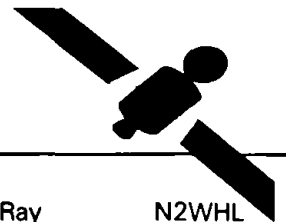


# W2MMID



## Gloucester County Amateur Radio Club

### 1996 Officers

President	Bob Krukowski	WA2UDO
Vice President	Art Strong	KA2DOT
Treasurer	Al Arrison	KB2AYU
Recording Sec.	Sam Rosenberg	N2DWK
Corres. Sec.	Jack Stauffer, Jr.	KA7LAX

### Directors

Three-Year	Walt Seitz	KB2JCG
	Pete Butler	KA2DZF
Two-Year	Joe Wells	N2KLE
	Goldie Rosenberg	N2YNB
One-Year	Open	
	Open	

### Trustees

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

### 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)

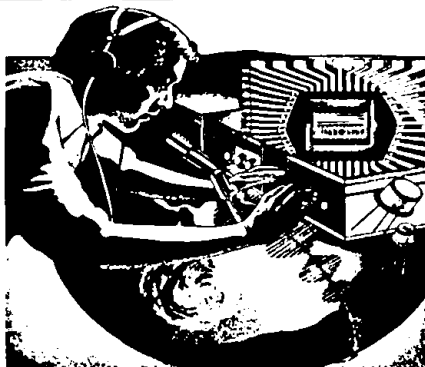
## 1996 Committee Chairpersons

Advertising	Ray	N2WHL
ARES/RACES	Chic	WA2USI
Awards	Jack	K2ZA
Banquet	Bob	WA2UDO
Budget *	Bob	WA2UDO
Callbook Info.	John	K2JF
Clubhouse Site *	Stu	N2WUP
Constitution *	Ken	KN2U
Crosstalk	Greg	WN2T
	Don	N2WFM
	Kyle	KB2RVY
	Charlie	K2PQD
Data Processing	Open	
DX	Open	
Field Day *	Art	KA2DOT
Hamfest *	Open	
Help	Ken	KN2U
Hospitality *	Donna	
Legislation	Open	
Membership *	Sonny	WB2DXB
Nets	Dave	N2TVR
Nominations	Bob	WA2UDO
Publicity *	Ray	N2WHL
Repeaters *	Chuck	WA2TML
Scholarships	Greg	WN2T
Special Services	Al	N2FJQ
Special Events	Walt	WB2OYQ
Sunshine	Miriam	KB2EUA
Testing	Bill	NT2N
Technical	Open	
Training	Chic	WA2USI
TVI	John	K2JF
4-H Parking	Open	

( \* 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)

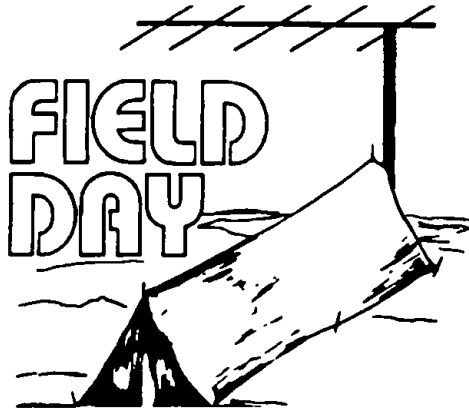
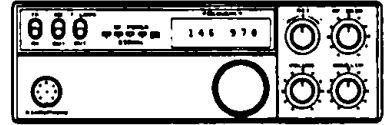


# GCARC

## MAY 1996



# CROSSTALK



### JUNE 22 & 23, 1996

It's getting to be that time of year again when many a ham's thoughts turn to that infamous fourth weekend in June known as Field Day. That weekend filled with much CW (glass arms) and phone (hoarse voice) activity. It's also a time of great social comradery among club members (if they can stay awake) and communing with nature (swatting the bugs off the logsheets). Sometimes (often) this particular weekend can either make us understand what a baking potato feels like or hope we closed the windows at home while watching the rain pouring down. Yet, despite all these seeming adversities we plan, setup, operate, and have fun while staring down Murphy, defying his laws and hoping to better our scores from last year.

