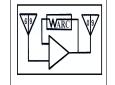


# FEEDBACK



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Warminster Amateur Radio Club

November 2006

# **Next Meeting November 2nd - ARRL Night**

#### **President's Message**



Our own Todd Hevener (KB3LCT) wrote me to say that he appreciated the card the club sent him, with signatures of the club members who were at the October general meeting. I asked him about "buddying up" with someone to help him and he said it would be a good idea.

For those who don't know, Todd was hospitalized suddenly and for quite some time. Thankfully, it looks like he will be okay. But it underscores how life can come at us from an unexpected angle. It is understood that a club member would take care themselves, family and friends in need before volunteering their time to the club.

At the same time, chairpersons have duties that have to be completed. In Todd's case, it was the simple submission of a form at this time so we can continue to hold our hamfest at the Grange. Without a buddy to step in and help Todd, the form waited to be sent.

Bill Strunk K3ZMA, who has handled the previous WARC hamfests so thoroughly, had handed off the duties of Hamfest to Todd and was away on a trip. Thankfully, he was coming back from the trip and filed the form.

We have many dedicated members who perform numerous public services, activities, contests and more. I hope that part of these services can be to find a chairperson and let them know you are available to be their buddynot to do their duty, but to learn what they do and be there to back them up.

As I mentioned before, I do not intend this as you will take over their work, but, like SKYWARN, be in the ready to step in and file a form when needed. To make a few calls while a

#### 2006 - 2007 Contest Calendar

**November** 4 - 6 ARRL November Sweepstakes (CW)

18 - 20 ARRL November Sweepstakes (Phone)

**December** 1 - 3 ARRL 160 Meter Contest

9 - 10 ARRL 10 Meter Contest

**January 1** 20 - 22 ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes

Nov 12 Kentucky QSO Party 1400Z, Nov 11 to 0600Z

chairperson takes care of something more pressing in their life.

Just like the President has the VP to step in and run a meeting when I have to attend a funeral- something that's never planned in advance- each chairperson needs someone to become familiar with what is needed, how it is done, and what needs to be done when.

In Todd's case, this was the previous chairperson, Bill. But I look to our over 100 active club members to step up here and make themselves known. General meetings are a good time for this. You can call a chairperson using their phone number in the back of every feedback. You can e-mail them directly using an e-mail link on the web site. And you can sign up for the Warc-Talk mailing-list which makes it incredibly convenient to reach numerous club members with one e-mail.

I look at mailing lists as the ability to stand up in a room full of like-minded people, and ask a question, with everyone there listening to just you for that moment. I have been a member of a video mailing list for well over a decade. It started with me asking dumb "newbie" questions that others patiently answered. Now, many years later, I see other newbies come on the list and I help them. It's a fun, casual club meeting that's available

24/7 to help, and as a place where you can help, or elmer, others.

I thank those who have buddied up already and I look forward to seeing a few new faces getting involved in this light and easy- but crucial way.

73's Anthony

Warminster Amateur Radio Club
Minutes for the General
Membership Meeting
THU 05 OCT 06

Meeting was called to order by Anthony (KB3DVS) at 7:35pm.

**VISITORS**:

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The Warminster Amateur Radio Club is a volunteer-based organization. Without the selfless work performed by volunteers such as yourself, there would be no Club.



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#### **PROGRAMS**

#### Thursday November 2, 2006 ARRL Night

What is happening in ham radio today? What is the ARRL is doing for ham radio and for you? Eric Olena WB3FPL and Norm Fusaro W3IZ join us for an informative evening to answer these and many other questions. Don't miss this important update! A question and answer session will be included.

#### Thursday December 7, 2006 Annual Holiday Dinner

Spend time with friends and enjoy some special food. Bring your significant other. Bring a non-perishable food item to donate. Come one, come all to the WARC Annual Holiday Dinner. A fun time for all club members.

#### Thursday January 4, 2007 Operating From DX Locations

Have you ever operated a ham radio station in another country? Join WARC's own Irwin Darack KD3DB as well as Andy Vavra KD3RF as they share some of their adventures in traveling to many far off lands and operating ham radio in some fascinating DX locations. Don't miss this exciting evening.

