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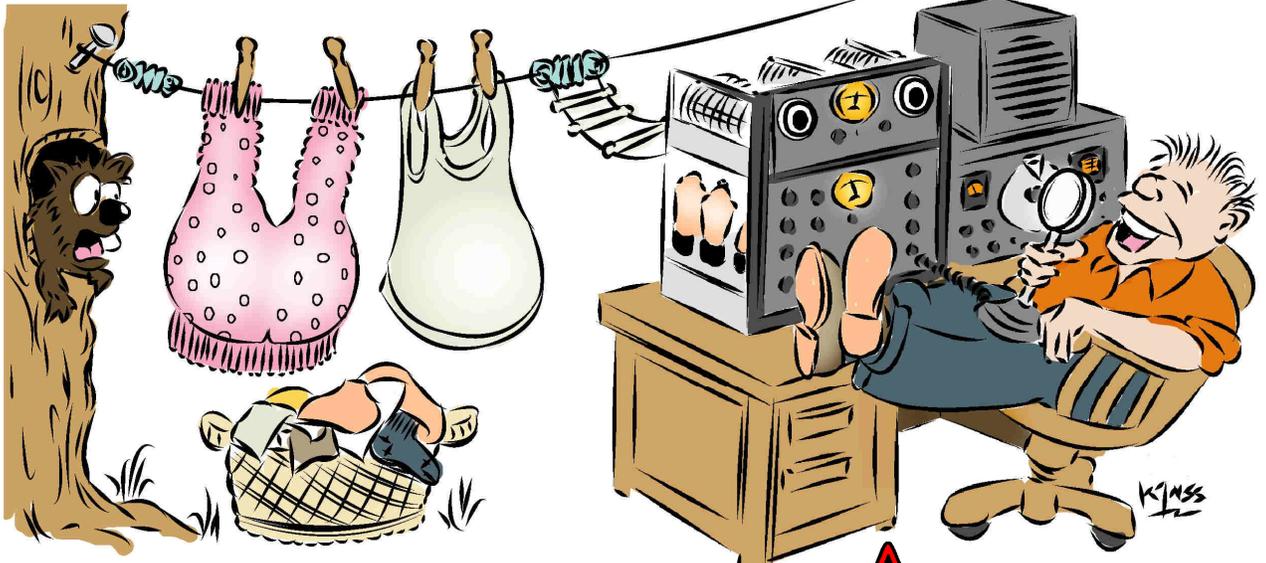


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## Next Monthly Meeting: Thursday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025

The next scheduled meeting of the WIRELESS ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH HILLS, INC. will be on **Thursday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025**, starting at 7 PM, at the **ST. CLAIR HEALTH OUTPATIENT CENTER VILLAGE SQUARE CONFERENCE ROOM**, 2000 Oxford Drive, Bethel Park PA 15102, adjacent to Village Square Mall, across from South Hills Village Mall, just off US Route 19. Meeting topics include Field Day 2025, Breezeshooter's Hamfest 2025, other plans for 2025, and more to come.

Cover: A montage from Hamvention 2025... more pictures inside!

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North Side	N3SH / R	442.550 MHz (+)	PL 131.8
Canonsburg	N3FB / R	443.650 MHz (+)	PL 131.8
St. Johns, VI	NP2SH / B	28.276 MHz	Propagation Beacon
Canonsburg	N3SH	144.390 MHz	APRS Digipeater

N3SH / WA3SH WASHNet, the weekly on-air net of WASH, meets every **Monday** Night, 8:00 PM ET, on the 146.955 & 443.650 repeaters. All radio amateurs, WASH members or not, are welcome to join in!

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# WASH Amateur Radio Club News Briefs

## Next WASH VE Test TBD

The Next WASH VE exam session will be on **Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, 10:00 AM**, at the **Home Economics Building, South Park, 3735 Buffalo Drive, South Park Township, WASHFest 2025**. Talk-in on the 146.955 MHz repeater. All examiners are ARRL VEC affiliated.

**TESTSESSIONS FOR THE REST OF 2025 TO BE SCHEDULED**

**Walk-ins space/time basis.**

attending the test contact VE Team Liason **KC3MLC:kgo@grant-olson.net**

following to your test session: suitable identification (2 forms of ID)

**Pre-registration is strongly encouraged. taken on a available**

If you plan on session, please **Grant Olson** **olson.net**

Please bring the **Picture ID or other required)**

## A Few Words



Well, it's that time of the year when Amateur Radio can really show its stuff to the public. Of course, I am referring to Field Day, which will be June 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>.

Hopefully everyone can be at the meeting this Thursday at the usual location. I anticipate that our meeting will largely consist of Field Day related matters. However, I would also like people to think about what events we may pursue for the rest of the year; these could include social, operating or technical activities.

Hopefully the weather will cooperate with us this year for a great Field Day experience.

See you Thursday!

— 73, Tom Galante KB3NIX  
President, WIRELESS ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH HILLS, Inc.  
N3SH / WA3SH / NP2SH

## Reminder:

**The June WASH Meeting will be at The St. Clair Health Outpatient Center Village Square in Bethel Park! Meeting begins at 7 PM.**

Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup> was a beautiful morning, even if it didn't feel like a Summer day yet (being right after Memorial Day). And once again, the **WASH Breakfast Gang** gathered at the **McMURRAY EAT'N PARK, 3380 WASHINGTON ROAD**. This month's gathering included WB4GCS, N3FB, KB3GMU, K3SGT and Barb, KB3NIX, N3IDH and Gerry, and W3WN. Table talk brought up Field Day food (menu), Richie's health, 6 meter antennas, WACOM's meeting place and high rent, \$1M in capital expenditures not working right, living near Mancini's Bakery, baking bread at 2 AM on the *Theodore Roosevelt*, a nuclear powered bread slicer, Finnley's health, elderly relatives in retirement living, retirements looming at the Airport, refusing to fly out of Charlotte, Atlanta, or Philadelphia, issues flying United, visiting Hawaii and the *USS Arizona*, history of the *USS Hood*... and a ton more that didn't get noted.

