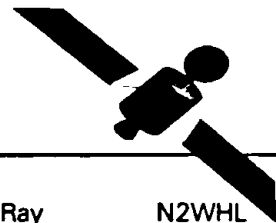




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Gloucester County Amateur Radio Club

1995 Officers

President	Marla Bozarth	N2DWR
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	Bill Burbage	N2QEB
One-Year	Walt Seitz, Jr.	KB2JCG
	John Lloyd	KA2EZN

Trustees

Four-Year	Barbara Bielecki	N2SBP
Three-Year	Chris Chamberlin	N2IVN
Two-Year	Charlie Olinda	N2SRQ
One-Year	Stuart Cleveland	N2WUP

GCARC Meetings

General Membership:

8 p.m., 1st Wednesday every month,
Deptford Elks Lodge, Highland Ave., one
block from Egg Harbor Road.

Board of Directors:

8 p.m., 3rd Wednesday every month,
GCARC site, Harrison Twp. 4-H Grounds
(approximately one mile south of Mullica Hill
on Rt. 77).

Club Repeaters

147.780/180 Mhz 223.06/224.66 Mhz
447.100/442.100 Mhz (CTCSS 131.8)

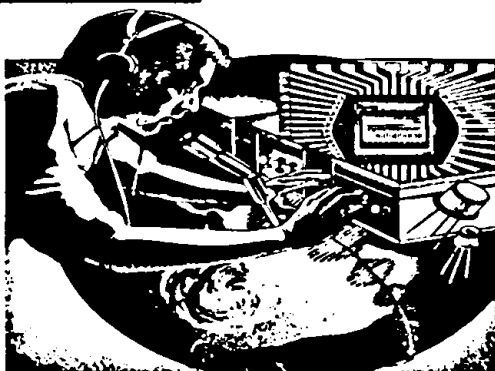
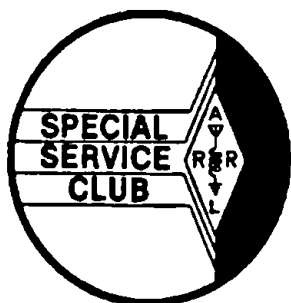
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Advertising	Ray	N2WHL
ARES/RACES	Chick	WA2USI
Awards	Jack	K2ZA
Banquet	Bob	WA2UDO
Budget *	Marla	N2DWR
Callbook Info.	John	K2JF
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Constitution *	Ken	KN2U
Crosstalk	Greg	WN2T
	Don	N2WFM
	Kyle	KB2RVY
	Charlie	K2POD
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DX	Art	KA2DOT
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	Ken	KN2U
Help	Glenn	N2YIO
Hospitality *	John	K2JF
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Nets	Marla	N2DWR
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Repeaters *	Greg	WN2T
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Special Events	Miriam	KB2EUA
Sunshine	Ken	KN2U
Technical	Bill	WA2VOG
Training & Testing	John	K2JF
TVI		

(* Standing Committee)

NETS

ARES/RACES - Sundays, 2200 Hrs
(147.780/180 & 223.06/224.66 Repeaters)
10 Meter - Sundays following the
ARES/RACES net (28.350 Mhz)





President's Message

Season's Greetings!

Crosstalk December 1995



Well, this is it ... my final President's message!!! This year has passed quickly by! Many changes have occurred, some good, and others, well...not so good. Let's look at the positive things that have occurred. The shack has been rebuilt and the antennas are in the process of being installed. At our General Membership meetings we've had some interesting guest speakers. Our Hamfest was a HUGE success!! And in spite of the HEAT, our 4-H Parking turned out well..... I'm almost afraid to mention Field Day... tough break there..... (ha-ha)....

I'd like to thank the people who were on the Board of Directors.....you all did a fine job, and it was a pleasure working along side of you. Thanks also to all the Committee Chairpeople..... Tnx for taking the time out of your busy schedules to devote time to our club! We didn't participate in many special events this year, but to those of you who did come out, thank you!! We needed volunteers to come out and support the club to help the events run smoothly, to help lessen the burden of the few people who always come out.....

I can't leave out those members who sat at the General Membership meetings talking constantly, throwing in their negative or wise comments... Thank you for keeping me on my toes, and blocking out what I was trying to get across to the members that wanted to hear what was going on. If you would have put

some of that energy you used creating all that commotion at the meetings into time helping out at our events, everyone's work load would have been cut down drastically!!!! Thanks for making this year so interesting!!!

