

Kilowatt Harmonics

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Ye Olde Editor Says...

Welcome to the special Corn Roast issue. My thanks to WB3CRC and KB3VHT for the pictures! I was out of town of the time of said corn roast, which is why the newsletter is a wee bit late!

As I am writing this, the kids have gone back to school and the end of another summer season is upon us. Have you taken the time to check your outdoor coax and antenna guy ropes? I took the time to check mine already – solid as Sears! Remember, winter is around the corner – I for one do not enjoy antenna work in the cold WX!

Retraction

"To err is human..." – according to Mr. Shakespeare. I mistakenly reversed the captions in the VE exam story in the last newsletter for Dave Knesovick, KB3YYD, and Ron Heasley, KB3YYE. I apologize for any confusion created...73 de Ye Olde Editor.

New Sign at Clubhouse



A new entrance sign now graces the clubhouse. Thanks to Richey, N3SBF, for a fine business job for making it happen! The entrance has been devoid of any sign for a long time. This addition makes our guests and visitors feel more welcome! Speaking of clubhouse, a project to redo the front and kitchen side walls is now underway. More regarding said project will be in the September newsletter! Thanks to KB3VHT for the picture!

Public Service – Pittsburgh Great Race

QST – QST – QST – QST – Calling all amateurs! Ye Olde Editor needs volunteers for the Pittsburgh Great Race to be held on Sunday, September 30th. If you are interested, please contact me per my contact information on the last page. 73 de Ye Olde Editor!

Special event stations at SCARC

SCARC will participate in two upcoming special event stations. First will be Jamboree on the air (JOTA), to be held on October 20 & 21. Secondly, we will be running a special event station for the Western PA Model Railroad Museum on December 1st. More details to be announced in the near future and in this newsletter. On an unrelated note, Ye Olde Editor will be running his special event station using his own call sign (NU3Q) the weekend of October 6th and 7th from the Mt. Lebanon Sunrise Rotary Club Art in the Park event. The event will be held at the Academy Avenue Parking Lot at the corner of Route 19 (Washington Road) and Academy Avenue in the main Mt. Lebanon business district from 10 AM to 6 PM both days. All amateurs are welcome to run my station!

Upcoming VE Exam Sessions

9/6/12 – Salvation Army Greentree @ 7 PM

9/8/12 – Breezeshooters – Northland Public Library in North Hills @ Noon

9/12/12 – WASH Club – North Strabane Twp. Municipal Bldg. @ 6 PM

9/15/12 – Salvation Army Greentree @ 10 AM

9/20/12 – Salvation Army Greentree @ 7 PM

10/2/12 – SCARC Clubhouse @ 7 PM

Upcoming State QSO Parties

QST – QST – QST: Upcoming state QSO Parties in October.

1). CA QSO Party - October 6th & 7th - <http://www.cqp.org/Rules.html>

2). THE GRANDADDY! – PA QSO Party, sponsored by the Nittany Amateur Radio Club
<http://www.nittany-arc.net/PAQSO.html>

By the way, speaking of contests, I would be remiss if I forgot to mention a HUGE contest in October and November: <http://www.cqww.com/>

Thanks to Ron, W3WN, editor of the WASHrag, for providing this information!

Upcoming Elmer Night Speakers

President Art, WA3BKD, wanted me to let the club know that he has secured some speakers for the SECOND Wednesday for Elmer night topics. The fun and merriment starts at 7:00 PM. On September 12th, Bob Bastone, WC3O, of Skyview fame, will present PL-259 installation K3LR style. Ye Olde Editor will present "Estate Planning for your Amateur Radio Equipment – Now What?" on October 10th. Be sure to join in these informational and educational sessions!

Upcoming Hamfests

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HamFests



BCARA

Butler County Amateur Radio Association, Inc



Butler SwapFest Sunday September 9, 2012 8 A.M. to 3 P.M.

**Drive in, buy a ticket and open your trunk
Bring a friend**

Unionville Fire Department 102 Mahood Road, Butler, PA 16001
40° 56' 19" N, 79° 57' 34" W

No firearm sales! No Alcoholic Beverages Permitted In SwapFest Area

PRIZES

**Dual band mobile transceiver
2-Meter mobile transceiver
25 Amp Power Supply**

*Prize drawings will be at 12:00 noon, 1:00 P.M. and 2:00 P.M.
Winner need not be present to win*

50/50 Raffles

Gate donation of \$5.00 per person includes one main prize ticket
Additional prize tickets are available at the club's table

Talk in W3UDX 147.36/96
Web Site: W3UDX.ORG

Breakfast sandwiches, coffee and lunch available from the Unionville VFD
(no individual food sales permitted)

Information: Obie King 724-287-2682

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Hamfest & Convention Application

MarcFest 2012

HAMFEST/CONVENTION

09/30/2012

Start Date: 09/30/2012

End Date: 09/30/2012

Location: Rostraver Central Fire Hall

1100 Fells Church Road

Belle Vernon, PA 15012

Website: <http://www.w3csl.org>

Sponsor: Monessen Amateur Radio Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 147.225 +

Public Contact: Chris Grilli, W3CDU

133 Main Street New Eagle, PA 15067

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WACOM 2012 HAMFEST

Washington Amateur Communications

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4th, 2012

WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

2151 North Main St.

WASHINGTON, PA 15301

8:00 A.M –3:00 P.M—Admission \$5.00

Doors open early for VENDOR SETUP Saturday 6:00 p.m.

Talk in on 146.790 MHz no PI

MAJOR VENDORS

Over 200 tables

KJI ELECTRONICS—QUICK SILVER RADIO

MAIN PRIZES:

1st AMERITRON 811 HF Amplifier

2nd HI-DEF TV

3RD VHF FM TRANSCEIVER ICOM IC-V8000

BLACK BOX PRIZE ONLY 50 TICKETS SOLD

MAIN DRAWING AT 1:00 P.M. NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN

Vendors Contact Bud Plants N3TIR bud@n3tir.com 724-350-6745

Vendor Forms located at www.wacomarc.org

6Ft TABLES SUPPLIED, cost \$12.00 ea. - Discount reserve more than (5) \$10.00ea.

TABLE DEADLINE IS OCT 24th, 2012- Must prepay to hold tables

VE TESTING TIME TBA

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH WILL BE AVAILABLE

DOOR PRIZES--YL PRIZE--DX CARD CHECKER

THE MEADOWS CASINO NEAR BY

Send vendor payment to-

Please include vendor form and make checks payable to

WACOM c/o Norma Plants N3YJJ

236 Chambers Ridge Road West Alexander, Pa 15376

Corn Roast Pictures









"Hmm...let's see – OK: Debit Cash, Credit Sales. Isn't double entry bookkeeping fun???"

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