



The Unofficial Call Sign of the Sussex County Amateur Radio Club

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Upcoming Events - Please refer to the club website for up to the minute changes and details. www.scarcnj.org

January

- 18 North American QSO Party - 1800Z - see www.ncjweb.com/nagrules.php for details
- 18 ARRL January VHF Contest - 1900Z - see www.arrl.org/contests for details.
- 24 CQ WW 160-meter contest - 2200Z - see www.cq160.com for details
- 25 Winter Field DAY - 1700Z - see www.spar-harms.org for details

Additional updates, meetings, contests and nets can be found on the website at: www.scarcnj.org/calendar .

Follow us on Facebook - <http://facebook.com/scarcnj>

Weekly On-Air Meetings

There is a weekly SCARC VHF rag-chew activity hour, and Dx'ing net on the W2LV repeater frequency 147.300 MHz EVERY Tuesday at 8:00 pm. Thanks goes to Frank, W2FDB, for volunteering as net control and keeping topics fresh and current. Newcomers? New to a certain aspect of radio? Experienced operator willing to share in the growth of the hobby? All are welcome and encouraged. Seasoned operators are also encouraged to attend and update us on current trends and projects you are working on!

There is great interest in continuing our 75 meter net on 3.963MHz +/- QRM on Thursday nights. It's fun getting off the repeater for a change and getting on to HF. This net allows us to experiment with different equipment, antennas and modes of operation to determine what works and doesn't work at our home station. Please contact John, N2HMM if you can assist at u1004467@warwick.net.

Swap n Shop

Frank W2FDB has set up a Swap-and-Shop on our website (www.scarcnj.org/clubinformation/swap-N-shop.php) . If you have anything you want to sell, buy or give away please contact them.

From the "Office" of the President - N2HMM John Santillo

Happy New Year and welcome to 2014. Lets all hope it's a good one.

Next Friday January 17th we will have our first club meeting of the New Year. We will have a VE session starting at 7:30pm and the club meeting will start at 8:00pm.

Some topics of discussion for this meeting will be:

1. Upcoming events; mark your calendars:
 - a. June VHF Contest; June 13th, 14th and 15th.
 - b. Field Day; June 27th, 28th, and 29th
 - c. Hamfest July 12th and 13th.
 - d. W1AW/2 Special Event (more details below)
 - e. September VHF Contest; Sept. 12th, 13th and 14th.
 - f. Sweep Stakes; November 22nd and 23rd
2. We will be having another Technician Class starting in February. The format will be the same as last year. Exact details are still being worked out with the Sussex OEM. I hope to have specifics by meeting time.
3. SKYWARN is making a come back in Sussex County. We are in the process of looking for a coordinator for this position. We will be adding a SKYWARN page to the SCARC webpage and SKYWARN training classes are being planned. More discussions at the meeting.
4. We have been asked to participate in the ARRL Centennial QSO Party representing NJ as W1AW/2 starting Wednesday August 6th at 0000UTC and lasting one full week. We do not have to operate the entire time but they are asking for convenient operating times and dates of our operation. This event is open to anyone in SCARC. More details at the club meeting.
5. This Friday is the last day for nominations to the Executive Committee. If you are interested in running contact Joe KD2FAQ. You can also state your intentions at Fridays club meeting. Ballots will be going out shortly after the January meeting and ballots counted at the February meeting.

I hope to see everyone Friday.

HAMFEST 2014 - "SAVE THE DATE"

We have a signed agreement from the Fairgrounds!!!! **Hamfest will be July 13th, 2014.** Of course they have also increased the fees for our efforts. There will be more to come about our Hamfest in the near future.

Updates and New Information

If you have something you would like to contribute to the newsletter including a personal story, technical information, general information or swap 'n shop, please do not hesitate to forward to Brian (KC2YON) at brilorphoto@mac.com.