I better close this message... I did have it up to seven pages at one point but have trimmed it down considerably!!!! Please come out to the December meeting and vote for next year's officers...If you want changes made, don't sit back and complain..... get involved..... help the club be the best that it can be!! GET INVOLVED!!!!!! We have a constitution and By-Laws to follow... it's not

just one person's club..... we have a GREAT Board of Directors, and we have a President...If you have something to say, then come out to a board meeting, or a general membership meeting to discuss how you feel!!!!!! We do have to go by the laws of our club.... No one person can make changes that

will affect the club...it has to be voted on by the board and then by the membership... Remember that we ALL have a say on how the club is run!!!!!! We need people who are team players, who have the club's best interest at heart... not someone who is going into a position thinking that they will make any changes that they feel they alone want. It doesn't work that way... it has TO BE VOTED ON!!!! The President is the middle person, trying to keep things

flowing between the Board and the general membership.... don't get upset with the President..... remember... IT'S YOUR CLUB!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

One last thing... thanks to Kenny, KN2U, for putting up with the time I took from our family so that I could try and run the club the best that I could. Also thanks to my parents (N2YNB and N2DWK) for not hollering too loudly at me when they thought I should have been spending more time with my kids and less time doing other things. Maybe now I'll have more time to get that 5-Band DXCC!!!!!! Don't forget our banquet and installation of officers on January 20th!!!! Bob (WA2UDO) will have more info for you in another article. Thanks again for all your support this past year from my family to yours, please have a happy, healthy and safe holiday!!!!!! 73 Marla



Congrats to...

N2CQ, Ken Newman, for achieving 5BDXCC and for his first DXCC award for SSB and CW. Nice going, Ken. With the count you have it looks like the 1A Award is very close. Congratulations to K2HPV, Herb Schuler, for his increase in the endorsements in both the Mixed and CW sections. Good going fellows. Tnx k2JF





CYCLE 23

The Space Environment Services Center (Boulder, CO-WWW) has confirmed that sunspot group 7910 which appeared on the solar disk in early August has met all the criteria of the beginning of

cycle 23. This criteria includes: reverse polarity, farther away from the equator than those spots of cycle 22, etc. What does this mean to the DXer? First of all, don't expect to see any dramatic changes in propagation for 10-12 and 15 meters for some time to come. Cycle 22 is still the prevailing cycle for probably the next 8 to 9 months.

As more and more sunspot groups from cycle 23 appear, conditions will improve. Experts predict that we could reach the next peak by late 1999 or early 2000. What they don't completely agree on, is how high in sunspot numbers it will peak out at. Some predict a maximum of 110-120 (Cycle 22 peaked at 159) while others predict a peak as high or slightly higher than that of cycle 22. A study of past cycles indicates that odd number cycles usually have higher peaks than those of even number cycles. Basically we'll have to wait and see what Mother Nature delivers us. Whatever it is, it will be an improvement for the high band DXer. With that good news it gives you a little time to get those towers and antennas up for 20 and up. Right now the 20 meter and 17 meter band are doing well.

Tnx INSIDE DX/ K2JF

Low-Bands!

As we have just read from the Solar Cycle report we don't want to forget the Low Band and Top-Band boys. Lately the 40, 80 and 160 meter bands are doing themselves up real well. Much stuff is coming in on 80 CW and SSB. Try listening to the DX holes around 3505-3530 and again 3780-3799 kHz. The stuff is there and workable with 100

watts (CW). If you have the antenna and amp., why you can do wonders right now. Look for the Far East opening around 1145-1215Z on 3797. JA4KFA is generally there with good signal. Also with fair signals are HL9J, JA7EVP, and JF1IST all around 3795 between 1035 and 1300 with the East Coast at 1245Z. Some mornings that Far East hole opens up, but there are times when you are lucky you can get out of your backyard. So take advantage of the winter conditions for the low bands. Rack up your low band DX now why the QRM is low. Get it before the early sun in February!

