



# PEAKS & NULLS



MORRIS RADIO CLUB

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## FIELD DAY IS HERE

We have the Brickyard Field and Fire permits, so bring on Field Day. Again this year we will be running two stations in the Morris Township OEM Trailer. Phone/Digital and CW. Both stations will have the computers linked so that the logging software will show the operators the mode and operating frequency of both stations. Noel's trailer will again be supporting the tower for the Beam. The Phone station will use the Beam for 10/15/20 and a Carolina Windom for 40 and 80. The CW/Digital station will use a Carolina Windom for all bands. We will again be using Harvey's Arbor Slingshot to get the lines for the wire antennas over the light stanchions on the football field.

Remember although we get points for each contact we make and bonus points for Emergency Power and other items Field Day is technically not a contest. It is an emergency drill. There are no prizes awarded. We just get to see how we compare with other groups in the division and around the country. There are groups that go all out to be number one nation wide in their class. That's fine but we go just to have a good time and we always end up in the top quarter of the country.

Again this year everyone will be responsible for their own food and drinks but please remember this is a public park and no alcoholic drinks are allowed. There is a refrigerator in the

trailer and there may be an ice chest available. We have the Fire permit so if anyone wants to bring a grill to cook, be our guest. Sometimes it gets hot on Field Day so Sunblock, water, a hat and a chair are always good things to have. Field Days can also be rainy so it may pay to pack some wet weather gear just in case.

If you have a favorite pair of headphones bring them along. Both the ICOM and Kenwood take a 1/4" phone jack for the headphones.

We will again be set up at Brickyard Field at Bee Meadow Park in the Whippany section of Hanover Township. If you have GPS the coordinates are 40.835438, -74.410889. Those coordinates also work with Google Maps and MapQuest. If you are coming via Route 287 get off at Exit 40 (Northbound) or 40A (Southbound) Parsippany Road. Go south on Parsippany Road toward Whippany. After going through the traffic light at Jefferson Road make the first left onto Bee Meadow Parkway (watch out for the 25 MPH speed limit). Go to the light at Reynolds Ave and make a right. Make the third right onto Pond Road. We will be straight ahead set up on the grass and parking lot of the Municipal Pool. If you have trouble someone will be monitoring the Morris County OEM Repeater 146.895. We should be starting our setup at 10 AM on Saturday The 27th

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## UPCOMING MEETINGS

June 15, 2015 Regular Business Meeting— Field Day Review

June 27, 2015 Field Day— Brickyard Field Bee Meadow Park

No July Meeting

August 17, 2015 Get-Together at Atlanta Bread in Morris Plains. Open to everyone. YL's, XYL's, Harmonics are all invited. Everyone pays their own way.



## SELECTED UPCOMING CONTESTS

ARRL Field Day	1800Z, Jun 27 to 2100Z, Jun 28
DL-DX RTTY Contest	1100Z, Jul 4 to 1059Z, Jul 5
FISTS Summer Slow Speed Sprint	1700Z-2100Z, Jul 4
DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest	1100Z-1700Z, Jul 5
FISTS Summer Sprint	0000Z-0400Z, Jul 11
IARU HF World Championship	1200Z, Jul 11 to 1200Z, Jul 12
Feld Hell Sprint	1600Z-1759Z, Jul 18
CQ Worldwide VHF Contest	1800Z, Jul 18 to 2100Z, Jul 19



## PREDICTED SUNSPOT NUMBER AND RADIO FLUX FOR JULY 2015

**\*\*\*SUNSPOT NUMBER\*\*\***

**\*\*\*10.7 RADIO FLUX\*\*\***

**PREDICTED HIGH LOW**

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62.1 72.1 52.1

115.7 124.7 106.7

### MAY MEETING MINUTES

Morris Radio Club – Meeting Minutes  
May 18, 2015

Attendees (5) K2EMJ, NO2EL, W2GM, WA2VQF, WS2Q and one visitor AG6SN  
A quorum was present.

