



HRAC meets the  
second Wednesday of  
each month at 7:00 pm

At the Vietnam  
Veterans of America

8000 Derry St,  
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# Harrisburg Radio Amateur's Club Newsletter

**NEXT MEETING FEBRUARY 10, 2021**

**VVA**

**8000 DERRY ST**

**HARRISBURG, PA**

**7:00 PM**

## Volunteer Examiner Report

Next session February 20, 2021 @ VVA 8000 Derry St, Harrisburg. PA Testing starts at 9:00 AM. Anyone interested must preregister. <http://www.w3uu.org/license-exams/>



Exam dates for 2021 All exams at VVA. 8000 Derry Street, Harrisburg, PA

February 20, 2021

April 17, 2021

June 19, 2021

August 21, 2021

October 16, 2021

December 18, 2021 Get studying!

## Upcoming Programs for 2020

### February 10, 2020 - Club Meeting at VVA 8000 Derry St, Harrisburg

Please consider stepping up to make a presentation during one of the meetings that has an availability to do so. I know that everyone has an expertise in something, and can bring something to the table. Do more than consider, DO it.

## January 13, 2021 Meeting Minutes

The January 13, 2021 meeting of the Harrisburg Radio Amateur's Club, Inc. was called to order at 1905 HRS by the President, Zach (W3ZTB)

The January meeting of the HRAC was held at the Vietnam Veterans Association Building, 8000 Derry St, Harrisburg, PA. Due to the continuing COVID – 19 pandemic those in attendance took the recommended precautions.

**Secretary Report** – The minutes of the December 9, 2020 meeting were published in the newsletter.  
Charlie (W3CWT) made a motion to accept the minutes as published Robert (K3RTS) seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

**Treasurers Report** – Dave (KC3MG) gave the treasurers report. For the months of December 2020  
Chuck (N3WL) made a motion to accept the December's Treasurer's report  
Tim (W4NKC) seconded, the motion passed.

**License Trustee** – Steven (KA3PDQ) reported that there were no changes.

**Equipment Trustee** – All equipment was accounted for and insured. He also reported that the Club had sold the 4 bay dipole antenna.

**Repeater Committee** – Terry (WB3BKN) reported that the antenna was now installed and encouraged the group to use the repeater for it's new signal. He reported that the new antenna was mounted 10' higher than the previous one.

**Laurel VE Committee** – Steven (KA3PDQ) reported that the next exam session scheduled is schedule for February 20, 2021 at 8000 Derry St.

**Membership Committee** – Tim (W4NKC) reported that it was working on the new list with renewals coming in..

**Newsletter Editor** – It was reported that the Club is once again in search of a newsletter editor.  
If interested contact the President. Till then articles can still be submitted via the gmail account. Articles should be in plain English with NO abbreviations.  
Please send articles to [HRAC.Newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:HRAC.Newsletter@gmail.com). With a deadline of **7 days Before the end of the month.**

**Web Page** – Michael (KD3MAD) is looking for feed back on recent changes to the site.

**Emergency Communications** – Bob (K3RTS) reported that classes are available on zoom on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays at 7:00 PM. There is also an Information Net on Monday evenings at 1900 hours.

**DXCC** - Chuck (N3WL) reported that Glenn had made the mailing to the Outgoing QSL Bureau.

**Ham Feast** – No Report

**Hamfest Committee** – Terry (WB3BKN) and Tim (W4NKC) reported that HACC was not available for the Firecracker Hamfest in July 2021. Terry reported that he had contacted the Postal

Employees Gun Club for use of their picnic grounds. The date was available after some discussion Terry (WB3BKN) made a motion to allocate a budget of \$400.00 to secure the grounds for the Hamfest. Dave (KC3MG) seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Field Day** - Different locations were discussed as well as the purpose of Field Day including radio testing and PR opportunity to expose the hobby to the public. Terry (WB3BKN) said his farm was again available this year if the Club desired

**Old Business** - Due to the passing of former President Tom Hale (WU3X), Chuck (N3WL) made a motion to donate \$25.00 to the charity listed in the obituary. Joe (W3JPH) seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**New Business** – Charlie (W3CWT) asked if there was going to be any winter operating events for the Club. Joe (W3JPH) advised that if anyone wanted to participate in PARKS ON THE AIR to contact Him that he is out every weekend activating different parks.

