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# REMARCS

Next Meeting: Oct. 15, 2013 at 7:30 PM

**Sep/Oct 2013** 

# 2013-2014 MARC Election Results



The MARC Officer and Board election was concluded at the September General Membership meeting on September 17, 2013. Steve Ikler KS3K (MARC VP) (Election Chairman) counted the email ballots and last minute paper ballots. The results are listed below. These members begin their terms on October 1, 2013.

Position

President Vice President Secretary Treasurer Public Services Chair. Technical Services Chair. Program Chair. Public Relations Chair. Membership Services Chair. Member-at-Large (2013-2015)

**Board Member** Steve Werner KD3WK Steve Ikler KS3K Sal Marandola NC3U Lou Ruh WX3I Bob Palin N3JIZ Dennis Silage K3DS Rich Russo KB3VZL Jim Biddle W3DCL Chris Ruhl N3GBJ Jim Smith K3RTU

Also on the board are:

Position **Board Member** Member-at-Large (2012-2014) Doug Wilkins NE3U Callsign Trustee W3NWA Dieter Hauer K3DK Callsign Trustee WB3JOE Dennis Silage K3DS

MARC thanks outgoing Member-at-Large Brenden McNeil W3VD for his dedicated service to the club the past two years.



MARC Board for 2013-2014

Seated L-R: Steve KS3K, Sal NC3U, Steve KD3WK, Lou WX3I Standing L-R: Bob N3JIZ, Jim K3RTU, Rich KB3VZL, Jim W3DCL, **Dennis K3DS** 

Absent: Dieter K3DK, Doug NE3U, Chris N3GBJ

## VOX

MARC welcomes the following new members: Michael Lebrun N3OMR, Jesse Roche W2WTP, and Grant Cohan KB3HGC.

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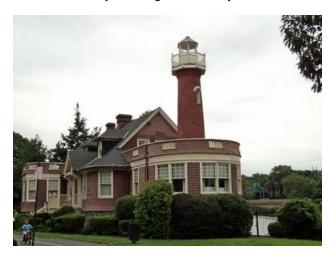
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# MARC Activates Rare Turtle Rock Lighthouse for International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend

August 17-18, 2013 was the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend (<a href="http://illw.net/">http://illw.net/</a>). The purpose of the event was to promote public awareness of lighthouses and lightships and their need for preservation and restoration, and at the same time to promote amateur radio and to foster International goodwill. Hams around the world activated lighthouses and lightships during this event. Over 500 lighthouses and lightships registered to be active for this year's event.

There is a lighthouse in our backyard that you have probably seen a million times but never thought about it. Turtle Rock Lighthouse is just north of Boathouse Row on Kelly Drive (<a href="http://www.lighthousefriends.com/light.asp?ID=856">http://www.lighthousefriends.com/light.asp?ID=856</a>). The lighthouse was built in 1887 by Frank Thurwanger. The lighthouse is now owned by the Sedgeley Club at 15 Kelly Drive (<a href="http://www.sedgeleyclub.org/">http://www.sedgeleyclub.org/</a>). The "Light at Turtle Rock" provided security and safety to the city's thriving maritime activity and steamboat trade along the Schuylkill River. The brick lighthouse supports a hexagonal lantern room surrounded by an octagonal walkway.



Checking the website for the ILLW, it looks like no one had ever operated from the Turtle Rock Lighthouse for this special event. A group of MARC members got together to change all that. Using the MARC callsign W3NWA, **Mike Pilotti KF3CD**, **Jim Smith K3RTU and Steve Ikler KS3K** set up a station inside the lighthouse grounds with a portable rig and antenna. The event lasted two days but their participation was limited to just five hours on Sunday, August 18. The group used Steve's Icom 718 and his Outbacker/Alpha-Delta Outpost tripod antenna mount with hamstick antennas. The lighthouse itself is no longer used and is not accessible so it was not available for stringing up antennas. With cooperation from the Sedgeley Club, the group was able to use power from an outside outlet on the club's building.

