

HAMFEST

August 15, 1976

Wilmington College, New Castle, Delaware

TALK-IN ON

146 - 13/73 - - 94/94

147 - 75/15

ALSO ON 3905

prizes

1st SPEC COMM SC560

BP-1 Heavy Duty Battery Pack, The BA-1, 25 Watt Amp

2nd SC560 ONLY

3rd TO BE ANNOUNCED

AND

OTHERS



ADMISSION \$1.75 Mail in for advance tickets. \$2.50 at the gate.
Children are free.

TAIL-GATING Area will be available for tail-gating and the charge
will be \$2.50 per space.(2 spaces \$5.00 ect.)
This fee is seperate from admission.

Rummage & Tables will be available in side at a fee of \$5.00
Display Tables per table for the day and may be reserved in advance.
This fee is seperate of admission.

FOOD Hamburgers,Hot dogs & Beverages will be available at
reasonable prices.

CAMPING Camping will be available a short distance from the
HAMFEST at A-OK camp ground in Glasgow,De..

LADIES There will be BINGO for the the ladies at no charge.

RESERVATIONS Make all checks payable to DELMARVA HAMFEST INC.
Mail all requests for reservations and other correspondence
to: John Low K3YHR
11 Scottfield Dr.
Newark, De. 19713

DIRECTIONS FROM; Phila.--- South on I-95 to De.Rt. 141,Newport exit
go South on 141 to U.S.13&40.
Baltimore,---North on I-95 to De.Rt.141,Newport exit
go South on 141 to U.S.13&40
N.J.---I-295 to U.S.40 We.,U.S.13 So. to De.Rt.141

LOCATION The hamfest is located at WILMINGTON COLEGE
U.S. Route 13 just north of Delaware Route 141
in New Castle,New Castle County, not far from OLD
NEW CASTLE that hasn't changed much since colonial
days.

There are also two major motels located near by:
The Holiday Inn,The Ramada Inn and many smaller
motels. Imformation can be obtained from address
listed above or contact: Jim Donahue WA3RUF
1100 Spruce Ave.
Elsmere, De.19805

ALL RESERVATION REQUESTS MUST GO TO JOHN LOW.

SEE YOU THERE !

MEMBERSHIP LIST ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS:

- Fred Neumann's call is W2EUX, not W2EOY
- Sonny Guttin, WB2DXB
- Deptford, N.J. 08096
- Ed Stetser, K2JJC
- Sewell, N.J. 08080
- Rich Netherby, WB2OCR
- Woodbury, N.J. 08096
- Darrell Neron, WB2BVV
- Glassboro, N.J. 08028
- Henry Feltman, Jr., WB2MSH

Woodbury Heights, N.J. 08097

New member Dennis Sandole who passed his Novice exam 2 months ago has received his ticket. His call is WN2GES. Congratulations Dennis!!

ALL DIRECTORS:

We have just received preliminary word on "Restructuring." A First Report and Order was adopted this week in Docket 20282, which accomplishes the following.

1. Full Novice privileges for Technician Class licensees.
 2. A Novice reaching the end of his license term can retest for a new Novice immediately; the one-year wait is discontinued.
 3. Novices may run 250 watts d.c. power input.
 4. All licensees using the Novice segments of the bands are also limited to 250 watts.
 5. Full credit will be granted for examination elements completed by mail; e.g., Conditionals are "grandfathered" to General, Technicians C to Technician.
 6. Element 2, the Novice written test, will be a part of all exams.
 7. The number of distinct license classes is reduced from 10 to 5 by this action.
 8. The future availability of mail exams is limited to Novices only, except in cases of protracted physical disability.
- These changes will be effective July 23, 1976.

SECTION COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER:

This note comes a bit late but it is quite important. Ray F. Clancy, WB2GTE, Collingswood, N.J. has been appointed S.C.M. for Southern New Jersey as of May 1st, 1976. He replaced Charles Travers, W2YPZ who recently retired.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER:

Well, here it is the evening of the Board of Directors meeting and my column for Crosstalk isn't done as usual. What can I blame it on tonight? Spring fever? That's not a very good excuse. O well I guess I had better write something or Mark will put my name on the blacklist.

Did you ever wonder what went through my mind while I was getting ready to write this? Well now you know.