Field Day weekend is coming up before you know it, so our next gathering will NOT be in McMurray, but at the **SOUTH PARK EAT'N PARK, 5220 LIBRARY RADOAD, BETHEL PARK**, on Saturday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 8 AM, after which we'll head to the Field Day site to set up. (We'll be back at the **McMURRAY EAT'N PARK, 3380 WASHINGTON ROAD** in August). See you there!

The annual **Breezeshooter's Hamfest** up in Butler will be on Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>. As was mentioned on the email reflector, Ye Editor, who normally hosts the annual WASH Club Picnic at Breezeshooter's, has had a family issue come up and will be unable to setup, let alone host the picnic, this year. Our apologies for the short notice, but if any of the other attendees would be able to do so this year, please let us know and we can pass the word. Otherwise, it will just have to wait another year.

**Field Day** planning is well underway, with a lot of things still being worked on. If you can make this month's meeting to help with final planning, it would be appreciated. Also, we need to set up operating schedules and related coordination. A lot can get done in face to face meetings that email and newsletters just can't accomplish, so again, please make the meeting if you at all can!

Hope everyone who went to **Hamvention** last month had a good time! (Ye Editor was really pleased to get back after 2 years off!). We've published a small sampling of pictures from the event in this issue; but if anyone has any other photos that they'd like to see published, let us know and we'll make room for them in July!

Don't forget about the **Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix** coming up in July! Hope to have more on that in the next newsletter. (That's a hint, Corky!)

On a final note this month... repeating from last month since Ye Editor got stuck at work again last month and missed the meeting...

Amy Cicak, better known to most of us as Created by Amy, let us know at the Two Rivers Hamfest that she's in the process of expanding her offerings. She showed us the sample picture to the right as one example... and then presented it to us to donate to a club member who'd really like this for a member of their family (baby, of course! We'll skip the obvious wisecrack here!) Ye Editor will be bringing it to the next meeting, so if anyone is interested in obtaining a little free promotion for the club, please let him know.

And, of course, our thanks to Amy for both the donation and all the great stuff she's done for members of our club and many other clubs over the years. You can reach her [createdbyamy1@gmail.com](mailto:createdbyamy1@gmail.com) or 412-398-8833



A June 1<sup>st</sup> pop-up on the SteppIR website states that "due to several emerging factors, SteppIR will cease production of consumer antennas and accessories on August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025. After August 31<sup>st</sup>, we will sell spare parts as long as supplies last.

There will be no changes in terms of warranty service or technical support inquiries."

<https://consumer.steppir.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/06/Announcement-June-1-2025.jpg>

# Minutes, May 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting

Nathan Suehr KC3GMM, Vice President / Secretary, WASH

**Call to Order:** 19:05.

**Pledge of Allegiance,** Moment of Silence for Silent Keys and others deserving.

**Roll Call.** 16 Members, 1 Guest Present

**Committee Reports:**

**Treasurer:** Mark (N3RDV): Financial report provided electronically by Mark (N3RDV) and read by Nathan (KC3GMM). Need clarification for treasurer's report. Will provide May report at June meeting

**Secretary:** Nathan (KC3GMM): April minutes published in the May WASH Rag. No corrections to the minutes. Motion to accept secretary report by Bill (WA3VSS) with second by Mike (WA3PYU). Voted and carried.

**Repeaters:** Frank (N3FB) - Repeating.

**WASHnet:** No report.

**Thursday night tech talk:** No report.

**Public service:** Bob (NU3Q) —Marathon is ready to go. June 14<sup>th</sup> - Collier Community Day. Steel City booth and ARES booth. Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> picnic and POTA. More info after marathon.

- Mike (WA3PYU) - June 22<sup>nd</sup> Rachel Carson walk. Reach out to Cooky (WC3O) to help out. Radio and antenna are provided by the event. Westmoreland county airshow is the same weekend (21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>).
- Kathy (KA3VXM) - Reach out to Doc Sam (KE3PO) to volunteer for Airshow

**Newsletter:** Tom (KB3NIX) – Out

**VE:** Tom (KB3NIX) - No report.

**Ways & Means:** Carol (KB3GMN): No report.

**Contests: Field Day:**

- Tom (KB3NIX) - Frank (N3FB) is asking who can bring radios. Need folks to set up and tear down. Kathy has made a letter that we can use to send to public officials. Also received packet from ARRL.
- Bill (W3WH) - Where are the sign-up sheets?
- Tom (KB3NIX) - On the web site. Will follow up with Frank (N3FB) for make sure
- Jim (WB4GCS) - The advantage of 5A category is that we have an extra radio. Motion to propose that we suggest 5A with second by Bill (W3WH). Voted and carried.

**Echolink: Tom (KB3NIX)** - Dave (N3DFK) has worked and eliminated the hum but doesn't get into the repeater very well. Need to work that out.

\*\*\* Further discussion about signal into the repeater from Dave's QTH \*\*\*

**New Business:** July club meeting would be July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Do we want to move the meeting or possibly have a picnic?