# **MARC Info**

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#### **MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS -**

3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 PM (Doors open at 7:00 PM) Community Meeting Room (in the front) of the Tredyffrin Township Municipal Building, 1100 DuPortail Road, Berwyn, PA 19312-1079. Guests Welcome, Smoke Free, Handicappedaccessible.

#### **BOARD MEETINGS -**

2nd Tuesdays of even months, 7:00 PM Paoli Hospital, Willistown Meeting Room, Paoli, PA. Members may attend as observers.

WB3JOE REPEATERS (CTCSS or PL = 131.8 hz) - 145.130 - / 147.060 + / 147.360 + /224.420 - / 224.5 - /445.675 - /444.050 -

The 145.13 and 147.06 2-meter repeaters are linked. The 147.36 MHz, the 224.50 MHz and the 444.050 MHz repeaters are linked.

#### WEBMASTER -

**Dennis Silage K3DS** 

k3ds@marc-radio.org 610-353-4829

## 2-METER NETS -

Club Net, Sundays and Wednesdays, 8:30 PM Roundtable Net, Thursdays, 8:30 PM These nets occur on linked 145.13 - / 147.06 + Repeaters

## **NET MANAGER -**

**Brenden McNeil W3VD** 

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#### **NET CONTROL OPS -**

Alan K3WWT, Bob N3JIZ, Steve N1HDP, Miguel KC2HMG, Yak N3MQM, Rob KB3WIR, Brenden W3VD, Mike WB2UQV and Bob WB3T

DUES – Payable at the March Meeting \$15 Full (licensed Amateurs) \$5 Associate (unlicensed persons) Family rate \$5/ham - after first member pays full dues

#### **NEWSLETTER -**

The REMARCS editor is Steve KS3K 610-662-2768 <a href="mailto:ks3k@marc-radio.org">ks3k@marc-radio.org</a>
Do you have anything for REMARCS? Please let me know.





Mike KF3CD and Jim K3RTU

Jim K3RTU and Steve KS3K

The operating location was just feet from the Schuylkill River and the skyline of Center City Philadelphia was off to the left. The Turtle Rock Lighthouse has been designated as US0053 by the ILLW.

The MARC group made 137 contacts during the event, which included other lighthouses and 12 DX entities. Most contacts were made on 20 meters SSB. Band conditions were fair but most stations gave us good signal reports. Many stations were glad to work a new lighthouse.



Jim K3RTU and Steve KS3K adjusting antenna

Steve updated the QRZ.com page for W3NWA with information about the club's participation in the event and gave information for obtaining a QSL card. Fifteen stations requested QSL cards. Steve printed special QSL cards on his PC and sent them out to all requesting stations.

This was a fun event for the three that participated and we hope to make this an annual event for MARC.

# Letter from the MARC President

Well, summer is over and the weather is getting cooler – a good time to be on the radios!!

We've just concluded our annual election cycle and I want to thank all the members of the Board who have agreed to continue to serve the Club. Thanks to **Brenden McNeil** (W3VD) who has come off a two-year term as Member at Large and thanks to **Jim Smith** (K3RTU) who was elected to one of the Member at Large positions. In addition, although **Jeremy Carlo** (N2ZLQ) was unsuccessful in his bid for a Member at Large position, he has agreed to assist **Mike** 

# MARC Board of Directors 2013-2014

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To 9/30/2015 -

Jim Smith K3RTU

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- W3NWA Dieter Hauer K3DK

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**Pilotti (KF3CD)** with our future Hamfest activities. MARC remains a premier amateur radio club thanks to the hard work of everyone on the Board and all those other club members who contribute their time, energy and talent to this organization.

The speaker at our September club meeting was **Ed Dunlop** (N3DJH) who discussed the history and use of Wi-Fi and its relationship to amateur radio. **Noel Green** (KD2EKQ) will speak about the Red Cross and amateur radio at our October meeting. MARC's **Doug Wilkens** (NE3U) will tell us about vintage radios in November. Our Holiday Party on December 14 will take the place of our monthly meeting. As in past years, the party will be at noon at Uno Chicago Grill (3910 West Chester Pike, Newtown Square). Additional details will be forthcoming from **Dennis Silage** (K3DS).

