



The Blurbs



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General Meeting on the 12th



Sam Smith, "K3 George Baker Able" passed peacefully 11/28/2018. He is now with his beloved "Gracie." Sam was born February 17, 1921. Both he and his wife served our country in the Navy during WWII. Sam became a Phil-Mont member in 1959. We will publish more about Sam in future Blurbs.

Hey, Sam, you cannot time out Heaven. Keep them entertained. All Phil-Monters will remember you fondly

Let's see...

*Hanukkah, Pearl Harbor Day, Winter Begins, Christmas,
New Year's Eve
Yep. Gonna be busy!*

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<p>Sunday Morning Net Schedules</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Meter/ 70cm Net..... at 0930L on W3QV repeater • 10-on-10 Net at 1000L 28.393 MHz USB (±QRM) • 75 meter Net at 1020L 3.993 MHz LSB • ARES at 2100L on the W3QV repeater 			
<p>Committees</p> <p>Blurb folding: KB3IV & N3GLU Directory: KB3IV Field Day: KC2PMW Fusion Coord: NC3U</p>	<p>Internet: N3QV & KC2PMW Membership: K3HWG Net Control: KB3IV</p>	<p>Program: W3AOK Publicity: W3RM Refreshments: W3AOK Repeater: W3AOK</p>	<p>Scholarship: W3RM Sunshine: N3GLU VE Program: NS3K Welcome: N3UBY Youth: KC2PMW</p>

All visitors are welcome!

The club meets at 7:00 PM on the *second* non-holiday Wednesday each month except July and August at Giant Supermarket, 315 York Rd, Willow Grove, PA
 Maps and directions are available at www.phil-mont.org.

License Examinations are held on the fourth **non-holiday Thursday** each month at **Community Ambulance Association, 1414 E. Butler Pike, Ambler PA 19002**
 Registration begins at 7:00 P.M. Applicants should contact Jim McCloskey NS3K at 215-275-2979 or jmccloskey@msn.com for the latest information.

Club Stations W3QV/R: The Jim Spencer Memorial Repeater System
 Ridge & Port Royal Avenues, Philadelphia, PA **Trustee: W3RM**
147.03 MHz + PL 91.5 Hz 444.80 MHz + PL 186.2 Hz C4FM Fusion digital
 Reach us on EchoLink through W3QV-R AllStar Node 41624
W3AA Trustee: WU3I
W3EM: Field Day/special event station Trustee: N3QV

The Officers

President: NC3U Sal Marandola nc3u@verizon.net
Vice President: WA3GM Greg Malone wa3gm@yahoo.com
Treas: KB3IV Ed Masarsky kb3iv@comcast.net
Secretary: WU3I Steve Hoch wu3i@arrl.net

The Prez Sez ...



Hello Phil-Monters,

Happy Holidays everyone. I would like to extend my good wishes to everyone who is in eyeshot of this blurb. December starts sooner than you think. We start with the Auction on January 8th at 7:00 PM at the auditorium at Roxborough Memorial Hospital.

December is election night meeting and also come and enjoy some goodies and good conversation. I look forward to seeing everyone.

Thanks to everyone who attended the November Old Timers meeting. It was a great event we had good food and most of all good people.

I would like to thank everyone who helps make Phil-Mont the club that it is, from the officers to the people who update web sites and face book and our all-important repeater gurus and system operators. Everything helps us be the best Radio Club in the area.

Hopefully please listen to the nets and read the emails from the Philmontmobileradio newsgroup

If anyone has an idea please send me an email at NC3U@verizon.net

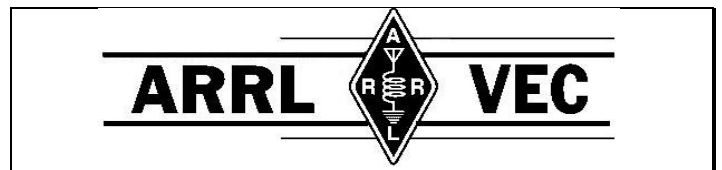
Don't forget that Phil-Mont has a Yahoo mailing list. This is one of the best ways to get some up to date news on things going on at the club. Look up philmontmobileradioclub in the Yahoo list and you will find us.

I hope to see everyone at a meeting and have the opportunity to shake your hand.

Remember we are not a club without YOU

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

73, Sal NC3U



Thursday evening session is on the 27th this month.

As always, many thanks to our VE team!

