

W3PIE NEWSLETTER

JULY 2023

Just some of the things going on in the Uniontown Amateur Radio Club



President's Message – Bunny Horvath, WA3NGA

Well folks I guess we can say we made it. June has come and gone and a busy month it was. We capped it off with a very successful Field Day. We didn't break last year's record but we had a great time and although the weather folks had all gloom and doom for the weekend the weather cooperated very nicely actually.

I believe if there is only one thing that we need to modify it is the time that we meet for breakfast. Seven o'clock was way too early considering the fact that we had everything transported, assembled, and just sat around talking about Field Day by 12:30 PM anxiously awaiting the 2:00 PM starting time. Oh well, a lesson learned.

On to the month of July we go. We have our usual meetings planned but let us not forget that for the meeting on the evening of July the 5th we have a cookout planned, with our honorary chef KC3QWL (Doug) flipping the burgers. Please plan to attend and remember to get there early. Sometime in the neighborhood of 5:30 PM would allow for time for your food to settle before we have our meeting.

I'm sure that the meeting will be a quick one but let us not forget the next major event that is in our sights, the W3PIE ANNUAL GABFEST. We have to continue preparing for it as there is a lot that needs to be coordinated to make this year's Gabfest as successful as last year's. Please note, and pass the word if you will, that advance tickets for the Gabfest are NOW ON SALE.

I'm sure that there will be a flyer attached to this Newsletter explaining the pricing that is available for the tickets. There are some fantastic deals to be had if you purchase them early. We have some very nice prizes lined up so it would be to your advantage to buy early.

With that being said, please try to attend our meetings because we will need volunteers to help work the Gabfest and we will need people to donate items that we will need for this event. It's important that we have good attendance at our meetings so that we all will be in tune with what's going on.

Let's not forget that this is OUR GABFEST and we need everyone's help to pull this off. I'm sure that there will be more information forth coming so please keep an ear to the radio waves on 147.045 MHz.

Just one final word, this is OUR CLUB, and we need ALL of the help that we can get to make it the success that it is. So please step up to the plate to help out whenever we need your help.

Thanks to all of you for helping when you can and 73.

Bunny - WA3NGA
President of W3PIE

2023 Calendar – Jim Kenney, KC3BHN

Day	January
1	New Years Day
4	W3PIE Reg Meeting
16	Martin L King
18	W3PIE W&M Meeting
25	W3PIE Workshop
28	Winter Field Day
29	Winter Field Day

Day	February
1	W3PIE Reg Meeting
2	Groundhog Day
5	VE Testing
14	Valentines Day
15	W3PIE W&M Meeting
20	Presidents Day
22	W3PIE Work Shop

Day	March
1	W3PIE Reg Meeting
	Daylight Savings Starts
12	W3PIE W&M Meetings
15	W3PIE W&M Meetings
17	St. Patrick's Day
20	Spring Begins
22	W3PIE Workshop

Day	April
5	W3PIE Reg Meeting
18	Tax Day
19	W3PIE W&M Meeting
26	W3PIE Workshop
TBA	Drill/SET
TBA	DX Road Trip

Day	May
3	W3PIE Reg Meeting
7	VE Testing
14	Mothers Day
17	W3PIE W&M Meeting
24	W3PIE Work Shop
29	Memorial Day
TBA	DX Road Trip

Day	June
7	W3PIE Reg Meeting
14	Flag Day
18	Father's Day
21	W3PIE W&M Meeting
21	Summer Begins
28	W3PIE Workshop
24	Summer Field Day
25	Summer Field Day

Day	July
1-7	13 Colonies Contest
4	Independence Day
5	W3PIE Reg Meeting
19	W3PIE W&M Meeting
26	W3PIE Workshop

Day	August
2	W3PIE Reg Meeting
TBA	DX Eng. Hamfest
12	Gabfest
12	VE Testing
16	W3PIE W&M Meeting
23	W3PIE Work Shop

Day	September
6	W3PIE Reg Meeting
3	VE Testing
4	Labor Day
20	W3PIE W&M Meeting
22	Fall Begins
27	W3PIE Workshop
TBA	DX Road Trip

Day	October
4	W3PIE Reg Meeting
7-8	PA QSO Party
9	Columbus Day
18	W3PIE W&M Meeting
14-15	BSA JOTA
18	W3PIE W&M Meeting
25	W3PIE Workshop
31	Halloween
TBA	Drill/SET

Day	November
1	W3PIE Reg Meeting
11	Veterans Day
15	W3PIE W&M Meeting
23	Thanksgiving

Day	December
TBA	W3PIE Xmas Party
6	W3PIE Reg Meeting
3	VE Testing
20	W3PIE W&M Meeting
21	Winter Begins
24	Christmas Eve
25	Christmas
31	New Years Eve

ARRL invited members to participate in a dues survey in May. If you are one of the over 20,000 members who participated...THANK YOU! The survey results are being used by the ARRL Board of Directors to aid their analysis and discussions. The Board will hold its Second Meeting, July 21 - 22, 2023, when we anticipate any decisions or outcomes involving dues.

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Survey conducted in May 2023.

Total of 20,077 members responded.

Member Response Rate by Division

16.9% Dakota
16.6% Midwest
15.9% Central
15.7% New England
15% Roanoke
14.3% West Gulf
14.1% Delta
14% Great Lakes
13.6% Rocky Mountain
13.6% Southeastern
12.6% Hudson
12.4% Pacific
11.7% Atlantic
10.5% Northwestern
10% International
9.8% Southwestern

QUESTION 1. Members receive all four ARRL magazines in digital format. If we were to separate the printed magazine from being included in the base membership, would you still choose to receive it as an add on?