As part of MARC's charter as a public service club we have continued to work with the Boy Scouts. In 2013 MARC assisted 19 scouts to achieve the Radio Merit badge. In addition, on October 26, MARC will hold a VE session for members of the Red Cross and we will be assisting that organization with the construction and installation of UHF communication antennas at their facility in Philadelphia.

Don't forget that MARC holds a monthly Saturday breakfast get together – 9 AM at the Country Squire Diner, 2560 West Chester Pike, in Broomall. We meet on the second Saturday of the month and it's a great way to socialize with your fellow MARC members.

I look forward to seeing you all at future Club activities.

73/Steve KD3WK President - MARC

# From the Editor's Shack

(Steve KS3K, MARC VP and Newsletter Editor)

#### **CQ Amateur Radio Magazine Having Delivery Problems**

For the past few months there has been a problem with CQ Amateur Radio Magazine. If you are like I am, you probably received your July issue of the magazine in August. Before I received my July issue I called their customer service phone number to inquire about the delay. I was told that they had changed printers and the July issue would be mailed soon and the August issue would follow a couple weeks later.

True to their word, I did receive my July issue in early August but the August issue never arrived. I asked a few other hams who subscribe to CQ and they had the same experience; no August issue. I called CQ's customer service number again to request a re-mailing of the August issue. This is what I was told. "There are no more August 2013 issues remaining to be re-mailed and no more will be printed." They offered me a copy of the digital version that I could read on my computer. I accepted their offer but mentioned that since I had subscribed to the costlier paper version and not the digital edition, that I would like to have my subscription extended one month. They said that they would actually extend my subscription two months.

Nothing was said about the subscription extension until I brought it up. So, if you subscribe to CQ and also failed to receive your August 2013 issue, you should call their customer service number and request the digital copy AND request a subscription extension. Good Luck!

## September Membership Meeting

At the September MARC meeting, **Ed Dunlop N3DJH** gave an interesting presentation on "802 Networks and Wi-Fi". It is not widely known, but part of the 802.11 b/g/n wireless band is shared by an amateur radio allocation. In fact, since amateur radio uses are defined by Part 97 of the FCC rules, we have a higher priority than Wi-Fi uses since they are defined by Part 15 rules.



**Ed Dunlop N3DJH** 

# MARC Board Meeting August 13, 2013

#### **Members Present**

NC3U Sal Marandola
N3GBJ Chris Ruhl
KD3WK Steven Werner
KS3K Stephen Ikler
WX3I Lou Ruh
KB3VZL Rich Russo
N3JIZ Bob Palin
NE3U Doug Wilkens

## **Not in Attendance**

K3DS Dennis Silage K3DK Dieter Hauer W3DCL Jim Biddle W3VD Brenden McNeil

GUEST None

Meeting Started at 7:05 PM at Paoli Hospital

Meeting Minutes from the June 11 Board meeting were accepted.

## Treasurer's Report:

Amount in Checking Account \$16,488.00 \$200.00 in checks still needs to clear No replacement check to Kimberton Fire Co. will be sent at this time.

#### Discussion points:

- Equipment Insurance needs to be resolved
- Meeting programs OK for now. We need to provide projector for August Meeting
- Red Cross antenna project on hold, but they are looking for VE's
- November 18th Doug Wilkens NE3U will make a presentation on Vintage Radios
- Kimberton Fair Incentive program needs a list provided to fulfill club commitment. Mike Pilottis's children should receive an associate membership?
- Steve KD3WK reported that the hamfest brought in \$1752.05 to the club
- 2014 hamfest date will be determined maybe 7-13-2014
- Field Day Report
  - Work on Equipment
  - o Work on antennas
  - Inform ARRL about scouts attending Hamfest
- 147.06 antenna problems
- Steve KS3K nominated unanimously to be the MARC Election Chairman
- Hamfest attendance still being totaled

### **Public Service Events**

Penn-Wynne Library Run Saturday Oct 12th

- Breakfast scheduled for that day will be later
- Secretary will send out reminder letters to members who volunteer to help with events.