Phil-Mont Birthdays & Tidbytes

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 01 Eric Marano - N3QV
- 02 Patricia Katz - (XYL N3OWM)
Carolyn Errigo - (XYL WB3EQW)
- 08 Jules Stein - KB3AFH
- 09 Barbara Bennett - (XYL NJ3Z)
- 10 David Spangler - W3DSS
- 16 James Day - WA3QED
- 19 Larry Stevenson - K3HWE
- 20 Harvey Kolodner - WA3GTL
- 21 Rick Spencer - N3FD
- 24 Richard DeVirgiliis – ND3B
- 25 Jim McCloskey - NS3K
- 30 Adam Huffnagle - K3JCP

MEMBERSHIP STATS

- At press time P.M.R.C. has:
- 110 FULL PAID MEMBERS
 - 10 FAMILY MEMBERS
 - 2 YOUTH MEMBERS
 - 1 HONORARY MEMBER

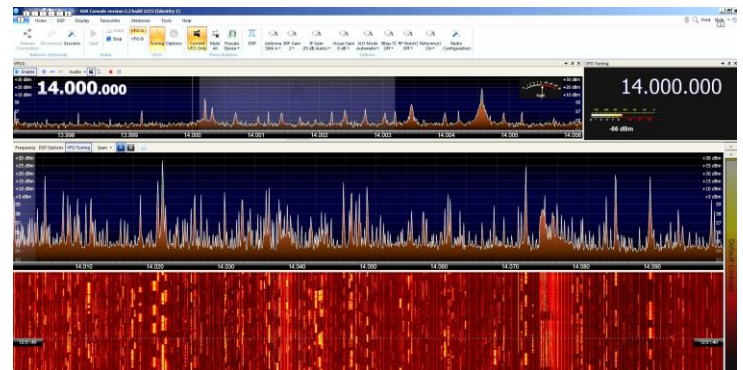
This from Barry, K3EUI

Some might say that CW is a dying mode, destined to the recycling bin as the older clan of CW ops leave the hobby. Then again, when listening to the 20 meter band this weekend, I was amazed at how many stations from all over the world were enjoying making contacts. I listened in to some of the QSO's and most, but not all, were making rapid contacts, wrapping up points for an international contest. A few were into deeper conversations.

I set up my SDRplay and SDR Console software and captured a snapshot of the radio spectrum from 14.0 to 14.1 MHz. It was around noon on Sunday Nov 25. My receiving antenna was a home-made 20 meter vertical, lashed to a tall spruce tree. The antenna was made from 1-2 inch aluminum tubing, with the base about 10 feet from the ground. There were two above ground radials, each about 17 ft in length. The antenna feed line was 100 feet of older RG8 cable, showing a very low SWR in the shack across the entire 20m band.

One can see on this trace numerous CW stations, along with a few PSK31 stations around 14.070 and quite a few FT8 stations around 14.074-14.078 MHz.

Submitted by K3EUI Barry Feirman
West Chester PA (near Philadelphia)



Phil-Mont Officers 2019

Nominations for 2019 are final

Nominations:

President: WA3GM Greg

Vice President: AJ3DI Jim

Treasurer: WB3DZZ George

Secretary: W3AFV Chuck

4 Board Positions:

KB2ERL Bob

WA3DSP Doug

WU3I Steve

KB3IV Ed

Election will be at December General Meeting

As per Rules of Election, since all office positions are unopposed, the Secretary will place a single vote for the proposed slate of candidates.



**PHIL-MONT
MOBILE RADIO
CLUB, INC.**

**23rd ANNUAL HAM RADIO
“AUCTION-FEST”**

**Tuesday, JANUARY 8, 2019
7PM**

**AT WOLCOFF AUDITORIUM
ROXBOROUGH MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
5800 RIDGE AVE. (Ridge Ave & Jamestown St.)
PHILADELPHIA PA 19128**

TALK IN: 147.030 (91.5PL)

For More Information Contact:

PHIL-MONT

P.O. BOX 404 - WARMINSTER, PA 18974

**OR E-MAIL
info@phil-mont.org**

(See Reverse Side For Auction Details)

AUCTION RULES

- 1. P.M.R.C. will retain 10% of the sale price up to a max. of \$30.00 per item.
- 2. All sellers will pay a \$2.00 sellers fee to P.M.R.C.
- 3. Seller must supply a thorough description of each piece offered for sale on a separate form. (you may make copies of this form)
- 4. All sales are between the seller and buyer, not P.M.R.C.
- 5. P.M.R.C. will be held harmless in all transactions between buyer and seller.

THIS AUCTION IS INTENDED TO BE A FUN EVENT HOSTED BY P.M.R.C. AND WILL STAY IN THAT SPIRIT!

I AGREE TO THE ABOVE RULES.

NOTE: LIST ONLY ONE ITEM PER FORM- FOR ADDITIONAL ITEMS PLEASE MAKE COPIES OF THIS FORM

Seller _____ Call _____

Buyer (for club use) _____ Call _____

Item _____ Model# _____

Minimum bid you will accept \$ _____

Tell us about this item

December at Phil-Mont

Don't forget the ARES net on Sunday nights and the Digital net on Tuesday nights.

- Sun 2 W3AFV
Hannukah
- Fri 7 Pearl Harbor Day
- Sun 9 K3XS
- Wed 12 General Meeting & Elections
- Sun 16KB3IV
- Fri 21 Winter Begins
- Sun 23 WU3I
- Tues 25 Christmas
- Thurs 27 VE Session
- Sun 30 N3QV
- Mon 31 New Year's Eve

For Sale

1/8" (290#) & 3/16" (380#) Dark Olive Drab Braided Cord · 100% Polyester/Dacron Knit Braided. Nice stuff! Tough and long lasting · UV Resistant and Low Stretch Proudly Made in the U.S.A.! Contact Steve WU3I at wu3i@arrl.net or 215-605-6074

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