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November 2020

W3AI

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CLUB INFORMATION

Mailing address:
PO Box 336, Perkasio, PA 18944

Club Repeaters: 145.31 MHz; input
144.71 MHz PL 131.8 (2 meters)
444.75 MHz, input 449.75 MHz PL
103.5 (70 cm)

Meetings: The club normally meets
at 7:30 PM on the last Thursday of
the Month

Web page: <http://www.rfhillarc.club>

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Send to rfhillarc@yahoo.com

The November Club meeting will be held Thursday the 19th, at 7:30 PM via Zoom.

Dan, WA3NFV, will be our Moderator and will send out Invitations via the IO reflector. This month's program will be a "Mini Hamfest". Members will be able to display items they would like to sell. See article in this issue. See you on Zoom!

Pay your 2021 Club Dues!

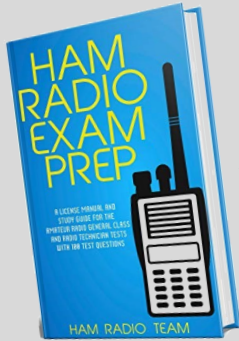
Due to the Covid-19 threat, Peter Becker, as well as most senior living facilities, have closed their campuses to visitors. The administrator at PBC will let us know when that changes.

**Stay safe and best 73,
Jim Soete, WA3YLQ, Secretary
RF Hill ARC, VE Team Liaison**



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W3AI

VE TESTING



VE testing for Technician, General and Extra Class licenses is held regularly at the Indian Valley Public Library in Telford:

100 E Church Ave.
Telford, PA 18969



Due to various factors related to Covid-19 the board has cancelled all in-person VE Testing for 2020. If other options become available they will be announced at meetings or on the reflector. Online options are available: <https://blog.hamstudy.org/2020/04/fully-remote-amateur-radio-license-exam-administration/>.



Highlighted Nets

SEPPTN traffic nets are on Sundays & Wednesdays at 8:00 PM local time at 145.310 MHz (-600). These nets are for anyone who would like to learn how to handle traffic as well as an on the air meeting place for members and future members.

RF Hill A-R-C Ten Meter AM Net: 29.005MHz on Sunday evening immediately following the SEPPTN

RF Hill CW Squad Net: Operates on 28.370.600 CW at approx. 7pm Tuesday stopping before the NPARC net at 8pm. This is a non formal CWs - slow speed - net for beginners and ranges in speed from 5-15 wpm.

Net Control Stations

10/25,10/28 KS3Z
11/01,11/04 KB3DEN
11/08,11/11 WA3YLQ
11/15,11/18 W3WTT
11/22,11/25 KS3Z
11/29,12/02 KB3DEN
12/06,12/09 WA3YLQ
12/13,12/16 W3WTT
12/20,12/23 KS3Z
12/27,12/30 WA3YLQ

Any questions or conflicts, please let me know. If at the last minute, the assigned net control station doesn't show-up, any net control station on frequency should run the net.

Thanks to everyone for your continued support.
Jim - KB3DEN KB3DEN@aol.com

AREA NET LISTINGS

| | | | |
|--|-------|---------|--------------------|
| SEPPTN Southeastern PA Practice & Traffic Net | Su/W | 8 PM | 145.31- |
| EPAEPTN - EPA Emergency Phone/Traffic Net | Daily | 6 PM | 3.917 +/- |
| Pennsylvania Traffic Net (CW) | Daily | 7,10 PM | 3.585 |
| Third Region Net | Daily | 4 PM | 7.243 (3.917 -alt) |
| Eastern Area Net (EAN) | Daily | 2:30 PM | 7.243 |
| Bucks County ARES | W | 9 PM | 147.090+ |
| Montgomery County ARES | Th | 7 PM | 146.835- (pl 88.5) |
| EPA echo link traffic net (EAETN) Echolink AA3RG-R | Th | 8 PM | 146.640- (pl 82.5) |



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“Zoomfest” in November

The program for this month’s meeting will be a mini-hamfest, which we are dubbing “Zoomfest”. It will provide an opportunity for members to “showcase” items that might have outlived their usefulness in their respective shacks.

Members will be able to show their items, offer a brief description and give the sale price. The gallery will be able to ask questions about the items. No transactions will be made during the meeting. Sellers may offer their contact information and/or agree to meet perspective buyers on the Reflector to arrange personal contact.

Prior to the meeting members may post a list of items to be offered on the Reflector. Please do not post photos to the reflector as they occupy much space in our online storage. Have interested buyers contact you directly for photos. Financial transactions should be conducted via personal communications.

I am already aware of a half dozen sellers who are ready to go. If you are unable to post prior, you may still be able to present at the meeting.

This should be fun! If you know of non-members who might like to attend, contact Dan WA3NFV or myself to get them invitations.

See you at Zoomfest!

73, Jim WA3YLQ (wa3ylq@Hotmail.com)

2021 RF Hill ARC Dues are now Due!

Your dues payment is expected ***no later than the January 2021 meeting.*** Please print, fill out this form and return it with your payment by mail to: RF Hill ARC PO Box 336 Perkasi, PA 18944.

The 2021 dues rates are **\$25.00** per year for regular membership, and **\$12.50** for Retired members and students.