Radnor Run Sunday Oct. 27th Vietnam Vet 5K Run Sunday Nov. 10th

## **MOTION by Steve KS3K**

\$35.00 expenditure for Fee to Sedgeley Club for LIGHTHOUSE Weekend ground rental

Motion was voted on and was passed unanimously

Meeting Ended at 8:45

Respectively Submitted: Sal Marandola NC3U MARC Secretary

# **General Membership Meetings**

October 15, 2013 at 7:30 PM - Noel Green (KD2EKQ) will speak about the Red Cross and Amateur Radio

November 19, 2013 at 7:30 PM - Doug Wilkens (NE3U) will tell us about vintage radios

**December 14, 2013** at Noon – MARC Annual Holiday Party at Uno Chicago Grill, 3910 West Chester Pike, Newtown Square. This event replaces the regular December meeting.

MARC usually meets the third Tuesday of the month in the Large Meeting Room (in the front) of the Tredyffrin Township Municipal Building, 1100 DuPortail Road, Berwyn, PA 19312-1079. If unavoidable changes in the date or location of the MARC meeting is anticipated, the details will be announced on the Nets and posted on the Calendar.

Beginning at 1930 and following a short round of introductions, announcements, Club reports and business a lively technical program is provided. See the Calendar on the MARC website for details.

The schedule of Club meetings is interrupted in June because of Field Day and in December with a joyous MARC Holiday party. The current schedule of Club meetings and the topic of discussion is announced on the weekly MARC Nets.

# MARC Supplies Volunteers to Help at the Kimberton Fair

As you probably already know, MARC uses the fairgrounds at the Kimberton Fire Company for our annual hamfest. The Fire Company usually rents out the fairgrounds for groups wishing to hold events there. However, MARC has struck a deal with the Fire Company to get use of their fairgrounds for free if we can provide volunteers to help out with their annual fundraiser, the Kimberton Fair. For the past several years MARC has been supplying volunteers for this trade. If it were not for these gracious volunteers, we would have to pay the Fire Company at least \$900 for the use of the fairgrounds for our hamfest.



L-R: Bob N3JIZ and Bill N3NUL



L -R: Jim K3RTU, Ron W3ZV, Steve KS3K, Karen KC3ACM, Ron KC3ACL

The volunteers either stand at the entrance to collect parking donations as patrons arrive at the fair or sell ride tickets for the midway. The MARC Board of Directors approved a special program whereby each volunteer would receive a \$5.00 reduction on his or her MARC dues the following year as an incentive to get people to volunteer for this event. Here is a list of MARC members and friends who volunteered for this year's event.

> Karen Bellamy Lauren Pilotti Ron Bellamy Mike Pilotti Scott Pilotti Carly Chabrier Kyle Chabrier Chris Ruhl Julia Chappel Chris's Wife Allan Glaser Lou Ruh Dieter Hauer\* Rich Russo Jim Smith\* Steve Ikler Ron Kenwood Justin Smith\* Josy Malebranche Ned Smith\* Bill Palin Vince Smith Bob Palin **Bob Weiss** Andrew Pavlin Doug Wilkens Jim Perry\* Anthony Yakonick Anthony Pilotti

\* = Volunteer filled multiple shifts

MARC sincerely thanks all those who volunteered.



L-R: Rich KB3VZL, Dieter K3DK



L-R: "Yak" N3MQM and Lou WX3I

# 2013 Pennsylvania QSO Party



The 2013 Pennsylvania QSO Party (The Friendly QSO Party) will be held from 1600Z October 12, 2013 to 0500Z October 13, 2013 and 1300Z October 13, 2013 to 2200Z October 13, 2013. A state QSO Party is an on-air event where amateur radio stations in the host state try to contact as many in-state and out-of-state stations as possible. Stations out of the host state try to contact as many host state stations as possible. Points are awarded for each contact and scoring multipliers are awarded for each county contacted in the host state. Host state stations can also get additional multipliers for each state or ARRL section worked.

The PA QSO Party (PAQP) is our chance to be the desired station. We, in PA, can contact any station, anywhere. Stations outside PA can only contact PA stations so everyone is looking for us!

