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CLUB NETS

6 M AREC	50.9----Sunday, 8 PM Local Time
10 M Rag Chew	28.8----Friday, 9:30 PM Local Time
Novice Net	21.115--Monday, 8:30 PM Local Time

OCTOBER MEETING: WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 1st BEGINNING AT 8 PM. PROGRAM:
WB2OCR WILL TALK ABOUT RTTY.

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS FOR THE NOVEMBER ISSUE IS SUNDAY, OCT. 19, 1975
PLEASE MAIL ANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO: MARK WILSON, WB2OSQ,

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OCTOBER PROGRAM:

The October program will be a discussion of RTTY past, present and future by Rich Netherby, WB2OCR. Rich, who is an avid RTTY enthusiast, will talk about application of micro processors in RTTY work. This should prove to be a very interesting evening for all who attend.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER:

Well here I am, the New President of the GCARC. I hope I will be able to do as good a job as Doug has done. I am still in a state of shock at the speed of Doug's departure. I shouldn't be too surprised, since I also work for DuPont and have seen this happen before. Hopefully the initial bewilderment will wear off soon.

As a result of Doug's and Harry's resignations there are two vacancies that have to be filled, Vice/President and Recording Secretary in the past when the President resigned the Vice-President took over his job, and then according to the constitution the new President must appoint someone to the job of Vice-President. I have appointed Herb Schuler, K2HPV, as Vice-President, and the Board of Directors has approved my choice. I would like to welcome Herb to the Board. I am sure he will do a fine job as Vice President.

As yet I do not have a volunteer to take the job of Recording Secretary, so I am appealing to you, the membership. If anyone has the desire to fill this important position, please contact me as soon as possible. In the meanwhile Jack White and Della Parker will jointly cover the job.

The budget for the coming year will be presented at the October meeting so all those interested in where your dues go should be present.

The Nominating Committee will meet during October to secure a slate of candidates for presentation to the membership at the November meeting. Anyone interested in serving your club as an officer next year please contact me or one of the past presidents of the club. All officers of the club must be 21 years of age at least and be full members in good standing of the club.

Our program for September was very well received. In fact it was so well liked that there have been several requests for a rerun. As some of our members didn't get to see the show, and those that did liked it so much we are making arrangements for a return engagement. I would like to personally congratulate Steve and Bill for the excellent job they did on the show. It was a fine example of the use of media. I don't know if anyone else noticed, but the background music was also very appropriate.

That's about all I have for now, see you all at the meeting.

De WB2OCR, Rich.

SILENT KEYS:

It is with deep regret that we record the passing of Gloucester County Amateur Radio Club members:

May 9, 1975 Dr. John J. Laurusonis, WA2IVZ

June 30, 1975 T. A. Deuber, W2CKX

CODE CLASS:

Again our club-sponsored code and theory classes will commence at 7:15 PM on Thursday evening, October 16, at the Pitman Middle School (formerly the High School) on Holly Ave. The class will be held each Thursday and will continue until all have qualified for their Novice License. There is, of course, no cost to the students. So far, WA2AXJ, WA2VEE and WN2AHQ have volunteered to instruct. More members are needed to help teach. If you think that you could help out with code or theory, please call Mark, WB2OSQ,

PUBLIC INTEREST:

Amateur Radio exists as a hobby only because it qualifies as a service., Or to put it another way, PICON, in the "Public Interest, Convenience or Necessity."

If we want to preserve our hobby and expect to hold on to the frequencies we now have, we must do something to prove our worth.

You can not pass the buck to the next guy. YOU must do something about it.

What do YOU do for your hobby, D.X., Satellite communications, rag chew, operate SSTV, or a dozen other things? These things are fine and you have every right to enjoy your hobby to the fullest. But for all your pleasures you should also help pay the price. Anything that is worthwhile has a price tag attached, and the price tag for Amateur Radio is Public Service.

If you do not provide a service you are not paying the price for your hobby, or to put it another way "No Service, No Hobby." And sooner or later you are bound to have to pay the price.

With the upcoming Frequency Allocation Conference in 1979, The amateur fraternity is going to have to have some mighty impressive statistics to back up our demands for our present frequencies or any possible future frequency allocations.