Opening of Meeting  
President Ed opened the meeting at 7:32 PM

Reports:

Secretary – Bill WA2VQF reported that the April Minutes were issued in the May Peaks and Nulls Newsletter. There were no reported discrepancies.

Mark W2GM moved that the Secretary report be accepted. Noel NO2EL Seconded. The Secretary report was accepted.

Noel NO2EL presented the treasurers reports for April. Treasurer – Noel NO2EL reported the May account balances. There were no changes from the April report

Mark W2GM moved that the Treasurers reports be

accepted. It was seconded by Ed K2EMJ and unanimously accepted.

Old Business:  
Field Day  
We have received the permit for Brickyard Field for Field Day use. We have not received the Fire permit yet. Noel has come up with a beam for 6, 2 and 440 to use on Field Day.  
We have not heard from Morris Township yet about the use of the trailer and a generator but, Harvey has a generator and Mark has a small camper trailer that could be used for one station and the other station could be in Noel's trailer.  
Mark should know more after the Morris Township OEM meeting next week.

Mark checked into the OEM net for the club.

Noel has filed for the extenuation for the IRS report.

The Trustees had a meeting at Noel's house with Steve Weinermann WA2IMS a former member and MRC Treasurer who is a CPA. At the meeting it was discovered that we are not a current corpora-

tion in New Jersey. It was discussed about converting from a 501(c)(3) Trust to a 501(c)(7) Social Club. It was decided to dissolve the club and reincorporate as a new club.

It was also discovered that according to our constitution if the club is dissolved all of the funds have to be donated to the ARRL Scholarship Fund to be added to the Morris Radio Club Scholarship Account. Noel NO2EL moved that we reword Article IV Section 5. Mark W2GM seconded. The new wording will be voted on at the June meeting as a constitutional change.

Harvey will check with his CPA to see if he knows any way to change from a 501(c)(3) to a 501(c)(7). If we cannot do a change and must dissolve and reform as a new club the new name would be "Morris Amateur Radio Club".

There was no new business.

Harvey WS2Q made a motion to close the meeting. Mark W2GM seconded. President Ed closed the meeting at 8:45 PM.

### UPDATE

The problem with the 501(c)(3) has been resolved without any changes to the club structure. Noel was able to contact the IRS and has submitted the paperwork to change our status within 501(c)(3) to enable the postcard report. Noel has also resolved the incorporation problem with the State of New Jersey.

Many thanks to Steve, Harvey and especially Noel who spent a lot of time on the phone and filling out paperwork to straighten everything out.

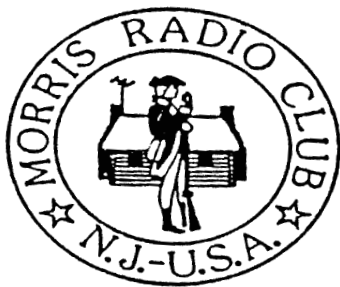


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and we will be taking everything down at 2 PM on Sunday the 28th. If any of you Traffic Handlers are available we could use someone to check into NJVN Early with the Section Manager Message.

If this year is anything like past years we will be having many visitors to our operation so be sure to make them feel welcome and even if you can't take an operating shift be sure to stop by for a visit.

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**ALTHOUGH MANY WHO BECOME INTERESTED IN AMATEUR RADIO ARE INVOLVED IN AN ELECTRONICS RELATED FIELD, THE HOBBY APPEALS TO A WIDE VARIETY OF INDIVIDUALS.**

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## HAMFEST CALENDAR

### W2QW Hamfest

06/20/2015

**Location:** Piscataway High School (Lots 11/12)  
110 Behmer Road  
Piscataway, NJ 08854

**Website:** <http://www.w2qw.org>

### Sussex County ARC Hamfest

07/12/2015

**Location:** Sussex County Farm and Horse Showgrounds  
37 Plains Road  
Augusta, NJ 07822

**Website:** <http://scarcnj.org>