

MOUNTAIN SPARK
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New Providence
Amateur Radio Club
March 1980

Club Nets
Sunday, 145.8 MHz
RTTY-8 PM FM-9 PM

W1AW-Past and Present

A slide program showing the history of W1AW, your ARRL Headquarters Station, will be presented at the next meeting; Monday, March 10, 1980 at 8:00 PM. A pictorial tour of the present station is but one of the interesting highlights of this program.

The Maxim Memorial Station, W1AW, is dedicated to fraternity and service and stands as a living memorial to Hiram Percy Maxim, the founder of the American Radio Relay League. Operated by the League headquarters, W1AW is located in Newington, Connecticut. Many Radio Amateurs know of the help provided by this famous station with its daily bulletins and code practice programming.

This is your chance to save a tank of auto fuel. Instead of driving to Newington, come to the NPARC meeting and learn all about the wonders of Amateur Radio Station W1AW.

General-Technician Theory Classes Now Underway

Following completion of the Novice classes, NPARC is conducting classes for the FCC General or Technician regulations/theory course of study. The classes are being held on Friday evenings. The meeting place is in the Summit Civil Defense Center (lower level-east side) in the Municipal Building, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, NJ. Sessions start at 7:30 PM and last approximately an hour and one-half.

Code practice is not a feature of the training environment as the staff feels that daily independent study is required to build the necessary skills to become proficient (at 13 WPM) with Morse code.

Those interested in further details should contact Bob Craig, W2EAL at 464-1368 or stop in next Friday and audit a class.

Annual Club Interest Questionnaire

Enclosed with this issue of Sparkgaps is the latest version of the survey questionnaire which is designed to help the NPARC officers and program committee determine operating capabilities and program interests.

The form won't take long to complete and then return to Bob Clayton, WD4OXM, at the next meeting. It will prove useful in planning the kind of year we can all look back upon and call, "Great!".

February 29 Auction Night a Big Success

Thanks to many NPARC members, the annual spring cleaning of valuable items for exchange swelled the treasury by at least a few dollars. Special mention is made of the auctioneering expertise of Bay Rowan, W2GKF and Bill King, W2LTJ. Money matters were trustworthily handled by the best in the business, John Sheetz, K2AGI and Bob Brown, W2EME. Floyd Harvey, KA2DDG provided refreshments until the end of the sale and beyond.