

*Come One and All*

*This Month's Program will be a talk by*

*Ed Raser - W239*

The Mouthpiece of the Gloucester County Amateur Radio Club,  
published monthly for the interest of it's  
Members and friends.....

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Atop the famous sky terrace on the 3rd. floor of the Borough Hall in Pitman, N.J. on Wednesday, December 4th. the GCARC will hold its meeting. An interesting program featuring Ed. Raser W2ZI will be forth coming. We know that you will not want to miss this the last meeting of this year. If you have a friend; bring him along ... he may be a future member.

From time to time we try to come up with some interesting items that we feel will lend a little bit of humor and cause you to read the paper further ... so, here's one for this month.-- Upon looking over some old QSL's that I happened to come by, I found a letter addressed to me and sent from Croydon, England, with the post mark reading September 15, 1942. Now this isn't very interesting but ...across one end of the envelope which had been opened by examiner #544 was stamped the following...held by British Censor and released Jan., 1946. Although the address of Pennsville, N.J. was correct at that time, I had moved from Pennsville, so the letter went from Pennsville, to Central Park, N.J. to Deepwater, to Penns Grove, and finally caught up with me at Richwood, N.J., Feb., 10, 1946. The text of his letter was about hearing me a couple of times and wanting a confirmation card stating that England will allow cards in but none out. This just goes to show you that you should not give up on QSLs as I got one five years later...HI...HI.....

REACHING OTHERS...Years ago when radio was rather new, a minister was asked to speak from a radio station. He hesitated to do so and said that he felt rather foolish talking to a metal gadget. The studio manager assured him that the metal gadget carried his voice to perhaps thousands of listeners. The minister then realized what the far reaching effect of his words might be. Though not many of us speak over radio networks, our words and actions may have a tremendous influence on others.....

NET FREQUENCIES FOR N.J.

N.J. Emer. Phone & Trf. Net.....3.930  
Gloucester 6 Meter AREC.....50.9  
Gloucester 10 Meter AREC.....28.6  
N.J.PON.....3.928  
NJN.....3.695

These are just a few of the traffic nets in operation in N.J. How about joining in the work and fun of handling traffic.

What has happened to the suggestions for a front piece for our paper "CROSSTALK". I must say that your reactions show just how many are interested in the paper. As of today we have received the grand total of ZERO. Many want to enjoy the fruits of one's labor, while contributing none of their own. If you are interested you would certainly meet me half way. How about it, let's get some of those ideas in. They do not have to be drawn fancy. Give us the idea and we will do the rest.....

The sub-band restrictions announced in Federal Communications Commission Docket 15928 goes into effect on November 22, 1968. A tear out chart of the portions of the bands available to each class of license after that date is on page 64A of November QST. Copies of the chart are available from ARRL Headquarters, Newington, Conn. 06111 upon receipt of a stamped self addressed envelope, with the words "Amateur Frequency Chart" in the upper left hand corner.

Don't forget to drop a line to W. Donald Thomson, Veteran's Hospital, University & Woodland AVE., Phila, Pa. Remember this little gesture means a lot when you are spending time in the hospital, and you never know when it can hit you.....

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FLASH....Bob Spain, WB2RVE, is our Santa Clause this month, by donating a 40 thru 10 meter vertical antenna to be given away as a door prize at our December meeting. Now here is something really worth any man's time. You have just got to come to be lucky.....

Also for our January meeting, Bob is donating 50 foot of 50 ohm coax with the connectors as a door prize, for which the club thanks Bob for this generous donation.....

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Election of officers is to be held at this meeting and listed below is the slate of nominations subject to additions from the floor. Another reason for you being at the meeting.....

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| Pres.....     | Bill Bachman WA2VEE | 3 Yr. Director... | D. Gehring WA2NEC |
| V. Pres.....  | Bill Shaw WB2PVI    | 2 Yr. " ...       | Jim Mauro WA2DNL  |
| Rec. Sec..... | P. Callagan WB2WAK  | 3 Yr. " ...       | G. Stuart K2SOL   |
| Cor. Sec..... | D. Parker W2AFZ     | 4 Yr. Trustee.... | P. Walton W2YNR   |
| Treas.....    | B. Frambes WB2FJE   |                   |                   |

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START CHECKING INTO THE 6 METER AND 10 METER AREC NETS ON FRIDAY NITES 50.9 at 8:00PM and 28.6 at 9:00.