43% I want a printed magazine included with my ARRL membership
39% I'll go digital only
18% I would pay more to add a printed magazine to my membership

QUESTION 2. Which of the following ARRL membership benefits, services, and programs have you used in the last 12 months? (Please select all that apply)

16,579 Printed edition of QST and/or On the Air magazines
11,735 Members-only e-newsletters, including ARRL News and the weekly ARRL Letter
10,933 Digital editions of ARRL magazines
8,861 Logbook of The World – LoTW
7,907 Product reviews and ARRL Lab equipment testing

7,026 E-mail forwarding service (your_callsign@arrl.net)
6,867 ARRL's online, searchable Periodical Archive
4,039 ARRL Radiosport; contests, events, and awards
3,945 Amateur Radio Emergency Service – ARES
3,762 ARRL Volunteer Examiner
2,120 Help with FCC rules, antenna/zoning restrictions. (ARRL Regulatory Information Branch)
2,026 ARRL Learning Center (learn.arrl.org)
1,897 Outgoing QSL Bureau
1,529 Help with technical and operating questions, or using the ARRL Technical Information Service
1,439 Ham Radio Equipment Insurance Plan
978 I am active as an ARRL Field Organization Volunteer
546 NONE OF THESE

QUESTION 3. I value my membership for ARRL's work in the following areas: (Please select all that apply)

15,662 Spectrum defense
14,605 Advocacy in local, national, and international regulation and policymaking
13,766 Promoting amateur radio to the public
13,531 Support for amateur radio licensing, instruction, and exams
12,953 ARRL's fight against interference and spectrum pollution
12,652 ARRL books and published content
9,852 On-air ARRL contests and events. (Field Day, International DX, Sweepstakes, VHF, etc.)
9,331 STEM outreach; schools, teachers, and youth
8,996 Finding hamfests and conventions (www.arrl.org/hamfests)
555 NONE OF THESE

QUESTION 4. ARRL cannot continue to operate at the current dues level. What annual dues rate do you feel is reasonable for ARRL to set?

39% \$59
28% \$54
17 % \$49 (current dues rate)
9% \$69
7% \$64

Average of all responses = \$57.14

Average of only responses for increasing dues = \$58.79

QUESTION 5. Do you (or could you) support ARRL financially beyond annual dues through Diamond Club, Spectrum Defense Fund, or other donation opportunities?

67% Not at this time
14% I am willing to
10% I am unwilling
9% I already do

QUESTION 6. ARRL Life Membership does not cover expenses for the membership. For future Life Memberships should ARRL:

45% Have Life Membership be priced at a level that covers program costs

24% Keep Life Membership as it is

19% Change Life Membership from a paid program with benefits to a recognition program based on years of membership

12% Eliminate Life Membership

QUESTION 7 included open-ended responses.

QUESTION 8. Do you consider yourself an active ham?

58% Yes

26% Kind of

6% No

QUESTION 9. Which of the following statements best describes your participation in amateur radio? (Please select all that apply)

14,667 Ham radio is the hobby of a lifetime.

10,371 When all else fails... amateur radio.

10,311 I want to tune in the world with amateur radio.

7,461 Ham radio influenced my education and/or career.

7,217 I want to know how radio works.

4,048 All my friends are hams. I enjoy being a part of the community.

3,279 Why buy equipment when you can build it yourself!?

1,948 I long for the days of vacuum tubes.

727 NONE OF THESE

QUESTION 10. Without ARRL, amateur radio might not exist today.

53% True

37% Maybe

10% False

QUESTION 11. What, if anything, might help you stay active (or become more active) in amateur radio? (Please select one)

24% Other hams who share my interests

19% Online, recorded, courses and training

19% NOTHING

12% Support from a local radio club

10% OTHER

8% Help with my own station and equipment

4% A mentor

4% Online, live, interactive training

QUESTION 12. ARRL currently sells an end-fed half-wave antenna kit. Should ARRL offer more kits and radio products?

79% Yes

21% No

QUESTION 13 included open-ended responses.

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OF NOTE: ONLY 12% OF ARRL MEMBERS TOOK THE TIME TO VOTE IN THIS SURVEY – ED.

FOR SALE – Cory Sickles, WA3UVV

Kenwood TS-520 HF Transceiver with narrow (500 Hz) CW filter, \$275.
Contact Cory via email wa3uvv@gmail.com

NEW MEMBER

We welcome new member Ray Gottfried, KA3QFD. Ray holds a General license.

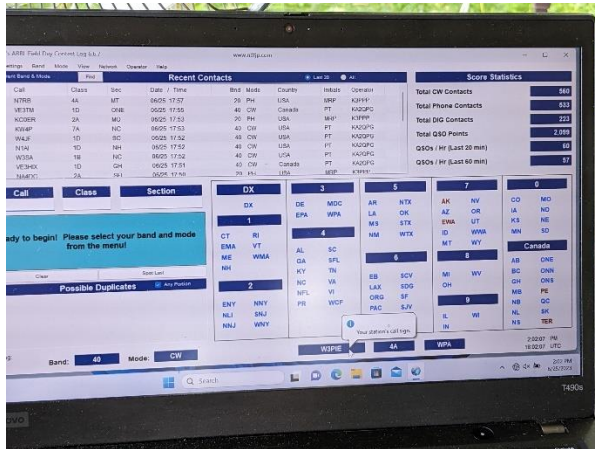
GABFEST PREPARATIONS

Our club property is in need of some preparations work, in the way of weed trimming around building perimeters, pavilion cleaning, and more. If more than just “the regular suspects” respond, the effort will be quick and light in nature.

