



OLD BARNEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB N2OB



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2019

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at 7:30pm
Ocean Acres Community Center 489 Nautilus Drive Manahawkin, NJ

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

December is a festive month. With Christmas and Hanukkah just around the corner followed shortly after by New Years, I wanted to do something different for our coffee break. I ordered a special surprise that I know you will enjoy. So please come to our December meeting, and let's start this meeting and month in a festive mood! Just a reminder, elections of all officers and (1) trustee will be done at our December meeting. The following page outlines the procedure. Jim, K2GMT, will be in charge of the elections.

2020 DUES

It is that time of the year that we collect our club dues. The dues remain the same as the past years: \$20.00 for full membership/ \$15.00 for members 65 years old and older. Please see Mike, WA2ACV, at the meeting. If you can't attend the meeting or would just like to pay directly, touch base with Mike. You also can send a check to: Old Barney Amateur Radio Club (OBARC) @ P.O. Box 117, Manahawkin, NJ 08050. Please put your call sign on your check. If you have upgraded your license in the past several years, check with Mike to make sure our roster is up-to-date.

73,
Ira Hosid, N2WAA (n2waa@arrl.net)

CLUB MEETING AND VE TESTING DATE
TUESDAY DECEMBER 3, 2019
MEETING TIME 7:30 PM

Refreshments served / Visitors welcome / Handicap accessible

VE TESTING AT 6:30 PM/DOORS OPEN AT 6:15 PM
PLEASE CONTACT RICHARD E. KENNARD AT: N2RPQ@ARRL@NET

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND TRUSTEE

Annual election of OBARC officers and trustees is scheduled at our December meeting. Nominations from the floor will be taken for all open positions. If more than one candidate runs for a position, we will have a silent ballot to determine the winner.

OFFICERS: President, Vice President, Secretary, & Treasurer.

TRUSTEES: One position will be open: Frank, N2HWL. Frank was filling in because of an open position. Mark, K2MER, has been very busy at work, and cannot complete the balance of his (3) year term. There is (1) year remaining, 2020, that needs to be filled. As per the constitution, the President appoints a person to fill the remaining term. I think it would be appropriate to wait until after elections for the position to be filled.

Nominations may be made in person at the December meetings, as well as via e-mail (address below) until 1600 EST, December 3, 2019. Please include the name and call of the nominee & nominator as well as position sought.

Jim, K2GMT
Nominations Chairman
k2gmt@arrl.net or jvneufell@comcast.net

PRESENTATION FOR DECEMBER MEETING

Urb, W1UL, will present part 1 of a two part presentation on LoTW, Logbook of the World. Whatever logging program you have or if you don't have one, this will be a very interesting presentation.





SWEEPSTAKES!



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ENTER NOW



OBARC Membership,

Enjoying the band openings here in the south! Hexbeam is working wonders with very little power. ICOM IC-9700....loving it so far and trying satellite very soon. Don't forget to enter for the Sweepstakes. Hope to see some of you in Orlando in February for Orland HamCation!!

73,

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Ocean County ARES® News

The next meeting of Ocean County ARES will be on December 18th at 7:00 pm, Ocean County EOC, Robert J. Miller Airpark, Berkeley Township. This will also be our annual holiday party so bring your significant other/guest and appetite. There will be no training nets that evening due to the meeting.

Ocean County ARES will begin conducting VE Test Sessions in January 2020. The schedule can be found on the ARRL website at:

<http://www.arrl.org/find-an-amateur-radio-license-exam-session>

Just enter your zip code to do a search.

The test location is the Ocean County EOC, Robert J. Miller Airpark, Berkeley Township. We will be able to use the small room behind the EOC for more privacy. The 2020 schedule is:

January 21, 2020

March 17, 2020

May 19, 2020

July 21 2020

September 15, 2020

November 17, 2020

You need to make an appointment to take an exam. No walk-ins permitted. To schedule an exam, contact the VE team at VE at WA2RES.com

The Lead VE is John, N2LD. The Team Members are:

KD2FFR, WX2NJ, N2LD, K2JSS, WB2ALJ, N2XW, KB2RUV, N2RPQ, N2QXB, and KC2SBR.

As you know, the 145.170 repeater had to be temporary relocated due to tank painting/maintenance in

Manchester. The output has been limited because of the move. Starting this December, an ARES Team will be designing and planning the re-installation of 145.170. We plan on being done with the install in early 2020 and hopefully we will be able to once again share the nets between 449.825 and 145.170. The temporary repeater

will remain active until the transfer. I ask that you refrain from using the temporary repeater unless necessary since the range is limited and it confuses users. That also means stop keying it for no reason with no ID.

