



The SKYHOOK



HOLIDAY CITY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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Toms River, NJ

Program for our May Meeting Complaints about Ham Antennas by Neighbors

This month's program will feature several amusing videos regarding complaints about Hams putting up antennas in their community. Even local TV Stations get in the ruckus! In addition we will see a round-robin of views of Ham Shacks from all over the country. Great views of great stations! All brought to you by Murray KD2IN and Youtube.

Dates to Remember

May 3	Regular Membership Meeting
May 9	VE Session Wednesday 7:00 PM
May 14	Club Luncheon
May 28	Club Luncheon
May 30	Executive Board Meeting

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

Elaine Bicher 05/11
Joe Militano 05/11



Anniversaries

Warren and Barbara Keay 05/26



The President's Corner By Dave WA2DJN



The April third meeting started off by saluting the flag and introducing the officers and members who were attending the meeting. There were ten members attending.

A condolence card was sent to Warren Keay and his wife Barbara for the loss of their son.

We discussed the need for more members and I asked if anyone knew if there was any hams living nearby to contact them to see if they would be interested in joining the club.

The Fortune Buffet which was scheduled for April eleventh was postponed to May 9, because not to many members had signed up to attend on the original date.

There was a notice from the ARRL about CCR restrictions on antennas in senior communities, and they asked hams to send them an E mail, by April 21, as to restrictions in their communities.

We broke for coffee and cake and did not have the 50/50 drawing. I wish to thank Grace Puccio for the cake which she made for us.

Murray Goldberg set up and showed several videos on past field days. They were interesting and turned out very well.

There are several ham fests in May; Wrightstown Pa. on May 6, and Garden State on the 12th.

I hope to see you at the May meeting.

73

Dave Ottenberg

NEXT MEETING: May 3, 2011

Thursday 7:00PM

**Meeting Rm. #1 at Holiday City South
Clubhouse
Mule Rd. at Santiago Drive**

Amateur Radio Club | The American Legion

The American Legion Amateur Radio Club is open to wartime military veterans who are members of The American Legion and FCC licensed amateur radio operators. Members of The American Legion Auxiliary, the Sons of The American Legion, and The American Legion Riders who are licensed are also eligible. The club station, K9-The American Legion, is located in the national headquarters building of The American Legion on Legion Mall in downtown Indianapolis, Indiana.

With over 2.4 million members, The American Legion is the nation's largest veterans organization with nearly 14,000 posts across the country. It is affiliated with the Dept. of Homeland Security in the promotion of disaster preparedness and response.

QSL 100% - SASE to station address.

INFO: www.legion.org/hamradio.

HCARC Official Badge Ordering

The club's official badge maker is the Capital Engraving Co. in Longview, WA. To order a badge, simply call Capital at 1-800-628-4985 after 1PM M-F. All that is required is to give your call and first name and your mail address. Use your credit card to pay. Cost is \$12.50 plus \$2 S&H. Al Ross WA7UQE will take care of you and create an official logo and club name on your personal badge.

May Hamfests

GSARA HAMFEST & LICENSE TESTING

Saturday, May 12, 2012 – Tinton Falls, NJ

Sponsored by the

Garden State Amateur Radio Association

www.gardenstateara.org

For information contact w2kq@arrl.net (732)493-4236

Join KJI and many of your favorite vendors starting at 7am at the MAECOM (Shafto Road at Tornillo Way) parking lot. Directions at website.

- Fresh, hot breakfast sandwiches, drinks, and more!
- VE Session registration starts at 10:30am, exams start at 11:00am
- Great prizes!

- Talk-in on Asbury 147.045 +600 PL67.0 and Link System
- Entry \$5 (XYL & Children under 12 free)

Our VE Crew

Murray KD2IN, John K2JWH, Ed W1EAP, Larry K2QDY, Jamie W2QO, John KQ4WR, Stan KB2PD Steve N2WLH, Kevin W2FA, Ed WA2NDA, Walter KC2LFD.

CLUB COMMITTEES

Refreshments: Murray KD2IN & Carl W2PTZ

www.hcarc.us Webmaster: Carl W2PTZ

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Programs: Murray KD2IN

Sunshine: Dave WA2DJN

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VE Sessions: Larry K2QDY plus the 'crew'

Skyhook: Larry K2QDY

Funds Raising: Vacant

Membership: Murray KD2IN

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Toms River, New Jersey

Web Site www.hcarc.us

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Membership is open to all interested persons. Ham license is not required.

Dues are \$20.00 per year, payable Jan. 1st. Members joining during the year will have the dues prorated. Family membership \$30.00

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

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

Directions: Go to Mule Rd. and to the corner of Santiago Drive. Turn into Santiago Dr., then into the parking lot in front of the pool. Enter bldg. on right.

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Subject: FCC Public Notice Studying Impediments to Amateur Radio Emergency Communications impediments.

Attn: All Amateur Radio Operators.

We need your assistance! Please read carefully.

This is of the highest importance...please don't put this off. This could be the vehicle that opens the door to reduced restrictions on our ability to operate in support of public service.