Please coordinate with George, WA3OGQ, for details and best times.

ARRL FIELD DAY PICTURES – KA2QPG, K3PPP, KC3BHN, KC3PBY







KEYSTONE WIDE – REAL-TIME STATUS

You can instantly see the status of the Keystone-Wide WIRES-X room that W3PIE supports, by pointing your favorite browser to: [Live WiresX Connections \(w3kwh.net\)](http://Live WiresX Connections (w3kwh.net)) – courtesy of the Steel City ARC.

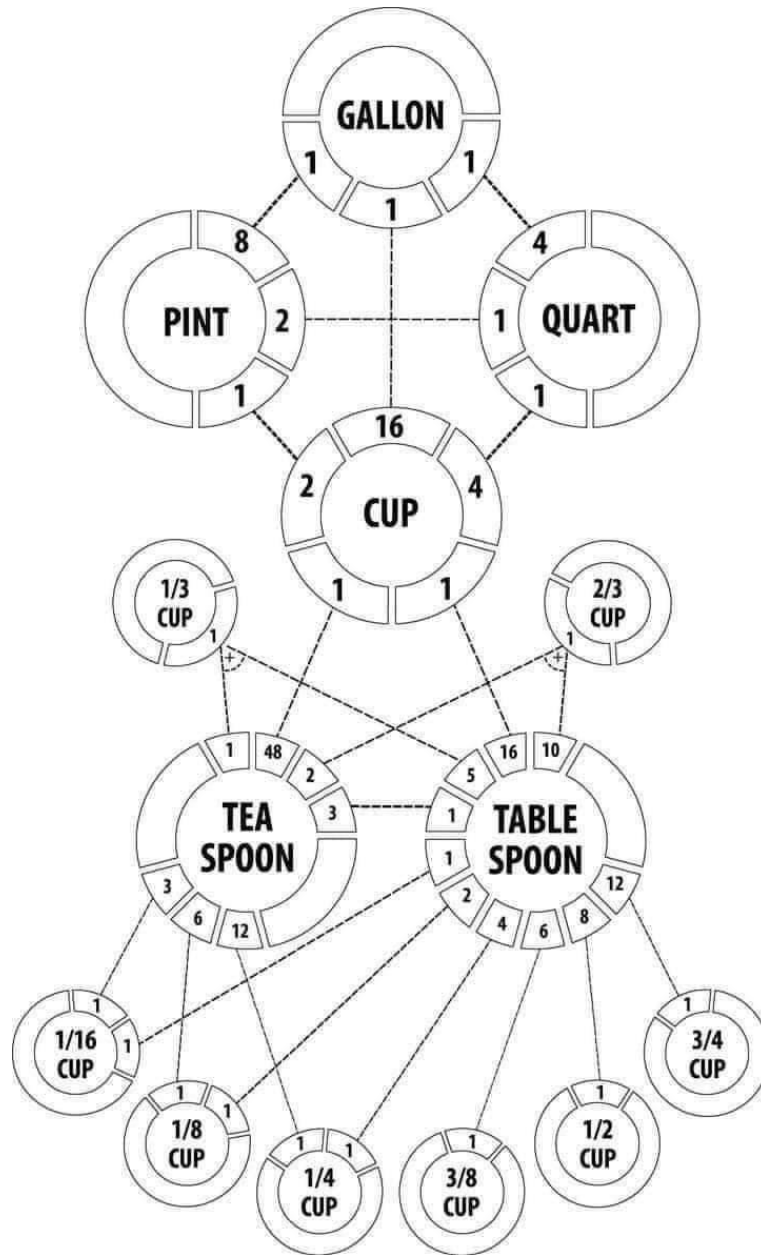
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1	K3DS	K3DS-ND	75346	Newtown Square	Pennsylvania	USA		MARC Paoli PA Repeater
2	K3LV/R	K3LV-RPT	55931	Manheim	Pennsylvania	USA		447.925 mHz K3LV repeater
3	K3MJW	K3MJW-RPT	11845	New Kensington	Pennsylvania	USA		Skyview Radio Society K3MJW 444.525+ in KEYSTONE-WIDE room
4	K3PSP	K3PSP-RPT	90253	Washington	Pennsylvania	USA		K3PSP Repeater System 145.49
5	KE3PO	KE3PO-ND	18924	Latrobe	Pennsylvania	USA		Westmoreland Emergency Amateur Radio Service
6	N3BJY	N3BJY-RPT	33491	Evans City	Pennsylvania	USA		N3BJY Evans City
7	NQ3U	NQ3U-ND	11857	Mohrsville	Pennsylvania	USA		Berks Amateur Radio Club K3TI RF link to 145.150 MHz.
8	W3KWH	W3KWH-RPT	33352	Carnegie	Pennsylvania	USA		Steel City ARC Repeater 444.450 Mhz
9	W3PIE	W3PIE-ND	50328	Uniontown	Pennsylvania	USA		
10	K3FZT	WB3JOE/R-D	75218	Philadelphia	Pennsylvania	USA		MARC Repeater 444.050 MHz at Mercy Fitzgerald Hospital Darby

***TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ADVANCE TICKET SALES FOR
OUR 73RD GABFEST.***

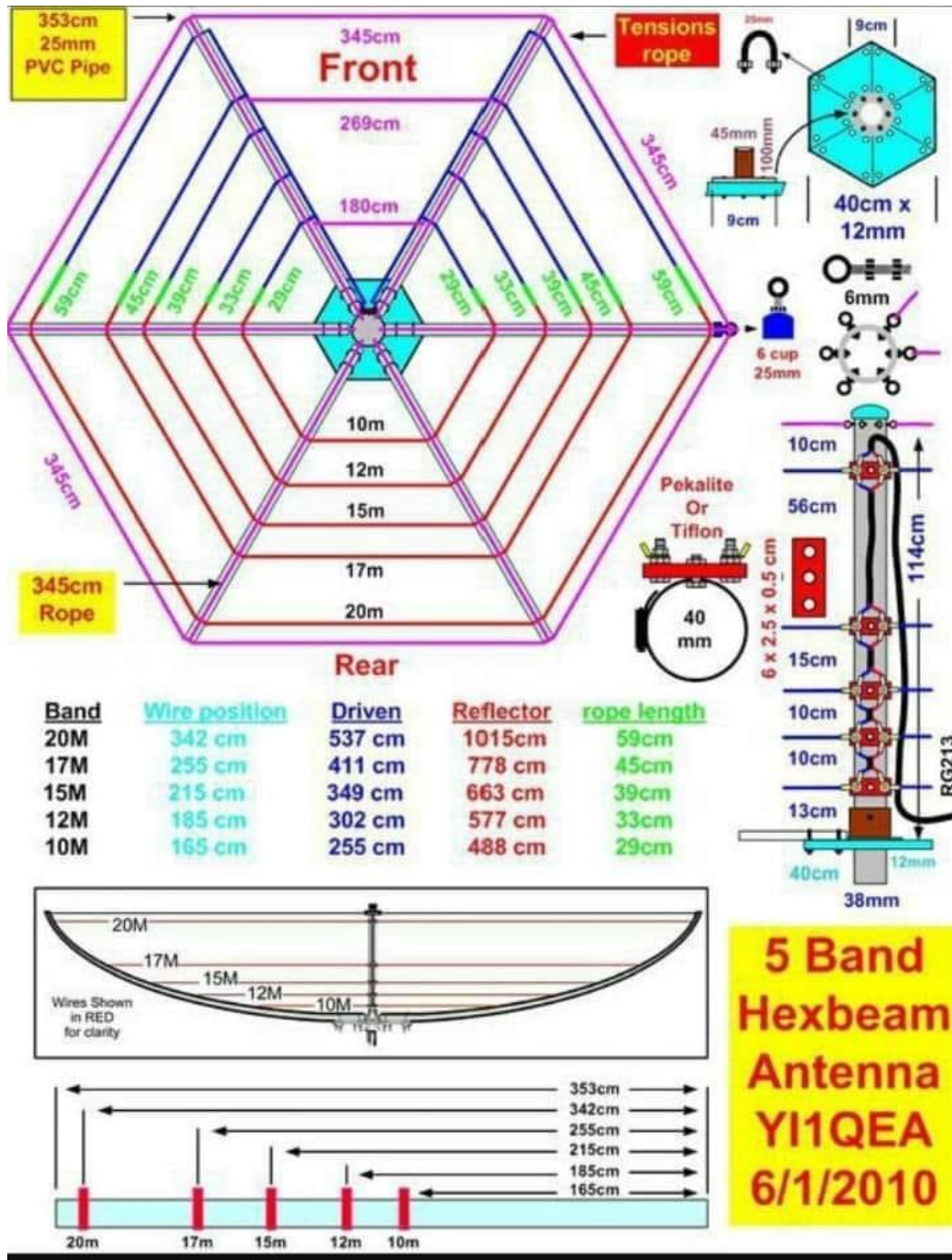
MORE TICKETS FOR YOU – FOR LESS MONEY

IT'S AN EXCELLENT WAY TO SUPPORT THE CLUB

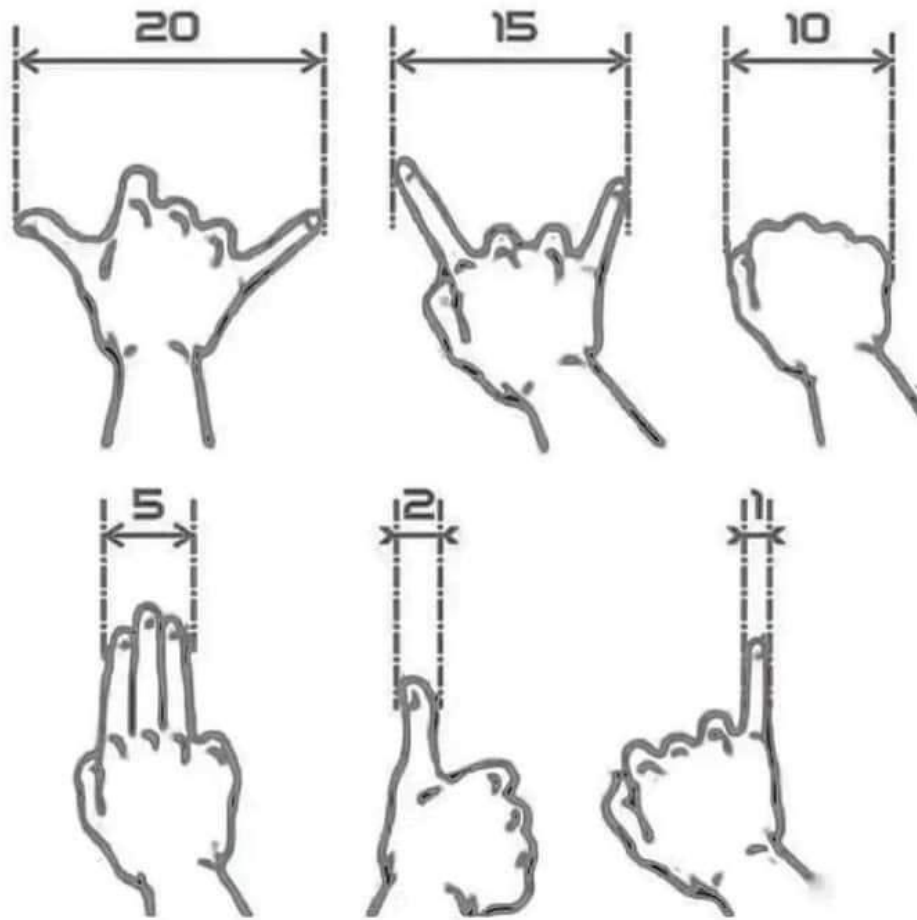
KNOWLEDGE POTPOURRI – Cory Sickles, WA3UVV



Liquid Conversions



Homebrew Hexbeam



Hand Approximations for Centimeters

Somerset County PA Hamfest



Presented by the Somerset County Amateur Radio Club
P.O. Box 1241
Somerset, PA 15501

Date Change

Talk-In on K3SMT Repeaters
147.195+ PL 123 and 443.250+ PL
123

Same Place



ARRL
Sanctioned

Sunday, July 10, 2022– 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Free Parking

Where: Somerset County Technology Center
281 Technology Drive, Somerset, PA 15501

Grounds Open at 6:00 AM for vendors and tailgaters.

Entrance Fee: **Adults \$5.00, children under 13 FREE**
Indoor Tables: Pre-Registration Required

Free Coffee

ARRL VE Testing
at 10:00 AM
Fee \$15.00

Main Prizes by KJI Electronics

FIRST PRIZE

Yaesu FT-891 HF/60Mhz All Mode Mobile Transceiver

SECOND PRIZE

Yaesu FTM-6000R Dual Band FM Transceiver

THIRD PRIZE

Yaesu FT-70DR Dual Band C4FM Digital HT

FOURTH PRIZE

Yaesu FT-4XR Dual Band FM HT

Main Prize Tickets \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5 or 25 for \$20

Additional main prizes from DX Engineering, ARRL and more!

Door prizes from KJI and more!

and Black Box Drawing 50 tickets at \$5.00 each



Food menu by My Girls



ENGINEERING



KJI Plans to Attend


America's County[®]
SOMERSET • PENNSYLVANIA

No-cost Pre-Registration
REQUIRED
for indoor space