We will continue to hold at least one Skywarn training net each month just prior to the ARES Training Net on the second Tuesday of each month. Anyone can participate, but if you are not a current Skywarn member, I ask that you look into getting certified by taking a basic Skywarn class. Training schedules are on the Mount Holly website. The ARES Taskbook generally requires a re-certification every two years. If you have an older Skywarn number (ABC-XXX), then you are probably due for training, after which you will be issued a new number, OCNJ-XXX.

KUDOS to WB2ALJ and NJ2N for providing communications support in Washington, DC on October 27 for the Marine Corp Marathon (MCM) in the soaking rain. They had a four hour ride to the event and arrived in the middle of the night. Some of the lessons learned by our team were:

1. CHIRP was used by the MCM organizers to distribute frequencies to the teams.
2. USNGapp was used for determining locations versus latitude and longitude.
3. Headsets were a must due to background noise and NJ2N suggests the Heil HTH-K, which fits Kenwoods, Baofeng and Wouxun HT radios.
4. New, inexperienced operators were also paired up with old salts to learn the public service event routine and Elmer them through the process without the new guy getting discouraged and never wanting to return.



WB2ALJ and NJ2N at Marine Corp Marathon, 2019

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Bob Murdock
Ocean County Amateur Radio Emergency Service® EC

ARRL NEWS

More than 1 Million Contacts Logged during ARRL Field Day 2019

11/14/2019

ARRL Contest Program Manager Paul Bourque, N1SFE, reports that nearly 1.1 million contacts were made during the 2019 ARRL Field Day — the most popular operating event in North America. Bourque reported the 2019 ARRL Field Day results, which are available starting on page 64 of the digital edition of the December 2019 issue of QST. Bourque says in his article that more than 36,000 radio amateurs took part in ARRL Field Day 2019 across all 83 ARRL/Radio Amateurs of Canada sections, up slightly from the 35,250 reported last year. The total number of contacts was down by about 7% from 2018's 1.18 million contacts.

"This year, 3,113 entries were received from local clubs and emergency operations centers (EOCs), as well as individual portable, mobile, and home stations," Bourque wrote in QST. Most entries were in Class A — club or non-club groups of three or more.

Of the nearly 1.1 million contacts, approximately 46% were made on phone, and 456,000 (42%) of contacts were made on CW. The remaining 138,000+ (12%) of the contacts were made on digital modes, such as FT8 and RTTY.

"This is a substantial increase compared to 2018, when total QSOs on the digital modes numbered just over 56, 000," Bourque reported. "With the last 2018 release of WSJT-X (which now supports Field Day exchanges), many participants made use of FT8's ability to communicate when band conditions weren't being cooperative."

Top 10 scores ranged between W3AO's Class 14A entry from Maryland-DC, with 32,356 points, to W1NVT's 14,876-point Class 2A entry from Vermont.

Bourque said that 95% of the 3,113 entries received came through the Field Day web applet.

"Not only is ARRL Field Day an opportunity to sharpen operating skills in temporary and portable locations, it's also an occasion to showcase amateur radio to the local community, with clubs often setting up in publicly accessible locations and interacting with non-hams," Bourque wrote.

ARRL Southern New Jersey Section
Section Manager: Tom Preiser, N2XW
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VE Coordinator: Richard E. Kennard N2RPQ (n2rpq@arrl.net)

ARRL 2019 CONTESTS

Phone

16-17 EME-50 to 1296 MHz

December 2019

6-8 160 Meter

14-15 10 Meter

15 Rookie Roundup–CW

OBARC Members, if you know of any member who is not subscribed to the OBARC discussion list, please pass this link along to them. This will get them subscribed. Just fill in the appropriate info.

Note: to post to the list, the email must originate from the same email account that you subscribe.

<http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/obarc>

GOOD & WELFARE UPDATE

CONGRATULATIONS TO URB, W1UL FOR THE AWARDS LISTED BELOW

1. Triple Play award for working each of the 50 states on CW, SSB, and digital. All contacts must be confirmed on LoTW.
2. Digital WAS and a FT8 endorsement.

WAY TO GO URB!



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Club President:	Club Vice President:	Club Secretary:	Club Treasurer:
Ira Hosid N2WAA	Rick Kennard N2RPQ	Bob Wick N2HM	Mike Libonati WA2ACV

TRUSTEES

Tom Preiser N2XW	Mark Roddy K2MER	Frank Piccolo N2HWL
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