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145.05

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Every Thursday 9pm

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145.450/PL 82.5

The Murgas Amateur Radio Club meets on the first Wednesday of each month, 8:00 P.M. at the Luzerne County Emergency Management at 185 Water Street Wilkes-Barre. Guests are always welcome.

Articles for publication may be submitted to the club post office box, given to me at a meeting, or sent by e-mail to

news@murgasarc.org .

de K3DBG

OK, here we go!!! CQ Field Day CQ Field Day, kilo 3 yankee tango lima, kilo 3 Yellow Traffic Light CQ Field Day! Yep, it's really that time again! Man, it seems like yesterday when Walt was running around like a nut making sure everyone had everything they needed!

I will be running the 10, 15, and 20 meter bands on phone and some CW and digital. Herb, K2LNS, will be the main CW for our station. KB3VS and K3TOW are manning the 40 meter station while WB3FKQ and K3MKZ will be holding down the 75 and 80 meter bands. When N3SRO gets back from work he'll also be operating!

We will be having Field Day at the EOC again this year. Last year it was really great as I was operating in the comms trailer and had the air conditioner on! Yep, I was really roughing it! Setup will be Friday, June 23rd at 4pm and there will be pizza and drinks! So come stop by the weekend of June 24th and 25th, or come help setup on Friday, Someone will be there!!! I know I will be! Well, I think I talked up Field Day enough! Last comment, it really is a ton of fun seeing what can be done, contact wise, with a simple antenna and 100 watts!

The other big club event of the year is approaching us fast! Our hamfest! Remember, we will be meeting at the EOC the day of the June meeting, June 7th, about 7pm, to get most things in order for the hamfest. I ask anyone that is interested in helping out with our hamfest please come to the EOC at 7pm so we can discuss where and what everyone will be doing! We also need those of you that helped out in past years as we need to pass this kind of knowledge down to other club members. The hamfest really is a fun time but it requires the help of club members. So please don't wait for an invitation!! If you'd like to help out you are welcome to come and lend a hand!

Have a great summer, be safe, stay cool, and work lots of DX!

de K3DBG

de Rich Tyira KC3FKW

Those of us who were at the May meeting of the Murgas ARC were treated to an excellent program presented by Larry Kwasnick (KA3GRS) on Cold War Intelligence Radio Intercept. I want to thank Larry for taking the time to put this program together. I have heard nothing but high praises on his presentation.

In early 2015, I read a novel by Anthony Doerr titled "All the Light We Cannot See". The novel is set in WWII German occupied France and is centered around the lives of Marie-Laure, a blind French girl whose uncle broadcast intelligence about Nazi movements from a radio hidden in his attic, and Werner, a member of Hitler's army. Werner utilized radio triangulation in an attempt to locate this and similar pockets of resistance and eliminate them. Anyone that has the opportunity, I highly recommend this novel - it is an excellent read.

It was this novel that renewed my interest in becoming an amateur radio operator. I decided that I would get my license that year, and over my vacation in August, I studied for and earned my Technician Class license. It was all uphill from there.

The sport of Radio Fox Hunt uses similar techniques to what Werner used for location of a radio signal. I was looking forward to a Fox Hunt last year, but unfortunately due to conflicts, one was not able to be organized. It is hoped that we will have a Fox Hunt in the coming months, if not as an organized program, then as an impromptu exercise.

In line with this, the June program will be a You Tube presentation of an actual Fox Hunt. I will not go into detail, but I am sure everyone will enjoy.

If anyone has any ideas for a program to be presented, or if you would like to give a presentation, please email me at KC3FKW@gmail.com. I believe I have July and August covered, but I would appreciate any and all input for future meetings.

Finally, we will be revisiting the proposed constitution changes. If anyone has any comments, please send me them in writing (email to KC3FKW@gmail.com or snail mail to the club post office box).

73 Richard W. Tyira KC3FKW

Hamfest

A meeting of the Hamfest committee and anyone interested in helping with the Hamfest will be held at 7:00 PM on June 7th. This is one hour before the regular club meeting.

Bob Folmar KB3VS reminded members that he and Rick Rinehimer K3TOW will once again take charge of the club table. Members may bring items to be sold at the club table. Bob asks that the items be labeled with name, call, and price of the item (with lowest acceptable offer on a separate sheet if you are willing to bargain).

MARC Opt-in Roster

We are publishing the 2017 version of the Opt-in MARC Directory with this issue. Slightly less than half our members have taken the Opt-in option.

If you would like to add your name to the MARC Opt-In roster, a form has been included with this issue. You may also secure a form from the Secretary, Elaine Kollar K3VQR. Please complete the form, and return it to the secretary or mail it to the club post office box.

If you would like to delete your name from the list, please send a written request to the Secretary at the club post office box.

