

MOUNTAIN SPARK
GAPS

New Providence
Amateur Radio Club
May 1978

Club Nets
145.8 MHz
Sun 8 & 9 PM

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Field Day Chairman Named

At the April 24 meeting the Club was fortunate to obtain the services of Andy Stillinger, WA2DKJ, as 1978 Field Day Chairman. Andy called for support from the entire membership in order to make this one of the best outings ever.

"The Field Day Rules are essentially the same as last year", Andy noted. "CW contacts score 2 points each and bonus points are scored for an Oscar contact, an official message, and publicity", he added.

Field Day will be held on June 24-25, 1978 during the usual good weather period in late Spring. Band conditions also promise to be favorable for maximum scoring.

May 8 Meeting Devoted to Field Day Planning

Bob Brown, W2EME, announced that the annual Field Day organizational meeting would be the subject of discussion at the next meeting of NPARC. Each member is in a position to contribute good ideas at this important meeting. Experience is a valuable commodity which we can share for the mutual benefit of the Club. Please plan to attend--Time: 8:00 PM; Date: May 8, 1978; Place: New Providence Public Library.

Club Members Upgrade at Morris Plains

The FCC examinations which were held at Morris Plains on April 22, under the sponsorship of the Morris ARC, added several upgraded licenses to the NPARC roster. Jim Mann, WB2YUU, made the biggest jump - from Novice to Advanced Class. Warner Reed, WA2KOL, passed the General exam and Len Longo, WB2YWE, moved up to Technician. Bob Brown, W2EME, passed the exam for Radiotelephone 2nd Class. Nearly 150 Radio Amateurs attended this convenient field visit of FCC personnel.

Expedition Returns From Dayton Hamvention

NPARC members in autos and jet planes converged on Dayton, Ohio for what may have been the best Hamvention to date. Judging from the amount of chatter on the Club Net frequency, 145.8 MHz, nearly all of the NPARC members with 2-Meter FM radios must have been in Dayton. Although some complaints were heard about high prices at the flea market, buyers did not seem to be deterred from purchasing a huge amount of goodies.

For Sale

Dentron Antenna Tuner, Model 80-10AT, 500 watt PEP, \$25; Heathkit VTVM, \$15; Heathkit Grid Dip Meter \$12; Heathkit Audio Generator \$10; Dumont Model 304, 5" Scope, \$25. Contact Joe Gitz, WB2VHC, 376-4584.