#### Thursday February 1, 2007 Club Auction

Going once...going twice...Yes, February is the time for our annual club auction. Check those closets and bring in that gear you don't use any more, those parts that are just taking up space, or that "junk" you have been meaning to get rid of, and donate it to the club. We will auction it off to other interested hams who may find your "junk" their treasure. Bring along some cash. You may find some treasures as well. As usual, Tom Michaud WA3TQJ will be our master auctioneer.

#### Thursday March 1, 2007 Ham Radio Equipment Update

Rick Lamb from HRO in Delaware returns to discuss the latest in ham equipment and what is happening in the world of ham radio retailing. Find out what is "hot" in new equipment. Find out what is good and what is not so good in used gear. The program will include time for Q and A, so come prepared with your questions.

#### Thursday April 5, 2007 What in the World is Knoppix?

More information is coming soon!!!

#### Thursday May 3, 2007 Orthodontics /Hamfest Preparations/Nomination of Officers

Our resident dentist Doc Morein KA3RAU joins us this evening with a humorous presentation about orthodontics. Join us for what promises to be a fun evening. Also, with May 6 and our Hamfest just days away, last minute preparations and coordination will be a vital part of this meeting. The Hamfest is out biggest event of the year and our most important fund raiser. It can work only with your support. In addition, election time is approaching. Have your nominations for club officers ready.

#### Thursday June 7, 2007 Homebrew, Cool Gadgets, and Pizza Night/Election of Officers

It's Pizza Night and that means it's show-and-tell time again! Bring in that homebrewed gear you just built, that kit you just finished, or that unusual gadget that you use in your shack. This is your chance to show it off!! Come out and see everyone's "stuff" while you enjoy some delicious pizza. It's also **election night**. Remember WARC is your club and you decide who will direct it for the next year – so come out and vote.

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- None

#### INTRODUCTIONS:

# MINUTES FROM THE 07 SEP 06 MEETING:

- Minutes accepted as submitted.

#### <u>COMMITTEE REPORTS:</u> <u>PROGRAMS:</u>

Larry (WA3ELQ):

- Get well card for Todd (KB3LCT) being passed around: Please sign it
- THU 05 OCT: QSL Card night: Show unusual cards, cards from nonexistent countries, artistic cards, etc
- THU 02 NOV: ARRL Night: Eric Olena, Norm Fusora: Update on what is going on at ARRL
- THU 07 DEC: Holiday dinner
- THU 04 JAN: Irwin (KD3TB),

Andy (KD3RF): Will talk about operating from DX locations during their travels around the world

- THU 01 FEB: Club auction Tom (WA3TQJ) auctioneer
- THU 01 MAR: Rick Lamb from HRO: Update on what is happening in ham radio equipment
- THU 05 APR: Carl Harris, N0ACO: Presentation on NOPIX, VOTIX and other non-windows computer operating systems
- THU 03 MAY: Hamfest preparation, nominations for club officers
- THU 07 JUN: Homebrew, cool gadgets. pizza night, election of officers

#### **MEMBERSHIP:**

Mark (WA3QVU):

- Currently 102 paid-up members. Lapsed member list: JUL-SEP: KD3QL, KB3MMI, NR3Z, NO3N, KA2VJO, KA3AUR, N3GNW, KA3BBU, W3MJP, KA3RAU, KB1JEY; OCT: K3TPM, KA3FBP, KA3YCG, KB3HCL, K3MFI, KB3UI, N3EMA, N3FVS, N3OZQ, N3QGO, KB3IBQ: 22 over the last 4 months.

#### PUBLIC SERVICE:

George (N3HBT):

- MON 09 OCT: 5-Ponds Golf Course Hole in One competition: 0800-01:30pm. Nice pig-roast, chicken meal afterwards.10 OPS needed. Bring headphones: Golfers don't like hearing talking when they are trying to putt. Weather looks to be gorgeous so we can enjoy the outdoors.
- SAT 14 OCT: 0900-1200 Warminster Community Park: 5-K run to benefit Craven Hall Historical Society and their renovation program.

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10 OPS needed.

- Sign up sheet for OCT events.
- THU 07 DEC: Holiday dinner: You must be a paid-up member of the club. Menu slight change: Instead of meatballs and sausage it will be barbecued chicken, as well as the stuffed shells, barbecued pork and the hot roast beef. It will be \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children 5-12 yrs old. Under age 5 children will be free.