- Bill (W3WH) - Could we have the meeting at Field Day instead?
- Larry (K3VX) - We could have it on the 10<sup>th</sup> but we may not be able to get the room.
- Bill (W3WH) - Motion to skip the July meeting
- Glen (KE7FD) - Motion for Zoom call for July 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting
- Bill (W3WH) - Motion withdrawn
- Mike (WA3PYU) - Second to Glen's motion

**Old Business:** No report

**Good of the order:**

- Bob (NU3Q) - Suggestion to send press release to Bethel Park TV for Field Day. Mike (N3TDV) will likely visit N3SH Field Day site
- Glen (KE7FD) - Has approval from the pastor at his church to use space to hold training classes, most likely Tech. Dates will likely be Thursdays in July. Will have several classroom sessions followed by a testing session if Grant is able to. \*\*\* Further discussion on how to promote the class \*\*\*
- Jim (WB4GCS): Retiring on September 1<sup>st</sup>, after working in nuclear power his entire career. Planning on doing antenna work this summer prior to being retired..

**Motion to Adjourn** by Bill (W3WH), second by Harold (K3HCR). Voted and carried.

Adjourned at 8:18 PM 5/1/2025



# WASH Spotlight: Pizza!



The May 1<sup>st</sup> meeting was another WASH Pizza Night.

Here you can see most everyone recovering after enjoying themselves.

Photos courtesy of and © Copyright 2925 Nathan Suehr KC3GMM



Every month we're going to try to feature a **WASH** club member, something about them, something they're involved in or a club-related activity that we're involved in, in the **WASH Spotlight**.

Submissions for the Spotlight should be sent to Ron W3WN at [newsletter at n3sh dot org](mailto:newsletter@n3sh.org)

## Monthly WASH Breakfast



Please join us for the next **WASH** Breakfast! We usually get together on the LAST Saturday of every month for a chance to informally sit down, shoot the breeze, compare notes, drink lots of coffee, and just have a good time!

Join us this month at **Eat'n Park**, 3380 Washington Road (US 19), McMurray. Start time is about 8 AM until ????. Monitor 146.955 & 443.659 for talk-in or any last minute changes.

All are welcome, **WASH** members or not, amateurs or not!

## Wireless Association of South Hills Membership

AC3GB	KC3GMM	NL7XM	WASH FL	WASH TX	<b>Silent Keys</b>
AC3ML	KC3UUK	NU3Q	KA3UPY/M	K3OL	
AC3WM	KC3VQR	NY9H	WASH NE	NB3C	
AC4KU	KC4WTT	W3LE	NØPEU	KB3IJX	
AE3DL	KE7FD	W3WH	WASH OH	Jane Wagner	
K3GW	N3DFK	W3WN	N8DPW	WASH VI	
K3OCT	N3FB	W8LEV	WASH OR	NP2JF	
K3VX	N3IDH	WA2YEZ	KB3NVL	WASH VT	
K6DWR	N3LV	WA3PYU	KB3NVM	KE3XB	
KA3VXM	N3NWR	WA3VSS	NØVLR		
KB3GMN	N3RDG	WB4GCS	WASH SC		
KB3GMU	N3RDV		N8NEU		
KB3GMU	N3RDB	Charmel			
KB3GUZ	N3SBF	Spirk			
KB3JHR	N3TBJ				
KB3NIX	N3UE				
KB3YCX	NB3C				

**If your call should be listed here & isn't, please contact Mark N3RDV**

Through May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
List compiled by  
Mark Stabryla N3RDV, Vice President/Treasurer

- AB3KA
- AB3ED
- AC4KU
- AD3Q
- K3EED
- K3LIE
- K3LGM
- KA3NMG
- KB3ENX
- KB3FNM
- KB3FQT
- KB3JHQ
- N3BPB
- N3CZZ
- N3FZ
- N3HKQ
- N3KEH
- N3OBD
- N3RNX
- N3SKR
- N3SRC
- N3ZEL
- N3XFE
- W3ZLK
- W4ZE
- WA3JPP

# 2025 WASH Upcoming Events Calendar

## Club Meetings & Other Significant Events — Subject to Change

May 31 <sup>st</sup> — June 15 <sup>th</sup>	Lewis & Clark Trail On The Air	<a href="https://lctota.org/">https://lctota.org/</a>
June 5 <sup>th</sup>	WASH Meeting	St. Clair Health Outpatient Center Village Square Conference Room, 2000 Oxford Drive
June 8 <sup>th</sup>	Breezeshooter's Hamfest 2025	Butler Farm Show Grounds, 625 Evans City Road (PA Route 68) Butler PA 16001
June 28 <sup>th</sup> — 29 <sup>th</sup>	ARRL Field Day	<a href="http://www.arrl.org">www.arrl.org</a>
July 3 <sup>rd</sup>	WASH Meeting	St. Clair Health Outpatient Center Village Square Conference Room, 2000 Oxford Drive
July 19 <sup>th</sup> — 20 <sup>th</sup>	Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix	<a href="https://pvgp.org/">https://pvgp.org/</a>
August 7 <sup>th</sup>	WASH Meeting	St. Clair Health Outpatient Center Village Square Conference Room, 2000 Oxford Drive
August 9 <sup>th</sup>	75 <sup>th</sup> Annual W3PIE Gabfest	W3PIE Clubhouse, 433 Old Pittsburgh Road, Uniontown PA 15401
August 24 <sup>th</sup>	Skyview Radio Society Swap & Shop	K3MJW Clubhouse, 2335 Turkey Ridge Road, New Kensington, PA 15068
September 4 <sup>th</sup>	WASH Meeting	St. Clair Health Outpatient Center Village Square Conference Room, 2000 Oxford Drive
September 7 <sup>th</sup>	Butler County ARA Swapfest	Unionville Fire Department, 102 Mahood Road (Pa Route 8), Butler PA 16001
October 2 <sup>nd</sup>	WASH Meeting	St. Clair Health Outpatient Center Village Square Conference Room, 2000 Oxford Drive
October 4 <sup>th</sup> — 5 <sup>th</sup>	60 <sup>th</sup> California QSO Party	<a href="https://www.cqp.org">https://www.cqp.org</a>
October 11 <sup>th</sup> — 12 <sup>th</sup>	69 <sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania QSO Party	<a href="https://paqso.org">https://paqso.org</a>
October 25 <sup>th</sup> — 26 <sup>th</sup>	CQ World Wide DX Contest Phone	<a href="https://cqww.com">https://cqww.com</a>
November 1 <sup>st</sup> — 3 <sup>rd</sup>	ARRL Sweepstakes CW	<a href="http://www.arrl.org">http://www.arrl.org</a>
November 6 <sup>th</sup>	WASH Meeting	St. Clair Health Outpatient Center Village Square Conference Room, 2000 Oxford Drive
November 15 <sup>th</sup> — 17 <sup>th</sup>	ARRL Sweepstakes Phone	<a href="http://www.arrl.org">http://www.arrl.org</a>
November 29 <sup>th</sup> — 30 <sup>th</sup>	CQ World Wide DX Contest CW	<a href="https://cqww.com">https://cqww.com</a>
December 4 <sup>th</sup>	WASH Meeting	St. Clair Health Outpatient Center Village Square Conference Room, 2000 Oxford Drive
December 5 <sup>th</sup> — 7 <sup>th</sup>	ARRL 160 Meter Contest	<a href="http://www.arrl.org">http://www.arrl.org</a>
December 13 <sup>th</sup> — 14 <sup>th</sup>	ARRL 10 Meter Contest	<a href="http://www.arrl.org">http://www.arrl.org</a>
December 31 <sup>st</sup>	Straight Key Night	<a href="http://www.arrl.org">http://www.arrl.org</a>