There is a Club Competition but unlike an operating event like Field Day, operators usually just operate the contest from their home station location. After the contest ends, participants submit their scores on forms supplied by the contest sponsors. For the PAQP there is a question on the Summary and Score Sheet asking the operator for their PA Club Affiliation. We would answer that with "Mid-Atlantic ARC". All submitted scores with the same club affiliation would be added together for a total club score. This is how the various clubs in PA can compete against each other.

You don't have to be a big contester to participate. Anyone, no matter how much time they spend in the contest or how many contacts they make, can submit a score to help the overall MARC score. The PAQP is also a great way to learn how to participate in ham radio contests. That's why they call it the "Friendly QSO Party".

A special MARC certificate will be given to the top five scoring MARC members. So besides helping the overall club score, you are also competing against other MARC members for a certificate. For more information and rules, see: 2013 PA QSO Party at <a href="http://www.nittany-arc.net/PAQSO.html">http://www.nittany-arc.net/PAQSO.html</a>. After the contest, send an email with your total score to Dennis Silage K3DS at k3ds@marc-radio.org.

# Ham Radio Publications Pioneer, Visionary, Iconoclast Wayne Green, W2NSD, SK



From ARRL 09/15/2013

Wayne S. Green II, W2NSD ("Never Say Die"), of Hancock, New Hampshire, died September 13. He was 91. A well-known and often outspoken figure during what some consider Amateur Radio's golden years in the 1950s and 1960s, Green helmed CQ Magazine for 5 years before becoming the self-proclaimed "El Supremo and Founder" in 1960 of "73 Magazine", which he published until 2003.

"The purpose of 73 at that time was to get more hams building equipment," Green recounted in a radio interview several years ago. A hallmark of 73 was Green's iconic, rambling, and wide-ranging "Never Say Die" editorials, in which he rarely missed an opportunity to tweak the ARRL and his magazine competitors for their perceived shortcomings. In 2012 Green contributed back issues of 73 to the Internet Archive.

"Wayne will be remembered in many different ways by many different people, but he will be long remembered," said ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ. "He maintained his membership in the ARRL despite being a persistent critic. In the early days of packet radio he gave me some good advice as to how the ARRL should promote the new technology: 'Talk about it as if everybody's doing it, and eventually they will be."

Indeed, Green often was ahead of the curve in promoting such technologies as single-sideband phone, solid-state, FM, and the marriage of computers and ham radio, and he went on to found and publish Byte and other computer-oriented publications. "I live mostly in the future," Green was quoted as saying.

Green maintained a larger-than-life presence, even in the

years after he faded from the Amateur Radio spotlight, and he never did really retire. "Hey old buddy, I will miss you," radio talk show host Art Bell, W6OBB, posted to Wayne Green's blog. "NEVER SAY DIE is a phrase that will be with me till it's my time." Green was an occasional guest on Bell's "Coast to Coast AM" overnight talk program. There hardly was an issue that Green would not confront, and he expounded a variety of unconventional science, health, and medical theories — from cold fusion and the moon landing to AIDS and cancer cures. He continued to write and speak frequently on these topics and others, as well as on public policy, even at hamfests where he was a guest.

The "Final" in his blog sums up Green's overarching philosophy. "Wayne Green passed away September 13, 2013 in a peaceful, painless transition from this life on Earth. An eternal optimist, and one who loved to share his never-ending zest for life, he was a friend to many and will be missed greatly. Wayne was not afraid of dying and was very much ready to embark on his next great adventure to the afterlife."

# **MARC Holiday Party 2013**

MARC will hold its annual Holiday Party on Saturday, December 14, 2013 at noon at Uno Chicago Grill, 3910 West Chester Pike, Newtown Square, PA 19073 (same site as last year). The party will be held in place of the regular December monthly meeting. The cost for MARC members will be \$10 (subject to change) and for non-member friends it will be \$20. The Uno Grill provides us with a separate dining room with a fireplace and a flat screen TV for a college football game. Club members will be treated to a three-course luncheon with individual appetizer, entree and dessert.

