



MEGAHERTZ TIMES

October 2024

W3AI

PO Box 336, Perkasie, PA 18944

R F Hill Amateur Radio Club 2024

President: Cary Binder, NI2Q
Vice President: Jim Soete, WA3YLQ
Secretary: Jim Reed, KC3LXV
Treasurer: Tom Dumire, K3KKI
News Editor: KS3Z, Charles Schmell
ks3z@comcast.net

CLUB INFORMATION

Mailing address:
PO Box 336, Perkasie, PA 18944
Club Repeaters: 145.31 MHz; input
144.71 MHz PL 131.8 (2 meters)
444.75 MHz, input 449.75 MHz PL 103.5
(70 cm)

Meetings: The club normally meets at
7:30 PM on the last Thursday of the
Month

Web page: <http://www.rfhillarc.club>

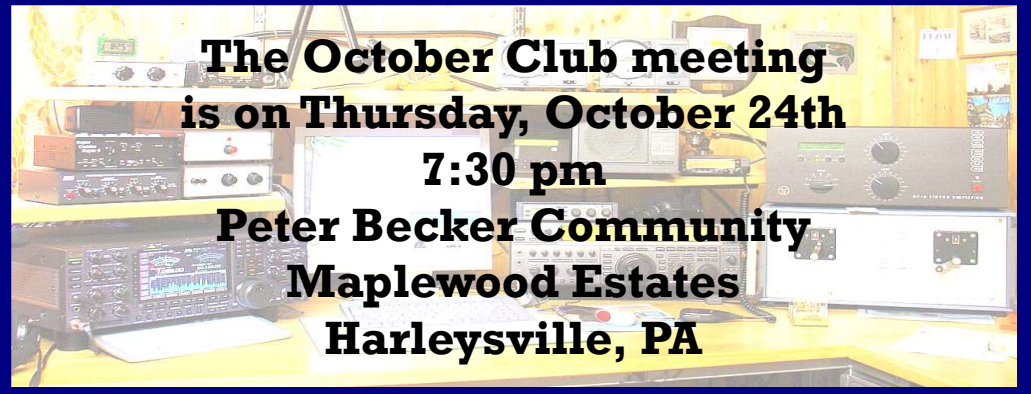
Email: rfhillarc@yahoo.com

The MHz Times is the official publication
of the R F Hill Amateur Radio Club, Inc.
Articles for submission may be made to
the editor. Material may not be
reprinted without the express permis-
sion of the R F Hill ARC. The R F Hill ARC
nor it's officers warrant any items
listed for sale or trade. The editor
reserves the right not to print any
material which may be offensive or
illegal.

All articles and pictures are copy-
righted material. © 2024

DEADLINE for article submission is 6
days before the meeting! Please submit
in Open Office (.odt) or MS Word (.docx)
format. No PDFs please!

Send to ks3z@comcast.net



RF Hill ARC Hamfest 2.0 October 20th

Our Club Hamfest is Sunday, October 20th, at
the Upper Bucks Campus of the Bucks County
Community College.

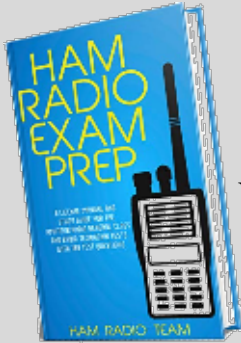
This event is our Annual Hamfest
This is our BIG fundraiser intended to keep
W3AI's two repeaters on the air for another
year
and provide funding for insurance
and other Club activities.

It is an all-hands effort!

Setup starts at o'dark hundred, but help
needed ALL DAY!
73, Jim Soete, WA3YLQ

**October Club Meeting:
Review of Hamfest**

VE TESTING



VE testing for Technician, General and Extra Class licenses is held at 6:00 PM at the Indian Valley Public Library in Telford:

100 E Church Ave.
Telford, PA 18969

Scheduled VE Exam Sessions

2024 Dates:

October 20 (at Hamfest)

November 18

Direct questions to Kevin KW3P at kw3p@arrl.net or by cell phone at 215-378-6978.



Club Nets

SEPPTN traffic nets are on Sundays & Wednesdays at 8:00 PM local time at 145.310

MHz (-600). These nets are for anyone who would like to learn how to handle traffic as well as an on the air meeting place for members and future members.

RF Hill A-R-C Ten Meter AM Net: 29.005MHz on Sunday evening immediately following the SEPPTN

RF Hill CW Squad Operates on 28.370.600 CW at approx. 7pm Tuesday stopping before the NPARC net at 8pm. This is a non formal CW - slow speed - net for beginners and ranges in speed from 5-15 wpm.

