



PEAKS & NULLS

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FIELD DAY WRAP UP

Well another Field Day is in the books. It didn't rain and the hot weather waited a few days to show up. Except for a few problems before the start, everything went fairly smooth. I thought that we were going to have to get the crew started on getting the ropes over the lights on Friday night next year until they found out that Paul KC2ITU had the magic touch. I haven't had time to find out why the CI-V interface was blowing the fuse in the 756 but it will be fixed by next year. Although we only had 5 more "Q's" than last year the spread was different so we had 86 more points than last year along with 100 more bonus points for a total claimed score increase of 6 % over last year. The chart below is a breakdown of the contacts by band for the CW and Phone stations and does not include RTTY. The 2012 total was 693 contacts (Log 1) and the 2013 total was 698 (Log 2).

Band Conversion		Total QSOs by Bands and Modes							
Freq in KHz	Meter Band	CW	PH	Total Log 1	% of QSOs	CW	PH	Total Log 2	% of QSOs
3,500.00	80	91	25	116	17.3%	69	74	143	20.7%
7,000.00	40	94	140	234	34.8%	122	117	239	34.6%
14,000.00	20	129	97	226	33.6%	131	57	188	27.2%
21,000.00	15	40	50	90	13.4%	72	27	99	14.3%
28,000.00	10	0	6	6	0.9%	11	10	21	3.0%
Total contest QSOs		354	318	672	100.0%	405	285	690	100.0%

The 2012 bonus points total was 870 while it was 970 for 2013. The 2012 total (Points and Bonus) was 3006 while the 2013 total was 3192. Who knows what it would have been if 10 Meters was open. It's been two years in a row now that 10 didn't make a showing.

The log was uploaded to LoTW and so far we have received 133 confirmations including one from WIAW.

Thanks again to everyone who helped with the setup and takedown along with manning the stations. A special thanks to our friends at the Morris Township OEM for their help with the trailer and transporting the tower

AUGUST GET TOGETHER

Again this year we will be having a get together for all members and their friends and families at the Atlanta Bread in Morris Plains instead of a meeting in August. Details in the August issue of Peaks & Nulls.

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Former member Fred (CW Man) Hoffert NA2U sent his congratulations on our Field Day effort. Even though Fred is retired and living in the Valley of the Sun when he's not off on DXpeditions, he always checks in to see how we did on Field Day. Fred sends his best to all his friends at the Morris Radio Club.



UPCOMING MEETINGS

July 2013 — No Meeting

August 19, 2013 — Get Together at Atlanta Bread in Morris Plains

September 16, 2013 — Regular Business Meeting



SELECTED UPCOMING CONTESTS

European HF Championship	0000Z-2359Z, Aug 3
TARA Grid Dip Shindig	0000Z-2400Z, Aug 3
10-10 Int. Summer Contest, SSB	0001Z, Aug 3 to 2359Z, Aug 4
North American QSO Party, CW	1800Z, Aug 3 to 0600Z, Aug 4
ARRL UHF Contest	1800Z, Aug 3 to 1800Z, Aug 4
WAE DX Contest, CW	0000Z, Aug 10 to 2359Z, Aug 11
SARTG WW RTTY Contest	0000Z, Aug 17 to 1600Z, Aug 18
North American QSO Party, SSB	1800Z, Aug 17 to 0600Z, Aug 18
SCC RTTY Championship	1200Z, Aug 31 to 1159Z, Sep 1



PREDICTED SUNSPOT NUMBER AND RADIO FLUX FOR AUGUST 2013

*****SUNSPOT NUMBER*****

*****10.7 RADIO FLUX*****

PREDICTED HIGH LOW

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89.4 99.4 79.4

140.7 149.7 131.7

JUNE MEETING MINUTES

<p>Morris Radio Club - Meeting Minutes June 17, 2013</p> <p>Attendees (5) NO2EL, KC2KNT, W2GM, KC2RDX, WA2VQF and one visitor</p> <p>A quorum was present.</p> <p>Opening of Meeting VP ROB KC2RDX opened the meeting at 7:34 PM</p> <p>Reports:</p> <p>Secretary - Bill WA2VQF reported that the May Minutes were issued in the June Peaks and Nulls Newsletter and that there were no corrections reported. Ray KC2KNT moved that the minutes be accepted. Mark W2GM seconded. The minutes were accepted</p>	<p>Noel NO2EL presented the treasurers reports for May.</p> <p>The account balances are available from Noel.</p> <p>Ray KC2KNT moved that the Treasurers reports be accepted. It was seconded by Mark W2GM and unanimously accepted.</p> <p>Old Business:</p> <p>Neither Noel or Mark has had a chance to check out the Any-meeting software yet.</p> <p>Noel will check with our insurer about the clubs liability if the club purchases an Arbor Launcher and lets the members use it.</p> <p>New Business:</p> <p>Noel received a letter from Mary Hobart K1MMH of the ARRL</p>	<p>saying that the scholarship has been presented to Charles Bigelow KB3YVS of White Hall, MD</p> <p>Noel was in receipt of a number of emails concerning the shack at the Camp Allamuchy. Noel has drafted a letter outlining the history of the shack and the clubs past participation in building and maintaining the shack and stating that the club can no longer maintain and staff the shack. If any other club is interested in taking over we would be willing to transfer everything over to them. Noel will contact the scouts to see how they want to proceed.</p> <p>Noel NO2EL and Bill WA2VQF tried out mounting the tower on the new trailer on Wednesday night June 12. After a minor bolt modifica-</p>	<p>tion everything worked perfectly.</p> <p>Morris Township will pick up the tower at Noel's house on Saturday morning.</p> <p>Noel checked out the Field Day site. There have been a few changes but none will affect us. Noel also figured out how to get the new trailer in position.</p> <p>We will set up a Wi-Fi hotspot at the Field Day site.</p> <p>We will still try to make a satellite contact.</p> <p>Ray KC2KNT motioned to close the meeting, it was seconded by Noel NO2EL.</p> <p>VP Rob closed the meeting at 8:26 PM</p>
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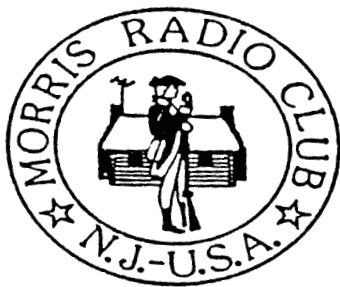


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After the meeting Bill WA2VQF gave a short PowerPoint presentation on the Field Day radio and logging setup.

Bill WA2VQF
MRC Secretary

HAMFEST CALENDAR

KC2YRV Memorial Jersey Shore Hamfest

07/20/2013

Location: Holy Spirit High School
500 North New Road (Route 9)
Absecon, NJ 08201

Website: <http://jerseyshorehamfest.com>

HAMFEST

08/03/2013

Location: Conlon Hall
19 North William Street
Bergenfield, NJ 07621

Sponsor: Boy Scout Troop 139 / Venture Crew 7373

RMARC Annual Hamfest

08/24/2013

Location: Camp Veritans
225 Pompton Road
Haledon, NJ 07508

Website: <http://www.qsl.net/rmarc>