

# The SKYHOOK



HOLIDAY CITY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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December 2018

Toms River, NJ

## We Will Not Be Meeting At The Holiday City South Clubhouse On Dec 6.

Instead, our Holiday Luncheon is scheduled for Thursday, December 6th at "Italy's Best" restaurant.



The start time is 2:00 PM and the menu consists of Veal, Chicken or Spaghetti with meat balls. Bread, salad, soda, water, coffee and desert are also included. A cash bar is available.

The restaurant address is 652 Route 70, located in the Lakehurst Circle Center off Route 70. Lilac Street is just before the Lakehurst plaza and Myrtle Street is just into the circle. Either street will get you into the plaza. The phone number is (732) 657-1666.

## Happy Birthday To:

Urb LeJeune W1UL

Anthony Lipetri KD2HIT

John Sawina NA2R

Eric Schwab KD2JUL

Elaine Morton

Pat LeJeune



## Happy Anniversary To:

Dave WA2DJN and Sandy Ottenberg

## FCC License Exams



Our VE team gives exams for Technician, General and Extra Class licenses at 7:00pm on the 2nd Wednesday of each month, unless there are no applicants.

The testing is done on a scheduled basis only (no walk-ins). Two pieces of identification are required and one must be a picture ID such as a driver's license. The fee is \$15.00 by check payable to the American Radio Relay League; cash will also be accepted.

If you currently have an amateur radio license, bring the original and a copy. If you have a CSCE from a previous testing session please bring that also.

Call Larry Puccio at 732-349-2950 for an appointment. located at 652 Route 70 in Lakehurst.

## CheapHam To Relocate

Frank, W2IYE, the owner of "Cheap Ham" is in the processing of moving his store to a larger location: 24B Union Ave, Lakehurst. That's good news for those who miss Radio Shack, but his present store just off Route 37W is closed. His on-line "store" will stay "open".

The phone number will be the same as before, and the new store should be ready to open around December 14<sup>th</sup>. Check out his website [www.CheapHam.com](http://www.CheapHam.com) for more information.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:**  
**Thursday January 3 at 7:00 PM**  
**Bldg A, Meeting Rm. #1**  
**Holiday City South Clubhouse**  
**Santiago Drive at Mule Road**  
**Toms River, NJ**

## Ocean County ARES® News

– December, 2018

The next meeting of Ocean County ARES will be December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the Ocean County EOC, Robert J. Miller Airpark. This will also be the annual holiday party so bring your appetite and significant other. We will discuss and debrief the two days of search teams during the meeting.



*L to R: NJ2N, WX2NJ, N2XW, WB2ALJ, K3MR, KG2RUV, KD2DHS. 11/17/18 Search Team*

On November 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, Ocean County ARES provided communications support to local search teams trying to locate a 65-year-old man, who ran away from a Stafford Township facility on Route 72 on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. The individual suffers from dementia along with several other medical conditions.

Local police have searched for him using search teams with dogs and drones with no success. He has been spotted in Barnegat near the Burger King and is suspected of travelling close to the Parkway through dense wooded areas. Dressed with a minimal amount of clothing and no shoes, this individual has had authorities puzzled with his whereabouts.

Ocean County ARES spent 6 hours searching for him on November 10<sup>th</sup> and 9 hours on November 17<sup>th</sup>. The November 10<sup>th</sup> search team consisted of over 140 individuals and approximately 30 on November 17<sup>th</sup>.

During both occasions, Net Control was positioned at Wells Mills Park in Ocean Township, off County Road 532. We were originally going to use the Manahawkin 146.835 repeater for the search, but as soon as teams entered the woods, it was obvious to everyone that another repeater or frequency was going to be needed

for coverage. It was impossible to obtain good copy through Manahawkin. WX2NJ directed the teams to switch to the Toms River UHF repeater, WA2RES/R, 449.825 MHz and this machine proved to be full quieting no matter what woods we entered.

Communicators with search teams used HT's and net control used a mobile setup or Go-Kit with tripod antenna. Wooded areas were searched North and South of Road 532 all the way to Barnegat and just South of Oyster Creek property.

The family of the missing man were also part of the search teams. Beverages and food was supplied by local donations or purchased from a family Go Fund Me account.

Tim, NJ2N, was instrumental in getting search teams established and worked closely with the family and local police.