SEPPATN Net Control Stations

09/22, 09/25 KB3DEN	11/17 WA3YLQ
09/29 WA3YLQ	11/20 KW3P
10/02 KW3P	11/24, 11/27 KB3DEN
10/06 WA3YLQ	12/01 WA3YLQ
10/09 KW3P	12/04 KW3P
10/13 WA3YLQ	12/08 WA3YLQ
10/16, 10/20 KB3DEN	12/11 KW3P
10/23 KW3P	12/15 KB3DEN
10/27 WA3YLQ	12/18 KB3DEN
10/30 KW3P	12/22 KB3DEN
11/03, 11/06 KB3DEN	12/29 WA3YLQ
11/10 WA3YLQ	
11/13 KW3P	

Contact Jim KB3DEN with any questions or conflicts. If at the last minute, the assigned net control station doesn't show-up, any net control station on frequency should run the net.

Thanks to everyone for your continued support.
Jim – KB3DEN KB3DEN@aol.com

AREA NET LISTINGS

SEPPTN Southeastern PA Practice & Traffic Net	Su/W	8 PM	145.31-
EPAEPTN - EPA Emergency Phone/Traffic Net	Daily	5 PM	3.918 +/-
Pennsylvania Traffic Net (CW)	Daily	7,10 PM	3.585
Third Region Net	Daily	4 PM	7.243 (3.917 -alt)
Eastern Area Net (EAN)	Daily	2:30 PM	7.243
Bucks County ARES	W	9 PM	147.090+
Montgomery County ARES	Th	7 PM	146.835- (pl 88.5)



Find us on Facebook and Twitter

Join the conversation.

Follow us today!