contact Stew, AK3J at
ak3j@arrl.net or 814-444-0637
for flyer updates visit
www.k3smt.org

Directions from PA Turnpike Exit 110

Go straight off ramp and turn left at 4th stoplight onto Route 31 East

Go 2.0 miles and turn left onto Technology Drive.

The Hamfest will be on your right behind the building



For more local events and attractions see: www.laurelhighlands.org
for Hamfest updates www.k3smt.org and
www.arrl.org/hamfests/somerset-county-arc-hamfest

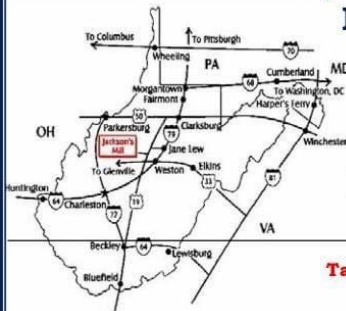


65th

West Virginia State Amateur Radio Convention



Saturday, July 29, 2023
Days Inn and Conference Center
Flatwoods, West Virginia



Traveling South on I-79

- Take Exit 67
- Turn left
- Turn Right
- Turn Left onto Days Drive

North on I-79

- Take Exit 67
- Turn right
- Turn Right again
- Turn Left onto Days Drive

Talk-In: -145.29 (pl tone 91.5)

Flea Market

QCWA Booth

MARS Booth

**Awards to be
presented:**

- WV Outstanding Amateur of the Year
- Field Day
- WV QSO Party Standings

WV Nets Meeting

• **ARES® Forum**

• **Technical Forum**

Keynote Speaker:

TBD

ARRL Forum:

Dr. Jim Boehner, N2ZZ
Roanoke Division Director

Bill Morene, N1COP
Roanoke Division Vice Director

DX Forum:

WV DX Association

VE Exams

Mountain State VE Team

WV State Radio Council

Meeting @ 1:00 PM

Main Prize Drawing &

WVSARC Auction @ 5:00 P

Lodging Reserve in Advance:

Days Inns & Suites

350 Days Dr. Sutton, WV

Call for Reservations

304-765-5055

Group rate: (Amateur Radio)

**Table Reservations/pre
ticket sales**

Rich Clemens, KB8AOB

Treasurer, WVSARC

304-439-8421

kb8aob@arrl.net

Other Questions:

