

MOUNTAIN SPARE
GAPS

NEW PROVIDENCE
AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
SEPTEMBER, 1976

CLUB NETS
145.8 MHz
SUN 8 & 9 PM

RADIO ACTIVITY IS FULL SWING AGAIN!

After a great summer during which we have had numerous technical meetings, kept our club nets in operation on Sunday evenings, and many of us operated mobile on vacation trips, its time to get set for an even more (bodasious) fall program. Our meeting schedule will be the same as last year, i.e. our regular club meetings on the second Monday of each month, and more informal technical meetings on the fourth Mondays. The meetings will be held at 8PM in the newly decorated basement meeting room in the New Providence Library on Elswood Avenue.

SEPTEMBER MEETING - THE DOO ALL

Here is a golden opportunity to catch up on what has happened over the summer months and help plan club activities for the coming year. The meeting will be held on Monday, September 13, at 8PM at the New Providence Library. Bill King will explain his famous "DOO ALL" including the latest modifications.

CALLING ALL CB'ERS AND POTENTIAL HAM OPERATORS

Here is your opportunity to learn more about radio and enjoy the worlds most fascinating hobby! On Wednesday, September 22nd at Arnold Auditorium, BTL Murray Hill at 8PM, there will be a special program just for you. It will be a film and slide presentation including brief explanations of such amateur activities as DX, Amateur Satellite communications, Radio Teletype, 2 meter repeater operations, and MARS operation. Plans for classes leading to an Amateur License will be discussed, and there will be plenty of time for questions. Al Mursch, 1.2SNV, (tel. 273-6372) will be the master of ceremonies for this program---don't miss this one!

NOVICE LICENSE CLASS

Bob Craig, W2EAL, will be the Dean of this course which will start soon after the September 22nd meeting in Arnold Auditorium mentioned above. He is lining up his instructors and lesson material now. Call Bob on 464-1368 if you are interested in either course or can help as an instructor for one or more sessions.

1976 FIELD DAY

NPARC'S part in the 1976 ARRL Emergency Communications test was the best in several years. Not only was the weather almost perfect, but everything worked very well, and our score was especially encouraging. We operated in the 3 simultaneous transmitter group, with two CW and one phone station. We also made contacts via CSCAR, a muscle powered station, and a Novice station. We made 897 QSO's on CW and 613 on phone for a total of 4814 points---a new club record.

Its almost impossible to give credit to individuals for this performance without leaving some deserving people out, but Ralph Elspase, Frank Bosefrlice John Sheetz, and Andy Stelling did an outstanding job with the generators. Barry Cohen and his assistants did likewise with the food, and John Myrech and his antenna crew. Many thanks to those who supplied equipment and acted as station chiefs--i.e. Bob Brown, the Ruedisuelis and Bill Connell. Bob Latter acted as overall chairman and OSCAR station chief.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

NPARC also set a new record for summer activities. In addition to a field trip to AT&T's new 14 Million dollar domestic satellite station at Hauley, Penn., the club took part in three bi/centennial parades by supplying a float, an exhibit, and in the case of New Providence, parade communications. Al Mursch even had to find a place in the parade for Miss New Jersey! Bob Brown and his crew's exhibits were great. Linda Pettit's signs were outstanding.

THE RUEDISUELI'S DEPART

Bob Ruedisueli, W2SGC, and Larry Ruedisueli, W2FTQ, are moving to Virginia following Bob's assignment to AT&T Long Lines Department's Government Communications organization in Washington, D.C. Bob has held almost every NPARC officer position including Field Day Chairman, and has spent countless hours on club projects. Larry has developed into an excellent CW contest operator. Good luck and with that two acre plot, a good antenna an S9+ signal to New Providence should be no problem!

Because of Bob's contributions to the club, we are planning a dinner for him just before our September 13 meeting. It will be at 6PM at the Marco Polo Restaurant in Summit, N.J. Those who are interested please contact Bob Latter on 665-0479 by Sunday, September 12th.

CLUB NOTES

President Patty Weiner is looking for someone to attend the HARC meeting on Saturday, September 11th. Congratulations to Paul Nicollian, W2GOU, Dave Loderick, W2HLD, and Peter O'Shea, W2GHK who have passed their Novice license to us. Next months activities will feature a description by Bill King of his new RTTY terminal which will soon be on the market and an auction led by that intrepid auctioneer, Bay RoVan, W2GKF. Here's your chance to learn more about RTTY and to get those parts you need and to have a lot of fun at the same time. Rules and other details will be in next month's Spark Gaps. A new printer is needed since Bob Ruedisueli is moving---any volunteers? W2EME and W2FUE were second high in the N.J. QSO Party contest.

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