

MOUNTAIN SPARK
GAPS

New Providence
Amateur Radio Club
March, 1975

Club Net 145.8 Mhz
RTTY Sun 7 PM
Phone Sun 9 PM

"Amateur Antennas and DXing" by Jerry Hall, QST Technical Editor

Jerry Hall, KIPLP, associate technical editor, QST, will discuss Amateur Antennas and DXing at the March 10th meeting of the New Providence Amateur Radio Club. His talk will cover radio propagation and such factors as antenna heights, but is not highly technical. It should be of interest to all club members including Novice class operators and non-amateurs. Jerry is the editor of the ARRL Antenna Handbook, and is concerned with specialized communications techniques (RTTY, SSTV, etc.) for QST.

Be on hand early for this interesting program at 8 PM, Monday, March 10, at the New Providence Library. Other clubs in the area are also invited.

Additional Technical Meetings

In addition to the 2nd Monday of each month, reserve the 4th also for technical meetings starting this month. No regular club business - only technical topics - show and tell items of interest will be covered. There will be lots of opportunity to learn as well as to display your latest gadget! Bill King discussed crystal controlled clocks at the first of these last Wednesday, and will order tuning fork clock mechanisms for those who are interested. The price is about \$14. For the most part, the technical topics discussed at these 4th Monday meetings will be announced at the preceding regular club meetings held on the second Monday of each month.

General License Course

Saturday, March 8, will be the initial session of this year's General Class Amateur license course. It should be of interest to Novice license holders who wish to upgrade their licenses as well as anyone wishing to get started in the world's greatest hobby. The course will begin at 2 PM each Saturday afternoon in the New Providence Library, and each session will last about two hours. The course is expected to last ten weeks with different club members as instructors. Contact Ernie Kolb, WB2WZX, if you are interested.

Dues Past Due

John Sheetz, K2AGI, has worked out a novel way of reminding those of us who may be behind in our Club dues to take action! Attached to this month's "Spark Gaps" will be either a new club roster for paid up members or a membership registration form with instructions to mail it and the delinquent dues to NPARC, Box 813, New Providence, N.J. 07974. Otherwise, this will be the last "Spark Gaps" issue sent.

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Reminder

The last section of the ARRL International DX CW Contest is the weekend of March 15. Don't miss Jerry Hall's talk on "Antennas and DXing" next Monday, March 10. Bring a friend.

ARRL INTERNATIONAL DX CW CONTEST

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