#### **HAMFEST:**

Bill (K3ZMA):

- Todd (KB3LCT) along with me as one of his assistants will run the 2007 hamfest. Todd has been very sick and will need help at the hamfest. The application to ARRL has been submitted. Our hamfest should be sanctioned by ARRL in a week orso. WARC flyers are available for anyone going to fall hamfests. Info on hamfests:
- SUN 15 OCT: RF Hill hamfest at Sellersville Armory. We have hamfest flyers for RF Hill.

#### GOOD AND WELFARE: Bill (K3ZMA):

- Please sign the get-well card for Todd (KB3LCT). I did get to see him a couple of days ago: He has a wound on his leg which has healed, but he does have a device which sucks infection out of his leg. He has been in the hospital for two weeks having had several operations with nine different doctors in attendance. Now he is driving to Virginia to be propped by a stool as best man for his brother's wedding. Anthony (KB3DVS): Re member the buddy system: Todd needs a buddy to help out at the hamfest. This does not necessarily mean active work at the hamfest, but at least to be able to help out in case Todd needs a hand.
- I did receive an e-mail from Bob (K3SRO): He is recovering from a back operation. He would appreciate any contact: cards, e-mail, phone calls, ham radio.
- Mark (WA3QVU): I visited Horace (K3KT): He is doing well for someone of age 91, but he is on dialysis now. He appreciates visits from people he knows.

#### **REPEATER:**

Brian (N3EXA):

- Working well with Abington Hospital input. At the Warminster main site we were getting interference from the paging transmitter. Their technician, who is also a ham, came out and installed a band-pass filter: now there is no more interference. Today I drove down the Atlantic City Expressway to check out the repeater. It had just about died at the Farley rest stop. One of our next projects is to get Crystal back on the air. There is not a lot of activity on the repeater. There are a lot of old timers who have been here a long time. I never hear them on the repeater. I would like to see more activity. Also there is a great 440.395 repeater up in Hilltown. That one plays like a house on fire; it really works well.

# OLD BUSINESS: PA QSO PARTY:

Mark (N3GNW):

- 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> starting about 12 noon on SAT 14 OCT going to 0100am Sunday morning; it picks back up at 0900am SUN and goes on to about 0600pm: I will be in town and operating from Bucks County. I do not have enough time and enough days off left at work to be able to operate in one of the remote counties. It is a popular contest, and there will be a lot of people out there wanting to work you no matter what county you are in. If you make a minimum of 100 QSO's you have the right to purchase a customized PA QSO Party mug or a noncustomized t-shirt. You can now submit your scores electronically which should help things go a lot easier. Submit under the Warminster Amateur Radio Club so we can compete for the highest club score. We have traditionally had someone in the club who has taken the highest score. This year logging programs are kind of up in the air with no recommendations. The traditional one from Northampton

has not been updated this year. He was very late last year releasing it, and all he really had to do was change the date. N1NMM is a professional grade contest program and probably does not lend itself to the different counties.

#### <u>NEW BUSINESS:</u> SEALED BID AUCTION:

- Ringo Ranger and Cushcraft R7 Vertical. Will be mentioned in next FEEDBACK. We will take in all of the bids at the NOV meeting and the winner will be selected. Winner does not have to be present.

#### CLUB HT's:

Anthony (KB3DVS):

- VX-150 Yaseu: We will purchase 5 of them: to be available to new members on a loaner basis. They are priced \$108.00-\$115.00. The VX-170 is available for another \$10.00-\$15.00: it is water proof in addition to being shock resistant. We will buy AA battery packs and cigarette lighter power cords. The person signing out the radio will be responsible for providing batteries. The radios will also be available for public service events. It is not unusual to have someone's radio die in the middle of an event.

# WARC CLUB LIBRARY: Bill (K3ZMA):

- Chris (W3KEN) brought in a bunch of ARRL books including the complete antenna compendium series. I would like to have the club use these to start a club library. If any member has ARRL books or other radio manuals at home which are not being used, we can store them here at the club. Books could be borrowed at one club meeting and returned at the next meeting. This way it is not necessary to buy ARRL publications, and people who have them sitting at home will get some use out of them. At the moment we have a stack of books 8" tall. I am sure that more will be forthcoming. A list of books could be published in FEEDBACK and on the web site.

#### George (N3HBT):

- Space upstairs is getting tight, but

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after the antennas are sold space will be less tight.