*WB2BLJ Listens to Search Party Briefing*



*Second Search finds red shirt on tree branch. Waretown Police were dispatched to investigate*

Unfortunately, the individual was not found and we are now entering the third week of him missing. Many clues were located and turned over to authorities after their positions were noted, photographed, and isolated

in evidence bags.

This was the first time Ocean County ARES was used for search assist and the lessons learned were numerous. ARES operators were notified of the searches by email via groups.io and Team App on their phones. The event will be discussed and debriefed at the December 19<sup>th</sup> Holiday Party.

Thanks to the following operators who assisted in the search effort:

K3MR, N2LD, WX2NJ, KD2FFR, NJ2N, K2HVE, WB2ALJ, KC2SBR, N2RPQ, N2XW, KB2RUV, K2EDS and KD2DHS.

73 de WX2NJ

Bob Murdock

Ocean County Amateur Radio Emergency Service® EC

## A New Year's Morning

Our family had just finished welcoming New Year 1959, and I was about to shut down my station for the night.

A required ham shack item in those days was a "CONELRAD" monitor (for "Control of Electromagnetic Radiation").

Most radio stations, including hams, were required to maintain radio silence when alerted by a signal on the broadcast band at 640 and 1240 kHz.

Suddenly my monitor started shouting in Spanish.

I called to my sister, KN2IBL, in the next room, who had studied that language in school, to come and listen.

She said the radio stations of that country were being taken over by somebody named Fidel Castro.

That was January 1, 1959, and the rest is history.

### Our VE Crew

Larry [K2QDY](#) (Liaison) 732-349-2950,  
Urb [W1UL](#), John [KQ4WR](#), Stan [KB2PD](#), Steve [N2WLH](#),  
Murray [KD2IN](#), Paul [N2QXB](#), Larry [WA2VLR](#), Tony [KD2GSO](#).  
*License exams are given by appointment at 6:30pm on the second Wednesday of each month at Holiday City South Clubhouse, Bldg A, which is at the corner of Mule Rd. and Santiago Dr. Call Larry Puccio, K2QDY, at 732-349-2950 for an appointment.*

*Directions: From either Route 37 W or Davenport Road, take Mule Road to Santiago Drive. Clubhouse A is the building nearest the street corner.*

### CLUB COMMITTEES

*Webmaster:* Steve [N2WLH](#) N2WLH@yahoo.com  
*Programs:* Tony [KD2GSO](#) 732-930-5779  
*Sunshine:* Dave [WA2DJN](#) WA2DJN3@verizon.net  
*Field Day:* Larry [K2QDY](#) 732-349-2950  
*VE Sessions:* Larry [K2QDY](#) 732-349-2950  
*Membership:* Doug [KC2TZC](#) 732-928-2316

### Holiday City Amateur Radio Club

Toms River, New Jersey

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|------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| <b>President</b>       | <b>John Sawina</b>  | <a href="#">NA2R</a>   | 908-625-5622 |
| <b>Vice President</b>  | <b>Billy Locke</b>  | <a href="#">KD2MHA</a> | 732 281-0151 |
| <b>Secretary</b>       | <b>John Perry</b>   | <a href="#">KD2NDY</a> | 732-928-2316 |
| <b>Treasurer</b>       | <b>Larry Puccio</b> | <a href="#">K2QDY</a>  | 732-349-2950 |
| <b>Executive Board</b> | <b>Doug Poray</b>   | <a href="#">KC2TZC</a> | 732-928-2316 |
| <b>Executive Board</b> | <b>John Roberts</b> | <a href="#">KQ4WR</a>  | 732-966 4665 |
| <b>W2HC Trustee</b>    | <b>Larry Puccio</b> | <a href="#">K2QDY</a>  | 732-349-2950 |

*Membership* is open to all interested persons. Ham license is not required. Dues are \$25.00 per year, payable Jan 1<sup>st</sup>. Members joining during the year will have the dues prorated. Family membership \$30.00 per family.

*Meetings* are held on the first Thursday of every month, at 7:00 pm, except December.

*Location:* Meeting Room #1 in the Holiday City South Clubhouse A.

