

ARES/RACES

DEAR SNJ ARES/RACES MEMBERS: DE WB2LNR, ARES/RACES GLOUCESTER COUNTY 9/6/90

I HAVE BEEN CONTACTED BY MR. BOYD PRESTWOOD, W2HOB, THE SECTION EMERGENCY COORDINATOR FOR SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY IN REFERENCE TO THE NATIONAL DISASTER MEDICAL SYSTEM DRILL FOR 1990. HE HAS ASKED FOR COMMUNICATION SUPPORT FROM SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY-AMATEUR RADIO SERVICE FOR THIS YEAR'S DRILL SCHEDULED AT THIS TIME FOR OCTOBER 20TH & 27TH. WE WILL PARTICIPATE ON OCTOBER 27TH. (GLOUCESTER COUNTY).

THIS IS AN IMPORTANT DRILL AND I STRONGLY ENCOURAGE ALL MEMBERS TO BE AWARE OF ITS IMPORTANCE TO OUR AMATEUR RADIO COMMUNITY. THIS WILL BE JUST ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO INCREASE AWARENESS OF AMATEUR RADIO AS WELL AS PROVIDE SERVICES TO A PROMINENT ORGANIZATION. ALSO SIGNIFICANT, IT OFFERS EACH COUNTY ARES/RACES UNIT VALUABLE TRAINING WITH A SCENARIO WRITTEN OUTSIDE OF OUR AUSPICES, ADDING REALISM TO OUR PARTICIPATION.

IT APPEARS THAT ALL SNJ COUNTIES ARE TO BE INVOLVED. ALL OF THE TACTICAL COMMUNICATIONS SHOULD BE CONDUCTED ON OUR LOCAL NET (REPEATER) FREQUENCY OF 147.180 MHZ. AND THE INTERCOUNTY COORDINATION CONDUCTED ON THE SECTION REPEATER 147.345 MHZ. THE SECTION TRAFFIC MANAGER WILL ALERT THE SNJ VHF NET AND THE HF TRAFFIC NETS SHOULD THE NEED ARISE.

IN ALL PROBABILITY THIS MAY BE OUR SECTION EMERGENCY TEST FOR 1990. PLEASE PROVIDE A POSITIVE RESPONSE TO ME, NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 14TH, EITHER ON THE SUNDAY EVENING NET, OR BY DIRECT U.S. MAIL, OR MY ANSWERING MACHINE AT (609) 694-4442. IF YOU NEED TO TALK TO ME DURING THE DAY I CAN BE REACHED AT 1-800-640-3186 (TOLL FREE-JUST ASK FOR ME).

PLEASE NOTE: LOCATIONS NOT COVERED BY OUR ARES/RACES GROUP MUST BE COVERED WITH ANY SURPLUS MEMBERS FROM ADJACENT COUNTIES. WITH ALL OF THE MEMBERS WE HAVE RIGHT HERE IN OUR OWN COUNTY I KNOW THAT WE WON'T HAVE TO BURDEN ANY OTHER AUTHORITY.

AT PRESENT I KNOW FOR SURE THAT WE MUST COVER J.F. KENNEDY HOSPITAL IN TURNERSVILLE AND UNDERWOOD MEMORIAL HOSPITAL IN WOODBURY. IF YOU ARE ONE OF THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE THIS ASSIGNMENT PLEASE LET ME KNOW. AT PRESENT I HAVE TWO OPERATORS FOR J.F.K., WA2TML AND N2FNF. BUT, AS YOU ALL KNOW, WE WILL NEED BACKUPS FOR THE ENTIRE DRILL.

I AM ALSO LOOKING FOR ANYONE INTERESTED IN CONTACTING THE DIRECTORS OF BOTH THE J.F.K AND U.M. HOSPITALS IN REGARDS TO INSTALLING A PERMANENT TWO METER STATION AT THESE LOCATIONS. THIS WOULD HELP OUR EFFORTS WHENEVER AN EMERGENCY SITUATION CAME ABOUT. I AM SURE WE CAN GET A QUICK WORK PARTY TOGETHER IF THEY WOULD PURCHASE THE GEAR.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR EFFORT AND CONSIDERATION. 73, RAY, WB2LNR.

HF FLEAS: WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY EXPERIMENT STATION RESEARCHERS HAVE DISCOVERED THAT FLEAS COMMUNICATE WITH EACH OTHER BY HIGH FREQUENCY SOUND SIGNALS.