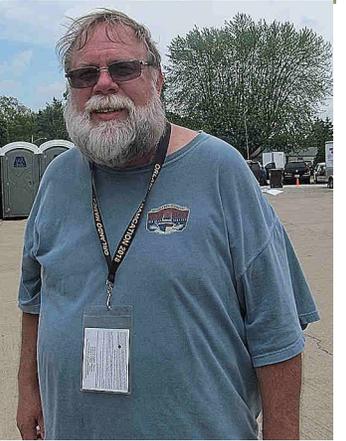
# "Seen" at Hamvention 2025

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# "Seen" at Hamvention 2025

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# New Gear at Hamvention 2025

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A few odds & ends observed. Photos courtesy of and ©Copyright 2025 Ron Notarius W3WN



# Only Your Barista Knows For Sure

Dennis Andring AF7XT

Seattle, WA, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 – Sitting in line, listening to VHF/UHF mobile, in the car, waiting for coffee. It's a thing here, really. Baristas working feverishly to construct a "Trenti iced coffee, 12 pumps [sugar-free] vanilla, 12 pumps [sugar-free] hazelnut, 12 pumps [sugar-free] caramel, 5 pumps skinny mocha, a splash of soy, ice, double-blended!" (there's always one and they're always in front of me). When I hear this relating to VHF/UHF radio on a very broad coverage local repeater.

Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablesix with Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactual Yeah Mike my educated deduction from the measurements you have from my mobile install lead me to believe I have a transmission line problem. Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablesix with Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactual , over.

Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablesix from Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactual (speaking over the full repeater ID tail) Paul I came to the same determination. I believe the vizwars can be virtually eliminated by adjusting the transmission line length. Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablesix from Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactual over

Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablesix with Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactual Mike, don't we first have to determine if those are positive or negative vizwars to identify if the transmission line is too long or too short? Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablesix with Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactual over

Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablesix from Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactual Paul I'm sure the differential measurements taken at the base of the antenna input and at the radio output will tell you that. Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablesix from Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactual over

Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablesix with Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactual Mike , I'm predominately destined here so we'll have to continue this Que Ess Oh via portable while I shuffle vehicles around. You know how the Howa gets about vehicles parked on the street and garage doors being open. Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablesix with Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactual over.

Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablesix from Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactual Well Paul Quirt for now and I'll look forward to hearing you on portablethree. Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablesix with Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactual over,

Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablesix with Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactual quirtz here and quizzwhy to portablethree.

Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablesix with Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactual

Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablethree to Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactual over

Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablethree from Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactual Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactualforidentification (again, talking over the complete repeater id tail)Your aparzz shows your position is different for Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablethree than for Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablesix I thought that was corrected with your last factory reset Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablethree from Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactual over.

Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablethree with Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactual We'll have to compare that with Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieactual when I get into the house over.

Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablethree from Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactual It will be interesting to see if all three align. It's possible all three tranceivers need to be reset at the same time. over.

Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablethree with Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactual I'll be quirtz from Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablethree and quizzwhy to Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieactual when I'm completely destined . Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablethree with Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactual , Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablethree quirtz and quizzwhy to Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieactual , Doublesevenalphanbrovocharlieportablethree with Doublesevenxrayyankeezebraactual

As we are receiving our Mocha and two shots in a cup the barista who is a licensed technician and aspiring general ( cute as heck too) asks " what were they talking about?"

Repeater control operator...

N7LMO ...

Me

N7LMO from AF7XT

Dennis, What did I just hear ?

Bob, I assure you I have no idea.

N7LMO...

AF7XT...

To the barista , "Some amateur radio operators are far more amateur than operator"

Barista "So those two were morons?" ...

Neither my driver Kevin KI7CWV or myself were able to come up with words for several seconds. Attempting to speak through convulsive laughter, tears and a fair bit of coffee coming out the nose (I won't tell who..) compounded the problem. All the while yet another "Trenti iced coffee, 12 pumps [sugar-free] vanilla, 12 pumps [sugar-free] hazelnut, 12 pumps [sugar-free] caramel, 5 pumps skinny mocha, a splash of soy, ice, double-blended!" or some such waited behind us wondering what was going on as much as we did.

