

*****QRZ de W2SUA*****

Once again it is that time of year-time to nominate candidates for the annual election of officers to be held at the regular december meeting. As required by the GCARC constitution, a committee comprised of past presidents in good standing, met to nominate a slate of officers for year 1974.

The result of that meeting is as follows:

President-Jack White WA2MEM
V. Pres. -Doug Gehring WA2NPD
Secty. -Harry McCormick WA2SEA
Treas. -Jim Klupar WB2OER
Cores. Secty.-Della Parker W2AFZ
3 year dir.-Wayne Wood W2SUA
" " " , -Ken Newman W2FBF
4 year trustee-Milt Goldman K3WIL
(all of whom have consented to run)

The above will be presented to the membership at the next regular meeting in November. At that time other nominations will be accepted from the floor and also at the December meeting prior to the customary balloting. Hope to see all of you on hand.

"Shorty"

*****NOV. 7th MEETING*****

How can Jack, WA2MEM, surpass last month's great program? Well, he is going to really try! This month he has arranged for a speaker from Public Service and Gas who will speak on "Atomic Energy." So c'mon out and find out what will soon be pouring electrons into our primary windings. John's usual repast should wet-our-whistles and the FBeyeball WSO's should wrap-up another banner night out on the Radio Club. See you all there tins time!

*****NEW MEMBER*****

We welcome Mike Sommer, WA2LVT, into our midst. Mike hails from Bellmawr and just passed his General Ticket. Very FB Mike In fact, I understand his Dad has been radio-bug-bitten too and may soon join our club also. (sure hope so).

*****WHAT DAT STUFF IN OUR CLUBROOM?*****

Never fear; Prexy Shorty, W2SUA, has found that the athletic gear now set-up in our clubroom is simply the result of some energetic Pitman policemen who want to work-out up there. They are welcome (shouldn't bother us) and their gear has reached its maximum (we trust). So rest easy, gang, we aren't about to be evicted. In fact, Shorty has promised to 12 (count 'em-twelve) chin-ups at the next meeting if Wally, W2PLD, will do one more.

*****CODE CLASS PROGRESSING*****

We number currently about 12 students and all are doing FB under instruction of (so far) WB2FJE, WA2AXJ, and WA2NPD. The class meets on Thursdays, 7:15 PM, in the Pitman Middle School. Come on out and give your moral support at any time.

*****REMINDEERS*****

1. Renew your ARRL subscription (membership) through your GCARC Treasurer Jim, WB2OER. (we get a cut, you know).
2. Get your QSL card up on the board in the clubroom (if it already isn't there). Avoid being on the "cheapskate" list (soon to be published).
3. The club paper (X-TALK) is an excellent organ for buy, sell, swap, etc. Take advantage of it!!

*****PAUL-WA2PGJ*****

GCARC was schocked to learn that last week one of our oldest and most faithful members. Paul Thomson, WA2PGJ, joined the Silent Key ham fraternity. Paul reached his apex in club activity severaf years back and, in recent years--and rightfully so--allowed us younger guys to lug the ball. Nevertheless, Paul carried the RACES banner the past 2 years (as County CD Radio Officer) hence was not content to remain totally idle. Many of our newer club members probably did not know him as well as we old timers, and can assure you, your loss was our gain! For a cheerier-more pleasant fellow could not be found! Paul could not possibly have had an enemy in the world; he never hurt anyone in his life; you asked him to do a job and he would get it done right; he was the personification of the "Good Guy". The CD bus and station contained a lot of Paul's sweat and tears. The County will miss him officially, but his many friends and fellow hams at GCARC will miss him more. Fortunately, Paul left a wonderful legacy in Don and Cork--and our deepest sympathies are extended to them and to Paul's family.

*****BUDGET AND NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORTS*****

In my humble opinion the next two meetings of the club are probably the most important meetings of the year.

At the November meeting the budget committee will present the proposed budget for 1974. Surely you will have a chance to debate the pros and cons of this budget. Without your honest consideration and interest, it becomes a difficult project in this most important

aspect of club guidance. So come out and give the budget your consideration and vote as you see fit, but you cannot vote if you don't attend the November meeting.

