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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 bill@tribley.org

The December Club meeting will be held Thursday the 30th at 7:30 PM via Zoom. Invitations will be sent out via the IO reflector. See you on Zoom!

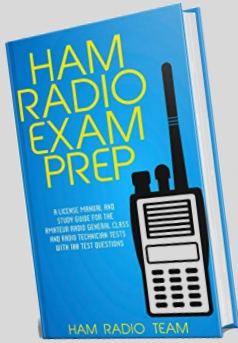
2022 Club Dues are now *really* due!
Forms were attached to the same email as this edition of the MHz Times. Paid-up dues required to vote for officers.

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, Past Secretary



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VE TESTING



VE testing for Technician, General and Extra Class licenses is held at 6:00PM at the Indian Valley Public Library in Telford:

100 E Church Ave.
Telford, PA 18969

Scheduled VE Exam Sessions

- January 24, 2022
- March 28, 2022

Direct questions to me at kw3p@arrl.net or by cell phone at 215-378-6978.

Kevin KW3P



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

12/26 KS3Z	03/02 W3WTT
12/29 W3WTT	03/06, 03/09 KB3DEN
01/02 KS3Z	03/13, 03/16 WA3YLQ
01/05 W3WTT	03/20 KS3Z
01/09, 01/12 KB3DEN	03/23 W3WTT
01/16, 01/19 WA3YLQ	03/27 KS3Z
01/23 KS3Z	03/30 W3WTT
01/26 W3WTT	
01/30 KS3Z	
02/02 W3WTT	
02/06, 02/09 KB3DEN	
02/13, 02/16 WA3YLQ	
02/20 KS3Z	
02/23 W3WTT	
02/27 KS3Z	

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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November 18 Meeting Zooming 1/3



Original Zoom screen shot on this and the next two pages courtesy Joe N3CRP

November 18 Meeting Screen Shots 2/3



November 18 Meeting Screen Shots 3/3



Congratulations to all. This is by far the best-looking set of Zoom snaps yet! -ed

RF Hill Expeditionary Force 12/19/2021

December 19th found RF Hill Members Dan, WA3NFV and Griff, NE3I on location at Upper Salford Park. Dan, using his converted CBs (See Backpack Radio in the photo on the right) and TV Tray Ground Plane Vertical, made 10 Meter contacts with, inter alia, Paul W3RKL and a station in Colorado. Griff, using his Mobile's 857d running 25 Watts to the Home Brew "Buddy Stick" shown in the left photo made the following CW contacts:

AB1MX	MA	559
KD2KEH	NY	599
N4BNO	NC	599

It was cold. 73. Robert Alan Griffiths

Photos by Griff NE3I and Dan WA3NFV



RF Hill ARC Nov. 18 Meeting Minutes

The Zoom meeting was called to order at 7:33 PM local time, by Dan WA3NFV

Fifteen members were present at the time of the opening.

A motion to accept the notes from the October meeting was made by Len N3EOE and a second was made by Joe N3CRP. The motion passed.

The Treasurer's report was made by Jim KC3LXV. A motion to accept the report was made by Joe WS2K. A second was made by Kevin KW3P and the report was accepted.

Program Committee chairman John KB3EWV was not present to make a report.

The Megahertz Times operation was discussed by Bill W3WTT.

Repeater Operations were discussed by Charles KS3Z. He commented on his recent meeting with the Water Board and efforts to salvage the clubs relationship with them.

No comments regarding reflector operations were made by Charles KS3Z.

RF Hill Website chairman Dave N2VUZ updated members on recent minor changes.

Other Committee Reports:

Budget Committee – Discussion of member composition was given, Jim KC3LXV to lead.

Nominating Committee – Reviewed club bylaws regarding nomination of members for positions that will be open in the new year. Len N3EOE to lead.

Hamfest Committee – indication are that John KB3EWV will lead the committee..

VE Committee – Kevin KW3P reported that at the recent VE session 2 applicants passed Technician exams. Dates for exams at the library were firmed up for 2022.

Membership – Jim KC3LXV reported that he had no membership applications to process.

Program Committee – the December General Meeting will be a “cookie night” with open discussion per John KB3EWV. He commented that he is looking for program suggestions and program presenters

Net Report – data from Jim KB3DEN was not available.

10 Meter AM Net – John WA3JRS reported good activity.

CW Squad – Griff NE3I reported good activity on the net.

Sunday in the Park Operations – Dan reviewed mobile operations a several local parks.

The General Meeting was concluded at 8:37 PM by a motion from Kevin KW3P and a second by Steve NQ3T.

Respectfully submitted
Geoff KC3HEQ
RF Hill Cclub Secretary