Svalbard	LA7QIA	80-4m	C,S	3526	NNE		JQ78wo
Jul 05	Jul 08	OX3LX	Greenland	OZ1PIF			1839	NNE		GP43aa
Jul 09	Jul 15	OX3LX	Greenland	OZ1PIF			1839	NNE		GP43aa
Jul 05	Jul 12	P40W	Aruba	W2GD	160-10m		1915	S		FK52am
Jul 03	Jul 11	PJ2	Curacao	Home Call		C,S	1958	S		FK52ma
Jul 01	Jul 10	S79V	Seychelles	LotW	160-10m	S,C,P	8477	ENE	AF-024	LI86aa
Jul 02	Jul 07	SV9/OK6DJ	Crete	LotW	40-10m	C	5142	ENE	EU-015	KM25oj
Jul 24	Aug 11	SW9AA	Crete	LZ1PM			5142	ENE	EU-015	KM18ua
Jul 19	Aug 18	T2	Tuvalu	KC0W Direct			7513	W		RI91hh
Jul 06	Jul 08	T88MZ	Palau	LotW	80-10m	S	8704	NW	OC-009	PJ77bi
Jul 23	Aug 12	V31TA	Belize	LotW		S	1764	SSW		EK57um
Jun 29	Jul 06	G0FWX	St Kitts & Nevis	M0URX	80-10m		1713	SSE	NA-104	FK87qh
Jun 14	Jul 15	V47JA	St Kitts & Nevis	LotW	160-6m	S	1713	SSE	NA-104	FK87qh
Jul 06	Jul 10	V63GG	Micronesia	JR2GAG	40-6m		7743	WNW		QJ98aa
Jul 09	Jul 10	V84SHQ	Brunei	V85TL			9279	NNW		OJ75ma
Jul 25	Aug 01	VC2Q	Canada	LotW	160-6m	C,S,d				#
Jun 30	Jul 12	XW4XR	Laos	LotW	40-6m	C,R,J	8430	N		OK18ga
Jul 08	Jul 14	YJ0GA	Vanuatu	LotW	40-10m		8469	W	OC-035	RH42aa
Jun 25	Jul 02	YN2RP	Nicaragua	LotW	40-10m	C,P,R,S	2060	SSW		EK72aa

*Modes: A= AM, B=Beacon, C= CW, D= "Digital", F= FM, J= JT, P= PSK, Q= QRPCW, R= RTTY, S= SSB

The Russ Young How's DX Report

Russ Young, WA2VQV worked:

CALLSIGN	DATE	TIME	MODE	BAND	ENTITY	IOTA	GRID	DIST	DIR
OK1CF	May 19	0146Z	CW	30M	Czech Rep.		J060t1	4180	NE
A93JA	May 20	2151Z	CW	20M	Bahrain	AS-002	LL56fd	6746	NE
SX193A	May 27	2315Z	SSB	20M	Greece		KM17ij	5038	NE
E74EBL	May 27	2330Z	CW	20M	Bosnia		JN84os	4516	NE
YT4W	May 27	2342Z	CW	20M	Serbia		KN04oo	4645	NE
XR0YS	May 31	0032Z	CW	20M	Easter Island	SA-001	DG52gu	5060	SSW
XR0YS	Jun 05	0227Z	CW	30M	Easter Island	SA-001	DG52gu	5060	SSW
XR0YS	Jun 06	0218Z	RTTY	20M	Easter Island	SA-001	DG52gu	5060	SSW
FM5FJ	Jun 10	2222Z	CW	17M	Martinique	NA-107	FK94nl	1904	SSE
KP4/W2PK	Jun 15	1015Z	CW	20M	Puerto Rico	NA-099	FK68se	1515	SSE
FM1AG	Jun 17	2207Z	RTTY	17M	Martinique	NA-107	FK94jq	1882	SSE
7Z1SJ	Jun 19	0200Z	CW	20M	Saudi Arabia		LL25wg	6604	NE

Russ reports considerable propagation improvement since last month.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4 Independance Day *	5	6	7 HCARC Meeting 7pm	8	9
10	11	12	13 License Exams 7pm	14	15	16
17	18 RNC Convention *	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 DNC Convention	26	27 Board Meeting	28	29	30 IOTA Contest
31		* Noon Get- together at Holiday City Diner July 4 & 18				