Elaine Kollar K3VQR

MARC MINUTES Monthly Club Meeting For May 2017

The monthly meeting of the Murgas Amateur Radio Club was held on May 3, 2017. President John Denisco K3DBG called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM. Visitors present were Gene Hedgepeth, Lenore Benish KB3GD, Tina Waters, and Ron Domzalski KC3JAJ. There were no upgrades or call sign changes noted. Member accomplishments were Bill Waters KC3HLT noted that he and his wife, Tina, were recently married. The club congratulated the couple with a round of applause. Herb Krumich K2LNS reported on the club's finances. The certificate of deposit matured and the money was moved into the checking account. The report was accepted. The minutes for April as published in the MARC Times were accepted. The secretary, Elaine Kollar K3VQR, had no correspondence for the club.

Committee Reports:

Constitutional Committee - President John Denisco K3DBG reported that the club net continues to do well.

VE Team - Rick Rinehimer K3TOW noted that there were no candidates for the Extra Class Ham Cram.

Hamfest - A meeting of the Hamfest committee and any one interested in helping with the Hamfest will be held at 7:00 PM on June 7th. This is one hour before the regular club meeting. Bob Folmar KB3VS

reminded members that he and Rick Rinehimer K3TOW will once again take charge of the club table. Members may bring items to be sold at the club table. Bob asks that the items be labeled with name, call, and price of the item. Herb Krumich K2LNS stated that he has contacted DX Engineering and they will be sending two (2) gift certificates valued at \$100 each. Ham Test Online is also sending information.

Field Day - President John Denisco K3DBG suggested having a conference call to discuss Field Day plans. This will be Sunday, May 7th, at 7:00 PM. Elaine Kollar K3VQR asked if members wanted pizza on Saturday evening as was done last year. No one voiced support or opposition.

Constitution Committee - President John Denisco K3DBG stated that this committee meeting will also be a conference call immediately after the Field Day meeting on Sunday May 7th at 7:00 PM.

Old Business:

Elaine Kollar K3VQR noted that she had called the Knights of Columbus and they are closed. Two places that they suggested were R and D Memories in Buttonwood and The Galleria in the Pierce Street Complex.

New Business:

An application for membership was received from Lenore Benish KB3GB. Ray Gusher KB3ACO motioned to accept the nomination. Matt Kruger K2OZO seconded the motion. After agreeing to abide by the constitution and by-laws, Lenore was accepted into membership.

Announcements:

Frank Czock W3BOT stated that he will be taking down his tri-band antenna for repairs and would appreciate some help. Frank will let the club know when the parts arrive.

The Murgas Board of Directors meeting will be held on May 17th at 7:30 PM. The meeting is held in the conference room at the WBRE-TV Building on South Franklin Street in Wilkes-Barre.

The next monthly club meeting will be held on June 7th at 8:00 PM. The meeting is held in the Luzerne County Emergency Operations Building.

With no further business, Ray Gusher KB3ACO made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bill Water KC3HLT seconded the motion.

Larry Kwasnick KA3GRS presented an interesting program on Cold War Radio Intelligence Intercept. Respectfully submitted, Elaine Kollar K3VQR, Secretary

Board of Directors Meeting May 2017

The monthly Board of Directors meeting of the Murgas Amateur Radio Club was held in the WBRE-TV conference room on May 17, 2017. President John Denisco K3DBG called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM. Directors present were John Denisco K3DBG, Rich Tyira KC3FKW, Herb Krumich K2LNS, Elaine Kollar K3VQR, Bob Folmar KB3VS, and George Miklosi K3ZK. Also present was club member, Ron Domzalski KC3JAJ.

The Directors reviewed the corrections to the proposed changes to the constitution and by-laws. Vice-President Rick Tyira KC3FKW will make the changes in the document and send it to Ron Hillman N3KGC for publication in the June newsletter.

The Hamfest plans were discussed. George Miklosi K3ZK asked how the 50/50 ticket sales were progressing. Treasurer Herb Krumich K2LNS stated that sales are going well.

Elaine Kollar K3VQR stated that she had been at the EOC and located the club banner, safety vests, and tarps. Elaine also submitted and received the certificates of insurance for the Hamfest and Field Day. Bob Folmar KB3VS stated the Matt Kruger K2OZO will help with announcing prizes and at the club table. Door prizes were discussed. The club has been given two gift certificates from DX Engineering. Each is for \$100. Herb Krumich K2LNS will contact KJI Electronics and inquire about a handheld radio. A meeting of the Hamfest Committee and interested parties will take place an hour (7:00 PM) before the June club meeting.

Rich Tyira KC3FKW stated that the June program will be about foxhunting. Rich is thinking of presenting a You Tube video on directional finding. Also, Rich has a program scheduled for either August or September, but has to confirm with the presenter. DX Engineering has offered an internet program. Rich will check on this.

Field Day plans were then discussed. Bob Folmar KB3VS reported that Marty O'Malia N3PF's 40 meter antenna will not work in the space we have to use. Bob is going to use a 40 meter dipole. George Gannis WB3FKQ and Jerry Rodski K3MKZ will operate the 80 meter station during Field Day. Herb Krumich K2LNS will be a roving CW operator. The N1MM logging program will be used. Elaine Kollar K3VQR asked if the club should order pizza for Saturday evening. The directors thought that pizza would be better for set-up on Friday, and have hamburgers and hotdogs for the rest of the weekend.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Elaine Kollar K3VQR, Secretary

From the History Book

15 Years Ago - June 5, 2002 - It was noted that Father Murgas was recently inducted into the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame.

