



# **PEAKS & NULLS**



#### **MORRIS RADIO CLUB**

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# A Message from K2EMJ

As most of you know one of the unofficial duties of the President of the Morris Radio Club is finding club programs. As the last few years are witness, I'm not the best at finding people to present ham radio topics to our club. I would like to suggest that when any you (our club members) are doing something in our ham radio hobby, think to yourselves whether this could be a topic or a show n tell at some future MRC meeting. Take a few pictures or write up a few notes and perhaps you can help me have an interesting topic for us to talk about after our business meeting. Maybe you are installing a new rig in your automobile, perhaps you are putting together a new antenna, maybe you saw a good ham radio video on YouTube or elsewhere on the internet; all these may make a great short program for our club. Just shoot me an email and we can select a month for your topic, I can even help make a quick PowerPoint presentation for us so we can all look at your photos or notes.

For October I am following my own advice, our program will be about ham radio and public service, specifically the 2013 MS NJ Great Country Bike ride. Club members Kathy KT2F, Karl N2OYU, Mark NI2O and I all participated in this event. So if you want to know what it is like to use your ham radio skills for public service, October's meeting will be of interest to you.

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## KC2ITU NEW CAP WING CHAPLAIN

MRC member Paul Rech KC2ITU took over as New Jersey Wing chaplain with the U.S. air Force Auxiliary – Civil air Patrol. Paul has been a chaplain since 1999 and a member and Chaplain of the Civil Air Patrol since 2008. Paul first served as the Somerset Senior Squadron Chaplain before being assigned as the Group 223 Chaplain and then Group 221. Paul also serves as global president for the International Chaplains Association, an organization that prepares chaplains for mission qualification. For those of you that made it to Field Day you also know that he's a hell of a shot with Harvey's antenna sling shot.



Photo courtesy of Chaplain Major Paul Rech



## **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

October 21, 2013 Regular business meeting
Presentation NJ MS Bike Race

November 18, 2013 Regular business meeting

November 25, 2013 FCC Exams Normandy Park School Library

December 16, 2013 December Get-Together Brookside Diner

## **SELECTED UPCOMING CONTESTS**

JARTS WW RTTY Contest	0000Z, Oct 19 to 2400Z, Oct 20
ARRL School Club Roundup	1300Z, Oct 21 to 2359Z, Oct 25
CQ Worldwide DX Contest, SSB	0000Z, Oct 26 to 2400Z, Oct 27
ARRL Sweepstakes Contest, CW	2100Z, Nov 2 to 0300Z, Nov 4
DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest	1100Z-1700Z, Nov 3
ARS Spartan Sprint	0200Z-0400Z, Nov 5
WAE DX Contest, RTTY	0000Z, Nov 9 to 2359Z, Nov 10
10-10 Int. Fall Contest, Digital	0001Z, Nov 9 to 2359Z, Nov 10
RSGB 80m Club Sprint, SSB	2000Z-2100Z, Nov 13



# PREDICTED SUNSPOT NUMBER AND RADIO FLUX FOR NOVEMBER 2013

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

> 87.9 97.9 77.9

\*\*\*10.7 RADIO FLUX\*\*\* PREDICTED HIGH LOW 139.4 148.4 130.4

### SEPTEMBER MEETING MINUTES

Morris Radio Club -Meeting Minutes

September 16, 2013

Attendees (7) K2EMJ, KC2KNT, KC2MFL, KD2DRK, NO2EL, W2GM , WA2VQF

A quorum was present.

Opening of Meeting

President Ed opened the meeting at 7:34 PM

Reports:

Secretary - Bill WA2VQF reported that the June Minutes were issued in the July Peaks and Nulls Newsletter and that there were no corrections reported. He also reported that it appears that there was another problem with the ARRL mail forwarder the idea of holding a going to Hotmail and only two of the members may have been affected. It seems to have been fixed by Sunday Ray KC2KNT moved that the minutes be accepted. Irma KC2MFL seconded. The minutes were accepted

Noel NO2EL presented the treasurers reports for September.

For the actual numbers please contact Noel NO2EL.

Ray KC2KNT moved that the Treasurers reports be accepted. It was seconded by Irma KC2MFL and unanimously accepted.

Old Business:

We discussed this past Field Day and that we need to find a different way to send the Section Manager Field Day Mes-

There will be no class this fall. Ed K2EMJ did ticle that his sister receive a email asking if we would be giving a General class.

Noel NO2EL told everyone that Karl N2OYU and Cathy KT2F brought up at the August Get-Together class for new hams about what to do now that they have their license.

Noel has reserved the room for the test session on the Monday before Thanksqiving.

We talked about the news we had received and distributed about Bill W2ZKE.

Nothing has happened over the summer regarding the shack at the Boy Scout Camp.

Steve KD2DRK talked about the Mesh Router networks that are being set up in New Jersey.

New Business:

Noel gave a report on the equipment donation that we received and how it was sold.

Noel received a letter from Charles Bigeleow KB3YVS thanking us for the scholarship.

Ed passed around a ar-LeeAnn W2LEE sent about Royal Caribbean cruses banning Ham Radio on their cruses.

Ed received a check for \$81.00 from our Summer Get-Together from Atlanta Bread.

Ed gave a report on the Hudson Division Cabinet meeting that was held in August. They talked about getting antenna restrictions removed for CC&R's. The ARRL 100 year celebration was talked about.

The MS100 Bike Tour is this weekend and Ed will be helping out with communications.

Ray KC2KNT made a motion to close the meet-

President Ed K2EMJ closed the meeting at 8:38 PM.

Bill WA2VQF

MRC Secretary

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### **HAMFEST CALENDAR**

# Splitrock ARA Fall Auction

10/25/2013

Location: Roxbury Senior Center

72 Eyland Avenue Succasunna, NJ 07876

Website: http://www.splitrockara.org