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Note: Quite frequently one hears of a "clique" within a club which is running the club or which is dividing it. This can take a number of forms, and sooner or later is a problem faced by all clubs...except possibly those which are quite frankly special-interest clubs, such as DX or VHF groups. Even these can be divided by special-interest groups within the club's special-interest.

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All credit to all three clubs whose recent bulletins tell of "home brew" building contest designed to encourage amateurs to "roll their own". They are the Foothills Amateur Radio Society (Calif.), the Schenectady Amateur Radio Assoc. (N.Y.) and the Utah Amateur Radio Club. The FARS contest uses a 6 point scoring system based on (1) usefulness and sophistication; (2) novelty, ingenuity, originality and economy; (3) utility and operating convenience; (4) neatness, appearance and workmanship; and (5) use of readily available parts. Prizes range from a subscription to QST or CQ to a box of used parts. If enough of our members showed interest, we could do the same

Here's a FB idea picked up from HAM HUM November Issue by the AK-SAR-BEN Radio Club, it seems that each month a member is secretly appointed as Mr. AR-SAR-Ben for that meeting and when the third person to shake his hand is awarded a prize after the meeting, it is interesting to find out who the Mr. was.

Editor Note:...What a wonderful idea to get each member acquainted with the other and promote friendship within the club. Let's try this idea and see how it works for us?

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Ideal for the hobbyist or experimenter...Look up the interesting line of kits from a 20 watt stereo amplifier down the line to a 2 transistor A.M. tuner. All are mounted on punch boards and are very easy to construct and they are CHEAP. Units are furnished by the Amperex Electronic Corp. Hicksville, N.Y. 11802. Here is your chance to get some construction experience so necessary to the new ham coming up.

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I will attempt to bring before the club at the December meeting some interesting information on the Amateur Radio News Service. This is a must if we are going to advance in our club.

Will someone volunteer to act as technical contributor for CROSSTALK? This is a department that we sorely need from which everyone will get some benefit. Don't forget we are going to try to get a new staff and paper operating this new term. We have the material within our club and all that we lack is the ambition.

As this is the last meeting before Christmas and the last one for 1968, may we take this opportunity on behalf of all the club officers to wish each and everyone of you a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR. and to thank all members who contributed in anyway towards the success of our club during the past year. You know it isn't easy to hold a club together and try to get members interested to the point where they are willing to do their share of the hard work. It is only through the leadership that this is accomplished, so at this time may we say thanks to our leaders for a job well done, and trust that the new officers coming into office will continue the progress of the GLOUCESTER COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB.

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SWAP SHOP.....

For Sale--Hallcrafters HT-32  
AM CW SSB TRANSMITTER  
FINE SHAPE.....\$165.00  
New 4--400A..\$15.00 Each  
Wayne Wood--W2SUA

For Sale--Heath HW-32 20 Meter Trans.  
with Xtal Calibrator, HP-13 Mobile  
HS-24 Speaker & GH-12 Mike  
Price.....\$125.00  
John Stull--WB2JZX

For Sale--18HT HI-TOWER  
80 thru 10 Meters Verticle  
Good shape.....\$65.00  
Bill Frambes--WB2FJE

This is your chance to sell your excess equipment that you no longer need. Please call me before Fri. before the meeting nite and it will advertised in your paper.

SCITTLEBUTT....

Joining WB2SCK on the WAS list is WB2FJE and WB2EUU. In fact it may be more accurate to state that WB2SCK and WB2FJE have joined WB2EUU since Ken also has his WAC and DXCC awards as well. Congratulations to Bill and Ken for demonstrating and proving their operating proficiency. I also believe that Bertha, WA4BMC and John, WA2PVH may have WAS (they have almost everything else). As usual, my memory fails me, perhaps they will refresh it for me. Anyone else?