*Directions:* From either Route 37 W or Davenport Road, take Mule Road to Santiago Drive. Turn into the parking lot from Santiago Drive and park near the pool. Enter the building nearest the street corner.-

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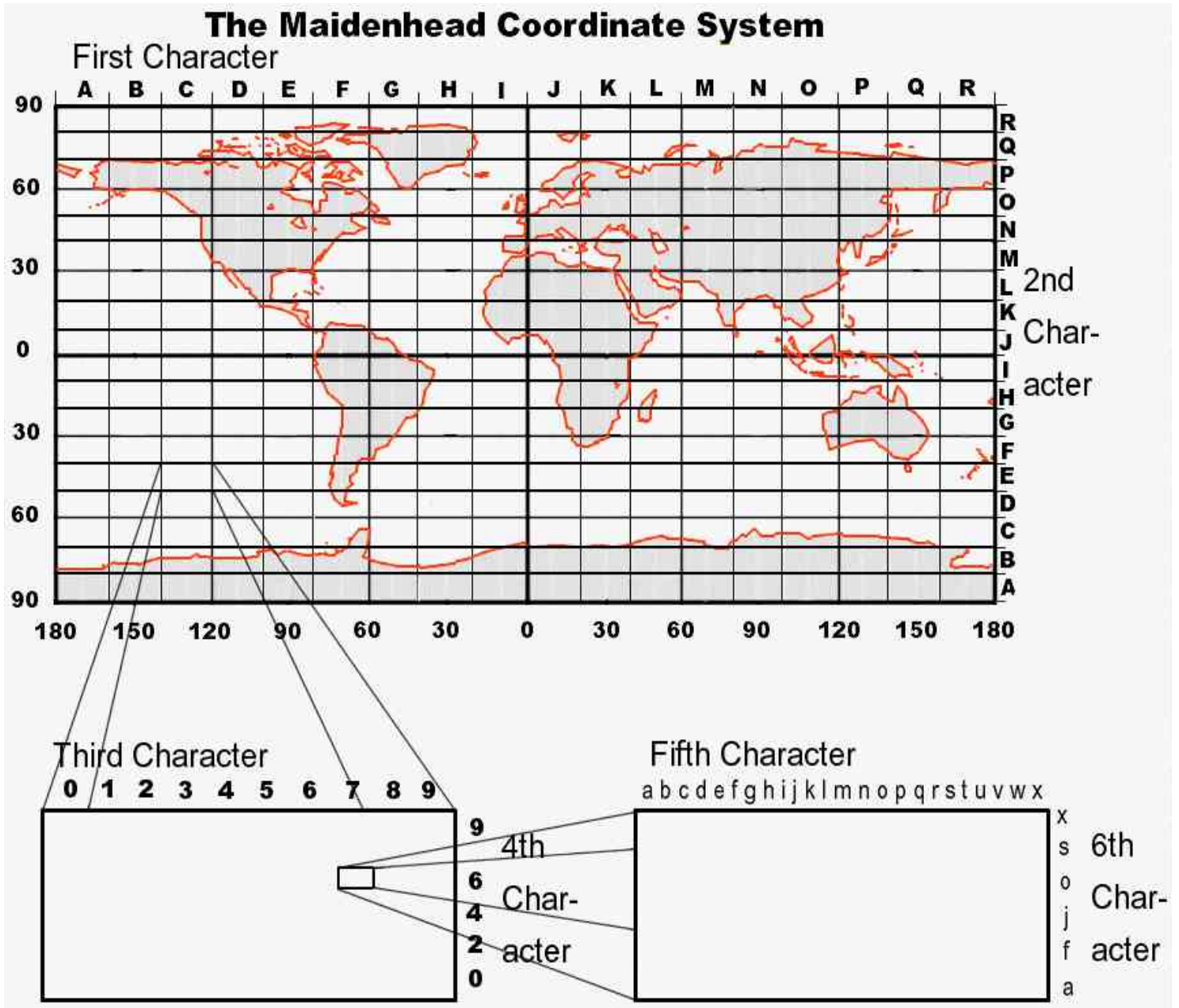
John Roberts [KQ4WR](#) 7 Lincoln Ct. Whiting, NJ 08759-1505  
e-mail [KQ4WR@arrl.net](mailto:KQ4WR@arrl.net) 732 966 4665