Also, at the November meeting the nominating committee will present, for your consideration, a list of candidates for club officers for the coming year. The nominating committee will present one candidate for each office that is to be filled. According to the Club Constitution in addition to the nominating committees proposals, the Club President will solicit nominations from the members present at both the November and December meetings. Careful consideration should be given by you, the individual club member, as to whom you would like to see guide the club to bigger and better things in 1974.

Now is the time for you to have your say in this truly democratic process. If you don't attend these two important meetings, your voice in guiding our club will be hard to hear by those that the rest of the club have chosen as their leaders.

Harry McCormick, WA2SEA
Recording Secretary, GCARC

*****CONTEST CORNER*****

Results of 1973 NJ QSO Party:

Bill-WB2FIF--4760
Steve-WA2AXJ-1950
Jim-WB2OER---648
Mark-WN2OSQ--351
Ken-W2FBF----(check log)

We would like to congratulate Bill for his fine performance in coming out on top of the heap. He will be awarded the prize of his choice at the next meeting. There were no qualifiers for the club certificate for 150 or more contacts. Many thanks to all who sent logs in.

ARRL NOVEMBER SWEEPSTAKES

This is the next operating event of the season. The dates are: Phone; November 10-12, CW; November 17-19. Both contests start at 2100 GMT and end at 0300 GMT on the dates indicated. (Sat. afternoon thru Sun. evening). Once again the club will award a certificate to any member with 200 or more contacts and a very worthwhile prize to the top combined CW and Phone score. Doug, WA2NPD, is the man to beat in this one. He has swept all honors for the past three years in a row. Logs will be available at the next meeting and will be collected at the December meeting (or mail to W2FBF).

As you know, the combined CW/Phone score is listed in QST for the club, as clubs are in competition in this one. The top

CW and top Phone scorer is also listed prominently alongside the club score if three CW and three Phone logs are received. ARRL also issues a certificate to these exceptional folks. To help put the club up as high as possible in the standings, all logs, however small, will be appreciated. See October QST-page 50 for rules.

73,
W2FBF

*****LES BELLES*****

We are in the middle of many holidays where our number one interest is the preparation of foods that are tasty. If you have been lucky to get some of the nice pumpkins that are grown right here in our area, as I have, you can prepare ahead for forthcoming dinners. The pies have a "down home" taste when prepared from scratch and some hints to do this are: Wash and cut your pumpkin in half and place cut side down in a pan in a warm oven. Roast until soft, but not mushy. Scrape out the flesh of the pumpkin with a spoon or fork. Place into colander and let drain overnight in a cool place. In the morning put 2 cups of pumpkin in a bowl and whip thoroughly with a fork until all lumps disappear, but avoid mashing. Drain out as much liquid as possible, because the pumpkin should be dry. Add sugar, yolks of eggs, cinnamon and beat for 5 minutes. Quickly add cream, whiskey and butter and mix well. Sprinkle cornstarch over the stiffly beaten whites of eggs and put to the first mixture. Pour into a pan about 2-1/2 inches deep which has been lined with pie pastry and bake for one hour in a moderate (375 deg. F) oven. Allow pie to become cold and firm before cutting.

Measurements for one pie:

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| 2 cups cooked pumpkin | 1 cup whiskey |
| 4 eggs | 1/4 cup butter |
| 1 cup sugar (or substitute) | 1/3 cup cream |
| 1/2 tsp. cinnamon | 1 tbsp. cornstarch |

From a local farm in Pedricktown I was fortunate to have one large pie pumpkin given to me which yielded 8 cups when cooked and would be glad to share this with anyone who was not so fortunate.

How many of you know the actual meaning LOVE? The dictionary says "affection based on admiration or benevolence", "a warm attachment, enthusiasm. or devotion"--but we have another way of expressing this same word of LOVE: LOVE BEGINS WHEN SHE SINKS INTO HIS ARMS----AND ENDS UP WITH HER ARMS IN THE SINK!

