



SCARA NEWSLETTER



Celebrating over 50 Years Affiliation with the ARRL

September 2009 – SCARA P.O. Box 121 Linwood, NJ 08221 – K2BR Repeater 146.745 MHz (-) PL 146.2 HZ

Meeting Notice

Our next regular club meeting will be on Thursday, September 10, 7:30 PM at the Tony Canale Training Center, 5033 English Creek Avenue, in the McKee City area of Egg Harbor Township.

Following the general meeting George Strayline, W2GSS, who is the ARRL Section Manager for southern New Jersey will present an informative program about amateur radio in our area. Please plan to attend.

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SCARA Calendar

General Meeting: Thurs. Sep. 10, 7:30PM, Canale Training Center.

SCARA HF Net: Sun. Sept. 20, 10:00 AM 3.928 MHz.

Board Meeting: Thurs. Sept. 24, 8 PM, Canale Training Center

RACES Net: Monday Sept. 28, 7 PM Canale Center

SKYWARN Net: Mondays 8 PM on 146.745 MHz, K2BR /R

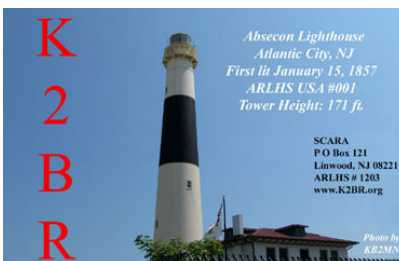
VHF Simplex Net: Every Friday except 3rd Friday of the month, 7:30 PM 146.580 MHz.

NCS-KC2ESD, Rick

ARLHS Final Report



In the August issue of SNL we reported on the operations at the Absecon Lighthouse for National Lighthouse Weekend. SCARA was back on the air again on the third weekend in August for International Lighthouse Weekend. In all, including both weekends a total of 188 contacts were made.



2009 Lighthouse QSL card

On Sunday morning August 16, the monthly SCARA HF net was conducted from the lighthouse. There were only 5 check-ins for the net. Those who did check-in will receive a lighthouse QSL card for the contact. You may pick up your QSL card in person at our general meeting or send an S.A.S.E. to

the club mailing address available elsewhere in this newsletter.

Thanks to everyone who participated this year. We had quite a few interested visitors who saw the write-up for the event in the Atlantic City Press newspaper. Advertising does work!

Meeting Report August 13, 2009

The meeting was called to order by Lou, KA2NTT at 7:31 PM. There were 27 members and guests present. The minutes of the June general meeting were read by John, K2JGB. The treasurer's report was given by Bob, WA2YSA. The ending balance was \$3433.95. The petty cash balance was \$58.95. Bob reported the current membership total was 95.

Sunshine chair Anne, KB2CIZ, reported that a get well card was sent to Jesse Pagan, WA2PRY.

Lou reported that there were no problems with the repeater. Arnie, W2OB, suggested that a work party be put together to get the D-Star equipment on-line.

Under Training and Licensing, Lou, KA2NTT, said he might be running another technician license class in the near future for CERT (Civilian Emergency Response Team) members. Howard, KC2TYZ, asked if there would be interest in a SCARA

sponsored technician class for the Boy Scouts. Howard will get more info and it will be discussed at the next general meeting. Bob, W2ARP, suggested having CD's made up for the ARRL "Guide to Choosing a Ham Radio".

Under programs, Larry, KB2MN, asked if we could get George Strayline, W2GSS, ARRL Southern New Jersey section manager to speak at our next meeting. Bob, N4XAT said he would ask George and report back.

John, K2JGB, reported that he will contact the Crab Trap banquet manager in late September to discuss the menu for our annual dinner which is scheduled for Friday January 9, 2010.

Under Old Business, Larry stated that there had been no offers to buy the club's old Swan 350 transceiver. The rig will be posted on QRZ.com for \$200 plus shipping and will be sold "as is".

Under New Business Bill, KC2AAY, suggested that the club's constitution and by-laws should be reviewed and updated. Lou suggested posting the constitution and by-laws on the SCARA website and that a committee should be formed. Larry stated he would post them on the site soon. *(Ed. note: they are available on the website now!)*

The meeting was adjourned at 8:41 PM. The 50/50 (\$23) was won by Bill, KC2AAY.



Be Radio-active!

Dits n Dahs

Old Radio on the Web: Old Radio Columns from QST are on line and indexed from January 2000 through December 2005 (72 columns). Just go to my web page and click on the yellow box and you will go directly to the indexed pages. Also, you might want to check out the September 2009 web page on Collins desks. There is some new information on that web page.

Go to www.k2tqn.com/
73, John Dilks, K2TQN

Choosing a Ham Radio: Available on-line at the ARRL website for members only is a new Adobe pdf file explaining how to choose a radio suitable for your needs. It is 24 pages long and is informative for new and old hams. It is also being included in some of the new ARRL training manuals. If you are not yet a member of the ARRL, check with one of our board members and arrange to have a copy of the file put onto a CD.

Tnx Bob, W2ARP

Membership News

SCARA warmly welcomes four new members to the rooster this month. They are Richard Petermann, NF2K, Bill Cole, N2CSA, Roy Connors, K3TEN, and Tim Cwik, N2LTQ. Richard resides in Mays Landing, Bill in North Cape May, Roy in Cape May Court House and Tim lives in Stone Harbor.

Why is this space empty??

This is where you article could be! What is your favorite radio and why. Maybe a "how to" article on something you are knowledgeable about. It could be something about operating procedures, chasing DX, or a mode you have mastered and want to share your expertise with our members.

Let's make the newsletter more interesting and informative. You can make a difference and your knowledge will be of interest to our members.

Editor: KB2MN



"No, Greg went to the ham auction this afternoon to get rid of a couple of old radios that were cluttering up the place...Oh, I think I hear him pulling up now!"

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Swap Shop

For Sale: The following items are for sale from Jim, W2BUZ. Cushcraft MA6V Vertical HF antenna for 20-17-15-12-10-6 meters \$150, Icom IC-735 HF XCVR + mic with PS-55 Power supply \$350, SG-239 HF Smart Tuner \$150, Samlex SEC-1223 23/25 Amp Switching Power Supply \$75, Elenco LP525K Logic probe kit \$10. Various books are also available. *Please contact Larry, KB2MN (609) 287-5340 if you are interested in any of these items.*

For Sale: Various items from the estate of Harold Anderson including a Ten Tec Omni HF rig, Ten Tec remote VFO, Ten Tec power supply and speaker, Bearcat BC-210 scanner, MFJ phone patch, Bencher chrome base paddle, Diawa antenna tuner and some other items. I do not have the model numbers for the equipment but I have pictures supplied by the seller. For the pictures see me (KB2MN) at the September general meeting. Here is the seller's contact info: Charlotte Meng (sister of the deceased) 609-398-4248 (summer) 610-382-4248 (winter) or charlotmeng@aol.com.

For Sale & Wanted: Your sale items and wanted requests can be listed here. Just submit them in a timely manner to the newsletter editor. Preferred lead time is about 14 days before the next general meeting. Sometimes late submissions can be added but the earlier you submit your items the easier it is on the newsletter editors.

Available: If you need any window sash weights (Maybe to balance out the ends of an antenna?) contact Ron Schreiber, KC2LNB. Ron has come across a limited supply of these. capthook234@verizon.net

Club Information 2009

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ARRL QSL Card Mgrs.	W2OB, W2ARP

Special Events

Sergeant-at-Arms	Dan Rollins
Field Day	Lou Milone
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Annual Dinner	John Barbieri K2JGB
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