During a recent storm (50 mph gusts), residents along College Blvd., Oak Valley, reported a very large tumbleweed careening and tumbling along its merry way down the street. It reportedly came to rest against the Oak Valley Firehouse front door from whence it was retrieved, transported home, and, after some effort, WB2WAK's Quad is now back in place.

Speaking of WB2WAK, the general consensus is that, after all these years, another K2PQD has, at long last, been discovered. We have an excellent White Elephant Sale auctioneer at last! Paul did an outstanding job; heard that the club cleared over \$40. Typical of Paul's astuteness and prowess; during the auctioning of a 250 micky-mike capacitor, I was asked the time by WA2VEE to whom I responded (correctly) 9:40. Our alert auctioneer overheard and I forthrightly had a spanking new second-hand variable for nine dollars and forty cents. (no one topped that bid). Incidentally, that's the last time WA2VEE will ever get the time of day from me. (he doesn't need capacitors either).

Pleasant surprise to see Wally, W2PLD at last month's meeting. More accurate to say that Wally's physical maladies apparently have subsided sufficiently to enable him to manage the stairs--for which we are pleased. Now, let's see him edit out this paragraph, eh Boss? (Wally's the editor in chief of this blurb y'know).

Good news! W2LVW is back in circulation again after successful in and out of the saw-bones house. Glad to hear you're OK now Jim--back on the air too. However, we are sorry to report the same good news does not apply to former club member Don Thomson, WA2TSG. Don is in Veteran's Hospital, University & Woodland Ave., Phila, Pa. and is not in the best of health. I know that many of his friends will want to send him a card and/or stop in for a visit. We hope and pray Don will pull through OK.

NO, the Electric Co. is not running a new high tension line along behind the Tall Pines Inn golf course. It's only W2SUA's new tower rising up above the trees, all 88 feet of it. It's got to be the best constructed, tallest, greatest tower in these here parts and is, if nothing else, a tribute to the constructive genius and perfection of Shorty. Here's a Ham who is also a marksman, a good conservative, a top rate engineer, and first-rate guy to boot! His XYL, who has her Tech license, can also serve up the best tasting grilled ham and cheese sandwiches east of the Mississippi.

Trust that more club members will continue to check-in on the Friday nite AREC 10 M net at 28.6. Regular members to date are K2Sol, WB2FJE, WA2TDI, K2MJE, K2PQD, W2LVW and WA2NPD (did I miss anyone?).

The Advanced class theory group (professors K2SOL, WB2NNB, and WA2NPD presiding) is underway with 8 (more or less) eager students. WB2PVI has generously turned over his office for our classroom for which we are thankful. Good luck to all. A nybody else interested? Thursday nite at 7:30 is the operating bell, and more students are welcome.

Want to see a real live steam engine roar through our club meeting room on the night of December 4th? Come out and see the elections for next year's officers. Will say 73's for now. de WA2NPD

## W.C.P.R.C. Directory

The directory is moving toward completion but needs some cooperation from the members. We can't put your name in the directory if you don't give us the information we need. To make it easy for you, we have attached a form for you to fill out and return to:

Paul R. Walton

Paul made the forms up, so to be fair, he attached one already filled out to show how you might do it. The name in the parentheses is your nickname (Paul's is Paul). You can fill in as much, or as little, as you care to. The completed form will give the other members a mental picture of the kind of a guy you are - or want them to think you are.

While you are at it, if any of the information you gave in last year has changed (change in your license grade, address, etc.), you should send in a new form. If you want to add anything now is the time.

Name F. R. Walton (Paul) Call W2YTR  
Address

License Class: Advanced

### Operation

Freq. 10 thru 80

Mode SSB Phone & CW

### Equipment

Home Galaxy V, Mk II

Mobile/Emergency None

### Affiliations

ARRL, GCARC, AICHE, NBSPE, AACE

### Awards

WAC, RCC, WAEP, WATVAR, WAS

### Comments

President GCARC (1968)

Chem. Engr., Mobil Oil Corp., Paulsboro, N. J.

Name ( ) Call

Address

Phone

License Class

Operation

Freq

Mode

Equipment

Home

Mobile/Emergency

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