73's
Rose Ellen, WA2FGS

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*****NOTICE*****

-TO ALL VISITORS-

WHAT YOU ARE ABOUT TO SEE IS AN AMATEUR RADIO STATION LICENSED BY THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION. BEFORE YOU ASK THE QUESTIONS HERE ARE THE ANSWERS:

1. The total cost of the equipment was \$_____.
2. No, we can not send a message to your brother in Hong-Kong; suggest that you call Western Union.
3. This is strictly a hobby, we do not have the facilities or the time to fix TV sets and HI-FI sets-suggest that you see a local serviceman.
4. Yes, the antenna in the back yard is necessary for the proper operation of the equipment.
5. The farthest station that we have contacted has been in Ubangiland.
6. The cards on the wall are called QSL cards.
7. Oh no, never does this equipment interfere with the operation of Television sets !

ALSO

IF YOU ARE INVITED TO SPEAK ON THE MICROPHONE PLEASE OBSERVE THE FOLLOWING RULES:

1. Speak in a low and soothing tone.
2. Do not disagree with me in any manner.
3. Say no bad words or tell no off color jokes.

----FURTHERMORE----

DO NOT TOUCH ANYTHING, TURN ANY KNOBS, SIT ON EQUIPMENT, ETC.
WE LOST SEVERAL VISITORS BY ELECTROCUTION IN THE PAST FEW MONTHS.

Suggest you cut on line and place on hamshack door.

The only way I can write this column is to remain incognito and sometimes be incoherent. If you knew who I am, you then could understand the incoherency.

When I get out of this skylab, I'll have something more for you next issue with a .- .-. -.-

73's es CUL,
Ghost Writer

*****SCUTTLEBUTT*****

1. Heard that Henry, WB2MSH, is now back with Static Electronics between Westville and Woodbury. Obviously, his stay at Edmund Scientific was, at most, singularly brief.
2. Former club member Harry Maxfield, WA2VXT, is now with Jim Peck, W2 LVW, at Jim's new Radio Shack on Rt. 45. So let's stop in and chat with Harry (shouldn't Harry be back with GCARC now?) as we spend our sheckles at Jim's fine store. Incidentally, Jim is formulating a Ham Area or "nook" in the store which should be of particular interest to we hams. Stop in and visit to see what he has there as well.
3. Glad to hear Bill, WB2PVI, is now out of Underwood Hospital after a brief stay. Understand Bill is shedding some pounds which should make it easier to climb the stairs for club meetings. Good show Bill!
4. Also, John, WB2GKH, is exhibiting a good-as-new XYL these days (well, slmost anyway, I guess). Glad to hear she is up and about now, John.
5. TRUE STORY DEPT !!
John, WB2JZX, recently packed his family off to a flea market. While strolling amidst the exhibits, John perchance bent over to tie his shoelace, whereupon a passing K-9 misstook him for a fireplug and made a KW transmission in his direction. John received the rather fluid signal with 20 db over S-9 strength, but immediately QSY'd to the home QTH for a bath and change of clothes before returning in somewhat distraught mood. Apparently, the dog is still on the air-somewhere obviously still bootlegging it !!!!
6. Jack, WA2MEM, still receiving plaudits for the FB program he arranged last month. The Laser talk and demonstration was really great.
7. Bill, WB2FJE, now on Wilmington Repeater group Board of Directors. A fine honor bestowed upon a 1st rate ham (but tell them to change their meeting nights, Bill, so as not to conflict with us).
8. Apologies to Bill, WB2FIF, who received his Advanced ticket at a slightly younger age than Bob, WA2AIH. Hence, Bill appears to be the winner here thus far. However, Mark, WA2OSQ, or Mike, WA2LDT, might eventually take on you guys and either one could establish a new record.

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9. Found out that Rich, WB2OCR, is also an active Scouter being active for many years and currently on the Gloucester District Activities Committee. Real FB Rick.
10. Club member Earl, HC2EP, and Jim, WN2GJH, out for code class refresher course (Jim has his harmonic along for moral support).
11. Understand some of WB2FJE's Novice Students took their written exams (questions 50 through 70) but blackened-in the 1 through 20 spaces on the answer sheet. Needless to say, all flunked--including the instructor-- (Hi!)

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