Name _____ Call Sign _____

CIRCLE DUES PAID: \$25.00 \$12.50

CHECK ONE: _____ No Changes to my info. (do not complete)

 _____ See Changes below to my info.

***** ONLY COMPLETE THIS FORM IF YOU WISH TO INDICATE CHANGES TO YOUR PERSONAL INFO.*****

E-Mail _____ Phone # _____

License Class _____ ARRL Member YES No

ARES/RACES Member ? YES NO

My Contact info may be shared with MEMBERS YES NO

October Meeting Zooming 01



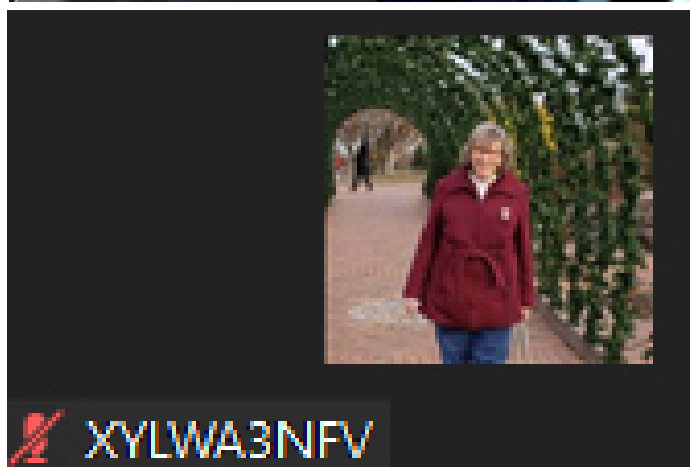
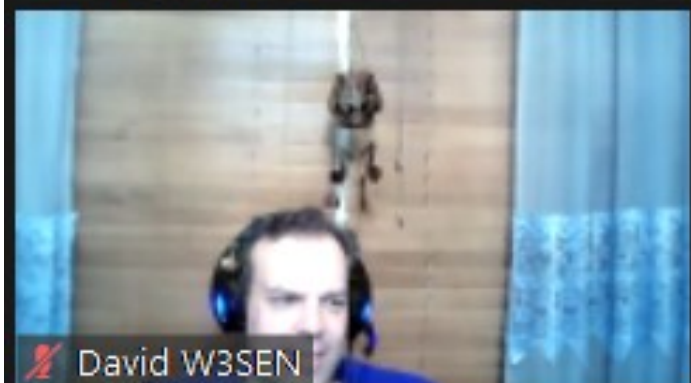
Thanks to Joe N3CRP for the screen shot. Hams can smile!

October Meeting Zooming 02



Dan's XYL is smiling so he's covered!

October Meeting Zooming 03



10M AM Sunday 11/8 at Markey Park

This outing may be the last of the "shorts season!"

If you worked us in weeks path, the short antenna was the one in use. The fishing pole was a 10 Meter experiment. It's usually used only on my 40 Meter outings, with the FT-857D. BTW, MFJ is correct when they say to stay away from 1/2 wave antennas when using their tuners!

Man, that grass was still green and growing! 73, Dan WA3NFV



RF Hill ARC Meeting Minutes

Date 10/29/2020

Note: KC3HHK and KB3EWV were absent. Jim, WA3YLQ, Club Secretary presided over the meeting.

Welcome/Call to Order Jim, WA3YLQ

Roll Call 25 ARO's and 1 XYL were present.

Officer Reports:

President WA3YLQ reminded members of upcoming Holiday Meeting dates. The November meeting will be on Thursday November 19th. The December meeting will be on Thursday, December 17th. Both, via Zoom at 7:30 PM.

Vice President WA3YLQ announced that the November Program will be a mini-hamfest. Members will be able to display items they have for sale and state the asking price. Follow-up communication will be on the Reflector. No transactions will be conducted during the meeting. More info to follow on the IO Reflector.

Secretary the September 2020, Club meeting minutes were published in MHz Times. A motion to approve the minutes was made by N3CRP, seconded by W3WTT. Motion carried.

Treasurer Jim, KC3LXV presented the Treasurer's report. All accounts are up to date. One new bill for \$40.28 came in this month. Report accepted.

Committee Reports

Repeater KS3Z reported that W3AI repeaters continue operation without any problems.

MHz Times W3WTT thanked members for their submissions encouraged more in the future.

SEPPATN Net manager Jim, KB3DEN, submitted a report for September. 132 check-ins and 9 pcs of traffic passed in 9 sessions. A "good turnout in September."

10 Meter AM Net Dan, WA3NFV, reported continued success with Sunday night net. Various stations share NCS duties.

Old Business None

New Business WA3YLQ announced that our Membership drive for next year will begin in November. W3WTT will send out the renewal form with the Nov. MHz Times. Members may complete the form and return it with their payment by mail. The Form will also be available on the reflector. The Secretary and Treasurer will e-mail Membership Certificates to members who pay their 2021 dues. Members who have prepaid 2021 dues will receive certificates by the end of November. Membership cards will not be sent out by USPS.

2021 Officers and a Nominating Committee will be discussed at the November Meeting.

Adjournment By unanimous thumbs up vote the meeting was adjourned.

Program: Joe, WS2K, presented his most interesting program on operations with in-door antennas. Thanks, Joe, for making this presentation.

Respectfully Submitted:

Jim Soete, WA3YLQ, Secretary
RF Hill ARC