



PEAKS & NULLS

MORRIS RADIO CLUB

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THIS MONTH IN 1949

As you all know February 1949 was the reactivation of the Morris Radio Club. Although it appears to have been active around World War I we have not been able to find any history of those years. On pages four through seven you will find the announcements and minutes from the February 1949 meeting. In the coming months you will see how the

club grew and what challenges the hobby faced in those years. Please keep in mind that I am transcribing the minutes from Tom Winternitz's (W2YTH SK) handwritten script that is sometimes hard to decipher or not readable at all. Every month this year we will print the minutes and activities of the club in 1949.

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POSSIBLE TECHNICIAN LICENSE CLASS

Sid K2GG and Noel NO2EL are working on a joint venture with the Splitrock ARC to hold a one day Technician licensing class based on Noel's Ham-Cram class to be held in the April time frame at Morristown Memorial Hospital. There would also be an open license

exam for any class of license. We will send out an alert if they can get the details worked out. In the meantime if you want to upgrade get studying or if you know of someone that would be interested in taking the class have them contact Noel or Sid.

PODCAST FOR NEW HAMs

The ARRL is starting a new Podcast aimed at new hams. It will start in early March and alternating weeks with "The Doctor is in" Podcast. It is titled "So Now What?" It will look at questions that newer hams have, and the issues that keep them from being active participants in the hobby. Topics to be discussed in the first several episodes include:

Getting Started

Operating modes available to Tech-

nician-class licensees

VEC and licensing issues

The need to be aware of sunspot activity

Mobile Operating

Contesting opportunities

It will be available on the ARRL web site WWW.ARRL.ORG. If you haven't had your license long or if you know someone just starting check it out and see if it helps you enjoy the hobby.



UPCOMING MEETINGS

February 25, 2019 Regular business meeting

(Note: The meeting will be held on the 4th Monday of the month due to the Presidents Day Holiday)

March 18, 2019 Regular business meeting

April 15, 2019 Regular business meeting

May 20, 2019 Regular business meeting

2019 DUES

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Noel NO2EL is now accepting dues payments for 2019. \$15.00 for full membership, \$10.00 for associate. If you have a PayPal account, dues can now be paid by using Pay-Pal.

SELECTED UPCOMING CONTESTS

CQ 160-Meter Contest, SSB	2200Z, Feb 22 to 2200Z, Feb 24
South Carolina QSO Party	1500Z, Feb 23 to 0159Z, Feb 24
NA Collegiate Championship, RTTY	1800Z, Feb 23 to 0559Z, Feb 24
North American QSO Party, RTTY	1800Z, Feb 23 to 0559Z, Feb 24
SARL Digital Contest	1400Z-1700Z, Feb 24
North Carolina QSO Party	1500Z, Feb 24 to 0059Z, Feb 25
UKEICC 80m Contest	2000Z-2100Z, Feb 27
RSGB 80m Club Championship, CW	2000Z-2130Z, Feb 28
ARRL Inter. DX Contest, SSB	0000Z, Mar 2 to 2400Z, Mar 3
Novice Rig Roundup	0000Z, Mar 2 to 2359Z, Mar 10
RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data	2000Z-2130Z, Mar 4
AGCW YL-CW Party	1900Z-2100Z, Mar 5
Idaho QSO Party	1900Z, Mar 9 to 1900Z, Mar 10
Wisconsin QSO Party	1800Z, Mar 10 to 0100Z, Mar 11
RSGB 80m Club Championship, CW	2000Z-2130Z, Mar 13



PREDICTED SUNSPOT NUMBER AND RADIO FLUX FOR MARCH 2016

SUNSPOT NUMBER

PREDICTED HIGH LOW

26.4 35.4 17.4

10.7 RADIO FLUX

PREDICTED HIGH LOW

84.5 92.5 76.5

JANUARY MEETING MINUTES

Morris Radio Club – Meeting Minutes

November 28, 2019

Attendees (7) N1MID, KD2NMX, KC2KNT, KD2JGS, NO2EL, W2GM, WA2VQF

A quorum was present.

Opening of Meeting

President Ed was under the weather and not present so Vice Present Mark W2GM opened the meeting at 7:37 PM

Reports:

Secretary – Bill WA2VQF reported that the November Minutes were issued in the December Peaks and Nulls Newsletter. There was no December meeting so no minutes were published. There were no corrections received.

Ray KC2KNT moved that the Secretary report be accepted. Joe N1MID Seconded. The Secretary report was accepted.

Treasurer – Noel NO2EL reported the January account balances. The actual numbers are available from Noel.

Noel also reported that he has received the insurance certificates and we are covered for our meetings and Field Day.

Ray KC2KNT moved that the Treasurers report be accepted. Joe N1MID Seconded. The Treasurers report was accepted.

Old Business

The December Get-Together that was held at the East Hanover Diner was reviewed.

New Business:

There was no new business

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AMERICAN RED CROSS

MORRISTOWN CHAPTER

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PLEASANT GROVE
SCHOOLEY'S MOUNTAIN
STEPHENSBURG

122 Hillcrest Avenue
Morristown, N.J.

February 4, 1949

Dear OM:

You are invited to attend a meeting of local radio amateurs to be held on Friday, February 11, 1949 at 8 p.m. at the Red Cross Chapter House, 29 Elm Street, Morristown.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss plans for an emergency communications unit, as well as other matters of interest to hams.

Since 1941 a small group of amateurs have provided radio communication to the Red Cross, Morristown WERS, Morris Plains WERS and other organizations. Your cooperation will make possible the extension and improvement of this service.

While the chief objective of this meeting is the establishment of an efficient disaster unit, your opinion will be solicited as to the desirability of a radio club to bring together for mutual benefit and enjoyment those who have ham radio as their hobby.