### Russ, WA2VQV Worked:

| CALLSIGN   | DATE   | UTC   | FREQ | MODE | ENTITY      | Grid   | Miles | Dir |
|------------|--------|-------|------|------|-------------|--------|-------|-----|
| KP4/IE9FBB | 28-Oct | 1418Z | 17M  | CW   | VIEQUES_IS. | FK76sd | 1705  | SSE |
| VP6D       | 28-Oct | 2110Z | 17M  | RTTY | DUCIE_IS.   | CG75oh | 5433  | WSW |
| LZ33MM     | 2-Nov  | 2158Z | 40M  | CW   | BULGARIA    | KN22jp | 4916  | NE  |
| VP2MUW     | 18-Nov | 2032Z | 17M  | CW   | MONTSEERRAT | FK86vt | 1721  | NNE |
| VP9/DK7LX  | 18-Nov | 2056Z | 30M  | CW   | BERMUDA     | FM72ph | 752   | NNE |
| TK/S53F    | 20-Nov | 2322Z | 40M  | CW   | CORSICA     | JN42ma | 4254  | NE  |
| ER4KAA     | 20-Nov | 2330Z | 40M  | CW   | MOLDOVA     | KN47ma | 4901  | NE  |

### Some DX for December

| Begins | Ends   | Call        | Entity      | Bands<br>(8=FT8, C=CW, D=Digital, R=RTTY, S=SSB) | Modes     | IOTA#  | Grid   | Miles | Dir | More<br>Info |
|--------|--------|-------------|-------------|--|-----------|--------|--------|-------|-----|--------------|
| Nov 22 | Dec 06 | 4S7DLG      | Sri Lanka   |  | S, 8      | AS-003 | MJ97wa | 8800  | NNE | DK8ZZ        |
| Nov 25 | Dec 02 | 4W/DS3EXX   | East Timor  | 80-10m   |           | OC-148 | PI21sk | 9954  | NW  | TDDX         |
| Nov 26 | Dec 03 | 4W/HL1AHS   | East Timor  | 80-10m   | S,C,8     | OC-148 | PI21sk | 9954  | NW  | DXNews       |
| Dec 07 | Dec 09 | 6V1A        | Senegal     |  | S,C       | AF-045 | IK15aa | 3784  | E   | TDDX         |
| Oct 30 | Dec 05 | A52BH       | Bhutan      | 160-40m  | C         |        | NL58aa | 7637  | NNE | N7NG         |
| Nov 18 | Dec 31 | C5YK        | Gambia      | 60-10m   | 8,D,S,C,R |        | IK13rk | 3925  | E   |              |
| Nov 24 | Dec 01 | C91HP       | Mozambique  | 30-10m   | C,D,8     |        | KG64ha | 8208  | E   |              |
| Nov 28 | Dec 07 | FS/K9NU     | St Martin   | 160-80m  | C,S,8     | NA-105 | FK881b | 1655  | SSE | TDDX         |
| Nov 28 | Dec 07 | FS/W9ILY    | St Martin   | 160-80m  | C,S,8     | NA-105 | FK881b | 1655  | SSE | TDDX         |
| Nov 28 | Dec 07 | FS/W9MK     | St Martin   | 160-80m  | C,S,8     | NA-105 | FK881b | 1655  | SSE | TDDX         |
| Nov 28 | Dec 07 | KS/K9EL     | St Martin   | 160-80m  | C,S,8     | NA-105 | FK881b | 1655  | SSE | TDDX         |
| Nov 28 | Dec 07 | FS4WBS      | St Martin   | 160-80m  | C,S,8     | NA-105 | FK881b | 1655  | SSE | TDDX         |
| Nov 22 | Dec 10 | H44SHD      | Solomon Is  | 160-10m  | S, D, c   | OC-149 | QI81qm | 8602  | WNW |              |
| Nov 26 | Dec 06 | H7/R4WAA    | Nicaragua   | 160-10m  | C,S       | NA-013 | EK82xe | 1979  | SSW | DXNews       |
| Nov 26 | Dec 06 | H7/RC5A     | Nicaragua   | 160-10m  | C,S       | NA-013 | EK82xe | 1979  | SSW | DXNews       |
| Nov 26 | Dec 06 | H7/RM0F     | Nicaragua   | 160-10m  | C,S       | NA-013 | EK82xe | 1979  | SSW | DXNews       |
| Nov 26 | Dec 06 | H7/RZ3FW    | Nicaragua   | 160-10m  | C,S       | NA-013 | EK82xe | 1979  | SSW | DXNews       |
| Dec 04 | Dec 19 | HI \DD1GG   | Dominican R |  | HF        | NA-096 | FK38mm | 1484  | S   |              |
| Nov 21 | Dec 31 | JD1 \JG8NQJ | Minami Tori | 20-17m   | C, S      | OC-073 | QL64xh | 7024  | NW  |              |
| Nov 22 | Dec 07 | JD1BPH      | Ogasawara   | 160-6m   | C,S,R,8   | AS-031 | QL07mm | 7256  | NNW | DXNews       |
| Nov 22 | Dec 07 | J11CRM/JD1  | Ogasawara   | 160-6m   | C,S,R,8   | AS-031 | QL07mm | 7256  | NNW | DXNews       |