#### MS-150 WALK:

Jim (WA4YWM):

- MS -150 was a bike tour that goes from Cherry Hill to Ocean City and back over 2-lane roads in order to raise money for MS. There were 8300 bikers registered, 1000 participating volunteers: 100 of them hams, numerous CB'ers, and GRS operators. It was estimated that \$4,000,000 was raised. Help was needed constantly on communications. In my case I was on an ambulance which had to deal with injuries. There were numerous accidents over the 2-day period. Most of these were not very serious, but one of them did have to be transported to the hospital on my ambulance and there were others. Several WARC members participated in the MS-150: Just for a little recognition, the ambulance and Staff vehicle volunteers were: Tony (N3YNH), Denise (KB3ANO), Michelle (KB3MTW), Frank (K3FSB), and myself: Jim (WA4YW M), Adam (KB3JCP), Hugh (N3SOQ), Rocky (N3FKR). Stationed along the route: Frank (WD0DSL), Mark (WA3QVU), Larry (WA3ELQ). Bill (K3MFI) rode all the way down and back on his bike. He deserves a special thanks.

50/50 Erik (N3YNX)

Business meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm

#### TONIGHT'S PROGAM:

- QSL Card Night: Many interesting QSL's were shown: unusual cards, cards from nonexistent countries, artistic cards, etc

Respectfully submitted by

Jeremy Robinson (K2AKW), Secretary

#### **CLUB STATION**

The WARC club station is open to anyone with an interest, on Tuesday evenings between the hours of 7:00 and 9:00 pm. For further information, call George Brechmann N3HBT at 215443-5656.

#### WARC ALUMNI MEMBERSHIP

Attention all former WARC members. At the March 4, 1999 General Meeting, revisions to our club's constitution were approved that among other things, establishes a new Alumni membership category for former WARC members who are unable to attend meeting and Club activities on a regular basis due to health considerations or travel impediments. Dues for the Alumni membership were established at \$8.00 annually to cover the costs of printing and mailing our monthly FEEDBACK newsletter. Contact Alumni Coordinator Randy Gehman (N3LJE) or or Membership co-chair Mark Hinkel (WA3QVU) for more information.

#### **PUBLIC SERVICE**

Operators are needed for the Bucks County Roadrunners Thanksgiving run. See Doc, W3GAD. Sign-up will be available at the Nov. meeting.

#### **SEALED BID AUCTION:**

Ringo Ranger and Cushcraft R7 Vertical. We will take in all of the bids at the Nov. meeting and the winner will be selected. Winner does not have to be present.

# MS-150 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

I forgot to mention the following individuals in the last Feedback as participants in the MS150:

Ken K3FKW, Ben K3JQH-Route

Frank K3FSB—Staff

Adam KB3JCP—Ambulance

Of the 8 ambulances used 5 were staffed by WARC members.

#### The MS-150 From a new Ham's point of view

It was sometime in late spring of 2006 when I was talking on the Penn Wireless repeater to someone I had never spoken to before. This Ham mentioned how he needed volunteers

to sit in the ambulances for the MS-150 and if I would be interested. I had never heard of the MS-150 or never really paid attention as it was something I hadn't been exposed to before. I accepted having just been licensed in Oct. of 2005 and really enjoyed providing public service with area clubs.

Up until that point all of the public service events I attended were local and only needed an HT. My first and only radio to that date was the VX-7R – a quadband HT with 5 watts of power output which was more than sufficient for the local repeaters and simplex frequencies.

I really didn't know about the MS-150 and what it encompassed. In my mind I saw myself sitting proudly in the front of the ambulance surrounded on both sides by two good looking, burly EMTs, one named Paul and the other Helen; (Who says EMT's are only male?) There I was sitting with my very colorful personalized safety vest, HT in hand and smiling as we drove past the bikers keeping an eye out for any trouble.

I began talking to my fellow radio operators about this MS-150. Most spoke nicely about it. Then one person said that I would need a minimum of 25 watts power output because of the distance covered. How would I manage this? Unfortunately, I could find no one with a 25 watt mobile to lend to me. I called the original

#### WARC JACKETS, SHIRTS AND HATS

Are available. Delivery within one month of placing order- the more we order, the lower the prices. See Bob (K3SRO) or call him at 215-822-7474 for order forms and cost information.