Please advise me if you will be able to attend.

Cordially yours,

Arthur H. Lince

W2DAE

Chairman

Radio Communications Division



Morris Radio Club

Wednesday February 23, 1949

At Red Cross Headquarters 29 Elm Street

Morristown, New Jersey

Attendees 24

W2AFB	Tom McCann
W2APO	Al Adamson
W2ADE	Art Lince
W2DHJ	Pent Sumner
W2FSR	Ed Weed
W2GAX	Bayman McWham
W2JJJ	Rev. Mancini
W2KNY	Len Kirby
W2OYH	Guernsey Day
W2QEQ	Fred Anderson
W2VJA	John Hershey
W2WCM	Ben Orchard
W2WKX	Joe Dwyer
W2WPL	Wibur Jacke
W2WCZ	Ken Warren
W2YTH	Tom Winternitz
W2YTI	Elizabeth Winternitz
W2IUS	Bill Belhey
ex W3AUF	Bill Lynch
W0NTP	Jim Tyor
W2HIE	Frank Shorkley
W2CMO	Lou Wyman
W2OEW	Frank Walthers
W2ENU	Lou Schveiner

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 PM by Ed Weed (W2FSR) acting Chairman. Ed pointed out the Red Cross had generously permitted our use of their meeting room for the Morris Radio Club. He then call on the committee on organization.

Mr. Orchard (W2WCM) who said that one half of the committee thought the club should have the



usual elected executives with the chairman position to be appointive. It was voted that three positions be elected for a 6 months period.

President

Secretary

Treasurer

Tom McCann W2AFB was nominated and elected President

Tom Winternitz W2YTH was nominated and elected Secretary

Guernsey Day W2OYH was nominated and elected Treasurer

The committee on club activities reported. Tom McCann W2AFB and Father Mancini W2JJJ reported that they had agreed that the club should emphasize their activities.

1. Emergency Preparedness
2. Furtherance of good amateur public relations with particular regard to BCI, TVI, FMI
3. Encouragement and instruction to new amateurs and would be amateurs.

Tom quoted the FCC statement that we are licensed "in the public interest" and suggested that as a Motto for the club.

The ugly matter of dues was brought up by several members and it was decided to levy a temporary 10 cent fee on the membership at this meeting and to settle the matter at a later meeting.

Pent Summner K2AI reported for the committee on emergency coordination. They recommended use of 75, 10, 6, 2 Meters for Mobile, Portable, Fixed Stations. He stressed the need for systematization of message handling by the use of proper message blanks etc. The committee gave out forms for recording emergency or portable equipment in possession of or contemplated for construction by the membership.

At 9:50 PM the meeting was turned over to the new President W2AFB.

It was decided to have club meetings on the first Thursday and Third Wednesday of each month.

The new Secretary and Treasurer were introduced to the clubby the new President and they made appropate remarks.

W2OYH mentioned that they March 11 meeting of the Jersey Central Radio Club would be at his house with John Reinhartz. It will consist of a demonstration of the elimination of TVI.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:12 PM.



23 Jefferson Avenue
Morristown, N. J.

February 28, 1949

THE AMERICAN RED CROSS
Morristown Headquarters
29 Elm Street
Morristown, N. J.

Gentlemen:

Attention: Mr. William Lynch

This is to inform you that the Morris Radio Club has been reactivated and is forming a Disaster Communications Unit to cooperate with the Red Cross. The club would like to request the use of one of your meeting rooms and possibly the kitchen (at times) at 29 Elm Street in Morristown. Our regularly scheduled meetings will be held on the first Thursday and the third Wednesday of each month (possibly excluding a month or so in the summer).

As representative of the Club, I wish to thank you for your kindness in permitting us the use of your facilities and to assure you that we greatly appreciate your kindness and will be fully cooperative in every way.

Very truly yours,

THOMAS W. WINTERNITZ, W2YTH
Secretary, Morris Radio Club

TWW:MMM



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The background and projects of the club (Classes etc.) in the past were reviewed for Joe N1MID

A discussion ensued about possible activities for the 70th anniversary of the club. Joe volunteered to make up a 70th anniversary QSL card.

Ray KC2KNT moved that the meeting be closed. Joe N1MID Seconded.

Vice President Mark closed the business portion of the meeting at 8:05 PM.

WA2VQF
MRC Secretary

THE MORRIS RADIO CLUB IS AN ORGANIZATION OF AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS WHICH HAS BEEN IN EXISTENCE FOR OVER SIXTY FIVE YEARS. AS A HOBBY, AMATEUR RADIO SERVES AS A PUBLIC RESOURCE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AS WELL AS AN EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE.

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

THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE MORRIS RADIO CLUB IS A DIVERSE GROUP MADE UP OF MEDICAL, BUSINESS, EDUCATION, AND LAW ENFORCEMENT PROFESSIONALS, AMONG OTHERS, WHOSE COMMON INTERESTS ARE COMMUNICATION, EDUCATION, AND PUBLIC SERVICE.

HAMFEST CALENDAR

New Providence Amateur Radio Club Annual Auction

02/23/2019

Location: New Providence High School
35 Pioneer Drive
New Providence, NJ 07974

Website: <http://nparc.org>

Long Island Hamfest and Electronics Fair

02/24/2019

Location: Levittown Hall
201 Levittown Parkway
Hicksville, NY 11801

Website: <https://limarc.org/>

BARA Annual Auction

03/03/2019

Location: Westwood Regional Jr./Sr. High School
701 Ridgewood Road
Township of Washington, NJ 07676

Website: <http://bara.org>

Cherryville Hamfest

03/09/2019

Location: North Hunterdon High School
1445 Route 31
Clinton, NJ 08809