To assist the ARRL in gathering pertinent information for their comments - and to spread the word to the Amateur community as quickly as possible, I am asking that you please send the following to all and the various email lists/distribution mechanisms in our sections. This includes club e-mails, discussion boards and the e-mails of fellow Amateurs that are not normally part of established e-mail reflectors.

The FCC has released a Public Notice soliciting input for the Congressional directed study of Amateur Radio Emergency Communications and Impediments to the amateur's ability to provide those communications. This is the ARRL-proposed study which we have been seeking for the last 3 years.

TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE! The FCC is only allowing 45 days for comments and will be closed on May 17, 2012. In order to allow the ARRL to review the comments from the members and include them in our comments, we have set up the mechanism described below to allow quick input from members. To allow us the time to compile this information we are asking the information be provided to us by **WEDNESDAY APRIL 25, 2012.**

Thanks for your assistance in this project. We are in a position to try and obtain some relief for those who live in deed-restricted / CC&R limited communities. **NOW IS THE TIME TO ACT!**

Thanks and 73!

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Message follows:

Do you live in a CC&R- restricted community or participate in Em-Com activities? Have deed restrictions / HOA covenants prevented you from erecting amateur radio antennas? Have these restrictions prevented you from full participation in emergency communications activities during disasters?

If your answer is "Yes", ARRL needs to hear about your experience.

As you are probably aware, Congress has directed the FCC to conduct a study of the uses and capabilities of Amateur Radio Service communications in emergencies and disaster relief. The FCC was directed to identify "impediments to enhanced Amateur Radio Service communications, such as the effects of unreasonable or unnecessary private land use restrictions on residential antenna installations". Finally, the study is to make "recommendations regarding the removal of such

impediments."

The FCC has issued a Public Notice - DA 12-523- soliciting input from the public as part of their study. The ARRL is gathering comments from the Amateur Radio community to present as part of its comments on the public notice.

The ARRL is looking specifically for input in two specific areas:

- * Recent Amateur Radio involvement in actual emergency communications and disaster relief;
- * Specific details about how CC&Rs and other private land use restrictions have impaired licensed Amateurs to participate fully in these disaster relief communications.

If your ability to participate in ARES, RACES, SKYWARN, CERT, or other emergency and disaster relief communications has been limited because the inability to have adequate antennas due to CC&Rs, you are asked to provide that information to the ARRL.

First, we recommend that you prepare a narrative of your exact situation, in as much detail as practical. Some areas for you to consider in writing your story might be:

- * Were there alternative properties without CC&Rs in the area you wished to reside?
- * What exactly does your CC&R allow / prohibit (please include a copy of the specific wording)
- * Have you applied for a waiver of the CC&R with the Home Owner's Association / Architectural Review Committee but were denied? If so, what was the reason?

To assist you in sharing your information with the ARRL, please visit the special ARRL website built to allow you to readily provide the pertinent information at www.arrl.org/ccr-study-information

This page will present you with an overview of what we are asking and have links to the two forms for you to complete. Please be as factual as you can with the information you provide and please provide only information about events and activities in which you were directly involved.

If you wish to write out the details of your situation in advance, please do so. They can be either uploaded from the website or they can be sent as an email attachment to an email sent to CCRinfo@arrl.org

Keep in mind that the FCC study does not apply to ordinances and zoning laws implemented by the government - such as towns, cities or counties. PRB-1 covers those situations.

TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE! Congress directed that the FCC provide the report back within 180-days and that clock is already counting. The FCC is only accepting comments for a 45-day period, which will end May 17,2012. In order for the ARRL to collate your information in a common report, we ask that you send in your information no later than **WEDNESDAY APRIL 25.** If you need more information, please contact reginfo@arrl.org The time to act is **NOW!**

How's DX

Russ, WA2VQV worked:

On 30 Meters CW: E51M North Cook Is., GR100MGY England (Titanic S.E.), R2KW Kaliningrad, Z30U Macedonia.

On 20 Meters CW: 5B/RN3QO Cyprus, GR100MGY England (Titanic S.E.), RA9MP Asiatic Russia, VK6HD Australia.

On 20 Meters SSB: 7X5QB Algeria, 9K2OD Kuwait, LX75RL Luxembourg, LZ2MAM Bulgaria, OZ7TM Denmark, SP2YY Poland.

On 20 Meters RTTY: SU9VB Egypt.

On 17 Meters CW: CT8/DL1CW Azores, EH3MGY Spain, J52HF Guinea-Bissau, SV2BOH Greece, TF3DC Iceland, XE3CW Mexico, YS3CW El Salvador.

On 17 Meters SSB: 8P6NW Barbados, EA3DTD Spain.

On 17 Meters RTTY: 5N7M Nigeria, E51M North Cook Is., EA8/RW3DO Canary Is.

On 15 Meters CW: 5N7M Nigeria, IS0HQJ Sardinia.

On 15 Meters RTTY: J52HF Guinea-Bissau.

On 12 Meters CW: 5N7M Nigeria, PJ4/W9NJY Bonaire.

On 12 Meters SSB: 8R1AK Guyana, E51M North Cook Is., EA8YB Canary Is.

On 12 Meters RTTY: E51M North Cook Is., KH2L Guam.

On 10 Meters SSB: CW5W Uruguay.

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