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Ham back who had asked me to sign up and he graciously offered me a 25 watt 2 meter amplifier and a 2m/440 5/8<sup>th</sup> wave antenna to use on the ambulance.

By then I was put on the MS-150 public service group and began receiving weekly emails talking about having the proper equipment especially on an ambulance with a fiberglass body. We also couldn't use the cigarette lighter plugs in the ambulance for power because they sometimes didn't work. We'd have to hook directly up to the battery. Well, I thought to myself that I'd need a power source not only for the amplifier but also for the HT. Not having dabbled in electronics it seemed like more of a hassle than it was worth.

I had my mind set on getting the Yaesu FT857D for a while. This is an HF/VHF/UHF all mode radio with enough power for this purpose. This mobile would also encourage me to upgrade my license. In addition, I've wanted to get on SSB on the bands I am currently allowed to use. Against the better advice of my mentor, WA3QVU who suggested I get a cheap durable 2 meter mobile which is much simpler to use, we went to Ham Radio Outlet (HRO) in Delaware and I purchased 1200 dollars worth of equipment. (Who ever goes to the candy store and buys just one item?)

In addition to the FT857D I had to get a 2m/440 base station antenna made for small places (I live in a condominium with only a small balcony on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor); also purchased was very good coax Belden 9913; the extra mobile mike for the 857D; and a power supply.

Still those emails kept coming in with more frequency. Most stating that you must have the correct equipment and anything less would be a problem. There was something new I didn't know; only a TRUE ½ wave 2 meter antenna would work without the

grounding that a metal bodied vehicle could provide. The mostly fiberglass body of the ambulance demanded this type of an antenna with a proper attachment device.

Some of the emails spoke of this attachment device called a locking clamp pliers complete with a picture of it. This would be perfect for attaching to an antenna unfriendly structure such as the ambulance. After many emails and even more phone calls to Cook Towers Inc., who was selling the pliers mount, I made an approximately \$150 dollar purchase of the pliers mount with good coax attached and a top-ofthe-line mobile 2 meter ½ wave antenna. They were even nice enough to throw in a 22 inch piece of tiger tail (counterpoise) with an SMA arc for use with an HT hat antenna attachment I had purchas ed at one of those many Hamfests I attended. It worked amazingly well. My signal strength increased over just the 2m/440 whip I had on the radio.

Then the day of the event came and with it the rain ® I got up at 2:30 am the morning of the race, got dressed headed over to another Ham household and we proceeded to the Patco Train station in Cherry Hill, NJ. The ambulances pulled up and we had just enough time to hook everything up – radios to battery and pliers mount to the small piece of metal on the side of the rear view mirror or onto the ambulance FM radio antenna. Before long we were on our way.

Just one problem . . . well, ok two. I'm less than 5 feet tall, actually 4 feet 8 inches. An ambulance is not a very friendly place for someone of my height and girth. After the very nice EMTs had hoisted me into the back of the ambulance a couple of times one had a great idea and grabbed a plastic milk carton from a deli. That's how I spent the next two days getting in and out of the ambulance (the front seat wasn't that much lower either). So you might say that I was on the side of a milk carton. Unfortunately, my new expensive mike managed to stop working after the 2<sup>nd</sup> stop. Luckily one

of the EMT's was a licensed Amateur Radio operator who had a VX-7R with a ¼ wave whip. We were able to listen on my radio, but couldn't key up. So at strategic points, the nice and very tall EMT would hold his HT in the air or his antenna out of the window so I could transmit. He also had an external speaker mike.

Now most people bring extra radios, batteries, antennas, coax, fuses and other sundry items. Who would have thought to bring an extra mike? I didn't. Again, my list of radio stuff is limited, but growing by the Hamfests I've been attending in addition to the candy store and Cook Towers. I now have a 6m, 2m, 440, ¼ wave whip for my HT which I didn't have at the time of the bike ride, but in the back of an ambulance, with no window to stick the antenna out of, I wouldn't have made the repeater anyway.

I've learned my lesson: listen to your mentor. He actually does know what he's talking about. This included getting a suction cup device and screwing two pieces of metal onto it. We attached the 5/8 wave antenna and had a good SWR reading. It got even better when we attached an old piece of tiger tail to one of the metal plates. The suction cup device was attached to a plastic board with no metal so there was no additional ground and when we added the tiger tail to one of the pieces of metal, our SWR reading was no more than 1.2 to 1.