Ed Messenger, N8OYY

President, WVSARC

304-517-9715

n8oyy@arrl.net

**For Convention Updates, Watch the WV State
Amateur Radio Council and ARRL SM WV
Website:**

<http://www.qsl.net/wvsarc/>

PRIZES:

- Yaesu DX-10 HF/50 Mhz
- Yaesu FT-2980R VHF/UHF-FM Mobile
- Yaesu FT-65R VHF/UHF 2M Handheld
- Yaesu FT-65R VHF/UHF 2M Handheld

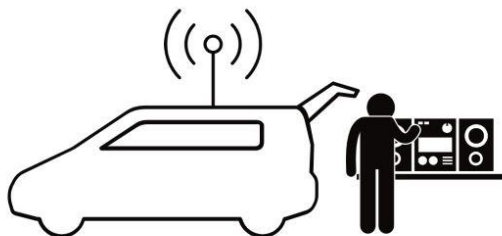
WACOM HAMFEST

July 30
8am-1pm

FREE TO ENTER
FREE TO SELL
TAILGATING

WASHINGTON CROWNE CENTER
MALL (REAR PARKING AREA
NEAR BONTON ENTRANCE)
1500 W CHESTNUT ST,
WASHINGTON, PA 15301

*Ham radio or electronics related



Raffle

- | | |
|------------------------------|---------------|
| 1. Yaesu FT-710 - Base | \$2 each |
| 2. Yaesu FTM-300DR - Mobile | \$5 for 3 |
| 3. Yaesu FT5DR - Handheld | \$10 for 7 |
| * Drawing at Noon | \$20 for 15 |
| * Winner need not be present | \$50 for 40 |
| | \$100 for 100 |

Tune to 147.54 simplex for on-site announcements



Talk-In on the K3PSP Repeater System

146.790- No Tone, Washington

147.285+ 131.8 Tone, Scenery Hill

145.250- 131.8 Tone, West Alexander

147.390+ 131.8 Tone, Smith Twp

147.315+ 131.8 Tone, Waynesburg

Contact Info

Hamfest Chairman:

Tom Wright, N3WS;

tom.n3ws@protonmail.com

72nd SVARC Berryville Hamfest

Sunday, August 6, 2023

Always the first Sunday of August!

Clarke County Fair Grounds

890 West Main Street

Berryville, Virginia, 22611

Gate opens at 6:00AM

Vendor Buildings Open by 8:00AM

- General Admission \$10.00 cash per person, children under 16 free
- Additional \$10.00 per space for tailgaters—no reservations. First come, first served
- Commercial and indoor tables by reservation (see vendor form registration link below)
- Country ham and egg breakfast at 7 am
- Concessions and snack bar available
- Grand Prizes and hourly drawings
- County park with pool, picnic area, and playground opposite hamfest
- Camping spaces available Saturday night – \$15 per vehicle – limited hookups
- QSL card checking (for awards) at the ARRL table – Ruritan building, 8 to 11 AM
- Large tailgating area with ample shade under the big oak trees
- Electric power is available for testing purposes at various places within the tailgating area

RURITAN FAIRGROUND RULES: NO pets, pornography, or weapons

Vendor spaces are available in all buildings for the 2023 Berryville Hamfest pending confirmation from last year's vendors. Click the Vendor Registration button below to let us know your interest. First come, first served.

ac_unit The Horticulture Building is now air conditioned !! ac_unit

Reserve your tables today!



Uniontown Amateur Radio Club



73rd Annual Gabfest Saturday, August 12, 2023



*The Uniontown Amateur Radio Club – W3PIE will conduct our
73rd Annual GABFEST on
Saturday, August 12, 2023!*

The gates open around 8:00 AM with vendors welcome at any time Friday or starting at 6:00 AM Saturday!

The GABFEST will be held at the Radio Club Grounds located on Old Pittsburgh Road just off Northgate Highway/RT 43 Mon Fayette Expressway— near RT 51 and US RT 119 in Uniontown, PA

*Talk in will be provided on 147.045 + (Full Time PL 131.8) Just call for W3PIE Gabfest Talk-In.
This talk-in is provided for directions and Gabfest information. No check in is needed if you know how to get here!*

*As always, free parking is available! Refreshments available! Free Swap-N-Shop Set-up with registration!
Check our web site prior to the event for Covid 19 Restriction Updates.*

Hamfest Prizes for our event !

- 1st Prize : Yaesu FTM-400DX**
- 2nd Prize : Yaesu FTM-200DX**
- 3rd Prize : Yaesu FT-70D**
- 4th Prize : Yaesu FT- 70D**

WPA ARRL DCCX Card Checker
Tim Hanwalt "N3DL" Will be at Gabfest.

Address of UARC-W3PIE is 433 Old Pittsburgh Rd, Uniontown, PA

Contact Tony Alviar 724-430-1277 (M-F 8-4) or George Syner 724-439-1554
(leave message if no answer) if more information is needed. Also,
Information is available anytime on 147.045 + (Full Time PL 131.8).
Additionally- email officers@w3pie.org for information

Look forward to seeing everyone this year!