This year, as many times in the past, I'm looking for a few good OP's. Ok, I'm looking for anyone willing to subject themselves to the above fun and frolic. We have the following bands/modes available from which to chose:

80 CW	75 PH	40 CW	40 PH
	20 CW	20 PH	
15 CW	15 PH	10 CW	10 PH

6 CW 6 PH 2 CW 2 PH

Novice/Tech+ station - any Novice band segment at any time using a Novice/Tech+ callsign. Actually all amateur bands except 10, 18, and 24 MHZ may be used, but I only listed what the Club has normally operated in the past. Here are some other point getters:

1. If all contacts are made using 5 watts or less and on a power source other than commercial mains or generator, all contact points are multiplied by 5.
2. All CW contacts made with less than 150 watts output are multiplied by 2. So between this and #1, a CW contact could be worth 10 points each. Phone contacts are worth 1 point each.
3. For you satellite enthusiasts, one QSO is worth 100 points, and it doesn't count as another transmitter.
4. Natural power (solar, water) would give us 100 points.
5. One packet QSO is worth 100 points but only one packet station would be counted. We couldn't have 6 packet stations in an effort to get 600 points.
6. For VHF/UHF buffs, 10 QSO's on VHF and/or UHF would net us 100 points and not count as a transmitter. So there is a little something for everyone in Field Day operation.

**BAND CHAIRMEN:** I need Band Chairmen to set up and organize their respective bands. As of the May meeting I will start taking commitments

for bands. The cutoff date to get a band will be June 9th. Also, I need input from all Chairmen by June 9th as to what kind of antenna you will be using. Between the 9th and 21st, I will be laying out the site based on bands and antenna types. A last minute input could pose a real problem.

**LOGS:** When we go on the air as W2MMD 10A or 7A, or whatever, we have to submit our summary sheets (callsign list of contacts) to the ARRL to get listed in that class. While it may not make any real difference to the ARRL how they list us, it certainly does to many of the people who participate in our Field Day. So please make sure you get your logs and summary sheets to me no later than than July 8th. If we went on the air as 10A then that is what I want to submit and I need to go over them to make sure everything is correct before mailing them in. All of you people put out a lot of work and I want to make sure that you get all the points due you. Though Field Day is emergency preparedness it is still a contest of points.

**POWER:** We are not going to be using the big 7 KW generator this year as it is not very practical to run anymore. We do have a 4 KW generator that I will have professionally repaired that we will be using instead, but it will not handle any more than about six stations. Last year a number of people brought out their own generators and used those instead of the club's. If you are going to

bring your own generator this year, please let me know. Some people would rather have their own supply of power than use someone else's. I just need to know either way so that if we don't have enough power, I will have enough time to get a second generator.

A comment about computers and rigs: If you are bringing a computer out to Field Day, I strongly urge that you either buy or build an over/under voltage protection system for your station. These have been designed and built by Field Day enthusiasts for the protection of their rigs against the quirks of a generator going under or over voltage. I have seen designs in the past but I couldn't tell you where. Hopefully someone else in the Club knows what I'm referring to and has plans for one in their files somewhere.

That's it for this month. Hope to hear from a lot of you who want to be Band Chairmen. See you at the meeting.

ART - KA2DOT



1. 27 ft. steel telescoping mast, with concrete hinged base. Make offer.
2. Hustler 220 mhz mobile whip. \$10.00.
3. Epson LQ-510 dot matrix printer. \$35.00 or BO.
4. Toshiba P-1340 dot matrix printer. \$35.00 or BO.

**Ed - WA2PFC**



## How to Kill an Organization!

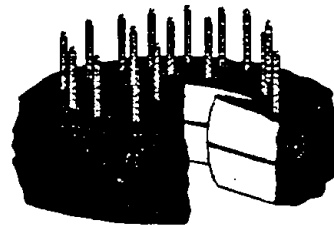
- Don't come to meetings  
When you do come, come late
- If you attend a meeting, find fault with the officers and other members
- Never accept any committee appointment, as it is easier to criticize than to do things
- However, get sore if you are not appointed on some committee - but if you are, do not attend any meetings
- If asked by the chairman to give your opinion about some important matter, tell him that you have nothing to say. After the meeting tell everybody how things ought to be done
- Do absolutely nothing, but when other members willingly and unselfishly use their ability to help matters along, howl that the society is being run by a clique
- When a lunch or dinner is arranged, tell everyone that money is being wasted
- When no lunches or dinners are arranged, say the society is dead
- Don't ask for a banquet ticket until all are sold

