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# B.V.A.R.A. QRM

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WPA CW NET..... .....7:00 PM DAILY.....3.585

TRADERS NET..... .....7:00 PM MON & FRI 3.898

HOSS TRADERS.... .....8:00 PM WEDNESDAY.3.910

CALLOUS BOTTOMS...11:00 PM DAILY...3.912.5

WPA PHONE & TFC NET .6:00 PM DAILY...3.983

PA TRAFFIC TRAINING NET..6:30 PM .3.610

E-CARS..... .....8:00 AM DAILY...7.255

EAN NET.. .....2:30 PM DAILY..7.243

RIP VANWINKLE... ....7:00 AM DAILY..145.31

B.V.A.R.A. 2 METER ...8:30 PM WED....145.31

B.V.A.R.A. 10 METER .9:00 PM WED...28.370

WPA TRAFFIC..... .....8:00 PM DAILY..146.88

QCWA NET..... .....8:30 AM SUNDAY.147.03

VISIT THE B.V.A.R.A. s WEBSITE AT:

[www.qsl.net/bvara](http://www.qsl.net/bvara)

If you have a submission for the B.V.A.R.A. QRM you may submit it to Debbie KB3EAQ at 724-758-4074 or typed in text format on floppy disk. Thank you.

==CLUB NEWS==

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## CLUB MEETING

The February B.V.A.R.A. meeting will be held on Thursday the 12<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 PM at the Beaver County Emergency Operations center located 250 East End Avenue, Beaver PA.

## ARRL SECTION MANAGER TO SPEAK

The B.V.A.R.A. is proud to have ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Manager Rich Beaver N3SRJ as guest speaker at our February meeting. Don't miss this opportunity to hear Rich tell us about the current news coming out of Newington and our section.

Afterwards Rich will be more than happy to answer any of your questions regarding league policies and how they effect us and our section.

## 2004 DUES NOW DUE

Please note that B.V.A.R.A. dues for 2004 are now due. Those who have not renewed by January 31, 2004 will not receive the new autopatch codes in this newsletter. Anyone submitting a membership application after February 1<sup>st</sup> will have to request the new autopatch codes directly from Tony KE3ED. If asked, current members **SHOULD NOT** divulge the new codes to anyone, even if you believe they are current members. If anyone should ask you for the new codes please refer them to Tony KE3ED. Thank you.

## B.V.A.R.A. SPONSORED TEST SESSION

The Beaver Valley Amateur Radio Association will sponsor an ARRL VE examination on Saturday December 6th, 2003 at the Community College of Beaver County's Aviation Science building located at 125 Cessna Drive, (Chippewa Twp.) Beaver Falls, PA.

Testing will start promptly at 10:00 AM so please plan on arriving at least 15 - 30 minutes prior. Walk-ins are welcome. Talk-ins will be on the 145.310 (W3SGJ) repeater. Use minus offset and 100 Hz PL tone. Also you can see our exact location via APRS on 144.39 MHZ. Look for W3SGJ.

All candidates wishing to take a test should bring the following

1. Two (2) forms of identification.
2. A pencil and a blue or black pen.
3. Your original AND a photocopy of your current license (if any).
4. Your original AND a photocopy of any C.S.C.E's (if any).
5. The test fee of \$12.00.

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All classes of amateur radio license tests will be administered. CW tests will **NO LONGER** be multiple choice.

All Technician Plus operators licensed as such prior to March 21, 1987 should bring a copy and the original proof of this credit.

Candidates are welcome and encouraged to join us for breakfast at the Chippewa Brighton Hot Dog Shoppe at 8:00 AM. For more information contact Tony KE3ED at the following:

Repeater: 145.310 (W3SGJ) minus offset & 100 hz pl tone.  
E-mail: ke3ed@arrl.net  
Phone: (724) 774-4173

## THE BIG PROJECT

The B.V.A.R.A. has been asked to sponsor classes for the A.R.R.L. s **BIG PROJECT PROGRAM** at the Highland Middle School. The B.V.A.R.A. was approached by Mr. Matthew Foley N3TSN and was asked for assistance with the program which involves teaching school students all about Amateur Radio, situated in a classroom setting. The grant for the project has been approved, and the materials and equipment for the classes are due to arrive in March of this year. A full Amateur Radio station will be permanently set up at the school for hands on demonstration and education. We will be notified as more information becomes available about the classes by Mr. Foley.

## FIELD DAY

Pete Sowatskey KB3JWS has checked out some sites at Economy Park for Field Day operations. We are waiting to hear from the county on availability of any sites for the weekend. Yes! It is time already to start preparing for Field Day.

## VALENTINES DAY DINNER

The Ellwood City Amateur Radio Assn. Has graciously invited all B.V.A.R.A. Members to Their annual Valentines Day Dinner to be held on Sunday Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> 2004 at The Wellness Center located at the north end of the Ewing Park Bridge, in Ewing Park, Ellwood City Pa. Directions to The Wellness Center are as follows: Rt 65 N. to Ellwood City, turn rt. (east) onto rt. 488 (Fountain Ave.), turn left at next traffic light just passed Loccisano s' grocery store, onto Sims St. Proceed North across the Ewing Park Bridge. At the North end of the bridge, turn rt. the building to Your rt. will be the Wellness Center. Turn rt. again just passed the east side of the bldg. Turn rt. again behind the bldg., and rt. again into parking lot. Or take rt.18 N. to rt.351 E., S. onto 5<sup>th</sup> St. Turn rt. (E) on Rt. 488 at McDonalds follow to bridge.