Uniontown Amateur Radio Club

*UARC-W3PIE would like to announce that this year -
Advance Registration is available for the hamfest and for prizes.*

Prices are as follows for tickets:

*5 tickets for \$5 15 tickets for \$10 35 tickets for \$20
80 tickets for \$40 100 tickets for \$50 250 tickets for \$100*

**DEADLINE FOR ADVANCE PRICES
IS AUGUST 2, 2023!!**

As an incentive for advance registration we are offering:

*2 additional tickets if you spend \$5 for advance registration
5 additional tickets if you spend \$10 for advance registration
15 additional tickets if you spend \$20 for advance registration
30 additional tickets if you spend \$40 for advance registration
50 additional tickets if you spend \$50 for advance registration
100 additional tickets if you spend \$100 for advance registration*

Please fill out the form below and return with your check or
money order payable to **Uniontown Amateur Radio Club, Inc.**
Uniontown Amateur Radio Club, Inc., W3PIE
George Syner, Treasurer
433 Old Pittsburgh Road, Uniontown, PA 15401

I would like to purchase: (Please check one)

(Advance price ticket deadline is August 2, 2023, Order form AND PAYMENT must be received by then!!)

<input type="checkbox"/> 5 Tickets + 2 free for \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> 80 tickets + 30 free for \$40
<input type="checkbox"/> 15 tickets + 5 free for \$10	<input type="checkbox"/> 100 tickets + 50 free for \$50
<input type="checkbox"/> 35 tickets + 15 free for \$20	<input type="checkbox"/> 250 tickets + 100 free for \$100

Please select one of the following options:

I will be attending this year's hamfest. Please hold my tickets and stubs in Will Call, I will pick them up at the hamfest.

I will not be attending the hamfest but would like to support W3PIE. Please mail my tickets, put my name on the stubs and place in the prize barrel! (Your tickets may not arrive at your home before the hamfest but your stubs will be placed in the barrel when we receive your check.)

Call Sign: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Telephone Number: (In case we have questions concerning your order) _____



2023 SKYVIEW RADIO SOCIETY SWAP N SHOP!

SUNDAY AUGUST 27, 2023 8:00am until 1:00pm
LOCATED AT OUR CLUB GROUNDS NEAR NEW KENSINGTON PA
Aprox 13 miles northeast of Pittsburgh
2335 Turkey Ridge Road
New Kensington, PA 15068
Talk-in 146.640- 131.8pl
Admission \$5.00 – Table space is \$5.00 (Bring your own table)

Great prizes

Door prizes

Begali CW key raffle

Breakfast and lunch served

Get your Skyview Burger and your Skyview Dipole Hotdog!

Contact: John Italiano WA3KFS - 724-339-3821

K3mjw@arrl.net

<https://www.facebook.com/SkyviewRadioSociety>

Location is near the intersection of Rt. 366 and Rt. 380

From Apollo / Leechburg: Take Rt. 66 S to Rt. 380. Take 380 W to Rt. 366. Take Rt. 366 W (toward New Kensington) to the end of the 4 lane. Go ¼ mile past the end of the 4 lane. Turn right on Whitten Hollow Road. Go about ½ mile to first stop sign. Turn right on Turkey Ridge Road. Go about ½ mile to top of hill. Skyview is on the left.

From New Kensington: Take Rt. 366 E. Go about 5 miles from the Parnassas area. Look for the Hannan Building on the left. Go about 100 yards past the Hannan Building (If you get to the 4 lane, you went too far). Turn left on Whitten Hollow Road. Go about ½ mile to first stop sign. Turn right on Turkey Ridge Road. Go about ½ mile to top of hill. Skyview is on the left.

From Monroeville / Parkway: Take Rt. 286 E to Rt. 380 E. Take Rt. 380 E to Rt. 366. Take Rt. 366 W (toward New Kensington) to the end of the 4 lane. Go ¼ mile past the end of the 4 lane. Turn right on Whitten Hollow Road. Go about ½ mile to first stop sign. Turn right on Turkey Ridge Road. Go about ½ mile to top of hill. Skyview is on the left.

From Greensburg: Take Rt. 66 N to Rt. 366. Take Rt. 366 W (toward New Kensington). Cross over Route 380 and then go to the end of the 4 lane. Go ¼ mile past the end of the 4 lane. Turn right on Whitten Hollow Road. Go about ½ mile to first stop sign. Turn right on Turkey Ridge Road. Go about ½ mile to top of hill. Skyview is on the left.



Butler County's #1 Amateur Radio Club

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sponsors



Tower
Electronics

BCARA W3UDX Swapfest 2023

Date: September 10th, 2023
Time: 8:00am - 3:00pm

Location: Unionville Fire Department (See Map)
Address: 102 Mahood Rd Butler, PA 16001

Latitude: 40.938728 N
Longitude: 79.959711 W

Talk-In: 147.360 + (0.600) 131.8 Hz / 131.8 Hz

In case of inclement weather, the SwapFest will be,
held indoors at the fire hall, and parking will be
available on the asphalt.

Breakfast and lunch is available.

VE Testing during the Swapfest

>>> FREE COFFEE! <<<

Flyer

THANK YOU
sponsors



AIRBOSS





Click on the [+](#) link to view detailed information about a contest.