**Good of the Club** – .

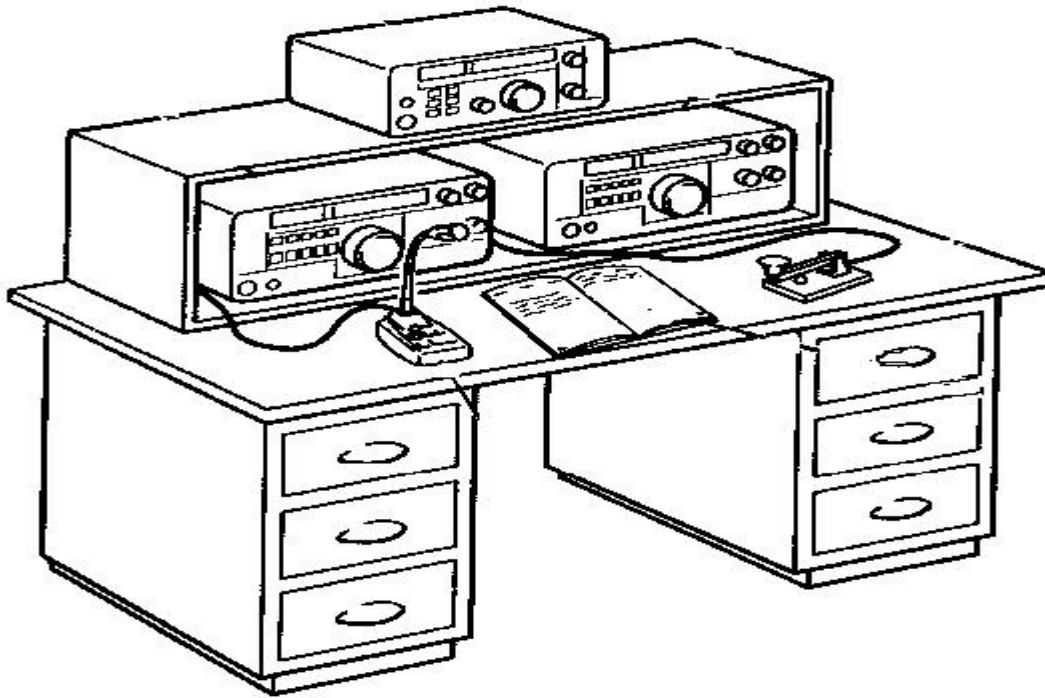
**Adjournment** – With no further business Terry (WB3BKN) made a motion to adjourn at 2028 hours. Tim (W4NKC) seconded the motion.

Respectfully Submitted

*Steven Gobat, KA3PDQ*







## PERIODIC TABLE OF MAJOR AMATEUR RADIO CONTESTS

Start Day (UTC) → 1  
 Start Time (UTC) → 0000Z  
 End Day (UTC) → 3  
 End Time (UTC) → 2359Z  
 Contest Name  
 Major Contest of weekend