| Dec 25 | Dec 31 | KH0TG       | Mariana Is  | 160-20m  |           | OC-086 | QK45ae | 7762  | NW  |              |
| Nov 21 | Dec 01 | KP2 \N0UK   | Virgin Is   |  |           | NA-106 | FK78ph | 1599  | SSE |              |
| Nov 20 | Dec 04 | P29RR       | Papua NewGu | 160-80m  | 8         | OC-034 | QI33mg | 9013  | WNW | TDDX         |
| Nov 17 | Dec 08 | PJ7AA       | Sint Maart  | 80-10m   | C,S,D     | NA-105 | FK88ma | 1660  | SSE | TDDX         |
| Dec 05 | Dec 11 | T32NH       | E.Kiribati  | 160-6m   | C,8       | OC-024 | BI50aa | 5925  | WSW | DXNews       |
| Nov 28 | Nov 29 | T88HF       | Palau       | 40-10m   | S         | OC-009 | FK86vs | 1758  | SSE |              |
| Nov 24 | Dec 03 | T05NED      | French Guai | 40,10m   | C,S       |        | GI34tw | 2779  | SE  |              |
| Dec 04 | Dec 18 | TX0A        | Fr.Polynes  |  |           | OC-113 | CG17vx | 5851  | SW  | TDDX         |
| Dec 04 | Dec 18 | TX0M        | Fr.Polynes  |  |           | OC-297 | CG16gt | 5950  | SW  | TDDX         |
| Nov 27 | Dec 01 | V63YAP      | Micronesia  |  | HF        | OC-012 | CJ09wm | 4422  | W   |              |
| Nov 25 | Dec 02 | VP2MLB      | Montserrat  |  | C, S, 8   | NA-103 | FK86vs | 1758  | SSE |              |
| Nov 30 | Dec 10 | VP2MSA      | Montserrat  | 160-6m   | C,S,R,8   | NA-103 | FK86vt | 1756  | SSE | TDDX         |
| Nov 30 | Dec 10 | VP2MSK      | Montserrat  | 160-6m   | C,S,R,8   | NA-103 | FK86vt | 1756  | SSE | TDDX         |
| Nov 30 | Dec 10 | VP2MZN      | Montserrat  | 160-6m   | C,S,R,8   | NA-103 | FK86vt | 1756  | SSE | TDDX         |
| Nov 22 | Dec 14 | XU7AKB      | Cambodia    | 40-10m   | S         |        | OK21mm | 8885  | N   |              |
| Nov 18 | Dec 02 | XV9D        | Vietnam     | 80-10m   |           |        | OK30it | 8933  | N   | RM2D         |
| Dec 18 | Jan 19 | YJ0AFU      | Vanuatu     | 160-6m   | 8,C,S     | OC-035 | RH43am | 8407  | W   | TDDX         |
| Nov 26 | Dec 06 | YN4RRC      | Nicaragua   | 160-10m  | C,S       | NA-013 | EK82xe | 1979  | SSW | DXNews       |



| December |   |                                  |           |                        |                       |          |
|----------|---|----------------------------------|-----------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------|
| Sunday   | Monday  | Tuesday                          | Wednesday | Thursday               | Friday                | Saturday |
|          |   |                                  |           |                        |                       | 1        |
| 2        | 3<br>9AM Breakfast at<br>HC Diner;<br>Hanukkah starts at<br>sundown | 4                                | 5         | 6<br>See Page<br>One ! | 7<br>Pearl Harbor Day | 8        |
| 9        | 10<br>Noon Lunch at<br>Lisa's                                       | 11                               | 12        | 13                     | 14                    | 15       |
| 16       | 17<br>9AM Breakfast at<br>HC Diner                                  | 18                               | 19        | 20                     | 21                    | 22       |
| 23       | 24<br>Noon Lunch at HC<br>Diner                                     | 25<br><b>MERRY<br/>CHRISTMAS</b> | 26        | 27                     | 28                    | 29       |
| 30       | 31<br>Breakfast at HC<br>Diner; Happy<br>New Year                   |                                  |           |                        |                       |          |