

B.V.A.R.A. QRM

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THE NET LIST

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

Submit all articles for the B.V.A.R.A. QRM, to Debbie KB3EAQ at our monthly meeting or by phoning her at 724-758-4074 on details on how to get it to her. All articles must be typed in text format on floppy disk. Thank you.

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CLUB MEETING

The November meeting will be held at the 911 Center in Beaver on Thursday, November the 12th at 7:30 PM.

CLUB T SHIRTS

We are still selling Club T Shirts, Hats, Golf shirts, and possibly Jackets. Just let N3KUG Phyllis, or KB3EAQ Debbie know what you would like to order. We have a book to look at, and we can take any orders.

RIG FOR SALE

The B.V.A.R.A. still has a rig for sale donated by WB3FKB, Bob Wilcox. The radio for sale is a KLM MULTI-2700. It is an all-mode 2 meter rig. If anyone is interested, please contact N3SVM, bob or KB3EAQ, Debbie at 7247584074.

PRESIDENT'S NOTES

Hello everyone; I just wanted to remind all of you that it is time for our elections for 2004. At our OCT. monthly meeting there was a motion made to leave the slate stand as is. Everyone in attendance agreed to leave the slate stand, as is. So at our NOV. 12, MEETING. We will put our slate on the board and let it be voted upon. Hope to see all of you at the meeting.

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THANK YOU

KB3EAQ DEBBIE

2004 SLATE OF OFFICERS

President: KB3EAQ Debbie Reid
Vice President: N4KRA Tom Merz
2nd Vice President: N3KUG Phyllis
Secretary: N3SVM Bob Reid
Treasurer: Wes Morar

HAM OF THE YEAR

Once again it is time for us to choose our Ham Of The Year. This person should be someone who works hard to benefit the Club, Amateur Radio, and the Community. So please choose your candidate carefully. PLEASE TURN ALL BALLOTS IN TO N3ALS WES MORAR AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING OR MAIL THEM TO HIM NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 26TH SO HE HAS TIME TO HAVE THE PLAQUE MADE BEFORE THE DEC. 10TH CHRISTMAS PARTY!!!

Wes's address is 4322 Beverly Drive, Aliquippa, Pa
15001

THE B.V.A.R.A. CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our Christmas Party this year will be held on December the 10th at 7:00 PM at Kings Restaurant in Monaca. Our group will be seated in the back room. There will be fun and surprises for all.

HAMS NIGHT OUT

I would like to thank all those who attended October's

Hams Night Out for making it a huge success. There were 20 club members and their families in attendance. There will not be a Hams Night Out for November or December due to the holidays.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Our nominating committee for this year is:
N3ALS Wesley Morar
WA3GFM Al Belardia
W3OUF Chris Moratis

Once again it is time to nominate officers for the upcoming year. So if you would like to run for an office or would like to nominate someone for office, Please contact your nominating committee members.

CLUB DUES

I would just like to remind everyone that your club dues for 2005 would be due soon. We would like to get dues in on time this year. So I will be putting a reminder in all the upcoming QRM's

B.V.A.R.A. 2 METER NET

As we all know, Debbie and Phyllis are the only Net control operators we currently seem to have at this time. I will soon be able to take the net more often again as my work schedule has changed back to a daylight, and more regular shift thank goodness. The one I had been on darn near killed me!!! HI HI !!! But we still need a few more volunteers to be net control operators for the weekly 2 meter net. It would be immensely appreciated and a great help to us. Please give this some thought. Thanks

N3SVM Bob

FROM THE DESK OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

Well, here it is, the month of November. Time just simply flies. We just went thru a time change that threw everyone off of his or her schedule. We have several things that we have to think about now. We have BVARA club elections, Christmas party planning, (yep. It's that time of the year again.) So, put your thinking caps on and think of whom you would like to see in office. HOW ABOUT YOU? If you are interested in holding office, let us know. This is your club you know.

September I went to a large Rendezvous down in West Virginia. Had a great time. If you don't believe me, just asks Miriam N3YJZ, she was there too. October, I had a couple of molars pulled, would not wish that on my best friend...enemy, maybe...hihi. Ended the month by going to Pricketts fort in Fairmont. WV for a couple day rendezvous. Nice to see some old friends again...if

You are interested in local history of the French & Indian thru 1800 in the area, and there is a lot of history, that would make a nice day trip next year. The season ends there the end of October, only about a 2 hour drive.

Was playing around with the computer and seeing what I could find on Amateur Radio. I was in Yahoo Groups and found over 3400 sites. WOW!

Have you received your latest AES catalog yet? Oh Man, it makes me drool and wish I hit the lottery for a couple of million. What a station we could set up...some of the new rigs. Do they supply graduate degrees with them so we can figure out how to use them? You need one just to under stand the panel...

With all the hurricane activity lately, Amateur Radio has been in the forefront of communications lately. In many areas hit, it was the only communication till the cells were back on line. Have you done anything about your emergency communications training lately? Read an article or column or book about traffic handling, emergency gear, ARES or RACES systems? You should you know. You want to be ready when the call comes in. What gear will you

be using? Do you know where it all is? Is any of it set aside to grab when needed or do you have to do a search and rescue of your gear and accessories just to get going and be wasting valuable time? Think about it and decide how you want to handle it.

Had some one try out the mobile whip in a dipole arrangement in a recent contest and was quite impressed with how it worked. Made the comment "a good field day antenna". Well, if it is a good field day antenna, it must darn well be a good emergency communications antenna also. After all, Is Field Day not an exercise to see how we can operate in an emergency? Remember, Ham Radio is about service in emergencies. Not just a place to ragchew or contest. All we do is preparing for unexpected events...That is the main reason We are able to have and use the frequencies we have. THINK ABOUT IT!!!

Been browsing the November issue of QST and found a couple of items...The Frequency Measuring Test for 2004 will be held Nov 18, at 0245Z (or at Nov 17 at 2145 Z. It will replace the Arrl Phone bulletin normally held at that time. Frequencies are: 80 mtrs, 3990 kHz LSB. 40 mtrs, 7290 kHz LSB. 20 mtrs, 14,290 kHz USB.

Several good antenna articles were included. Hope you are a member and can read the articles. If not, try to borrow a copy if you can...also some antenna mounts for emergency use..

Well this is going to be it for this month. Hope everyone has a nice month, A very Happy Thanksgiving and are busily getting ready to receive all those boxes with meters, dials, and knobs that you just know you are getting for Christmas....(don't forget to hang the AES catalog all marked appropriately on the Fridge door so the rest of the family will know what you want...)

73 to all

Tom N4KRA

HAM OF THE YEAR BALLOT 2004

Once a year, We of the Beaver Valley
Amateur Radio Association
choose one member whose
dedication to the Club,
and Amateur Radio in general,
and who strives to benefit fellow
amateurs and the community as a
whole, is outstanding.

Therefore I would like to nominate :

As the Beaver Valley Amateur Radio
Association's
Ham of the Year for 2004

**HAPPY
THANKSGIVING
EVERYONE !!!**