THANKS-WORLD RADIO.

IT IS WITH DEEP REGRET THAT WE RECORD THE PASSING OF ERNIE GIGLIOBIANCO, KB2AB. ERNIE, A LONG TIME G.C.A.R.C. MEMBER, HELD AN AMATEUR EXTRA CLASS TICKET AND WAS AN AVID CW OPERATOR. HE WAS ALSO CHAIRMAN OF THE HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE AND YOU COULD ALWAYS COUNT ON HIM FOR COFFEE AND DONUTS WITH A SMILE AT THE CLUB MEETINGS. ERNIE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED.

FOR SALE: 50 FOOT TOWER WITH STAINLESS STEEL HARDWARE AND HOUSE BRACKET. CALL WA2TOP, MIKE AT 881-8177 BETWEEN 7 AND 10 IN THE EVENING.

THERE WILL BE A MAJOR DX PEDITION IN NOVEMBER TO THE SOUTH SANDWICH ISLANDS AND SOUTH GEORGIA ISLAND. CALL SIGNS WILL BE VP8SSI FOR SOUTH SANDWICH AND VP8SGI FOR SOUTH GEORGIA. OPERATION WILL BE FROM 160 THRU 6 METERS. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IS DESPERATELY NEEDED TO HELP OFFSET THE ESTIMATED \$250,000 COST (PAYL SOFTWARE WILL BE ONE OF THE SPONSORS). ANY CONTRIBUTIONS WILL BE WELCOME AND CAN BE SENT TO EITHER QSL MANAGER FOR THIS DX PEDITION, AA6BB/7 OR KA6V.

SUE, K3YL

THANKS K2OWE VIA WB2YOF PCBS

OCTOBER CALENDAR
(ALL TIMES LOCAL)

2,9,16,23,30	G.C.A.R.C 10 METER NET, 2100 HRS., 28.350 MHZ., USB.
3	G.C.A.R.C MEETING, 2000 HRS., WOODBURY V.F.W. POST.
5,12,19,26	LUNCHEON, 1200 HRS., FIVE POINTS DINER, RTS. 47 & 41, DEPTFORD
7,14,21,28	ARES/RACES NET, 2000 HRS., 147.78/18 & 224.66/223.06 REPEATERS.
17	G.C.A.R.C BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, 2000 HRS., CLUB FACILITY.
18	V.E.C. TESTING, 1900 HRS., BELLMAWR COMMUN. BLDG., BROWNING RD.
27	NATIONAL DISASTER MEDICAL SYSTEM DRILL (ARES/RACES).
27-28	CQ WORLD-WIDE DX CONTEST, PHONE

FCC CHECKS CABLE SYSTEMS : ENGINEERS OF THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION CONDUCTED FIELD TESTS OF CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEMS AROUND THE COUNTRY THE WEEK OF AUGUST 20, ACCORDING TO A COMMISSION RELEASE. THE STATED PURPOSE OF THE CHECKS WAS TO ASSESS AND IMPROVE COMPLIANCE WITH A NEW CUMULATIVE LEAKAGE INDEX (CLI) THAT WENT INTO EFFECT JULY 1.

THE CLI STANDARD SETS A LEAKAGE LIMIT THAT CABLE OPERATORS MUST NOT EXCEED, IN ORDER NOT TO CAUSE HARMFUL INTERFERENCE TO AERONAUTICAL COMMUNICATIONS AND NAVIGATION FREQUENCIES. CABLE SYSTEMS FOUND NOT IN COMPLIANCE WILL BE ORDERED TO SHUT DOWN OPERATIONS IN THE AVIATION BANDS 108-137 MHZ. AND 225-400 MHZ., THE COMMISSION SAID.

IF A CABLE LEAKS OUT IT LEAKS IN AS WELL. AMATEURS OPERATING ON THE 2-METER BAND CAN BE AFFECTED (MOST CABLE TV SYSTEMS PUT CHANNEL 18 WITHIN OUR 2-METER BAND), AS ARE THOSE OPERATING 220 MHZ.

CABLE SYSTEM LICENSEES ARE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION OF COMPLIANCE TO THE FCC, AND ALL SYSTEMS ARE SUBJECT TO ON-SITE EVALUATION BY COMMISSION PERSONNEL. RESULTS OF THE TESTS ARE NOT YET AVAILABLE.

THANKS ARRL LETTER SEPT. 1990.

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