Coming Events

Dates	Event	Location
6/03/2017	OMARC <i>Spring Hamfest</i> Ocean-Monmouth Amateur Radio Club, Inc Talk-In: 145.110- (PL127.3) http://www.n2mo.org	Spring Lake Heights Ind Fire Co No. 1 <i>Spring Lake Heights, NJ</i>
6/03/2017	Rochester Hamfest and Technology Expo Talk-In: 145.110- (PL 110.9) and guide-in on 107.5 FM http://www.rochesterham.org	Walnut Hill Farm (new location), <i>Pittsford, NY 14534</i>
6/10/2017	Columbia-Montour Amateur Radio Club (CMARC) <i>Bloomsburg Hamfest & Computer Show</i> , Talk-In: 147.225+ (PL 85.4) http://www.qsl.net/cm-arc Info	Lime Ridge Community Center <i>Lime Ridge, PA 17815</i>
6/11/2017	Garden State Amateur Radio Association (GSARA), Talk-In: 147.045+ (PL 67.0) http://www.gsara.club	Monmouth/Ocean Educational Services Center Tinton Falls NJ
6/14-15/2017	Mid-Atlantic Antique Radio Club Radio Activity 2017 Talk-In: None http://www.maarc.org	Sheraton College Park North Hotel <i>Beltsville, MD 20705</i>
6/17/2017	Raritan Valley RC, W2QW Hamfest Talk-In: 146.625- (PL 141.3), 146.52 (Simplex), 442.250+ (PL 141.3) http://www.w2qw.org	Piscataway High School Lots # 11/12 Piscataway, NJ 08854
6/18/2017	BARC <i>Father's Day Hamfest</i> , Baltimore Amateur Radio Club Talk-In: 146.67- (PL 107.2) http://www.w3ft.com	Arcadia Volunteer Fire Co grounds <i>Upperco, MD</i>
6/24-25/2017	Field Day Set up June 23	Luzerne County EOC
7/01/2017	<i>Firecracker Hamfest</i> Harrisburg Radio Amateur Club http://www.w3uu.org Talk-In: 146.760- (PL 100.0)	Harrisburg Area C C Harrisburg, PA 17101
7/02/2017	Wilkes-Barre Murgas ARC Hamfest & ComputerFest Polish American Veterans Talk-In: 146.61- (PL 82.5) http://www.murgasarc.org	Polish American Veterans Plains, PA
	Information extracted from N2LVI's Delaware Valley Hamfests 2017 Victor Amateur Radio Association. The site can be accessed from the Murgas web site (above) and contains additional information on the fests.	

Constitution and Bylaws - Revised

The latest version of the proposed changes to the Constitution and Bylaws are included in this newsletter. Finally, we will be revisiting the proposed constitution changes. If anyone has any comments, please send me them in writing (email to KC3FKW@gmail.com or snail mail to the club post office box).

Murgas Amateur Radio Club

Public Club Roster "Opt In" Release

By signing and returning this form to the Murgas Club Secretary you will grant your consent for the Murgas Amateur Radio Club to list the following in the MARC Public Roster that will be printed in the June issue of the MARC Times.

The information that will be listed will be:

Call
Name
Address
Telephone Number (unless you indicate that you have an unlisted number)
Email Address

If you do not return this form then your information will NOT be listed in the Public Club Roster.

In order to save time and effort on the part of the Club Secretary the information listed as above and no other options will be offered. It is what is listed above or no listing.

This form may be returned to the MARC Secretary by the following methods:

1. In person at an MARC Club meeting.
2. By mail to the Murgas ARC, PO Box 1094, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18703
3. By scanning and attaching to an email to the MARC Club Email address – murgasarc@gmail.com

Forms must be returned by the May Regular Meeting.

This form will be considered permanent and only needs to be submitted once during your time as a Murgas Member unless you wish to opt-out of having your information listed.



Murgas Amateur Radio Club
Public Club Roster "Opt-In" Form

Must be returned to the MARC Club Secretary by the May Regular Meeting

I, _____, give my consent to the Murgas Amateur Radio Club

(print name and call)

to publish my contact information in the Murgas Yearly Club Roster. I understand that this consent is permanent until I revoke it by submitting a revocation in writing to the Murgas Amateur Radio Club Secretary.

Printed Name and Call: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____ () Check if your telephone number is unlisted.

MARC Club Secretary use: Received on _____

**Murgas Amateur Radio Club
P.O. Box 1094
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18703**



**HAMFEST Plans Before
Meeting at 7:00 PM**

**First Class Postage
Meeting Notice Enclosed**

CLUB MEETING

June 7, 2017 (7:00 PM for Hamfest meeting)

**Luzerne County Emergency Management 185 Water Street,
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702**

PROGRAM

The program will be a YouTube presentation of an actual Fox Hunt.

BOARD MEETING – June 21, 2017

WBRE Offices – 7:30 PM

68 S Franklin St, Wilkes-Barre

All welcome to attend

Deadline for the MARC Times

July – June 28, 2017