



# MEGAHERTZ TIMES



October 2022

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PO Box 336, Perkasio, PA 18944

## RF Hill Amateur Radio Club 2022

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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>

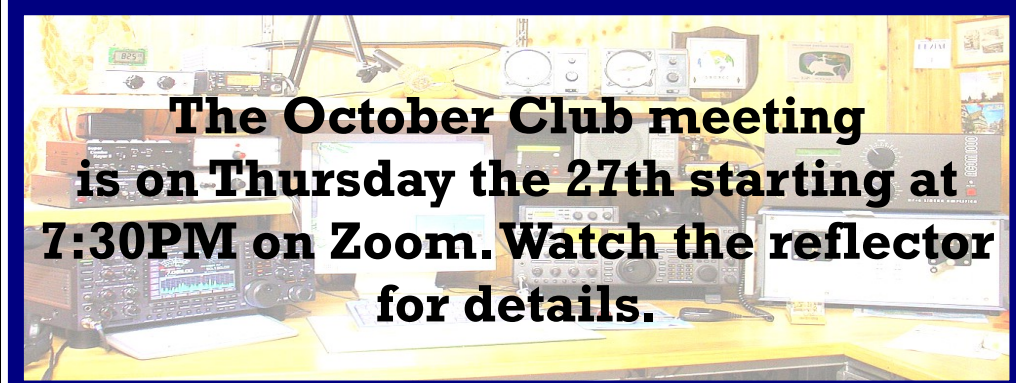
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## October Program

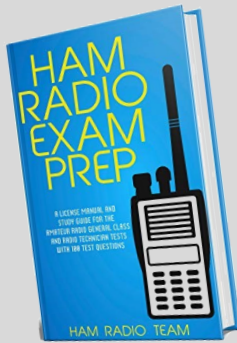
Charles KS3Z will give a short talk on the Western Union Tower on Tower Road.

Due to the Covid-19 threat, the Peter Becker campus, as well as most senior living facilities, have been closed to visitors. See the President's Message for some exciting news!



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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

• **November 21**

**Direct questions to Kevin KW3P at [kw3p@arrl.net](mailto:kw3p@arrl.net) or by cell phone at 215-378-6978.**



## 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

10/23, 10/26 WA3YLQ	01/01, 01/04 WA3YLQ
10/30 KS3Z	01/08 KS3Z
11/02 W3WTT	01/11 W3WTT
11/06 KS3Z	
11/09 W3WTT	
11/13, 11/16 KB3DEN	
11/20, 11/23 WA3YLQ	
11/27 KS3Z	
11/30 W3WTT	
12/04 KS3Z	
12/07 W3WTT	
12/11, 12/14 KB3DEN	
12/18, 12/21 WA3YLQ	
12/25 KS3Z	
12/28 W3WTT	

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](mailto: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	5 PM	3.918 +/-
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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# President's Message

Hello all!

As you may know a lot has gone on lately with the club. Our Hamfest was a success!! We learned a few things for next year. But it was still awesome to be back.

The best news of all we're back to in person meetings!! I can't wait to see everyone on November 17 for our traditional "pie night".

As we finish out this year the club will be looking to members for help. We will be needing officer nominees soon and we will need to form a audit Committee.

So? There will be several opportunities for any member looking to help the club out!!

John KB3EWV

# RF Hill SEPPATN September Report

QNI = 81

QTC = 4

In 8 Sessions

That's a little over 10 Check-in's per session!

73's, Jim KB3DEN

## Hamfest 2.0 Report

October 19 was a wonderful Autumn day, especially for our Hamfest 2.0.

We had some challenges with the new venue, but worked through them.

At the next board meeting we should have some wrap-up conversation on improvements to next year. ***Please email the board with any suggestions.***

We did turn a modest profit, which was budgeted and should continue as-is into next year. Exact figures at the meeting.

Charles, KS3Z, Treasurer.

## September Repeater Report

All seems to be working fine on 145.31 and 444.750.

Seems to be a lot of kerchunkers, especially on 145.31. Please ID if you are testing (This is FCC rule).