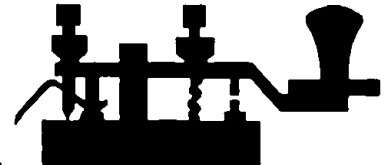
Tks K2JF, John



Contest

Dec 1-3, ARRL 160 M Contest. Here is good one for you Top-Banders. Dec 9-10, ARRL 10 M Contest. Here is one for all you Novices, Tech., Tech-Plus, and the rest. Maybe the band will open up. We can all hope. Try it, you may like it.

DX REPORT



Problem: Looks like the Heard Island

DXpedition is in trouble. They report that the ship they had chartered is not suitable for the voyage. It seems that the Captain of the ship took their \$100,000 and walked away. The gang is trying to find alternative transportation. Even so, it won't happen until 1996 now. KYFC STATESIDE 40 DX GROUP: John, KD0JL, wants to spread the word that this group "is back on the air" on 7240 +/- 2 at 0700Z. Listen for John or W8LKI. (If your looking for 5BDXCC and you need 40 meter contacts here is a real good place to go. They helped me out.) 3D2RW/R.. Rotuma, Ron, ZL1AMO, active on 40 and 80, and 3D2OQ, Lars, SM5BOQ, along with his XYL, ZK1SSN. Plus a JA group is now going there. These operations should take care of any wants for Rotuma. Usual DX frequencies.

5U7AA.. Niger. This station seems to prefer 15 SSB around 21255-21270 at 1330 to 1530 Z. QSL HH2M. 9N1CT.. Nepal. We have the possible two call set up either 9N1CT or 9N1NQ from Katmandu from Dec. 23 to 31 and will concentrate on 160 meters. I'm not lucky enough to have 160 M capabilities, so I sure hope he comes up on the higher bands. I need this one on CW. A22RV...BOTSWANA, Roger, works 14167 at 1900Z. He runs a 100 watts. QSL direct via P.O. BOX 77, Shashe, Botswana. CE9AP...South Shetlands is active from Chilean antarctic base. Works 20 and 15 CW and SSB. E21CJN.. Thailand. Tham is a computer engineer and a civil engineer who went to school in Memphis, TN for six years. Tham says he is active daily 14000-140025. FK8GP/p, New Caledonia, will be active on Dec. 5 & 6. Then look for him on another island. FT5XX..Kerguelen. Jean is active on CW/SSB/RTTY on all bands. Standard DX frequencies. QSL via F5NZO. KG4...Guantanamo Bay. KG4ML will be active from Dec. 5th to the 12th. Emphasis will be

DX Report...

placed on WARC BANDS. Also look for KG4JT. HH2/5B4ADA, Haiti, is active and waiting his HH2PK call. HP1/AA4L...Panama.

Ellis will be active the first two weeks of December. Says he will concentrate on CW on all bands mostly evening from 0200-0500Z. QSL AA4LI with SASE. S79KMB..Seychelles. Keith has been active on the DX net on 14226 around 1800Z. QSL via KN2N. Look for S79MAD. Mainly active on 20 meter SSB near 14260 at 1700Z. He expects to be active on 40 and the WARC bands soon. S92SS...Sao Tome on 160 is very active and was reported recently on 1834 at 2120Z. TR8XX...Gabon on 160. Jean will QSY to 160 on request. Look for him around 1824. VK8NSB..Groote Eylandt (Australia), Dec 22 to Jan 6. He plans CW on 3525, 21135 and 28125 and SSB on 3618 2795,21260, and 28460. VK0GC..Macquarie also VK0WH operates on 20 meter SSB and CW. Usual DX frequencies. VP9CQR & VP8CQS...Polish Antarctic Base on King George Island South Shetland. XQ0/JA7AYE & XQ0XQV ...Easter Island. Will be active Dec 30 to Jan3. Active both CW and SSB. Usual DX frequencies. ZA1NG...Albania. Gary operates on all bands on SSB & CW. QSLs will be handled by WA1ECA. ZD9CR...Tristan da Cunha. Jim can be found on 21313 at 1840Z and 14236 around 2110Z. He is usually in the company of either KA1DE or WA2JUN. ZK1..North & South Cook Islands..Look for ZK1ATV, ZK1LIA & ZK1NJX Dec 9-28 South Cook...Dec 28-Jan 4 North Cook. CW 3505, 7005, 10105, 14005, 18075, & 21005... SSB 3795, 7045, 14195, 18145, & 21295. QSL LA1TV. 5N0MVE...Nigeria. active on 160 with "big" signal. He has been reported on 1830 at 2120Z.

