



## CROSSTALK

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### FIELD DAY AND HAMFEST HIGHLIGHT GCARC SUMMER TIME ACTIVITY

FIELD DAY, as usual, will be held on the last weekend in June. This year it is the 26th and 27th. And again this year as usual GCARC will set up and take part in this nation wide activity in the usual place just off Focer Street in Glassboro.

Woody Frantz, K2AQL, is the chairman and is looking for bodies! There is plenty to be done and after it is done there will be plenty of transmitters to be operated. There will be twenty-four hours of operating time and at least three transmitters in operation....during this period it is expected that each club member will show up and operate for at least an hour or so!

CAN WE COUNT ON YOU DOING  
YOUR PART?

It's FINAL! The 1965 GCARC HAMFEST will be held on July 25 at Crystal Birch Lake...the rain date is the following Sunday August 1st. Festivities will get under way about noon....and last throughout the day. Your HAMFEST committee is starting to roll full steam ahead and all plans will soon be finalized. We pään to have the usual red-hot events plus a few new gimicks. A final list of events, including a complete program, will be published in the July issue of CROSSTALK.

Tickets will soon be published and with in a week or so each club member will be issued two tickets, one for himself and his family and the other for a friend,  
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CLUB PROJECTS DESERVE CLUB SUPPORT

IT IS WITH DEEP REGRET THAT WE RECORD THE PASSING OF

A Past GCARC President  
A member of the board for many years  
A hard worker for the club  
A very fine gentleman

MALCOLM T. MASON W2MMD

Our sympathy goes to Mal's family. When a club project came along, Mal could always be found in there lending a hand. His memory shall live on for many years among GCARC members and friends.

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#### MEETING NOTICE

The regular monthly meeting of the Gloucester County Amateur Radio Club will be held on Wednesday June 2nd at 8 PM in the Owens-Illinois Clubhouse in Glassboro, N.J. On the order of business for the evening will be a special election to fill a vacant term on the Board-of-Trustees. Refreshments will be served. Members; friends, interested parties, etc. are welcome.

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#### DATES TO REMEMBER

JUNE 26-27 FIELD DAY  
JULY 25 HAMFEST

de K2JKA

Well AMATEUR RADIO WEEK has come and gone and we are upon the season when it becomes increasingly difficult to keep a ham-club together until the fall rolls around. Interest in ham activity seems to wane during the summer months for a variety of reasons. The static crashes on 80 meters, the hamshack is just too hot for human habitation or the XYL has dragged the 6M to the shore.... these are a few of the many reasons no doubt legitimate reasons, that attendance at meetings falls off pages in the club paper get few and things just get generally rough going.

Unfortunately, summertime seems to be all year for quite a number of the club members. AMATEUR RADIO WEEK activities seemed to point up this fact. Its hard to imagine that the six meter

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PROCLAMATION  
COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER  
BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS  
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR  
WOODBURY, NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, Gloucester County Amateur Radio Operators give unstintingly of their time, talents, and energies to provide emergency communications whenever and wherever needed, and

WHEREAS, foreswearing all consideration of monetary and material gain, amateurs individually and collectively have contributed significantly to the advancement of the County of the art of communications, and

WHEREAS, through their voluntary activities, amateurs through the County of Gloucester and the United States have made significant contributions toward the maintenance of international good will between the United States and the world, and

WHEREAS, purely for unselfish personal reasons, amateurs have aided and contributed to the rehabilitation of blind and otherwise handicapped persons, procured medical assistance and other assistance for the isolated and desperate in all parts of the world, and

WHEREAS, amateur radio operators in the County of Gloucester and elsewhere have strengthened the bonds to their homes for thousands of servicemen stationed in the Arctic, Antarctic, the remote tracking stations, scientific exploring parties and military bases all over the world, and

WHEREAS, County of Gloucester Amateur Operators stand ready at all times to go the aid of the nation in case of national emergency;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Horace S. Mahley, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim May 17 - 23, 1965, as

GLOUCESTER COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS' WEEK

and call upon the citizens of this County to join with the Amateur Radio Operators in observance of this week with appropriate exercises to further and stimulate interest in amateur radio

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey, to be affixed at Woodbury, the County Seat, this 14th day of May, A. D. 1965.