Field Day will be history by the time this is published but right now it is three days away and things are just beginning to get hectic. My wife is working 3-11 both days and I have to watch the kids. How am I going to get out there under those conditions. I guess I can take the kids with me on Saturday and then bring them home to bed and go back when she comes home from work. Darn these last minute details.

To add to the confusion Monday the 28th is the settlement date on the home. Yes, your President is moving. Don't worry it's only about one block away from the present location. I'm not going to pull another Doug (WA2NPD) trick. We should be the "new" house by the 30th. My new address is N.J. and my phone number will not change.

That's about all I can thiong of for now. If I seem to be rambling around it's because I am writing down my thoughts as they go through my head. It's a little easier for me that way.

73

de WB2OCR, Rich

"THE RADAR MAN"

From X-Mitter
June, 1976

If ever you saw upon the street
 A man who walked with dople feet
 With a lagging train of pips behind
 He was a radar man with a micromind.
 With microseconds and microwaves
 And microvolts, he filled his days;
 And thus in the course of passing time
 His brain had shrunk to a micromind.
 His eyes gave out with a neon gleam
 His noise lit up like a radar screen,
 His ears worked like an electronic gate,
 And his heart pumped blood at a video rate.
 This man obtained in passing years,
 Inffinate impedance between the ears,
 At last he succumbed to a heavy jolt
 When he probed what he thought a microvolt.
 The Doc looked up from his microscope
 And said to the nurse, "Behold this dope"
 Since of his brain, not a trace can I find,
 He was a radar man with a micromind.

SURPRISE:

At long last here is the July issue of Crosstalk. You may have been wondering, "Where is Crosstalk?" You may not have cared. For most club members, the case was probably the latter. Only two people have inquired as to the whereabouts of the July issue.

This apathy appears to go hand in hand with the apathy displayed by most members toward the club in general. Is GCARC falling apart? Does anyone actually give a damn about the club? Do you give a damn?

It never ceases to amaze me that people pay dues and then refuse to take advantage of the club's activities. One look at the demise of the club-picnic will show us where the club is headed. The summer picnic provided a summer get together for members. Hams actually had fun at club picnics. Unfortunately, the number of participants dwindled each year. Last year, only about ten people showed. This year, no picnic. Why have a picnic if no one is going to participate?

Perhaps you remember the white elephant sales. There was a time when you could find a good bargain on good equipment at a white elephant sale. At the last one, few people brought items to sell and even fewer people bought. Why have a white elephant sale if no one is going to bring anything to sell and no one is going to buy?

Quite a few of the members probably obtained their tickets through the club code class. Bet you think that code class is like it was. Bet you think that the staff of instructors is large enough to assure several different instructors each week so that the workload isn't too great for any one person. If you thought that, you lose. Over the last three years, three people have done 95% of the instruction. Why should these three people teach all of the classes when there are over 70 prospective instructors in the club? Maybe they give a damn!

You might have heard of Field Day. Remember? It is that weekend in June when hams all over the country go into the field to test their efficiency under emergency conditions. Could GCARC handle a communications emergency on the scale of Field Day? Probably not. We couldn't even come up with anyone to be in charge of power, food or 40 meters. Field Day just wouldn't be the same without power or food. On the day itself, very few members bothered to show up at the site. Why have Field Day if only a handful of our 70 members are going to participate?

Try to answer these questions as well. Why don't members stay to see the program after each business meeting? When was the last time you submitted a small blurb for publication in Crosstalk? Have you participated in a club net recently? Do you participate in the ARRL contests for which GCARC submits a club score? When was the last time someone applied for the certificate for working 15 club members?

Hopefully you are now asking yourself "What can I, as an individual, do to put some life into the Club?" The answer is simple. If you don't like the present programs, why not tell the vice president what you would like to see? He is always looking for new and different programs of interest to club members. How can he present something you like if you don't tell him what you like? Why not submit a small blurb to Crosstalk now and then? It can be

SURPRISE (Cont'd.)

a piece of gossip about a member, a report on your activities or a comment on life in general. It need not be perfect. The editor exists to prepare material for publication. Participate in a club net. Nothing to be afraid of. They are all fellow club members. As hams, we are supposed to communicate. The club nets provide an excellent opportunity.

I really think that it is time to take some action. It is time to stop pretending that this applies to the other 69 Club members and not you! Don't let GCARC die. Give a damn. Give some time and effort. Otherwise, why bother to have a club?