(more)

- Then swear that you were cheated out of yours
- If you do get a ticket, don't pay for it
- If asked to sit at the chief guest's table, modestly decline. If not asked, resign
- Hold back your dues as long as possible, or don't pay at all
- Keep you eyes open for something wrong, and when you find it, resign
- At every opportunity, threaten to resign and then get your friends also to threaten to resign
- When attending a meeting vote to do something; then go home and do the opposite
- Agree with everything said at the meeting, and then disagree with it outside
- Always delay replying to communications from the society, or better still, don't answer at all
- And last but not least, don't actually resign, otherwise you will lose the opportunity to kill the society!

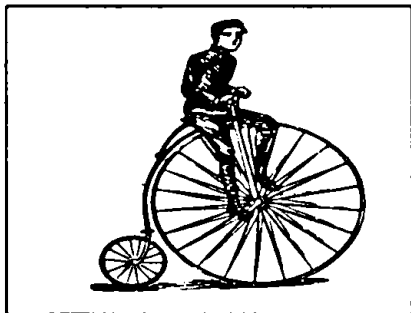
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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR THE MONTH OF MAY FROM ALL THE MEMBERS OF GCARC



CALL	FIRST	LAST	DAY
KA2GCW	GEORGE	BOCKMAN	8
N2KDU	KENNETH	ALBONE	11
KB2GH	HYMAN	FRIEND	12
KB2SVJ	JOSEPH	SCHNEIDER	13
N2IZM	HERBERT	TELLING	18
N2TVR	DAVID	ALLIN	21
WB2OYQ	WALTON	ASHTON JR	22
WA2SXC	EDWARD	WILSON	24
N2RHT	FRANK	DiSANTO JR	24
N2WHY	JAMES	MONTAGNO	24
WA2TRS	CARMEN	INVERSO	25
N2WUO	CLYDE	BABB	25
N2WFK	CHRISTOPHER	THOMPSON	26
WA2PFC	EDWARD	LOVELAND JR	27
KB2JCQ	VIRGINIA	WALLACE	28
	EDITH	FLANIGAN	30

DATABASE - K2PQD, CHARLIE



### MS Spring Classic Bike Challenge Sat., May 11, '96

Locations in:  
Center City Phila., Bucks Cty,  
Montgomery Cty, Chester Cty,  
Burlington Cty.

If you can work mobile and/or HT and would like to help out, contact AA3CH@ AA3CH.#SEPA.PA.USA.NOAM, or Russ@hdj.comm or FAX to 610-497-6218 by May 10 at the latest.

#### Stuff for Xtalk?

Please send on packet to WN2T via "Pitman" (N2SRO) on 145.770 or E-Mail to: Pott@voicenet.com. Deadline for June: May 26!!

#### Classic Fans?

Anyone in the Club interested in/wants to get rid of/would like to restore classic tube ham radio gear, please contact Greg, WN2T



# HAMFEST - TO BE OR NOT TO BE !

Now is the time to start coordinating hamfest duties. We need volunteers at all levels. As I stated in a previous Crosstalk article, this is the most important event of our club. It is recognized as the BEST in SNJ. Also it supports other club functions, such as our club house expenses, antennas, and radio equipment. Without the hamfest income, the financial burden divided among 200 members = \$25.00/member (in addition to dues). We will have to either raise dues by \$25/member or cut expenses by reducing services (sounds familiar, right!). So please come to this meeting with a little volunteering in mind.

73, Bob, WA2UDO, President



NEWSLine Amateur  
Radio News  
March 24, 1996

The American Radio Relay League may be at odds with the National Conference of Volunteer Examination Coordinators Incorporated, but the work of revising the questions that are used on Amateur Radio exams is going forward. As reported three weeks ago, the ARRL has petitioned the FCC to create what the league calls a "new mechanism" to oversee the overall ham radio examination system.