<http://facebook.com/rfhillarc>

<http://twitter.com/W3AI>



RF Hill SEPPATN September Report

QNI = 79

QTC = 3

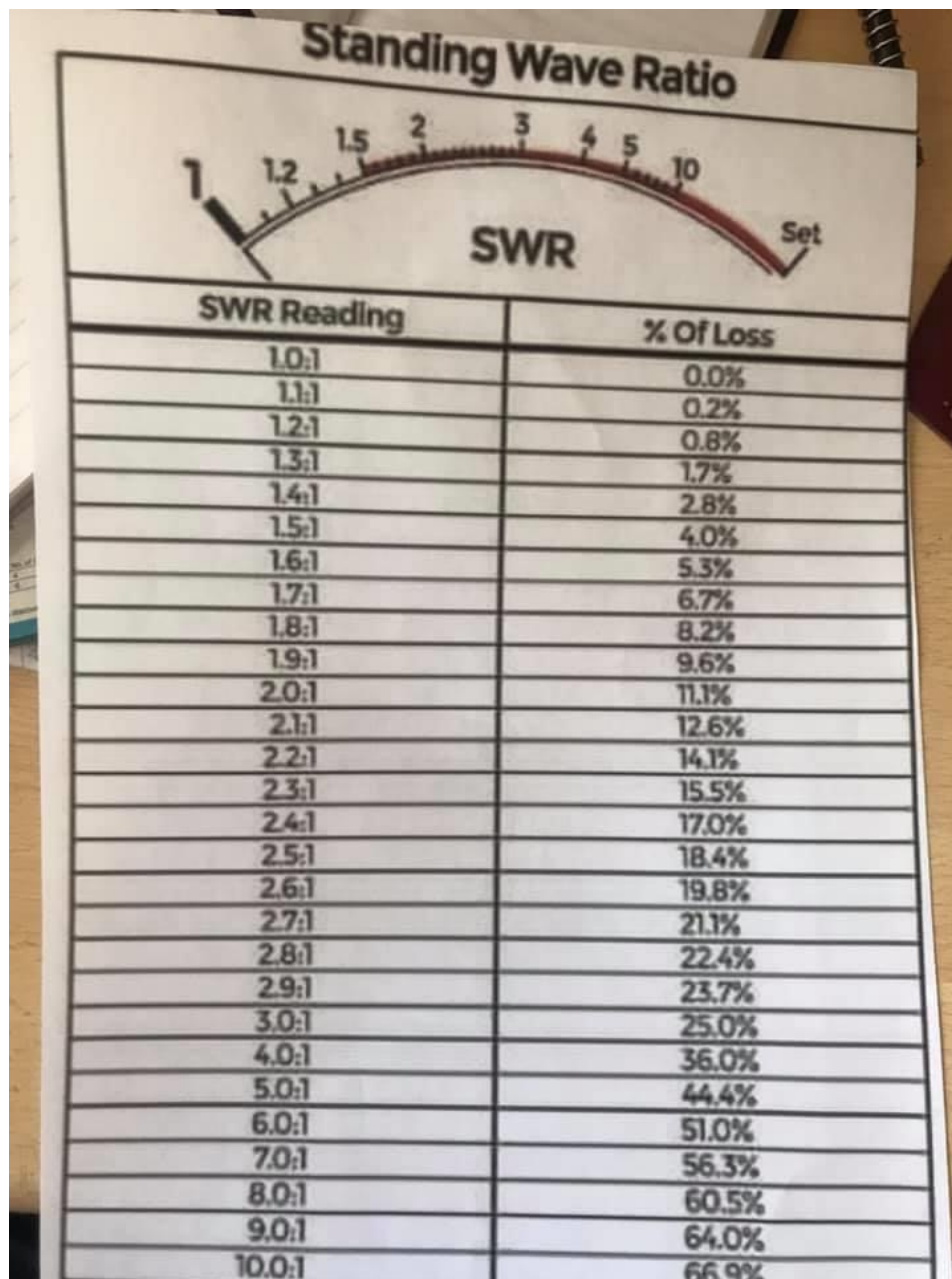
In 9 Sessions

That's a little over 8 Check-in's per session.

Thanks!

73's

Jim – KB3DEN



RF Hill ARC September Meeting Minutes

RF Hill Amateur Radio Club

September Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date- September 26th, 2024

Welcome/Call to Order: President Cary, NI2Q

Fourteen members were present along with guest Jack Unger N3ANZ.

Pledge to the Flag-

President- Cary called the meeting to order at 7:30pm. Cary discussed club membership and the 2025 renewal process.

Vice President- Jim WA3YLQ thanked all members who helped with and attended the club picnic. Jim noted that 2025 membership renewals should be posted now in the MHz Times. Our November meeting will be Thursday the 21st, using the small meeting room downstairs. Our December meeting will be Thursday the 26th, bring your ham Christmas gifts for Show and Tell.

Secretary- Jim KC3LXV asked guest Jack Unger to introduce himself. Jack give us a brief history about his ham radio background.

Treasurer- Tom K3KKI noted income and expenses for the Hamfest and annual rental fee to Perkasio Water Authority. Kevin KW3P and Jim KB3DEN made motions to approve the Treasurer's report as submitted.

Committee Reports- *Repeater-* is in good standing, *VE Session-* one person passed the Tech exam. *MHz Times-* Charles KS3Z can use articles. *SEPPATN-* we have an average of 7 to 8 check in's on Sunday and Wednesday evenings. We need more Net Control volunteers'. Kevin KW3P will consider taking the net control position on Wednesday evening.

Old Business- Nothing to report. **New Business-** Nothing to report.

50/50- Steve K3ALV won the 50/50.

Adjournment- A motion was made by John WB3ABH and Todd W3TFF to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm.

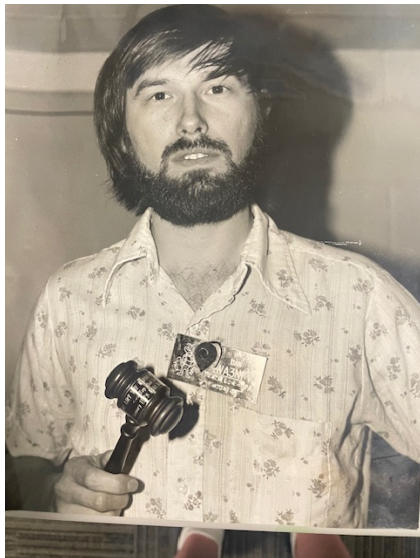
Program- Vice President Jim WA3YLQ discussed the upcoming Hamfest logistics with slides. Jim noted ARRL gift certificates, parking locations for vendors and general public, locations for ticket takers, location and placement of Charles van, tent and generator, safety vest, signage. We will need 10 volunteer's to handle tickets and give directions for parking. Members should bring their HT's (we will be on 146.60 Simplex), flashlights and dress warm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Reed, Secretary
KC3LXV

