



The SKYHOOK



HOLIDAY CITY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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Toms River, NJ

Program for our August Meeting

Since our discussion about our first station or our first contact was so successful at the July meeting we have decided to continue with the same program for the other members who did not have a chance to tell their story. After those presentations we will continue with a question and answer period. Do you have any questions about Ham radio, or antennas, or what is QRP or PSK31 or any other thing you have always wanted to have explained. Acting as the Answering Team will be Officers who are Hams with wide experience in various aspects of Ham Radio. Some of them are Carl Lee W2PTZ, Larry Puccio K2QDY, Dave Ottenberg WA2DJN, John Roberts KQ4WR and others.

Dates to Remember

August 2	Membership Meeting
August 6	Club Member Luncheon
August 8	Evening V.E.. Session 7:00 PM
August 20	Club Member Luncheon
August 29	Executive Board meeting

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

Dave Ottenberg 08/09
Jamie Punderson 08/27



Anniversaries

Leonard Elaine Bicher 08/29
Carl and Jane Lee 08/31
Jamie and Sarah Punderson 08/08
Norm and Dolores Smith 08/04
Stan and Marjorie Stafiej 08/29



NEXT MEETING: August 2, 2011
Thursday 7:00PM
Meeting Rm. #1 at Holiday City South
Clubhouse
Mule Rd. at Santiago Drive

The President's Corner By Dave Ottenberg WA2DJN



We opened our meeting by saluted the flag and then introduced the officers and members in attendance. Thirteen members were in attendance. One of our oldest members Joe Cuff had called me earlier in the day to ask if the meeting was going to take place that evening and came to the meeting. It was good to see Joe. Joe I hope you had a nice time and will be coming more often too attend future meetings.

Carl Lee gave the secretaries report which was accepted as read and I reported that we had about \$1900.00 dollars in our savings account. Larry was not able to attend due to a family problem.

I asked if any members had worked Field Day and several had gone to Old Barney and helped out there. Some members had worked some stations from home.

I wish to thank Ed Picciuti and Carl Lee for providing the cake and making the coffee.

We had a new member join our club, Ed Baranowski, from Bayville N.J. Ed is working on getting his technician grade license and learning about electronics and ham radio.

We had our usual 50/50 raffle and then broke for coffee and cake.

Murray Goldberg presented a certificate for fifty five years of ham radio to Carl Lee. Enjoy many more years of ham radio Carl.

Murray also had several members talk about their first ham station and some first QSL cards. It was interesting and fun to hear about the old equipment and stations.

Carl Lee is going to develop a lending library of many good electronic books which he will make available to club members. He also asked if anyone would be interested in having a ten meter CW net.

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A few members said that they would like to have one or maybe get on two meters with CW. We will work on this idea. Murray had some handouts on learning CW, which he provided to a few members.

The Sussex ham fest is July 15th.
I hope to see you all at the August meeting.

73 /Dave Ottenberg

New Club Members

In the last few months we have had three new members join the club. Ron Perluke KA2UPB, Ed Baronowski and Mike Graber who are studying for the Technician grade test. Ron is working on getting back on the air after a long sabbatical. He is going to put an antenna into some trees near his house and then on the air it is. Ed and Mike are new comers to ham radio but are eager to study the Technician material, take the test and get on the air. Each has many questions and all the club members are doing their best to help them out with learning the ins and outs of ham radio.

New Repeater

Lee Kissel, WA2JWR, former club member, has advised us that he has his repeater back on the air for all to use. It is an open repeater with no PL tone required for access. The frequencies are 146.655-600.

Lending Library

Club member Carl Lee, W2PTZ, has collected a large amount of Ham Radio and technical books and publications. These books are both interesting and educational to Ham Radio operators and those interested in learning electronics and about Ham Radio. Carl has decided to open a lending library and will make any of the books or publications available to club members. At this time the process is not finalized, however, it will require the club member to contact Carl to request a book. At that time Carl will tell the requestor if the book is available and how to obtain it. We think that one method of getting the material would be at a club meeting or at the every other Monday club lunch get together. Carl will be describing the process at the August club meeting.

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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.

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: Carl W2PTZ

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VE Sessions: Larry K2QDY plus the 'crew'

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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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Morse Code

A United States Navy Training film (unclassified) describing correct Straight Key Sending can be found on the web site (Youtube_Techniques of Hand Sending (1944). This video describes how to adjust the straight key, contacts and spring adjustments, and how to correctly position and grasp the key. It is both interesting and educational. We thank Russ Young, WA2VQV, for this information.

A second video to watch is one describing the correct adjustment of the Iambic Keyer. You can find this video at the site Youtube_Iambic keyer. Look for (The Iambic Keyer-Youtube) on the internet page. This too is very informative and educational. We thank Murray Goldberg, KD2IN, for this information.

Still another video to watch describes the correct adjustments of a Bug. You can find this video at the site Youtube_How adjust a bug. Look for the (How to properly adjust and use a Vibroplex Bug-Youtube) on the internet page. Today many hams still use the Vibroplex or Mac Key or any number of bugs. Generally they can be found at any Hamfest.

Maybe after watching these video's some additional club members will start using Morse code.

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May Issue
newsletter

Outage Maps Available Through Your Smartphone

JCP&L customers can use their smartphones to access new online outage maps that provide timely, accurate and detailed information during power outages.

The new maps use color coding to provide a snapshot of any power outages across JCP&L's service territory. You can easily zoom in or out and view local outage and service restoration information on a county, town or village level. We've also made it easier to report an outage while you're viewing a map.

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 - the number on the pole
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Available Publications

ARRL Handbooks: 2004, 2005, 2006 & 2011

Experimental Methods in RF Design

Antenna Book 15th & 20th Edition

Antenna Compendiums: Volumes 1,2,3,4 & 7

Antennas & Techniques for Low Band DXing

W1FB's Antenna Notebook

ARRL Operating Manual 8th Edition, QRP Power

QRP Notebook,

W1FB's QRP Notebook,

QRP Classics

Emergency Power for Radio Communications

Emergency Communications Handbook

Amateur Radio on the Move

VHF Digital Handbook

How's DX

From: June 15TH through July 14TH, 2012:

Russ, WA2VQV worked:

On 20 Meters CW: DL8PG Germany, EM2012I, EO2012EFC Ukraine, F5IN France, TO5U Martinique, VY2/F8BMC Canada.

On 20 Meters SSB: 5Q4B Denmark, 9A209A Croatia, R7DX European Russia, S52WW Slovenia, SN2012GD, SN2012WA, SP1DSZ, SQ3ODD Poland, TM0TSR France.

On 20 Meters RTTY: 1A0C Sovereign Military Order of Malta.

On 17 Meters CW: C31BO Andorra.

On 17 Meters SSB: 9K2YM Kuwait.

On 10 Meters SSB: ZD7FT St. Helena.

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