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MORRIS RADIO CLUB

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TIME TO LEARN SOMETHING NEW?

ARRL members have you checked out the learning center? There are 24 Learning Paths with many sub topics available on line that you can take. Here's a quick look at the paths:

What is Ham Radio

Understanding Basic Antennas

Antenna Zoning

2022 ARRL National Convention Presentations

Intro to radio for emergencies & Disasters

PR-101 Public Relations 101 for Radio amateurs

Intro to Amateur Radio communications

Intro to Amateur Radio contesting

Intro to Space & Satellite Communications

Understanding Basic electronics: components

How to Choose an HF Antenna

Intro to How Radio works

Gordon West Amateur radio License Prep for students

ARRL Education Instructor License Class resources

Grounding & Bonding 2nd Edition

Batteries for Portable Operations

3D Printing for Amateur Radio

Getting Started with summits on the Air (SOTA)

Getting Started with Parks on the Air (POTA)

Digital Multimeters: Selection and Use

Repeater Basics

Amateur Radio License Course General Class

ARRL Club Leadership Development

ARRL Education Teacher Lesson Plans

While the snow is flying (as it is while this is being written) it might be a good time to relax and learn something new to add to your enjoyment of this hobby. Log into the ARRL web page and go to the Learning Center.

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

February 19, 2024 In Person & Virtual Regular business meeting

March 18, 2024 In Person & Virtual Regular business meeting

April 15, 2024 In Person & Virtual Regular business meeting

May 20, 2024 In Person & Virtual Regular business meeting

2024 DUES

2024 DUES

Mark W2GM is now accepting dues payments for 2024. \$20.00 for full membership, \$15.00 for associate. If you have a PayPal account, dues can now be paid by using Pay-Pal.

SELECTED UPCOMING CONTESTS

Vermont QSO Party	0000Z, Feb 3 to 2400Z, Feb 4
European Union DX Contest	1200Z, Feb 3 to 1200Z, Feb 4
Mexico RTTY International Contest	1200Z, Feb 3 to 2359Z, Feb 4
Minnesota QSO Party	1400Z-2400Z, Feb 3
VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	1700Z-2100Z, Feb 7
CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest	0000Z, Feb 10 to 2359Z, Feb 11
ARRL School Club Roundup	1300Z, Feb 12 to 2359Z, Feb 16
VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	1700Z-2100Z, Feb 14
YLRL YL-OM Contest	0000Z, Feb 17 to 2359Z, Feb 18
ARRL Inter. DX Contest, CW	0000Z, Feb 17 to 2400Z, Feb 18
VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	1700Z-2100Z, Feb 21
CQ 160-Meter Contest, SSB	2200Z, Feb 23 to 2200Z, Feb 25
REF Contest, SSB	0600Z, Feb 24 to 1800Z, Feb 25

VE EXAMS

Morris Plains NJ 07960

03/08/2024

Sponsor: North Jersey DX Assoc

Date: Mar 08 2024

Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

Contact: Martin J. Grozinski

(908) 672-8883

Email: w2cg@yahoo.com

VEC: ARRL/VEC

Location: Morris County Public Safety Training Academy
Pre-Registration Preferred

Mount Arlington NJ 07856-9999

03/11/2024

Sponsor: Split Rock ARA

Date: Mar 11 2024

Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

Contact: Sid Markowitz

(973) 663-0518

Email: K2GG@ARRL.NET

VEC: ARRL/VEC

Location: Mt. Arlington Civic Center
1 Fern Place
MUST have an FRN & email address



PREDICTED SUNSPOT NUMBER AND RADIO FLUX FOR MARCH 2024

SUNSPOT NUMBER

PREDICTED	HIGH	LOW
102.9	111.9	93.9

10.7 RADIO FLUX

PREDICTED	HIGH	LOW
131	140	122

JANUARY MEETING MINUTES

Morris Radio Club – Meeting Minutes
January 15, 2024

The meeting was held by video teleconferencing due to the weather

Attendees (13) Virtual: K2EMJ, K2SCH, KB2ESE, KC2RDX, KE2BXN, N1MID, NO2EL, W2GM, WA2VQF, WA2YCI, WR2G, W3CJD
Guest: KD2WGN

A quorum was present.

Opening of Meeting

President Noel opened the meeting at 7:33 PM

Reports:

Secretary – Bill WA2VQF reported that there was no December meeting so no minutes were published. The November minutes were published in the December Peaks & Nulls.

Craig WR2G moved to accept the Secretary report. Pat K2SCH seconded. The report was accepted.

Treasurer – Mark W2GM reported both the 2023 Income Statement and the January account balances:

Activity: Confirmed Amazon Web, PayPal fees, Membership dues. Transfer of PayPal and cash balances to checking account.

Statement: The IRS now requires the following disclosure concerning the Club's use of paid lobbyists during the previous year be read to all members:

To All Morris Radio Club Members: During the calendar year 2023, the Morris Radio Club

Incorporated did not use any paid lobbyists and, therefore, zero percent (0%) of your 2023 dues

payment were used by the Club to directly pay a lobbyist firm to lobby on behalf of all our members

regarding pending legislation that impacts our hobby.

Rob KC2RDX moved that the Treasurers report be accepted. Pat K2SCH Seconded.

The Treasurer's report was accepted.

Old Business:

Noel gave a report on the December Get-Together

Noel gave his goals for 2024. He is working on shelters for Field Day in case the Hanover trailer is not available.

Craig WR2G reported that everything with Hanover appears to be OK for June.

New Business:

Craig gave a report on possible changes being talked about at the ARRL.

Chris W3CJD reported an ARIES training session is being planned for next month date TBD.

Craig reported that he was written a letter of recommendation for someone applying for a ARRL scholarship. Hoe N1MID added that Michael has also applied.

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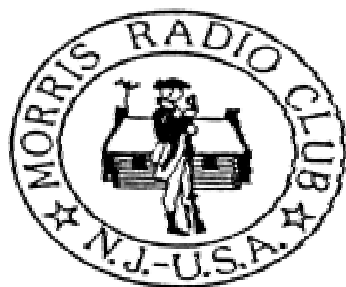


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Carl WA2YCI made a motion to close the meeting. Tom KB2ESE seconded
The meeting was closed at 8:04 PM

After the meeting was closed Noel NO2EL did a short program on FT8 contesting

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

NPARC Auction

02/24/2024

Location: Salt Brook School
40 Maple St.
New Providence , NJ

Website: <http://www.nparc.org/auction.html>

Cherryville Repeater Association Hamfest and Technology Expo 2024

03/09/2024

Location: North Hunterdon Regional High School
1445 Route 31
Clinton (Annandale), NJ

Website: <http://www.qsl.net/w2cra>