So far, the FCC has ignored the Leagues request and according to Fred Maia of the W5YI VEC who serves on the NCVEC Question Pool Committee, revisions to several exam elements are underway right now:

"The Element 4B extra class questions were released and they will be used in the examination room on July the 1st as scheduled. And on February 1, 1996, the question pool committee released the syllabus, that's the outline for the next one we are going to work on and that's the no-code technician requirements which is element 2 and element 3A Technician." Maia adds that the Question Pool Committee has separated itself from the political bru-ha-ha that has developed over League membership and participation in the National Conference of Volunteer Examination Coordinators. He says that committee is letting the ARRL, the FCC and the VEC conference president work out the problem.

### Harrisburg, Pa Hams Help In Flood

About thirty volunteers from a Pennsylvania radio club came to the aid of the Red Cross to help after the

Susquehanna River overflowed its banks, flooding the capital on January 20th. According to John Obradovich, W3IS, who is the President of the Harrisburg Radio Amateur Club hams provided communication between Dauphin County Red Cross headquarters and two mass-care facilities that lacked telephone service. The following day, the Red Cross requested additional volunteers with vehicles for disaster assessment training and reporting. Several hams were among those who reported.

### DX - 6 M Beacon From 4x

Also, Neil Carr, G0JHC reports via the VHF reflector that 4X1IF has been granted permission by Israeli telecommunications authorities to run a 50 MHz beacon from his home. Neil says that Ralph has already installed a halo antenna on his tower and the beacon system itself is now complete. The beacon will take to the air in early May on 50.058 MHz running about 3 watts and initially with Ralph's 4X1IF call.

### Ao-10 Back

From AMSAT North America, word that OSCAR-10 may once again be coming back to life. Reports say that the satellite's transponder is putting out a beacon tone. Also, the downlink has been intermittently functional.

OSCAR-10 is one of the oldest ham satellites still in orbit. As such it has been plagued by solar radiation corrupting its on-board computer. Also, low levels of sunlight reaching its panels have kept it off the air.

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May 1 - 31, 1996

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<p><b>May 1</b></p> <p><b>GCARC General Membership Meeting</b> 20:00</p> <p>ARRL VHF/UHF Spring Sprint, 432 mhz</p>	<p><b>May 2</b></p>	<p><b>May 3</b></p>	<p><b>May 4</b></p> <p>ARI International DX Test; Conn. QSO Party; MARAC County Hunters CW Test; Mass. QSO Party; 10-10 CW Test; Fest-Grasonville, MD</p>
<p><b>May 5</b></p> <p>20:00 ARES/RACES 20:30 10 mtr Net - 28.350 Mhz</p>	<p><b>May 6</b></p>	<p><b>May 7</b></p>	<p><b>May 8</b></p>	<p><b>May 9</b></p>	<p><b>May 10</b></p>	<p><b>May 11</b></p> <p>ARRL VHF/UHF Sprint, 902, 1296, &amp; 2304 Mhz; Volta RTTY DX Test; FISTS CW Sprint; Nevada QSO Party</p>
<p><b>May 12</b></p> <p>20:00 ARES/RACES 20:30 10 mtr Net - 28.350 Mhz</p>	<p><b>May 13</b></p>	<p><b>May 14</b></p>	<p><b>May 15</b></p> <p>20:00 GCARC Board of Directors Mtg</p>	<p><b>May 16</b></p> <p>VE Exams Bellmawr @ 7 p.m (Doors open 6:15 p.m.)</p>	<p><b>May 17</b></p>	<p><b>May 18</b></p> <p>ARRL VHF/UHF Sprint, 50 Mhz; Armed Forces Day; Baltic Contest; EU Sprint, CW; Fest-Ephrata, PA</p>
<p><b>May 19</b></p> <p>20:00 ARES/RACES 20:30 10 mtr Net - 28.350 Mhz</p>	<p><b>May 20</b></p>	<p><b>May 21</b></p>	<p><b>May 22</b></p>	<p><b>May 23</b></p>	<p><b>May 24</b></p>	<p><b>May 25</b></p> <p>CQ WW WPX Test, CW; CQ Vikings Test; World Telecomm. Day</p>
<p><b>May 26</b></p> <p>20:00 ARES/RACES 20:30 10 mtr Net - 28.350 Mhz</p>	<p><b>May 27</b></p>	<p><b>May 28</b></p>	<p><b>May 29</b></p>	<p><b>May 30</b></p>	<p><b>May 31</b></p>	
	<p><b>Deadline June XTALK</b></p>					
					