

NOVEMBER 2013



## NOVEMBER MEETING

I dropped the ball this month by not emailing David and Warren to get the program for the November meeting, so I do not know what they have planned. I am sure something is in the works.

David Macchiarolo and Sam

Hall double-teamed for the October meeting and gave a presentation on antenna analyzers.

Nominations for officers will be presented at the November meeting by the Nominating Committee. Nominations will be accepted from the floor.

We have a small but steady number of members at the club meeting as of late, but I have been noticing some faces missing from the crowd. Hope this newsletter finds everyone well, and hope we will see you at the next meeting.

## OFFICER NOMINATIONS FOR 2014

The Nominating Committee has made their recommendations for officers for 2014. Those recommendations are: Mark McMahan, KB4MFP, for president; Dwight Sledge, W4EIO, for vice-president; and Warren Gallemore, KA4LOQ, for secre-

tary/ treasurer.

Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the November meeting. Elections will be held at the December meeting, and, as stated in the HPARC bylaws, no further nominations may be made at

the December meeting.

Thanks to the Nominating Committee for their work. This year's nominating committee included Warren Gallemore, Dwight Sledge, David Montgomery, Roland Wright and Mark McMahan.

## FCC TURNS AWAY PETITION TO EXPAND TECHNICIAN 10 METER PRIVILEGES

The FCC has dismissed a Petition for Rule Making that sought to expand Technician privileges in the 10 meter band. The Toledo Mobile Radio Association (TMRA) had asked the Commission last June to expand the spectrum available to Technician licensees on 10 meters to include operating privileges in the FM portion of the band, from 29.520 to 29.700 MHz. Novice and Technician licensees now may operate on 10 meters from

28.000 to 28.500 MHz.

"We conclude that TMRA has not presented grounds for the Commission to revisit the question of operating privileges for Technician class licensees," the FCC said October 17 in denying the petition. The FCC said that Technicians may transmit through repeaters licensed to a General class or higher licensee that have an output channel in the 29.5 to 29.7 MHz segment, as long as the

repeater has a 2 meter or 70 centimeter input.

Further, the FCC pointed out that the current licensing structure was developed "with

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**HPARC Meeting  
November 4, 2013**

**Rancho's,  
10463 North Main St,  
Archdale, NC**

Meal at 6:30 pm  
Business meeting at 7:00 pm

# CLUB PROGRAMS

David Macchiarolo is our Program Chairman. Along with Warren Gallemore, they have come up with a good slate of programs for our club meetings.

I am sure David would appreciate your input on what

types of programs you would like to see. This is not an easy job. I really appreciate the job David has done, but I know he would like to hear from you as to what you would like to see at the meetings.

So take a minute and con-

tact David or a member of the Board to let us know what interests you. Please don't sit back on this and think someone else will respond. We would really like to hear from each of our members. This is your chance to help the club.

## NEW FREE QST APP AVAILABLE FOR ANDROID DEVICES

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—The ARRL Letter,  
October 24, 2013

## K6OSC STEPS DOWN AS QUEEN MARY W6RO WIRELESS ROOM MANGER

Effective October 1, Nate Brightman, K6OSC, has reluctantly resigned as the W6RO Wireless Room Manager aboard the Queen Mary museum ship, anchored in Long Beach, California. Brightman cited his recent illness and hospitalization and his advanced age — he turns 96 on October 9 — as reasons for his decision.

Brightman was the W6RO Wireless Room Manager for 34

years, plus another 10 years arranging for the GB5QM "Last Voyage" Amateur Radio operation and establishing W6RO, the Associated Radio Amateurs of Long Beach club station.

In a farewell statement, Brightman said Ham Radio operations now aboard some 90 museum ships such as the Queen Mary have introduced Amateur Radio to millions of people. "These Amateurs give

the public direct personal information on how Amateur Radio benefits the public," he said. "This means of introducing Amateur Radio to the public is the biggest publicity stunt ever for Amateur Radio, and we should be proud that it all started with W6RO!"

Succeeding Brightman is his second in command, David Akins, N6HHR.

—The ARRL Letter,  
October 3, 2013

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The High Point Amateur Radio Club meets the first Monday of each month at 6:30 pm at a local restaurant announced in the newsletter. The business meeting starts around 7:00 pm followed by a short program of interest. Family and visitors are welcome to attend. For more information, please call or email one of the HPARC officers listed in this newsletter.