HORACE S. MAHLEY, DIRECTOR

ATTEST:

ROBERT LEE, CLERK OF THE BOARD

## AMATEUR RADIO WEEK 1965

Well now it's in the past, at least for this year.....how well did we do? What will we do different for next year? These are the questions that we should ask ourselves now and start thinking about 1966. There are many in the club that are of the opinion we should have it as a recurring activity of the club. It certainly did bring AMATEUR RADIO to the attention of John Q. Public....and this in itself is certainly reason to consider the possibilities of having the same week of every year designated as AMATEUR RADIO WEEK IN GLOUCESTER COUNTY.

First off I would like to say HATS OFF TO THE FCC IN WASHINGTON. Maybe the average amateur's opinion of the FCC isn't too good but they certainly got us out of a jam. With the untimely passing of Mal W2MMD, the day before the start of AMATEUR RADIO WEEK, we ended up with a license (club license that is) that was void seeing that Mal was the trustee. A telegram to the Commission resulted in action within 24 hours on appointing a new trustee on a temporary basis until new application forms could be filed.

Much favorable newspaper publicity resulted from the signing of the proclamation on AMATEUR RADIO WEEK and the activities that followed. The Woodbury Daily Times carried a picture of three club members accepting the proclamation from Horace Mahley, chairman of the Gloucester County Feeholders....a week prior to this a very fine article and picture of AMATEUR RADIO TELETYPE operation made the front page of the Times, this the work of the club's public relations committee. Other papers, including the Courier Post, carried publicity on AMATEUR RADIO WEEK. Many area radio stations carried announcements on AMATEUR RADIO WEEK activities.

Many, many hours of hard work went into the planning and setting up of this project. Paul Walton, W2YNR, and Van Turner, W2KE, were the co-chairman of this event. At the present time I don't have a complete list of all individuals concerned with the inner-workings of AMATEUR RADIO WEEK but to all concerned----THANKS!..!

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### ELECTION NOTICE

Nominations will be accepted and an election will be held at the regular June 1965 membership meeting to fill the unexpired term (3 years) on the Board-of-Trustees left vacant by the passing of Mal Mason W2MMD.

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MAKE NO PLANS FOR THE WEEKEND OF JUNE 26-27. ALL GACRC MEMBERS ARE EXPECTED TO SHOW THEIR FACES AT THE FIELD DAY SITE OVER THIS WEEKEND. SHOW UP NO MATTER HOW LITTLE OR HOW MUCH TIME YOU INTEND TO SPEND. CLUB ACTIVITIES REQUIRE CLUB SUPPORT!

## SO HOW DID THE VOTING TURNOUT.???

Those of you present at the May GCARC meeting will recall that questionnaires were passed out and filled in asking your opinion on Docket #15928. Here are the results of that polling...

1. 16 YES and 11 NO on giving the Extra Class the lower 50 KC of the CW bands.
2. 12 YES and 15 NO on giving the First Class exclusive privileges in the low frequency phone bands.
3. 10 YES and 17 NO on giving Extras and First Class exclusive privileges on 2 and 6 meters.
4. 12 YES and 15 NO on giving Novices a 2 year non-renewable term.
5. 18 YES and 9 NO on taking 2 meter phone privileges from the Novices.
6. 8 YES and 19 NO on the proposed change in call letters.

Of the 27 voting, there were 13 Generals, 10 Technicians, and 4 Advanced Class licensees. The results of the poll were forwarded to the ARRL Director, Mr. Gil Crosley, in plenty of time for the May 21 executive board meeting.

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## KILOCYCLE CHATTER

Sorry to see Paul Walton, W2YNR, leave the area. Paul is being transferred to New York for a year. All of his ham gear is for sale else where in the issue.

K2JKA and K2PQD recently worked FG7XT/FS7 on Saint Martin on 20 meter RTTY.

Nice to see Frank Ritter, K2UUY, back as a member in good standing of the club. The secret really is that Frank's XYL was cornered at one of the display setups for AMATEUR RADIO WEEK and paid his dues for him!!!!!! We need more XYL's like that.