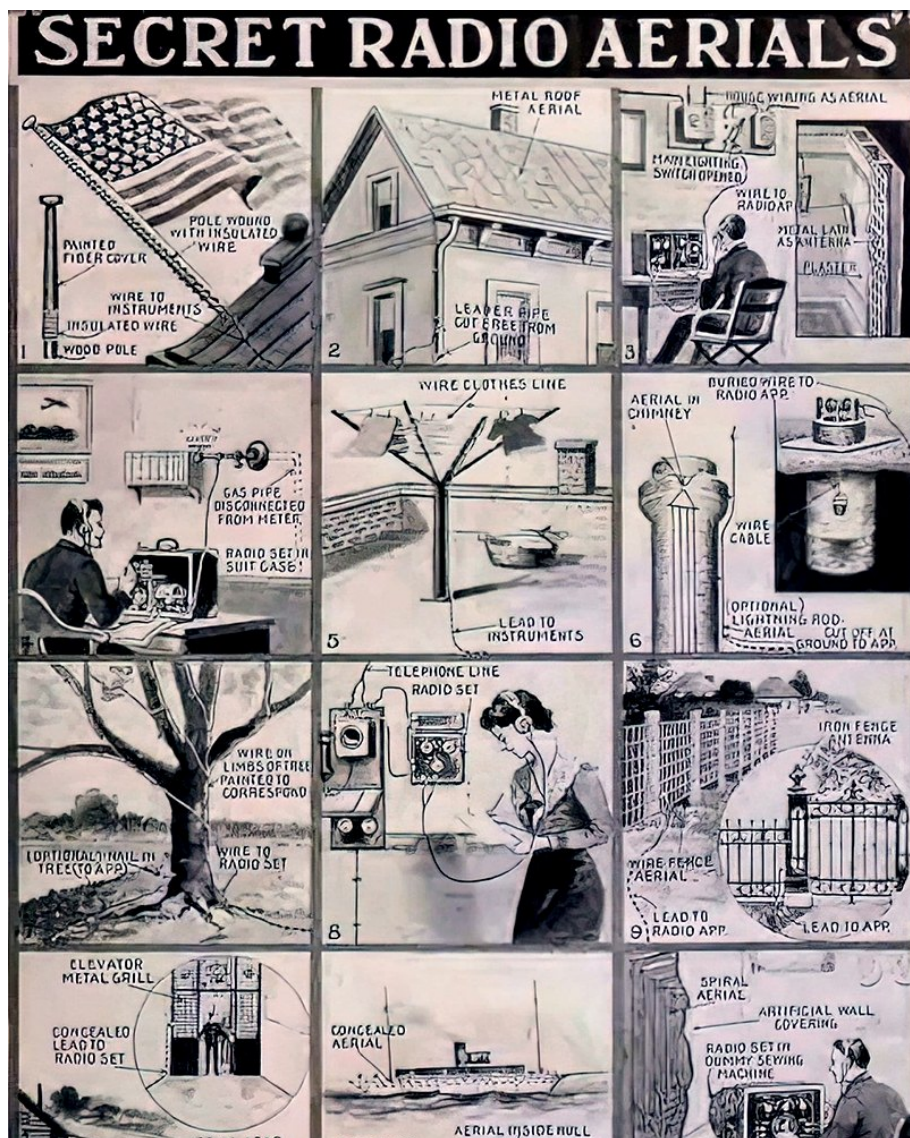
Joe Burgess, W3PNL and Paul Craig, N3YSI running Field Day QRP from Bud Hannes's QTH in Milford Twp.



Pictures!



Who is this guy?