There is very little embellishment in this tale. The callsigns other than mine and Keven's have been changed. Bob, the control operator, didn't even want to be associated with the above QSO by admitting to listening (I did ask). I relate it first for humor's sake and then as an example of a lack of mentoring by the established amateur community.



"Well, I guess all good things come to an end." After 25 years, the April weather took a toll on Ed N3UE's impressive antenna system adjacent to Bower Hill Road in Bridgeville. Photo courtesy of and © Copyright 2025 Ed Wolf N3UE



I call this "Antenna Tilt Gizmo 3.OH-NO". It's the third and final version of a mechanism to mount my hex beam atop my tower when lowered to the ground. The hex can go on horizontal but swing into proper orientation as the tower is raised. — Glen KE7FD (ask him for more details!)

# 13 Colonies Special Event 2025 Recognizes Founder KU2US

Robert  
Josuweit  
WA3PZO

Philadelphia, PA, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 – In just a few weeks, one of the most popular summer operating events kicks off – The 13 Colonies Special Event. Now in its 17<sup>th</sup> year the event has grown from Special Event Stations making approximately 12,000 contacts to last year making 292, 496 contacts around the world. The Event runs from July 1 9:00 AM -July 7 Midnight Eastern (July 1 – 1300 UTC – July 8 – 0400 UTC).

This year Event organizers are recognizing the 13 Colonies Special Event founder Ken Villone KU2US, who is passing the torch on to Tony Jones N4ATJ. For the past 16 years Villone has lead the Event by working with state and bonus station coordinators. Then after the event he would print out individual certificates for thousands of people who made contact with the special event stations.

The Special Event consist of one station operating in each of the 13 Colonies (K2A – K2M) and three bonus stations (WM3PEN – Philadelphia, GB13COL – England, TM13COL – France) each representing their city, state, or countries role in America's Colonial period.

Villone describes how the event got started:

"I had just finished participating in the ARRL Sweepstakes in 2008, and remarked how fun it was. I could not figure out why there were not more of these type special events on the air? So I decided to try my luck and create one for one year only to see what happens and to have some fun. I knew we had to offer a special QSL card and/or certificate plus have on hand a printer and supplies. The hard part was deciding what the event would commemorate and when to do this. I needed a theme that ALL could relate to! Also the event would have to be the type with multiple event stations involved, like the ARRL Sweeps.

Then it hit me! 13 Colonies states, during the Fourth of July week and offer a certificate with the theme for the year,.I made sure the theme was different each year with a different certificate design, to make it interesting and to also make the cert collectable. The theme would highlight some event or thing connected to the American Revolution. The event was held July 1<sup>st</sup> to the 4<sup>th</sup>, 2009, 4 days with no advertising except on QRZ. I had a hard time getting 13 different Ops, one from each Colony state but it worked out. All in all it was a success! We did over 12,000 contacts the first year. I decided we have a good thing going so I recruited another Op from each state and ran the event the next year in 2010. We did over 32,000 contacts in 2010, and had 26 state operators total. There was a 13 Colonies special event in 1962 but only lasted one year, according to my research. (I was 13 years old)."

Ham Radio operators and SWLs can participate in the event. Complete information about the call for each colony station and the bonus stations can be found on the event website 13colonies.us and they can follow us on Facebook – 13 Colonies Special Event Community. Stations need only make one contact with one of the participating stations or they can go for a Clean Sweep and work all 13 Colony stations and the 3 bonus stations. Each station offers a special QSL card for the event as well as a different certificate each year. Operators can keep an eye out for the special event stations can keep an eye out for them by watching many of the dx spotting networks such as DXSummit.fi.



## National Amateur Radio Alliance

Mikel Turner W4OPS

Murfreesboro, TN, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025 – First and foremost, a heartfelt welcome to all of our new members who have joined the National Amateur Radio Alliance! Every new member strengthens the foundation of what we are building together: Your involvement with NARA is helping us build momentum, opening new doors, and bringing fresh energy to the amateur radio community. Whether you've been on the air for decades or just earned your call sign, your participation is moving this effort forward.

Together, we're laying the groundwork for a stronger, more connected, and more visible future for amateur radio. I'm grateful to have you with us as we take these next steps.

Below is a quick look at what's been happening behind the scenes in the month of May. From partnerships to new initiatives, NARA is gaining traction, and I'm excited for everything we're starting to unlock as a team. With the help of a growing community and a small but dedicated team of volunteers, we're building something that reflects the best of what amateur radio can be.

We had an incredible time at Dayton Hamvention — a weekend filled with great conversations, positive feedback, and a whole lot of inspiration. While I spent most of my time at the Parks on the Air booth, I still had the opportunity to hand out materials and connect with folks who are excited about what we're building at NARA.

The Long Island CW Club has officially offered its full support for the Alfred Vail 20-20 Young Keyers Award, a huge step forward in celebrating young hams who are keeping Morse code alive. The club will conduct the proficiency test and certify that the applicant is eligible for the award. A huge thanks to the Long Island CQ Club for stepping up and working with us!

We had several productive conversations with different homeschool families about how to better support young, home-schooled amateur radio operators. We see opportunities to create resources and programs that homeschool co-ops can use to introduce more kids to ham radio. We're excited to explore ways to make ham radio more accessible, educational, and engaging for families who are learning together at home.

Our initiative to form Club Councils — regional networks for collaboration and support — was met with great enthusiasm from club leaders across the country. Many shared that they already collaborate informally with neighboring clubs, and the idea of a more structured platform to make this easier and more impactful just makes sense. We see Club Councils as a smart, scalable way to strengthen local connections, share resources, and inspire more cooperation across regions.

On Memorial Day, we visited the National WWI Museum in Kansas City, MO, and joined the operators of WW1USA in activating this historic site. Events like this — along with 13 Colonies, Museum Ships Weekend, and Route 66 On The Air — show how amateur radio can help keep American history alive. We're excited to support and amplify these types of efforts.