I would like to do this again, but I have to do one of two things: grow about 7 inches or lose some more weight. Ok three: get a cheap 2m mobile radio (maybe). I still have an affinity for multifunction radios and devices. I really want a cheap 2m/440 dual receive with UV, VV, VU and UU capability. We'll see what I can scrounge up as the months and weeks fly by and the MS-150 comes around next year.

Yours truly,

Michelle London KB3MTW Page 6 FEEDBACK

#### ATLANTIC DIV. HAMFESTS - 2007

#### + indicates ARRL Hamfest

28 Jan 2007 + Maryland Mobileers ARC Odenton, MD Odenton Vol. Fire Department Hall 1425 Annapolis Road Route 175

15 Apr 2007 + Springfest 2007 Delaware Valley Radio Association http://www.w2zq.com West Windsor, NJ Skating Rink at Mercer County Park

6 May 2007 + Warminster ARC http://www.k3dn.org/hamfest.htm Wrightstown, PA Middletown Grange Fairgrounds

1 Jul 2007 + Hamfest & Computerfest Murgas ARC http://www.qsl.net/k3ytl Lake Lehman, PA Luzerne County Fairgrounds

15 Jul 2007 + Valley Forge Hamfest & Computer Fair Mid Atlantic ARC http://www.marc-radio.org/hamfest.html Kimberton, PA Kimberton Fire Co. Fairgrounds

# THE SKY'S THE LIMIT WITH AMATEUR RADIO!

#### The Warminster Amateur Radio Club Announces Free Ham Radio Instructional Classes

If you're interested in Ham Radio, or think you might be, this is your opportunity. Perhaps you'd like to learn about digital communications, Morse code, VHF, UHF, satellite, or perhaps you'd rather sit down and chat with someone in South Africa, Russia, Great Britain or in the space shuttle.

We'll help you learn the theory and practices that make for a most enjoyable hobby. There's no telling just how far you'll go unless you make the first move and give yourself a chance to explore the world.

Call or Email George Altemus KA3WXV at 215-855-3856 or ka3wxv@drs-c3.com

Or George Brechmann N3HBT at 215-443-5656 or n3hbt@comcast.net

#### **Bucks County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (BCARES)**

www.bucksares.org

Bucks County ARES will be on the air Wednesdays, at 9:00~PM . We will be using Warminster Amateur Radio Club's repeater on 147.090, pl 131.8.

Telpac Stations on:

Upper NJ3A-10 145.610 Riegelsville

Central KB3BUX-10 145.670 Ivyland Home frequency

Lower NY3J-10 145.530 Bensalem

Net Schedules						
Sunday	2100	10 Meter Net	28.440 MHz			
Wednesday	2030	2 Meter Net	147.09 Rptr.			
Wednesday	2030	Linked w/ 2 Meter Net	443.95 Rptr.			
Sunday	2030	Informal Net	223.5 Simplex			
Wednesday	2030	WARC	147.09 Rptr.			
Thursday	1900	Mont. Cnty RACES Net	146.835 Rptr.			

#### V.E. TEST LOCATIONS

Confirm all information, in advance, with the contact person. Licensed applicants must bring the original, and one photocopy of their license. All applicants, including children, must bring two forms of positive ID. Also bring the original, and a copy, of any Certificate of Successful Completion needed to prove current status. The ARRL VEC'S 2003 test fee is \$12.00.

- Warminster Amateur Radio Club, Monthly, Last Wed. 7:00 pm - Tom Michaud, WA3TQJ, 215-343-3494.
- Bellmawr, NJ, Monthly, 3rd Thursday
   6:30 PM Bellmawr Comm. Senior
   Citizens Center Browning Rd. at Lewis St.
   Diane Nafis N2LCQ, 856-228-8088.
- Levittown, PA, Monthly, 1st Saturday -George LeNoir, WR3B, 215-943-4886.
- Telford, PA, Monthly, RF Hill ARC. 3rd Monday at the Indian Valley Library. Charles Schmell, KB3CEZ, 215-257-6368 days 215-538-7458 evenings.
- Philadelphia, PA, NE Philadelphia, Pa. Monthly; 1st Thursday - 6:00pm. Philmont Mobile Radio Club at Space Research Center (SPARC) Northeast High School Cottman and Glendale Aves. (Enter the SPARC wing from Glendale Av.,opposite Teesdale St.)- Dusty Rhoads, ND3Q, 215-482-0386 Or 215-879-0505. No exam in July or August.