## AN INTERVIEW WITH WB3LZW By Harry McCormick, WA2SEA

Frank (Rick) Dux, WB2LZW, of Blackwood, NJ. Rick has been a summer resident of Blackwood all of his life until the family made it's year round home in Blackwood in 1956.

Rick is a graduate of Triton High School and is now enrolled in the Freshman class at Rutgers University in Camden, studying for a B.A. in Chemistry.

Rick started in ham radio as a Novice in December of 1963. I had the pleasure of first working Rick on the 40 meter Novice bands in 1964. In December of 1964, Rick got his Technician license and is now a regular on 6 meter phone.

Due to his school activities and home study, Rick is usually found on 6 meters and his Viking Challenger and SX-110 with an Ameco converter only on weekends.

Rick is new member of our club, being voted in at the May meeting. He is a member of the ARRL and is active with the Gloucester Township, (Camden County) CD group; operating the township's Communicator 4 on 2 meters from the fallout shelter at the Police Headquarters in Blackwood.

Rick's other hobbies are fishing, swimming, and stamp collecting.

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AREC is planning another transmitter hunt very soon. All that have participated in the past hunts will agree that they are a lot of fun. Why not come out and take part in this next one. If you don't have a 6 meter mobile, there is always plenty of room for riders with the boys that do go. The date is June 11<sup>th</sup>. See W2LVW for more details as to time, frequency, etc.

HAMFEST (from page 1)

neighbor, etc. Of course more tickets will be available from the ticket chairman Bill Bachman. The idea is for each club member to purchase at least one ticket well in advance of July 25th. Tickets will be less expensive if purchased in advance. Each club member is expected to purchase a ticket even if he can not attend the hamfest. The reason for this is twofold: First, to insure that the hamfest will be successful financially, and secondly, we plan to award several grand prizes...only if a good advance ticket sale materializes. We are not interested in employing the Hamfest as a money making venture, but at the same time we are not interested in going down the financial drain-pipe! So if you can't be there on the 25th please support the hamfest by buying a ticket, AT LEAST!

Also, each club member is asked to donate on prize. Nothing fancy, or even new; (NO JUNK) the idea is to look around the hamshack and come up with something that is workable...tubes...transformers... a piece of gear....dust it off, paint it up and get it to John Kull, the prize chairman or one of his henchmen. If you wish to donate two or more such prizes John will not refuse you the opportunity.

In summary, the main purpose of this years Hamfest, as in the past, is to insure that each club member, friend, fellow ham buddy, YL, XYL, and harmonics has a wonderful time, lots of fun and good ham fellowship for all. The committee is working with this thought in mind and is looking forward to seeing plenty of faces on the 25th of Jouly. PLAN NOW TO BE THERE. Don't be saddened on the 26th by having your fellow club member describe the great time that you missed on the 25th!

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SAY YOU SAW IT IN CROSSTALK!...!

de K2JKA (from page 3)

in Pitman went begging for operators most of the time. It is also hard to imagine that a large percentage (much larger than we would like to have seen) of our members find it impossible to spare one hour over a weekend to come out and support (just by operating) a club activity. Some of the very people that werent th there were heard on the air during the weekend. Why does this apathy exist? Will the up and coming FIELD DAY show the same kind of disinterest? Let's hope not.

Speaking of AMATEUR RADIO WEEK, what more can be said than excellent and well done. Sure, we made some mistakes, but next year we wont make the same one. The boys who set up the stations and took them down every evening did a terriffic job. Others contributed a lot of their time distributing posters and making other arrangements. It proved to be a terriffic (and I know we spelled it wrong) piece of Public Relations work.

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W E L C O M E

GCARC welcomes  
FRANK BXX WE2LZW  
to the club.  
The complete low-down on Frank appears on page 6 of this issue.

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T H A N K S

to DON BROWN K2RWD of DB ENGINEERING COMPANY of Pitman for a very interesting program on Radio Control of model airplanes presented at the May GCARC meeting.

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FOR SALE: Complete Ham station  
Apache, NC-270 and more  
Paul Walton W2YNR