Several members have expressed interest in representing NARA at the local and state levels. While we don't yet have a formal "area manager" program, we're actively developing an onboarding process for those who want to help spread the word and represent the organization in an official capacity.

We're excited about the progress we're making with youth initiatives — and even more excited about where we're headed. This month, we're proud to announce the formation of a Youth Advisory Board, which will help guide NARA leadership on outreach and engagement strategies tailored to younger amateur radio operators. These young individuals bring fresh perspectives and creative ideas for keeping youth engaged and inspired.

We're also exploring the launch of a Youth Leadership Program — because we don't just want young people to participate in amateur radio; we want to help develop the next generation of innovators, builders, and leaders. Whether they become engineers at Icom, aviation techs at Boeing, or future club presidents and mentors, we believe amateur radio can play a powerful role in helping them get there.

What can you do to be more involved?

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# 68<sup>th</sup> Annual Breezeshooter's Hamfest

Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**Butler Farm Show Grounds**

625 Evans City Road, Butler, PA 16001

8:00 AM—2:00 PM

More Information at [breezeshooters.org/ns/hamfest](http://breezeshooters.org/ns/hamfest)

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# UNIONTOWN ARC 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GABFEST

Saturday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 8:00 AM—???

Vendor Setup prior to 8:00 AM

**Uniontown ARC W3PIE Clubhouse**

433 Old Pittsburgh Road, Uniontown, PA 15401

Talk-in on 147.045 PL 131.8

More Information at <http://www.w3pie.org>



# 2025 SKYVIEW SWAP 'N' SHOP

Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 8:00 AM—1:00 PM

Vendor Setup prior to 8:00 AM

**Skyview Radio Society K3MJW Clubhouse**

2335 Turkey Ridge Road, New Kensington, PA 15068

Talk-in on 146.64 PL 131.8

More Information at <http://www.skyviewradio.net>



# Butler County ARA Swapfest 2025

Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 8:00 AM—1:00 PM

Grounds Open at 6 AM for Vendors & Tailgaters

**Unionville Volunteer Fire Department**

102 Mahood Road (at Route 8 North), Butler, PA 16001

Talk-in on 147.360 PL 131.8 Admission \$5

More Information at <http://www.w3udx.org>



# DX News Briefs & Announcements



Multiple sources indicated on May 22<sup>nd</sup>, that sovereignty for the Chagos Islands will be transferred from the United Kingdom to Mauritius in immediate future. This agreement **excludes** Diego Garcia which will remain under the UK as **VQ9** until further notice. The remainder of Chagos will become **3B**. Any changes to the DXCC status of Chagos remain to be seen.

**S79/DC6GF** is QRV through 6 June, QRP, 10 – 10 primarily FT4. QSL via DC6GF

**OJØL** is QRV through 7 June, various HF bands, SSB and digital. More information at <https://www.mdxc.support/oj0l/> QSL via I8KHC

**KH8/KØNR** and **KH8/KØJJW** are QRV through 8 June, 20 – 10, SSB and FT8/FT4, from STA summits. QSL via LotW only.

**OY6A** is QRV through 10 June from EU-018. QSL via WB2REM or ClubLog OQRS

**TR8CR** is QRV through 12 June, celebrating his 97<sup>th</sup> birthday. QSL via F6AJA

**HS3ØDXA** is QRV through 21 June in commemoration of the Thailand DX Association (HSDXA) 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary. QSL via E28AC or as directed.

**OX3LX** will be QRV 5 – 22 June from two different locations on NA-018. QSL via OZØJ

**EP2PG** will be QRV 6 – 7 June, SSB only, 10 20 and 40 only. Multiple operators will be calling CQ for this Special Event Station; certificates available on request. QSL as directed.

**T88TJ** will be QRV 6 – 11 June, 40 – 6, SSB RTTY and FT8/4. QSL via JR1FKR

**KL7/VU2HUM** and **KL7/VU2TUM** will be QRV 7 - 28 June, holiday style, HF VHF & UHF. QSL via home calls.

**JD1BQP** will be QRV from Ogasawara AS-031 15 – 21 June, 20 – 6, SSB and FT8/FT4. More information at <https://twitter.com/jd1bqp> QSL via JP1HD

**CN2DX** will be QRV 25 June – 30 August, 40 – 6, CW SSB and FT8. QSL via F5LRL

**SV5/S55DX** will be QRV 30 June – 5 July from EU-001, holiday style. QSL via S55DX

**FP/KV1J** will be QRV 28 June – 14 July, primarily on the HF high bands and 6 M, SSB, FT8/4 and some CW. QSL via KV1J

**J38DX** and **J38LD** will be QRV 5 – 13 July from NA-024, 880 – 10, primarily SSB with some FT8. QSL via MØOXO

**C94RRC** will be QRV 5 – 11 July from AF-103. QSL via ClubLog OQRS

**C93RRC** will be QRV 13 – 19 July from AF-098. QSL via ClubLog OQRS

**CN2NE** will be QRV 15 – 22 July, holiday style, 40 – 6. QSL via eQSL and QRZ.COM only, HB9HLM does not plan to print any QSL cards at this time

**SX9G** will be QRV 24 – 29 July, including the RSGB IOTA contest. QSL via ON3UN and ClubLog OQRS

**3B8SP** will be QRV 28 July – 1 August, 40 – 6, CW SSB and FT8. More information at <https://www.facebook.com/philipp.springer.71> QSL via DK6SP or OQRS

**3G1P** will be QRV from SA-100 18 – 23 August. More information at <https://3g1psa-100.weebly.com/> QSL via VE3LYC or ClubLog

**EA8/MØKZT** will be QRV 18 – 25 August, holiday style, CW SSB and FT8. QSL via MØKZT or as directed

**T88CL** and **T88DF** will be QRV 2 – 11 September from OC-009, including the All Asian DX SSB Contest. QSL T88DF via JH2DFJ. T88CL route TBA.