You can sign-up for this gala event at the Club meeting on November 19, 2013 or by contacting Dennis K3DS 'on-the-air' or via email at <a href="mailto:k3ds@marc-radio.org">k3ds@marc-radio.org</a>.

# MARC Yahoo Group

MARC has created a Yahoo group. Yahoo Groups work like a bulletin board system. Messages may be posted to the bulletin board and all subscribers may read and reply to the message. The MARC Yahoo Group is for members of the Mid-Atlantic Amateur Radio Club. The purpose of this group is to foster communications between and to distribute information to club members. Posts about ham radio related items 'For Sale' and 'Wanted' may be posted to this group. However, commercial ads are not allowed. MARC accepts no responsibility for any transactions resulting from 'For Sale' or 'Wanted' ads posted to this group. The group is moderated, meaning that the moderators must approve requests for membership to this Yahoo group. Group members may choose to receive posts via email or by the website only.

In order to join, members should have a Yahoo account. If you don't already have one, a free account can be created. There are several options to receive messages posted to the

group. You can receive individual emails for each message posted to the group, a single daily digest email containing all the messages posted to the group the previous day, or only special messages from the group. You can also use the Yahoo Groups website to read and reply to group messages. Emails sent to group members are sent to the email address you setup when you join the MARC Yahoo Group.

By using this Yahoo Group, members can communicate with other subscribed MARC members without having to use the MARC mailing lists, which need board member approval. Yahoo Groups also allows subscribers to post files, links and photos to the group. The MARC mailing lists will continue to be the primary way the club communicates with its members. This Yahoo Group is a secondary communications tool.

To join the MARC Yahoo Group, go to:

### http://groups.yahoo.com/groups/marc-radio

Click on the "Join Group!" button. If you aren't already logged into your Yahoo account, you will be asked to log in. Since the Group is moderated, your request for membership must be approved by one of the group moderators. If you are a current or former MARC member or a friend of MARC, you will probably be approved. We hope you will choose to join this new group and make use of all that is offered.

# **MARC Sponsored VE Test Sessions**



A MARC VE Test session was held on Saturday, August 3, 2013 at the First Presbyterian Church, 113 East Airy Street in Norristown, PA. Twelve candidates were served making this one of the busiest test sessions in a long time. No MARC members took advantage of the free test session.

Technician earned	4
General earned	3
Extra earned	1
Passed an element but did not upgrade	0
Did not pass an element	2
Total candidates served	10
Total elements administered	12

The following VE's took part in the session: **Dick K3ITH**, **Steve KD3WK**, **Ron W3ZV**, **Josy WQ3E**, **Doug NE3U**, **Joe AA3JC**, and **Jim AB3OM** 

The next test session will be on Saturday, November 2, 2013 at the First Presbyterian Church, 113 East Airy Street (corner of Airy Street and Dekalb Street which is a only one-way and US 202 North) in Norristown, PA.

## **Public Service Events**

The **MS City-to-Shore Bike Race** will be held Sept 28-29, 2013. Operators are still needed, though their signup deadline has officially passed. If interested in helping out contact Bob Palin N3JIZ at 610-687-4587. The website for the race is <a href="http://bikepae.nationalmssociety.org/site/TR?pg=entry&fr">http://bikepae.nationalmssociety.org/site/TR?pg=entry&fr</a> id= 20331.

The **Penn Wynne Library** is again sponsoring a **5K Run and Walk** on Saturday, October 12, 2013. Proceeds benefit the library. We need several operators for this event that we support annually. If interested in providing radio communications for the event contact Bob Palin N3JIZ at 610-687-4587. The website for the race is <a href="http://www.pennwynne5k.org/Site/Home.html">http://www.pennwynne5k.org/Site/Home.html</a>.

**Penn Medicine Radnor** is the sponsor for the annual "**Radnor Run**" on Sunday, October 27, 2013. Proceeds benefit the American Lung Association in Pennsylvania. The event is a 5-mile run and a 1-mile fun run/walk. We need several operators for this event that we support annually. If interested in providing radio communications for the event contact Bob Palin N3JIZ at 610-687-4587. The website for the race is

http://action.lung.org/site/TR/RunWalk/ALAMA Mid-Atlantic?pg=entry&fr id=7420.