You may say "How can I provide a service?" Well one way is to sign up and play an active part in the A.R.E.C. program in Gloucester County. How can I register with the A.R.E.C.? Every time you renew your subscription to QST, they send you along a blank A.R.E.C. registration form. Fill it in and send or give it to your Emergency Coordinator, in this area its,

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Harry McCormick, WA2SEA,

If you don't have a registration form, contact your EC.

There are two classes of A.R.E.C. registration available, Full and Limited. Limited for those that can not actively participate in the emergency preparedness program. Full membership entails participation in a drill once a week for one hour. A small price to pay for such an enjoyable avocation.

While we are talking about service, what happened to traffic net participation in Gloucester County? As far as I know there are very few stations in our area that take an active part in traffic handling. (If you doubt my word, look in the Station Activities column in any recent issue of QST., see anyone's call that you know?)

Along similar lines, whatever happened to A.R.R.L. appointments? As a club a few years ago we had 15 A.R.R.L. appointments among our members, now we have twice as many club members and half as many appointees.

Club officials should give these last two activities some consideration and perhaps start a concentrated effort to improve our standing along these lines.

DE WA2SEA

A.R.R.L. BULLETINS:

QST DE W1AW

HR OFFICIAL BULLETIN NR 552 FROM ARRL HEADQUARTERS

Newington, CT. September 11, 1975

To all Radio Amateurs BT

The 42nd ARRL Sweepstakes will take place the second and fourth weekends of November, CW November 8 and 9 and Phone November 22 and 23. This popular highlight of the operating season offers special awards for high and low power entrants and a separate competition within a competition for ARRL Affiliated Clubs. Full details will appear in the November issue of QST.; Please send for your entry forms now. An addressed envelope with 10 cents U.S. Postage will return a summary sheet, Dupe Sheet, and logs for three hundred entries. Write ARRL, 225 Main Street, Newington, Connecticut 06111. AR.

Nr 553 September 18, 1975

Effective immediately John Johnston K3BNS has been appointed chief, Amateur and Citizens Division FCC, filling the vacancy caused by the retirement of A. Prose Walker W4BW. K3BNS earlier served in the division as Chief, Rules and Legal Branch. Announcement of the appointment was made by Charles A. Higgenbotham W3CAH at the ARRL National Convention in Reston, Virginia. AR

ARRL BULLETINS (Cont'd.)

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All participants in the September 7 ARRL Frequency Measuring test will be interested in this early report of umpire measurements. Frequencies for the early run were 14117.106 7077.803 and 3542.410 Khz. Late run readings were 7062.349 and 3539.834 Khz. Poor conditions rendered the late twenty meter run unusable and it will not be counted in any of the averages. All participants who reported by September 18 are eligible for the full listing of results to appear in the November issue of QST. The next frequency measuring test is scheduled for November 8 with details in the October issue of QST. AR

CONTEST CORNER:

1975 NJ QSO PARTY

The 1975 NJ QSO Party has come and gone. The activity from our club was a little disappointing this year, only five members active. Three members, WA2AXJ, WB2OSQ and WN2AHQ went portable to activate some rare counties. This gave out of state stations a chance to work all 21 counties on the first day of the contest, they operated from the Gloucester County/Salem county line using the call WB2OSQ/2. The second day, they switched to the Atlantic/Cape May/Cumberland county line and activated WA2AXJ/2. Operation took place from a camper mounted on a pick-up truck.

This year's high scorer was W2FBB back after a one year rest. Mike WA2LDT was on from his home in Camden county, putting members of the club on from six counties. Hopefully, we can make a better showing for the club,

<u>Call</u>	<u>Score</u>
W2FBB	12,190
WA2AXJ/2	8,022
WB2OSQ/2	6,270
WA2LDT	756

November Sweepstakes: The dates for the ARRL November Sweepstakes are:

November 8-9 CW
November 22-23 Phone

More details next month.

TEN YEARS AGO IN CROSSTALK:

Jack Layton, K2JKA, now W3ESQ, was Editor of Crosstalk, and also club President.

Jim Peck, W2LVW, was club Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary was then as now, Della Parker, W2AFZ. Gurdon Cooper, W2PAX, was Recording Secretary,

TEN YEARS AGO: (Cont'd.)