Weekly Contests

+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	0000Z-0100Z, Monday (Jul 3)
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1300Z-1400Z, Monday (Jul 3)
+ OK1WC Memorial	1630Z-1729Z, Monday (Jul 3)
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1900Z-2000Z, Monday (Jul 3)
+ Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest	0100Z-0159Z, Tuesday (Jul 4)
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	0300Z-0400Z, Tuesday (Jul 4)
+ Phone Weekly Test	0230Z-0300Z, Wednesday (Jul 5)
+ A1Club AWT	1200Z-1300Z, Wednesday (Jul 5)
+ CWops Test	1300Z-1400Z, Wednesday (Jul 5)
+ Mini-Test 40	1700Z-1759Z, Wednesday (Jul 5)
+ Mini-Test 80	1800Z-1859Z, Wednesday (Jul 5)
+ CWops Test	1900Z-2000Z, Wednesday (Jul 5)
+ CWops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Thursday (Jul 6)
+ CWops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Thursday (Jul 6)
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0100Z-0230Z, Friday (Jul 7)
+ NCCC FT4 Sprint	0100Z-0130Z, Friday (Jul 7)
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Friday (Jul 7)
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Friday (Jul 7)
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	2000Z-2100Z, Friday (Jul 7)

July 3 - 9

+ RSGB 80m Club Championship, CW	1900Z-2030Z, Jul 3
+ ARS Spartan Sprint	0100Z-0300Z, Jul 4
+ VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	1700Z-2100Z, Jul 5
+ Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest	0000Z-0100Z, Jul 6 and 0200Z-0300Z, Jul 7
+ NRAU 10m Activity Contest	1700Z-1800Z, Jul 6 (CW) and 1800Z-1900Z, Jul 6 (SSB) and 1900Z-2000Z, Jul 6 (FM) and 2000Z-2100Z, Jul 6 (Dig)
+ SKCC Sprint Europe	2000Z-2200Z, Jul 6
+ SKCC Weekend Sprintathon	1200Z, Jul 8 to 2400Z, Jul 9
+ IARU HF World Championship	1200Z, Jul 8 to 1200Z, Jul 9
+ PODXS 070 Club 40m Firecracker Sprint	2000Z, Jul 8 to 2000Z, Jul 9
+ QRP ARCI Summer Homebrew Sprint	2000Z-2300Z, Jul 9

July 10 - 16

+ 4 States QRP Group Second Sunday Sprint	0000Z-0200Z, Jul 10
+ VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	1700Z-2100Z, Jul 12

+ RSGB 80m Club Championship, SSB	1900Z-2030Z, Jul 12
+ EACW Meeting	1900Z-2000Z, Jul 13
+ Russian Radio Team Championship	0700Z-1459Z, Jul 15
+ Trans-Tasman Low-Bands Challenge	0800Z-1400Z, Jul 15
+ Feld Hell Sprint	1200Z-1359Z, Jul 15
+ IARU Region 1 70 MHz Contest	1400Z, Jul 15 to 1400Z, Jul 16
+ CQ Worldwide VHF Contest	1800Z, Jul 15 to 2100Z, Jul 16
+ North American QSO Party, RTTY	1800Z, Jul 15 to 0559Z, Jul 16
+ RSGB International Low Power Contest	0900Z-1200Z and 1300Z-1600Z, Jul 16
+ Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	2300Z, Jul 16 to 0100Z, Jul 17

July 17 - 23

+ RSGB FT4 Contest	1900Z-2030Z, Jul 17
+ VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	1700Z-2100Z, Jul 19
+ Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest	0000Z-0100Z, Jul 20 and 0200Z-0300Z, Jul 21
+ NAQCC CW Sprint	0030Z-0230Z, Jul 20
+ NTC QSO Party	1900Z-2000Z, Jul 20
+ Maidenhead Mayhem Contest	0000Z, Jul 22 to 2359Z, Jul 30
+ YOTA Contest	1000Z-2159Z, Jul 22
+ ARAM 50 MHz Contest	1200Z, Jul 22 to 1200Z, Jul 23

July 24 - 30

+ SKCC Sprint	0000Z-0200Z, Jul 26
+ RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data	1900Z-2030Z, Jul 27
+ MARAC US Counties QSO Party	0000Z, Jul 29 to 2400Z, Jul 30
+ Feld Hell Sprint	0000Z-2359Z, Jul 29
+ RSGB IOTA Contest	1200Z, Jul 29 to 1200Z, Jul 30
+ WAB 144 MHz Low Power Phone	1400Z-1800Z, Jul 29
+ ARS Flight of the Bumblebees	1700Z-2100Z, Jul 30

July 31 - August 6

+ QCX Challenge	1300Z-1400Z, Jul 31
+ QCX Challenge	1900Z-2000Z, Jul 31
+ QCX Challenge	0300Z-0400Z, Aug 1
+ ZL Sprint	0800Z-0829Z (CW), Aug 1 and 0830Z-0859Z (SSB), Aug 1
+ VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	1700Z-2100Z, Aug 2
+ Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest	0000Z-0100Z, Aug 3 and 0200Z-0300Z, Aug 4
+ NRAU 10m Activity Contest	1700Z-1800Z, Aug 3 (CW) and 1800Z-1900Z, Aug 3 (SSB) and 1900Z-2000Z, Aug 3 (FM) and 2000Z-2100Z, Aug 3 (Dig)
+ SKCC Sprint Europe	2000Z-2200Z, Aug 3
+ Batavia FT8 Contest	0000Z, Aug 5 to 2359Z, Aug 6

+ HARC Anniversary QSO Party	0001Z, Aug 5 to 2359Z, Aug 6
+ 10-10 Int. Summer Contest, SSB	0001Z, Aug 5 to 2359Z, Aug 6
+ North American QSO Party, CW	1800Z, Aug 5 to 0559Z, Aug 6
+ ARRL 222 MHz and Up Distance Contest	1800Z, Aug 5 to 1800Z, Aug 6
+ SARL HF Phone Contest	1400Z-1700Z, Aug 6

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