The **Vietnam Veterans 5K Run** will be held on Sunday, November 10, 2013. This event takes place at the Norristown Farm Park at North Wales and Germantown Pike. Proceeds from the run benefit Vietnam Veterans community projects. The Valley Forge Chapter 349 of Vietnam Veterans of America sponsors the event. We need several operators for this event that we support annually. If interested in providing radio communications for the event contact Bob Palin N3JIZ at 610-687-4587.

## Hamfests and Contests

The following hamfests and contests will be held in the next two months.

## **Hamfests**

## **Red Rose Repeater Association Tailgate Fest**

Date: October 5, 2013

**Location:** West Earl Community Park, Brownstown Exit off Rt 222, Rt 772 East through Brownstown, cross bridge, on left **Sponsor:** Red Rose Repeater Association, PO Box 8316,

Lancaster, PA 17604-8316
Website: http://www.w3rrr.org

Cost: \$2, Tailgaters \$5, Limited Indoor tables, \$7 (admission

included for vendors)

Opens: 7 am; Vendors 6 am; Rain or shine

VE Testing\*: 9 - 11 AM

#### **RF Hill Amateur Radio Club**

Date: October 20, 2013

Location: Sellersville Fire Company, 50 North Main Street

Sellersville, PA; Rt. 309 to Sellersville exit (Main street), follow to center of town; Firehouse is next to Perkiomen creek near

intersection with Diamond Street; **Sponsor**: RF Hill ARC

Website: http://www.rfhill.ampr.org/

Cost: \$6 (non-ham spouse & kids free); Tables \$12.00

indoors (5 or more \$10), Tailgate \$8 **Opens**: 7:00 am, Vendors 6:00 am

VE Testing\*: 10:00 am (across street at American Legion

Hall)

DELMARVA Amateur Radio and Electronics Expo & Delaware State Convention

Date: October 26, 2013

**Location**: Sussex Technical High School, 17099 County Seat Highway (Rt 9), Georgetown, a few miles west of Georgetown

(use football entrance west of High School)

Sponsor: Sussex Amateur Radio Association and Sussex

Technical High School Amateur Radio Club **Website**: http://www.radioelectronicsexpo.com

Cost: \$5; Tailgating \$10, Indoor Tables \$15 first table, \$10

additional tables, Electric \$5 extra **Opens**: 7:30 am, Gates open 6am

VE Testing\*: 12:10 pm; free testing, walk-ins welcomed

Card checking all day

**Contests** 

**CQ Worldwide DX Contest, RTTY** 

0000Z, Sep 28 to 2400Z, Sep 29

Find Rules at:

http://www.cq-amateur-

radio.com/cq contests/cq ww rtty dx contest/cq ww rtty dx contest rules/2013 cq ww rtty dx contest rules.pdf

**TARA PSK Rumble Contest** 

0000Z-2400Z, Oct 5

Find Rules at:

http://www.n2ty.org/seasons/tara rumble rules.html

**California QSO Party** 

1600Z, Oct 5 to 2159Z, Oct 6

Find Rules at:

http://www.cqp.org/Rules.html

Pennsylvania QSO Party

1600Z, Oct 12 to 2200Z, Oct 13

Find Rules at:

http://www.nittany-arc.net/pqppdf/pagsorules12.pdf

CQ Worldwide DX Contest, SSB

0000Z, Oct 26 to 2400Z, Oct 27

Find Rules at:

http://www.cqww.com/rules.htm

**ARRL Sweepstakes Contest, CW** 

2100Z, Nov 2 to 0300Z, Nov 4

Rules at:

http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes

**ARRL Sweepstakes Contest, SSB** 

2100Z, Nov 16 to 0300Z, Nov 18

Find Rules at:

http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes

**CQ Worldwide DX Contest, CW** 

0000Z, Nov 23 to 2400Z, Nov 24

Find Rules at:

http://www.cgww.com/rules.htm