By Mark Wilson, WB2OSQ
Crosstalk Editor

CONTEST CORNER:

The weekend of July 24-25 will provide a rare opportunity for contest buffs. This is the weekend of the ARRL Bicentennial Celebration. All club members should try to participate even a little.

The object of the contest is to work as many stations as possible, both inside the U.S. and outside the U.S.

The contest starts at 0000 UTC Saturday, July 24 and ends at 2359 UTC Sunday, July 25. Each entrant may operate no more than 36 hours. "Time-outs" must be at least 15 minutes in length and no more than 8 time-outs are allowed.

Each station may be worked once on-voice and once on another mode. No repeater contacts are allowed. All bands may be used.

The exchange consists of signal report, state name and entry number into the Union (N.J. is number 3).

The final score equals the number of contacts. There are no multipliers. Logs are available from ARRL Headquarters. Entries must be postmarked no later than September 1, 1976.

Amateurs in the United States are eligible for the following awards: 1776 or more QSOs 200 or more QSOs, 50 or more QSO made on 50 Mhz or above ARRL high section score, all 50 states worked, and 200 or more QSOs with stations outside the U.S.

This is a good one for all members to try because you can work anybody on any band. Give it a try, you might like it. Report any score, however small, to W2FBBF.

FOR SALE:

Heath Phone Patch (New New), Sencor FE20 Field Effect Meter. Call Ed Stetser

Collins 75A4 with following filters 600 cycles 2.1 Kc, 3.5 Kc. Call Bill Riches, WA2DVU,

Gladding 25 2 meter FM Transceiver with 055-655, 13-73, 16-76, 31-91, 34-94, 24-24 extra covers, final tube and mike. Call Bill

INTERVIEW WITH A HAM:

The subject of this month's interview is Larry Bakely, WA2VKG, of Pitman. Larry was born on May 4, 1959 in Woodbury. His family subsequently moved to Pitman.

Larry will be a senior at Pitman High School this fall. His interest in ham radio enabled him to become president of the Audio Visual Club there. Larry plans to attend college after high school, persuing a degree in Electrical Engineering.

Larry currently holds a general class license. He received his first ticket in May, 1974 through the club code class. He obtained his feneral earlier this year.

Larry operates 80-15 meter cw. His favorite bands are 80 and 20. Larry uses a Hammarlund Hq-110 receiver and a Johnson transmitter. He has dipoles on 80 and 40 and a homebrew 2 element beam on 15. Larry is currently working on a four element beam for 20 and 15. He also has a Drake TR-22C for FM.

Larry participates in contests and operated quite a bit this year at Field Day. He was the GCARC winner in the 1975 Novice Roundup. Larry holds the ARRL Code Proficiency Certificate for 20 wpm.

Larry enjoys being a member of GCARC and participates in as many activities as he can.

WANTED:

2 meter converter. Nuvister type such as Ameco CN144., preferred. State price and condition. Call Ken W2FBF

LES BELLES:

ARRL BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION will take place July 23-24-25 at the Ben Franklin Hotel in Philadelphia. Some YL activity will surely be taking place with Dottie-K3YPH in charge of the ladies luncheon. She will have good food and fantastic door prizes with a goody bag for all ladies attending. Entertainment will be by the Ferlso String Band. Tours will be available and most of the historic sites are within walking distance from the Hotel. YL Forum Chairwomen is Jane-K3ZDN. Guest speakers at this event will be Louise-W3WRE; Christine-WB2YBA and Eila-WB8EBS. YL Director for the convention is Carolyn-W3GTC. This should spark interest for any of the YLS who come along with the OM and wonder what they will be doing.

During June I attended the 7th International Convention of YLRL in Houston. DX in attendance was Diana-ZS6GH. A tour of Houston and Astrodome and Alan Shephard's home was the event of one day. A tour of Galveston was another day. And, I added a tour of Ingelside to tour the Freon plant there and had eyelash QSO with Doug-WA2NPD/5 while he was busy at work. For the convention speaker we had Ellen White-W1YL from the league. Many prizes were won and mine was a lovely band knit sweater and by luck the gal who made it was also there so I could than her in person. Current membership for YLRL is 1200 and you know where I got that knowledge? I just typed up the new membership list for the year.

73, Rose Ellen, WA2FGS