#### **Area Repeaters**

Area Repeaters					
	VHF				
145.310	R.F. Hill				
145.350	Doylestown R.C.				
145.250	Penn Wireless				
145.330	Hilltown				
146.670	DVRA				
146.685	Holmesburg				
146.925	Willingboro				
147.000	Ham Buergers				
147.030	Phil-Mont				
147.090	Warminster				
147.165					
147.270	Frankford				
147.300	BEARS				
147.390	CBRA				
	220				
224.580	PackRats				
223.76	K3NAL				
	UHF				
442.650	DVRA				
443.250					
443.050					
443.950	Warminster				
444.200	BEARS				
449.325	KA3WXV				
447.475					
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448.225					
6 Mtr					
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53.230	N3DQZ				
53.370	K3MFI				

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# Are you submitting an article for the Feedback?

Contributions of articles to be published are always accepted for consideration. Please follow these guidelines:

- Submit in IBM format on a floppy disk.
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Warminster, Pa 18974

- Use both upper and lower case letters.
- > Use your program's spell check.
- If you don't have a computer, then typewritten sheets are o.k, but please use both upper and lower case.
- Put your name and call at the beginning or end of the article, and show credits if you are using material from another source.
- Deadline for articles is the Thursday after the Club meeting.
- Volunteers are needed for folding at the Board Meeting, Ben Wilson Center, last Thursday of the month, 7:30 PM.

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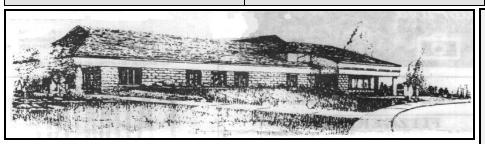
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# **Club Station**

# Meetings

### Talk To Us



The Club Station - K3DN - is located at the Benjamin Wilson Senior Center, Delmont Avenue, Warminster, PA. The station is open for club members and the interested general public on non-holiday Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9 pm . The station is fully operational on HF (80 meters through 10 meters ) both phone and CW. There is an assortment of amateur radio shareware which may be copied under the shareware licensing agreement.

For additional information on the Club Station please call the Station Manager N3HBT - George at 215-443-5656.

> WARC Meetings are held the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm at the Benjamin Wilson Senior Center, Delmont Avenue, Warminster, PA. Talk in is available on the 147.09 & 443.950 repeaters.

APRS on 144.390 K3DN is also operating APRS on 144.390 Internet Connection

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## WARMINSTER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

# DECEMBER DINNER MEETING December 7, 2006

The December 2006 meeting will include a catered buffet dinner in the same fashion as last year. Seating begins at 6:00 P.M. with dinner starting at 6:30 P.M. The menu will include:

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	· STUFFED SHELLS · BAR BQ PORK & CHICKEN			· HOT ROAST BEEF				
	· STRING BEANS		POTATOES					
COLD MEATS & CI								
	· IMPORTED HAM		T BEEF					
	· TURKEY BREAST · GENOA SALAMI		ED BEEF	ISS CHEESI	7			
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OTHER ITEMS:								
	DS · COL	E SLAW						
	· ROLLS & RYE BREAD							
· PICKLES, TOMATOES & CONDIMENTS								
SWEET TABLE:								
	· ASSORTED CAKES AND PASTRY							
\$10.00	per person 12 and old	er						
\$5.00 per child 4 - 11 years old								
Age 3 and under is free								
Seating is limited. Reservations and payment must be made on, or before, November 2, 2006. Please complete the form below and return it, with payment, at the November 2 <sup>nd</sup> meeting or by mail, before November 2 <sup>nd</sup> , to the Warminster Amateur Radio Club, P.O. Box 113, Warminster, PA 18974. For reservations and information contact Elaine N3TMP at <a href="mailto:n3tmp@comcast.net">n3tmp@comcast.net</a> or call 215-443-5656.								
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WARC MEMBER NA	ME		C	ALL SIGN				
PERSON	IS (12 and older) @ \$10.00 p	er perso	n	\$	_			
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