





#### **MORRIS RADIO CLUB**

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## MARCH MEETING GUEST SPEAKER

Because of an email mix up last month we didn't have time to get the fact that Steve Ostrove K2SO the ARRL NNJ Section Manager was coming to the meeting into print in Peaks & Nulls or otherwise advertise it. This month Rob Roschewsk KA2PBT who lives out in Warren County in Washington Township has asked to be able to address the membership about his campaign against K2SO for a full term as NNJ Section Manger. If you know of anyone who would be interested in hearing Rob introduce himself to hams in the area please invite them to the March meeting.

### THE COURSE HAS BEEN SCHEDULED

As you can see in the February Meeting Minutes Noel has been in the planning stages of a one day Technician license course and FCC Test. He did a similar course last year for a group of NJ State Medical Professionals with very good results. The course will be held on Saturday May 20th from 8:30 AM until 3:00 PM with the VE exam that will be open to all between 3 and 5 PM. It will be held at the Morris County Police & Fire Academy 500 West Hanover Ave in room 139. There will be two Introduction Meetings where students can attend either one, not both. We hope they will be held in the same room as our club meetings but have not been scheduled with the school yet. The students then have that time between the Introduction Meeting and the class to study the materials and prepare for the course and their encounter with Sid and his crew. If you know of someone who would be interested tell them that it will be announced shortly. We will send out a flyer to everyone and other clubs in the area as soon as the dates for the Introduction Meetings are firmed up and approved.

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# **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

March 20, 2017 Regular business meeting April 17, 2017 Regular business meeting

May 15, 2017 Regular business meeting

June 19, 2017 Regular business meeting & Field Day preparations (Provided the school is available)

## **2017 DUES**

#### **2017 DUES**

Noel NO2EL is now accepting dues payments for 2017. \$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 WW WPX Contest, SSB	0000Z, Mar 25 to 2400Z, Mar 26
Georgia QSO Party	1800Z, Apr 8 to 2359Z, Apr 9
Holyland DX Contest	2100Z, Apr 14 to 2100Z, Apr 15
TARA Skirmish Digital Prefix Contest	0000Z-2359Z, Apr 15
Michigan QSO Party	1600Z, Apr 15 to 0400Z, Apr 16
Ontario QSO Party	1800Z, Apr 15 to 1800Z, Apr 16
10-10 Int. Spring Contest, Digital	0001Z, Apr 29 to 2359Z, Apr 30
Florida QSO Party	1600Z, Apr 29 to 2159Z, Apr 30



# PREDICTED SUNSPOT NUMBER AND RADIO FLUX FOR APRIL 2016

\*\*\*SUNSPOT NUMBER\*\*\*
PREDICTED HIGH LOW

\*\*\*10.7 RADIO FLUX\*\*\*
PREDICTED HIGH LOW

26.3 35.3 17.3

83.9 91.9 75.9

### **FEBRUARY MEETING MINUTES**

Morris Radio Club - Meeting Minutes

February 27, 2017

Attendees (8) K2EMJ, K2GG, KC2KNT, KC2MFL, NO2EL, W2GM, WA2VQF, WR2G and one visitor K2SO

A quorum was present.

Opening of Meeting

President Ed opened the meeting at 7:34 PM

Reports:

Secretary - Bill WA2VQF reported that the November Minutes were issued in the December Peaks and Nulls Newsletter. Because the January meeting was cancelled due to weather there were no minutes to report in the February Peaks & Nulls. There were no reported discrepancies.

Ray KC2KNT moved that the Secretary report be accepted. Irma KC2MFL Seconded. The Secretary report was accepted.

Noel NO2EL presented the treasurers report for January and February.

Treasurer - Noel NO2EL reported that the January account balances are:

Checking Account Balance: \$5424.39
Cash On Hand: \$198.33
Club balance: \$5622.72

Treasurer - Noel NO2EL reported that the February account balances are:

Checking Account Balance: \$5424.39

Cash On Hand: \$198.33

Club balance: \$5622.72

Noel reported that the annual report to the IRS went fine but, the state was still showing us

using a temporary EIN number. He has completed the state paperwork to clear up this problem.

Noel renewed the URL on February 27th for one year.

Ray KC2KNT moved that the Treasurers report be accepted. Irma KC2MFL Seconded. The Treasurers report was accepted.

Old Business:

Ed reviewed our December Get-Together and told the members that Atlanta Bread where we held our August Get-Together has closed. We will look for a replacement venue.

New Business:

Noel received a letter from DX Engineering offering to have a Skype program at a future meeting.

Sid brought up the subject of a training class. Noel is planning on offering another one day class with test. Some planning will be required to schedule the facility and get the materials out three weeks before the class. He is hoping to have it late in May. We discussed on how to advertise it.

Ray KC2KNT moved that the meeting be closed. Irma KC2MFL Seconded.

President Ed closed the business portion of the meeting at 8:00 PM.

After the business meeting Steve Ostrove the ARRL NNJ Section Manager talked about activities in the section. Steve was the assistant Section Manager and took over as Section Manager when Richard Krohn N2SMV stepped down. He will be running for a full term on his own and he does have a challenger so there will be an election later this year.

He gave an update on activities at the league and stated that he would like to help the clubs any way that he can.



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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.

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.

There is some preliminary planning underway for a New Jersey ARRL Convention.

He is looking to increase ARRL membership within the Section and increase club membership.

The NNJ Section website is at <a href="http://www.arrl.org/sections/view/">http://www.arrl.org/sections/view/</a>
<a href="northern-new-jersey">northern-new-jersey</a> and Steve updates it regularly with announcements of interest to NNJ Section members.

WA2VQF

MRC Secretary

## **HAMFEST CALENDAR**

# North Jersey Hamfest

04/23/2017

**Location:** Roxbury Senior Center

72 Eyland Avene Succasunna, NJ 07876

Website: http://www.splitrockara.org