Tnx to QRZ DX, INSIDE DX, and other DXers for their inputs.

I hope all of you have a very Happy Season and Healthy New Year. Since this is my last DX report, I wish the next person much sucess and good luck. Good DXing and hope to C U in the Pile-Ups.

73 K2JF

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WHAT KIND OF MEMBER ARE "U"?

Are you an active member?

The kind that would be missed.

Or are you just contented

That your name is on the list?

Do you attend meetings

And mingle with the flock??

Or do you stay home

And criticize and knock??

**Do you take an active part
to help the work along?**

Or are you satisfied to be

The kind that just belongs?

Come out to meetings often

And help with hand and heart.

Don't be just a member

But take an ACTIVE part.

Anonymous

73, Sonny, wb2dxb

SALE!

For Sale: Rohn 48' HDBAX tower. six 8' sections w/hardware/ two 2" thrust bearings and mounting plates, instructions, no base. Has some rust but still is sound. Started now it could be ready to go up in the spring. \$125 - ART - KA2DOT after 6.

**Icom 228H 144 Mhz FM Transceiver with Alinco
IC-regulated power supply and Ringo Ranger II
antenna, plus MFJ VHF 144-220 SWR meter --
all for \$175.00 with manuals.**

1 - MFJ indoor active antenna for receiving
\$20.00.

1 - Cushcraft Ten-3 beam for 10 meters, with small 'tenna-rotor -- ready-to-go for \$20.00.

Contact Rev. James E. Thompson, N2EDK



From the GCARC

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N2SBQ	KELLY	GLANS	4
KE2ES	TOM	GORMAN	5
WA2VQG	WILLIAM	HELMETAG	6
W2LVW	JAMES	PECK	7
KB2JCG	WALTER	SEITZ JR	9
WA2MEM	JOHN	WHITE	11
KA2ZZA	VIRGINIA	MACRIE	16
N2WHZ	JOSEPH	STARTARE	17
N2PKT	LOUIS	IOCONA	17
NT2N	WILLIAM	O'DONNELL SR	18
K3WIN	ARTHUR	GOLDMAN	19
N2TXW	AUGUST	BENDLER	19
KB2RGR	JOHN	MARSHALL	21
WB2AOL	JAMES	McDONALD JR	29
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CHAS. SKETCHELY, K2PQD

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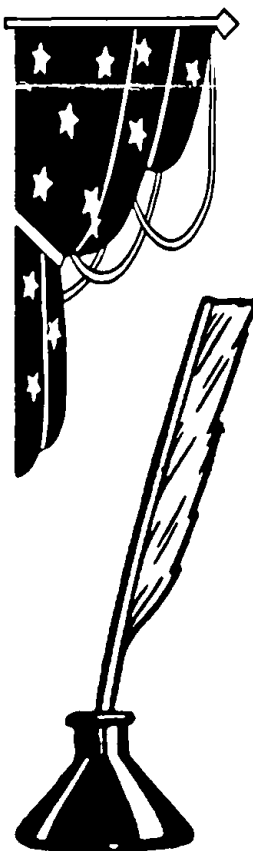
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KB2RVY directly or on
Packet to KF2AW
(145.07). Deadline for
the January 1996 issue
is December 24!

PLEASE RENEW!

Enclosed is a self-ad-
dressed, stamped envelope
for your 1996 dues! (Full
Member: \$15 -- each addi-
tional family member:
\$7.50; Associate: \$10; Jun-
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SORRY!

We've omitted the calendar
this month to save on mail-
ing costs.



VOTE!

1996 Slate of Candidates

- President - Bob Krukowski
(WA2UDO)
- V.P. - Joe Startare
(N2WHZ)
- Art Strong
(KA2DOT)
- Secretary - Sam Rosenberg
(N2DWK)
- Treasurer - Al Arrison
(KB2AYU)
- Corr. Sec. - John Stauffer
(KA7LAX)
- 3-Yr. Direc. - Walt Seitz
(KB2JCG)
- Pete Butler
(KA2DZF)
- 4-Yr. Direc. - Stu Cleveland
(N2WUP)