EZ PIX

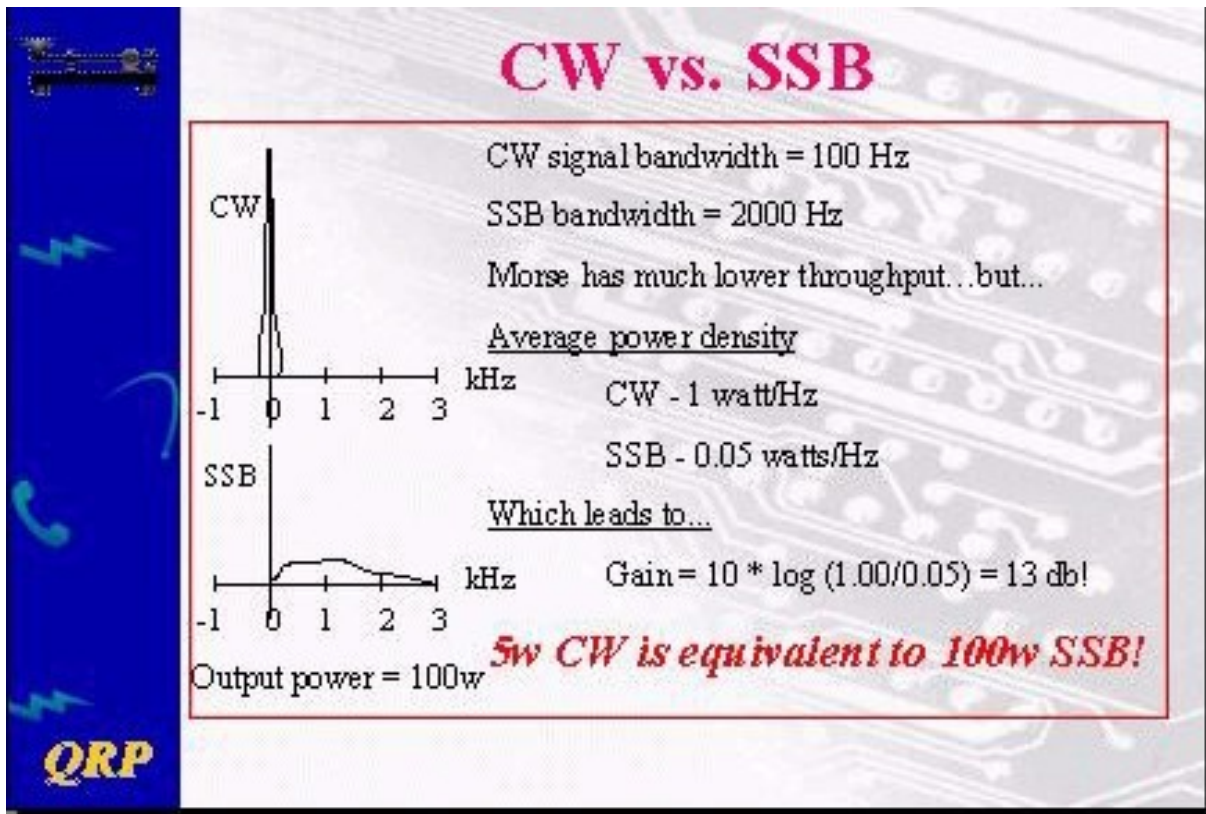
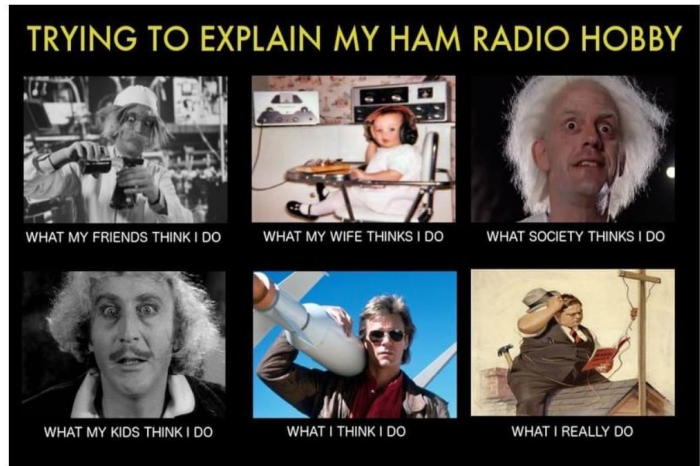
Some pictures copied from EZ Pix by Lamar, K3UCI



**Don't Forget . . .
RF Hill Hamfest is Sunday, October 20 !!!**

Upper County Campus—Bucks County Community College in Perkasie.
Flyers will be available at Club meetings
This is the sole source of income besides dues for the year.

Volunteer and help our club!



Signals Newsletter – ARRL EPA SECTION

The link below contains instructions to subscribe to postings from the ARRL EPA distribution system including "Signals" the bi-monthly newsletter.

<https://epa-arrrl.org/signals-newsletter/>

73, Griff NE3I



2025 Dues Are Now Due

Your dues payment is expected no later than the January meeting. Please fill out this form and return it with your payment at a Club meeting or by mail: RF Hill ARC
PO Box 336 Perkasio, PA 18944. The 2025 dues rates are **\$25.00** per year for regular membership, and **\$12.50** for Retired members and students. No dues required for Life Members.

Name _____ Call Sign _____

CIRCLE DUES PAID: \$25.00 \$12.50 Life Member

CHECK ONE: _____ No Changes to my info. (**do not go further**)

_____ See Changes below to my info.

***** ONLY COMPLETE THIS FORM IF YOU WISH TO INDICATE CHANGES TO YOUR PERSONAL INFO. *****

E-Mail _____ Phone # _____

License Class _____ ARRL Member YES No

ARES/RACES Member ? YES NO

My Contact info may be shared with MEMBERS YES NO

Note: Your Call Book/ULS address will be considered your address of record.

OPTIONAL DONATION to support the W3AI Repeater and Club operations. Amount enclosed _____ .