Dues for this year were \$4.00 for full members and \$2.00 for associate members.

Some of the members back then and still club members were: Bill Bachman, WA2VEE, Fred Bergman, WB2TZG, Gurdon Cooper, W2PAX, Bertha Eggert, WA4BMC, Ernie Garside, WA2TDI; Doug Gehring, WA2NPD; Art Goldman, K3WIN; Milt Goldman, K3WIL; Frank King, WA2WGA; John Kull, WB2GKH; Chet McGear, WB2EDH; Harry McCormick, WA2SEA; Della Parker, W2AFZ; Jim Peck, W2LVW; John Poulson, WA2PVH; Bill Shaw, WA2PVI; Bob Spain, No call yet, now WB2RVE; Don Thomson, WA2TSG, Van Turner, W2KE, and Wayne Wood, W2SUA.

First class postage was 5¢ and the postage stamp then being used was the Amateur Radio Commemorative Stamp, that was first issued Dec. 15, 1964.

This month's meeting was the last held at Owens Illinois Clubhouse, The program featured a White Elephant Sale.

Jim Peck was SEC/EC and ran a A.R.E.C. net on RTTY at 7:00 P.M. and a AM net at 8:00 P.M. on Friday evenings.

If you like this article, we may make it a regular feature of Crosstalk.

DE Harry, WA2SEA

LES BELLES:

Y L ANNIVERSARY PARTY

CW Starts: Wednesday, October 15, 1975, at 1800 GMT
Ends: Thursday, October 16, 1975, at 1800 GMT

Phone: Starts: Thursday, November 6, 1975, at 1800 GMT
Ends: Friday, November 7, 1975, at 1800 GMT

ELIGIBILITY: All licensed women operators throughout the world are invited to participate. YLRL members only are eligible for the cup awards. Non-members will receive certificates. Only YLRL members are eligible for the Corcoran Award. Contacts with OM will not count.

PROCEDURE: Call "CQ - YL."

OPERATION: All bands may be used. Cross/band operation is not permitted. Only one contact with each station will be counted in each contest.

EXCHANGE: Station worked, QSO number, RS or RST, ARRL Section or Country. Entries in log must show time, band, date, transmitter power. Log must be signed.

SCORING: A. CW and Phone will be scored as separate contents. Submit separate logs for each contest.

B. All YLs located within an ARRL Section, score one (1) point for each QSO with another station located within an ARRL Section. Score two (2) points for each contact with a station not located within an ARRL Section. (i.e. DX) Definition of DX: All stations not located within an ARRL Section.

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DX YLs shall score two (2) points for each contact with a station located in an ARRL Section. Score one (1) point for each contact with another DX station. (Note: Please know your ARRL Section. Section lists are available from the Vice President. Please send S.A.S.E. to receive list.) Multiply number of contact points by total number of different ARRL Sections and/or countries worked.

- C. Contestants running 150 watts input or less on CW may multiply the results of (B) by 1.25 (low power multiplier).
- D. SSB contestants running 350 watts PEP or less at all times, may use the lower power multiplier (Results of (B) times 1.25).

AWARDS: Highest CW score - Gold Cup (YLRL member only, anywhere in the world). Highest PHONE score - Gold Cup (YLRL member only, anywhere in the world). First, second, and third place CW and Phone score (not combined) and highest CW and Phone Log in each district and country will receive a certificate.

CORCORAN AWARD: Highest combined CW and PHONE score from North and Central America including the Greater and Lesser Antilles, will receive a YLAP HAGER PLAQUE for YLRL members only. Highest combined score from any other part of the world will receive a duplicate award (YLRL members only).

LOGS: Copies of all logs must show claimed score, be signed by the operator, be postmarked not later than November 24, 1975, and received no later than December 19, 1975, or they will be disqualified. Please check your logs. Make sure they have QSO numbers, power transmitted. All entries must show ARRL Section or Country to qualify for awards. Mail logs to: Myrtle Cunningham, WA6ISY, 1105 East Acacia Ave., El Segundo, CA 90245. No logs will be returned. Be sure they are legible. Mail in time.