**C5LT** and **C5R** will be QRV starting 19 October. This is part of their humanitarian work to build new classrooms for local schools.

**3C2MD** will be QRV 30 October – 10 November, 160-19, CW SSB RTTY & FT8. More information at <https://www.mdxc.support/3c2md>. QSL via IK2VUC

**9U1RU** will be QRV 31 October – 19 November, using at least 7 “high power” stations 24/7. More information at <https://www.rudxt.org/9u1ru> QSL via R7AL

**T88HR** will be QRV 1 – 6 November, 75 – 19, SSB RTTY and FT8/4. QSL via JH1MLO

**T88TJ** will be QRV 1 – 6 November, 40 – 6, SSB RTTY and FT8/4. QSL via JR1FKR

The **CYØS** team has announced that Parks Canada has invited them back to **Sable Island** for a DXpedition in March 2026. Exact dates and more information to be forthcoming.

Amateur Radio DXpeditions (ARD) has announced an upcoming DXpedition to **South Georgia Island** as **VPØSG** for March 2027. More information at [www.ardxpeditons.com/dxpeditons/vp0sg](http://www.ardxpeditons.com/dxpeditons/vp0sg)

**St. Charles, MO, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025** – The Yasme Foundation is pleased to announce that the Board of Directors has selected Mark Beckwith N5OT as its newest Director.

Mark was first licensed in 1971 as WN6OTU at 13 years old. Less than a year later he participated in Field Day and was hooked. As a teenager he cut his teeth in the time-honored way by joining the biggest multi-multi contest station he could find where he lived. He spent many DX contests at K6RR, AI6V, and others, where he got to work alongside some legendary operators. For domestic contests he operated as a guest at some great stations like W6AQ and W6UE. He's also been a part of XE2SI, HC8U, HC8N, A73A, ED9Z, V31NN, PJ2T, PJ4R, PJ4O, 4A3MX, TI5N, and HP1XX.

In daily life, he is a professional musician, having sung professionally on the opera stage across the USA. He now conducts orchestras and choirs, directs theatrical productions, and produces concerts and events.

Mark founded nevus.org, a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving awareness and providing support for people affected by giant nevi, and finding a cure. He served as the organization's chief executive officer from 2005 to 2017. Mark is also a founding director of WWROF.

— Ward Silver NØAX, President, The Yasme Foundation



## QSL Routes

4A7V via XE2V	OE3XDC
5B4ARF via 5B4AOF	OF6ØAP via OH2AP
7Q5MLV via MØURX	OHØERF via DKØERF
8S2X via SM2DIR	OHØTXF via G3TXF
AM11ØØDD via EC1DD	OM7M via OM4MM
CQ3W via DF7EE	OS4U via ON4DN
CR6K via CT1ILT	P3ØA via UA2FM
D4DX via E73Y	PF8ØFREE via PB7Z
D44ZZI via MØOXO	PI35COM via PA1AW
DC75DARC via DL2VFR	PI4DX via PD1DX
DD75DARC via DL2VFR	PS2T via PY5EG
DK75DARC via DL2VFR	PW2F via PY2NA
DL6ØAZBL via DL5SFC	SJ9WL via LA7TIA
DL9ØMGL via DL2OAH	SN73PUK via SP3LPT
DM8ØØKM via DL8DSL	SO1P via SP6IEQ
DPØPOL via DL5EBE	SPØI via MØRTI
DR75DARC via DL2VFR	SP1Ø5JP11 via
DQ2C via DL2CC	SP3PDO
DR75DARC via DL2VFR	SP5ØKRF via SP1KRF
E2A via E21EIC	SX2VERIA via SV2JAO
EG2DMA via EA2EWF	T77RN via IZ6BRN
EH8CID via EA8CNR	TC1919ATA via TA6P
FM4TI via EA5GL	TM1X via F8KCF
GB8ØMAN via MØIYE	TM45END via F5JYD
GBØSLR via GØYAP	TO3E via AB2E
GB2LC via GM7AFE	UO2L via UNØLM
GS8VL via MØOXO	V49K via AC6ZM
HA95ØSZ via HA7MS	V51F via DL3DXX
HSØZJE via HB3YKB	VC3EMS via VE3KKG
IB9R via IT9DSZ	VK9DX via VK2DX
IP4E via IK4ZHH	VU7T via MØXUU
IRØIABJ via ISØHMZ	XV9DL via WY7M
J42A via SV2AEL	YP5A via YØ5KUC
K3S via K3LU	YR8D via YØ8KRR
LT7L via LU9LZR	Z68ØM via OH2YL
LY18ØZ via LY2NZ	Z68YL via OH2YL
LZ8A via LZ2KTS	Z68ZZ via I2Y5B
M4T via MØBEW	ZD8GB via EA5GL
MI5I via GIØRQK	ZL7IO via DK7AØ
MM1E via MMØGOR	ZV5X via PY5CC
N3S via K3LU	
OE3MECF5/6 via	

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Contact Mark Stabryla N3RDV [n3rdv at arrl dot net](mailto:n3rdv@arrl.net)

# NARA

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As a member-focused, volunteer-driven organization, NARA relies on the dedication and talents of individuals like you. Whether it's web design, award management, event planning, member support, or something else entirely, your involvement helps shape the direction and success of our efforts.

Right now, we're especially looking for volunteers to chair two key committees, Events Planning Committee and Award Management Committee

We're also looking for more input on our State of Amateur Radio Survey and will soon be seeking beta testers to help us refine and finalize it.