# 2021

Multimode    CW    Digital  
 off-the-air    SSB    VHF/UHF

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2 1800Z ARRL RTTY Roundup	3 2400Z NA Sprint CW	7 0400Z ARRL DX SSB	7 2400Z SP Polish DX	4 1500Z 7QP/IN/DE New England QSO Parties	1 1500Z SEANET Contest	2 1400Z Marconi Memorial HF	3 1400Z NAQP CW	4 0800Z CWOps CW Open	2 2359Z California QSO Party	3 2159Z ARRL SS CW	8 0300Z ARRL 160
9 1800Z NAQP CW	10 0600Z WPX RTTY	14 0000Z NA Sprint RTTY	14 0400Z JIDX CW	11 1300Z CQ-M DX	8 1200Z ARRL June VHF	9 1100Z IARU HF	14 1200Z WAE CW	11 3000Z WAE SSB	12 2359Z Oceania CW	9 0300Z WAE RTTY	13 2359Z ARRL 10
16 1800Z NAQP SSB	17 0800Z ARRL DX CW	20 2400Z Russian DX	21 1200Z CQMM DX	20 2359Z King of Spain	15 1200Z All Asian CW	16 1200Z CQ VHF	17 1400Z NAQP SSB	18 1500Z WA/NJ/NH QSO Parties	19 varies Worked All Germany	16 1500Z ARRL SS SSB	17 1459Z RAC Winter
16 1800Z ARRL January VHF	18 0359Z CQ 160 SSB	26 2200Z WPX SSB	27 0800Z Florida QSO Party	24 1800Z Contest University Dayton Hamvention	25 2159Z ARRL Field Day	20 1100Z RSGB IOTA	23 1700Z WW Digi	26 1200Z CQWW RTTY	25 3000Z CQWW CW	27 0800Z HAPPY HOLIDAYS	28 2400Z HAPPY HOLIDAYS
29 2000Z CQ 160 CW	31 2159Z			29 0000Z WPX CW	30 2400Z				30 0800Z CQWW SSB	31 2400Z	

## Weekly HRAC Net

The weekly information net is held every Wednesday at 7:00 PM on the 146.760 repeater, except for the second Wednesday of the month, which is club meeting night.

Please send any articles for the newsletter to [hrac.newsletter@Gmail.com](mailto:hrac.newsletter@Gmail.com)

### Local area nets:

Capitol Area Traffic Net starts **Monday at 8 PM** on the South Mountain Radio Amateurs (SMRA) repeater on 146.46 (67.0 tone), 1 MHz offset.

The Combined Club ARES/RACES Net meets **Monday at 8:30 PM** on the Keystone 146.97 Repeater (Tone: 123 Hz).

South Mountain Radio Amateurs (SMRA) Net on **Monday at 9 PM** on the 145.43 (Tone: 67 Hz) repeater located in Mt. Holly Springs.

The Keystone VHF Club Digital Net on **Tuesday at 8 PM** on the York 146.97 Repeater.

The Keystone VJF Club ELMER Net on **Tuesday at 9 PM** on the York 146.97 Repeater right after the Digital net

A local FM Simplex Net runs **Thursday at 8:30 PM** on 146.55 MHz.

South Central PA 10 Meter Net **Friday at 8 PM** 28.495 MHz USB

Ham Shack Talk Net - Monday at 9 PM: 28.335 MHz. Delaware

Lehigh Valley ARC Net - Sunday 4:00 PM: 28.430 MHz Do Drop In net - Sunday 8:30 PM: 28.450 MHz Penn- Mar Club net - Friday. 8:30 PM: 28.495 MHz.

10 Meter Ragchew Net - Every evening starting 7:30PM: 28.600 MHz

6 Meter Magicians Net from Pottstown Wednesdays at 8:30 PM on 50.130 USB. At 9 PM, they switch to 50.400 and run A.M. modulation and call themselves the Mini Boat Anchor Net. The KVHFC 6 Meter Activity Net run by Steve Cruse, K3WHC meets on 50.140 MHz USB on Wednesday evenings starting at 8:30 PM.

Harrisburg Radio Amateurs Club Information net at 7 pm on 146.76 (100 Hz tone) every Wednesday except club meeting night, which is listed at the top of the first page of this newsletter.

## From the Editor's Desk

Without your contributions to this newsletter, there is nothing to report, and the paper suffers. Keep those cards and letters coming in. Take pictures of things that you do and share them with us. Do not send articles to my personal email address. Send them to the address below.

**Please note the new email address for articles:**

**Hrac.newsletter@gmail.com**

Tnx 73

Editor: None **POSITION AVAILABLE**



# HRAC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

MAIL TO:  
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Make checks payable to HRAC—Membership is \$15.00 (\$7.50 if over 65) per year.  
Family Membership is \$25 (Hams must reside in the same household)  
Dues end December 31st.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ -CALL \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

ARRL Member: Y \_\_\_\_\_ N \_\_\_\_\_ \* YEAR FIRST LICENSED \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to abide by the guidelines of the membership and The Harrisburg Radio Amateur's Club, Inc.

Join the Gang