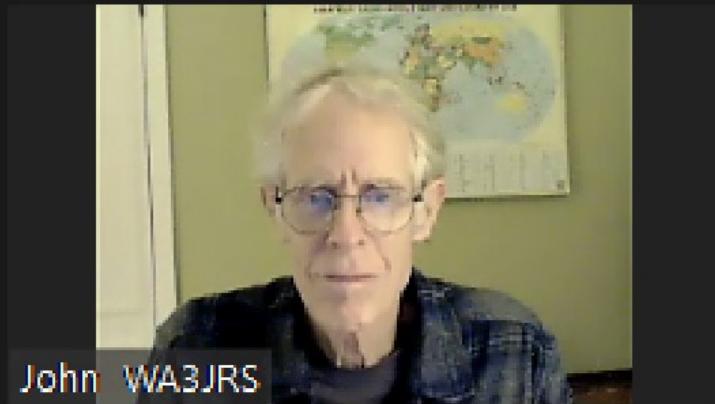
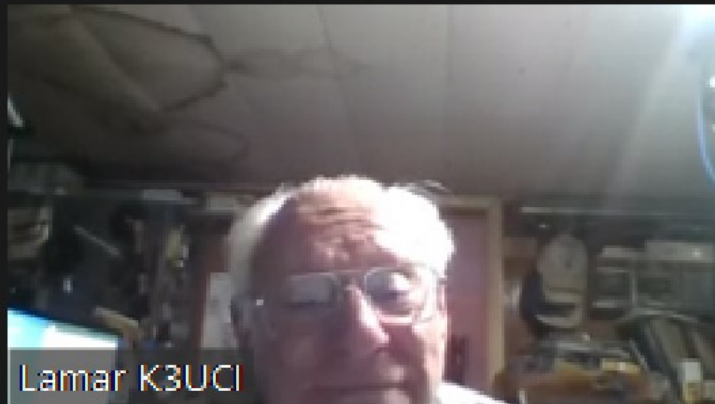
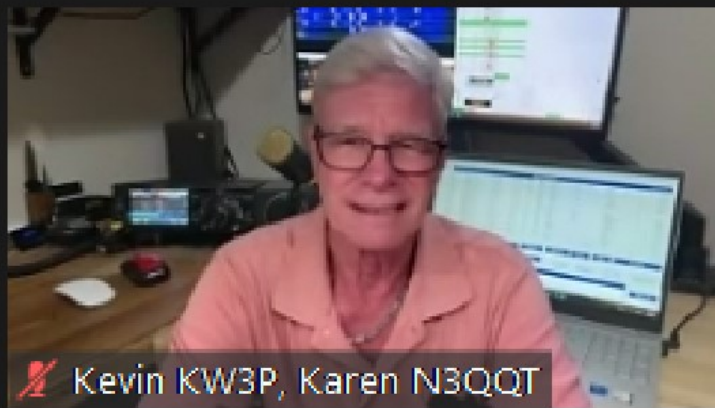
Be sure to check your mobile antennas for completeness and SWR before the harsh winter months. Check power connections for cleanliness and frayed wires and coax connector for tightness.

73

Charles, KS3Z

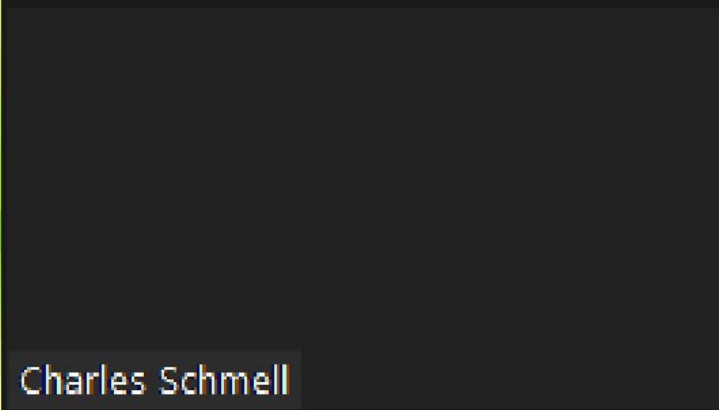


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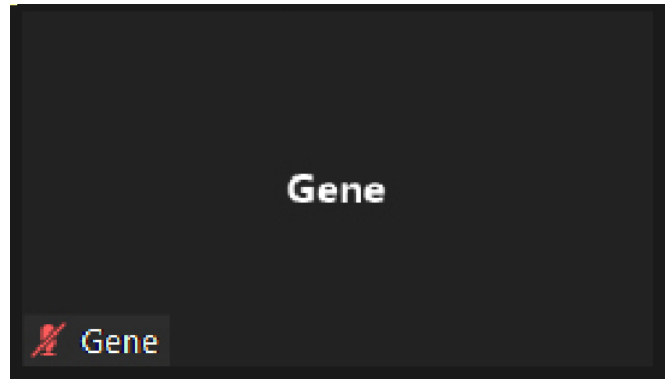
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# Hamfest Photos



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# Hamfest Photos, continued



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