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the expressed desire of the Amateur community to provide an incentive, ie, additional frequency privileges, to motivate Amateur Radio operators to advance their communication and technical skills." The FCC noted that it increased Technician privileges in 2006 to

include Novice and Technician Plus privileges. "A Technician class licensee can upgrade to a General class operator license and receive significantly more frequency privileges (including those at issue here) by answering correctly a minimum of twenty-six questions on a thirty-five question written

examination," the FCC said.

TMRA had asserted that amending 97.301(e) of Part 97 would extend Technician voice privileges on 10 meters to "coincide with today's technical advancement of the Amateur Radio Service."

—The ARRL Letter,  
October 24, 2013

## NEW RCA EXHIBIT AND STUDY CENTER TO OPEN AT NJ COLLEGE

A new exhibit highlighting the Radio Corporation of America's rich history across the 20th century will open shortly at the College of New Jersey, in Ewing Township. The display will draw from the more than 6000 artifacts that the college inherited after the David Sarnoff Library, which at one time was RCA's main technical archive and museum, closed in 2009. The new exhibition covers the development of radio, television, and broadcasting, as well as RCA's

work in liquid-crystal displays, electron microscopy, solid-state physics, and computers. The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Foundation funded the new Sarnoff Study Center which is connected to the exhibition. The Center will serve as the central educational component of the Sarnoff Collection. More is on the web at [tinyurl.com/rca-exhibit](http://tinyurl.com/rca-exhibit).

—Amateur Radio Newsline, Report 1886,  
October 4 2013

## VOICE OF RUSSIA MAY GO QRT JANUARY 1, 2014

North American and Western European international shortwave broadcasters aren't the only one's feeling today's financial squeeze. RIA Novosti reports that the Voice

of Russia will cut its shortwave service as of January 1st, 2014. However, the government shortwave broadcaster, originally known as Radio Moscow, has not confirmed this plan of

action, according to The SWLing Post. The station has been broadcasting since 1922.

—Amateur Radio Newsline,  
Report 1887,  
October 11, 2013

## AMERICAN LEGION TO SALUTE VETERANS

Indianapolis Legionnaires will honor their fellow veterans in a special on-the-air tribute on Veterans Day, November 11th. That when members of The American Legion Amateur Radio Club will operate using the special event call sign W9L on 20

meters, 2-meter simplex, a Central Indiana repeater and connect world wide via IRLP beginning at 9:00 a.m. through 5 p.m. Eastern Time.

Frequencies in use will include to 14.275 MHz upper sideband on 20 meters, 146.46 MHz on 2 meter simplex, the

145.17 MHz repeater in Hamilton County and IRLP Node 4816. Those who make contact with W9L will be eligible to receive an attractive full color commemorative certificate.

—Amateur Radio Newsline,  
Report 1889 – Oct. 25, 2013

## RUSSIAN MILITARY BACK ON 21 MHZ

The IARU Monitoring Service newsletter reports on a possible Russian military station that has been using the Amateur Radio 21 MHz band. It says that encrypted voice traffic has been operating on 21000.0 kHz on USB. Also that

the in-band synchronizing signal was always audible and quite strong. The transmitter sending out these transmissions is believed to be located in or near Nizhny Tagil in Russia but its purpose is unknown. The newsletter also reports

that the Russian military have also been using other frequencies in our 7, 14 and 21 MHz bands and have been operating an Over The Horizon radar between 3500 and 3800 kHz.

—Amateur Radio Newsline,  
Report 1886, Oct. 18, 2013



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## HPARC NOVEMBER CALENDAR

2-4 — ARRL November Sweepstakes, CW

23-24 — CQ Worldwide Contest, CW

3 — Daylight Savings Time ends  
 (move clocks back one hour)

4 — **HPARC Club Meeting**

5 — Election Day

10 — Marine Corps Day

11 — **VETERAN'S DAY**

16-18 — ARRL November Sweepstakes,  
 phone

17 — Jarsfest 2013 Benson, NC

28 — **THANKSGIVING**

### BIRTHDAYS

Duane Brantley — November 13

Lewis Denny — November 26

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**Breakfast  
 every Saturday**

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**8:00 am**

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**Umphy's,  
 South Main St.**