Finally, there are also state-level volunteer opportunities, especially for those interested in promoting NARA locally and working with Club Councils to strengthen collaboration among area clubs.

If you're ready to lend your skills and make a difference, we'd love to hear from you. Just send us an email letting us know what you're interested in — and if you have other ideas or ways you'd like to contribute, don't hesitate to share those.

Final thoughts: It's incredible to see how things are moving forward. From forging national partnerships and connecting with the community at Hamvention to launching youth initiatives and laying the groundwork for stronger local engagement, it's clear there's real potential to positively impact amateur radio.

More importantly, it's clear there's a need for a national organization that listens, adapts, and puts everyday operators and clubs at the center of its focus. When I chose the name Alliance, it was intentional. NARA isn't just an association for amateur radio operators — it's a community of individuals, clubs, organizations, and manufacturers who all have a vested interest in seeing amateur radio thrive.

As you've seen above, we're not just talking about change—we're making it happen. And none of it would be possible without you. Your support, participation, and belief in this mission keep our small team motivated to keep pushing forward behind the scenes. NARA is working to empower the next generation, strengthen local clubs, and expand the reach of amateur radio across the country. Your membership support and active participation are what make our progress possible.

Together, we're building something that is needed and makes a difference.

Just a quick reminder: complimentary memberships will expire on June 30<sup>th</sup>. We hope you'll stay on this journey with us by renewing for just \$32/year. Your membership directly fuels the tools, programs, and outreach efforts we're building. You can update your membership at any time by visiting <https://app.joinit.com/o/nara/members>. We're excited about what's ahead — and we're glad you're with us for the ride.

Novice	6,091	0.724%
Technician	418,697	49.78%
General	203,479	24.19%
Advanced	33,636	3.9992%
Extra	166,986	19.85%
Club	12,185	1.449%
<b>Total</b>	<b>841,074</b>	

Information courtesy of [AE7Q.com](http://AE7Q.com), based on FCC ULS Data .

Novice	284	1.061%
Technician	11,883	44.39%
General	6,816	25.46%
Advanced	1,330	4.9681%
Extra	6,023	22.50%
Club	435	1.625%
<b>Total</b>	<b>26,771</b>	

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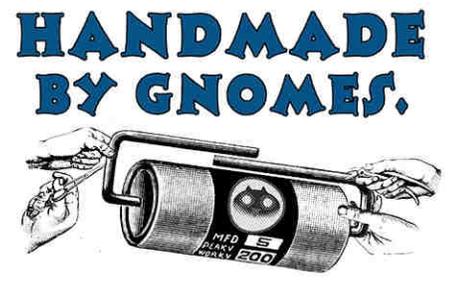
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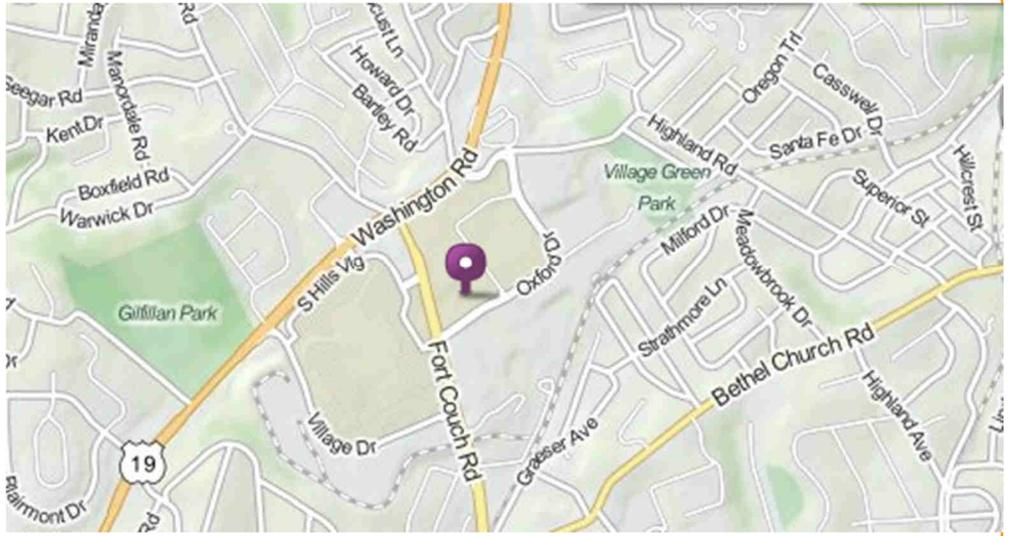
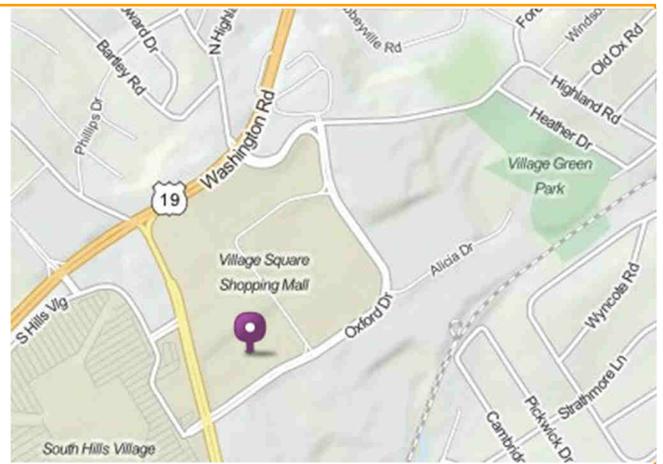


# 2025 WASH Meeting Location

**St. Clair Health Outpatient Center Village  
Square Conference Room**

**2000 Oxford Drive, Bethel Park PA 15102**

**Adjacent to Village Square Mall, across Ft. Couch Road from  
South Hills Village Mall, just off of US Route 19**



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