

Kilowatt Harmonics



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Ye Olde Editor Says...

Big happenings "up on Mt. SCARC" this past month! We had a new fresh water system installed and the clubhouse received a fresh coat of paint on the outside. Also, I would be remiss if I forgot to mention "Three Days in May" at Hara Arena in the Dayton suburb of Trotwood. Yes, the Dayton Hamvention was this past weekend – I saw our own Mel, WA3RVD, at the Hamvention early Saturday afternoon after we arrived. I also saw other area fellow amateurs, including N3TIR, Bud, from the WACOM club. Ye Olde Editor heard that WB6ACU was in attendance at Dayton! Hope this issue cures your "PDD" (Post Dayton Depression)!

Upcoming Elmer Night Speakers

President Art, WA3BKD, wanted me to let the club know that he has secured some speakers for the SECOND Wednesday for Elmer night topics. The fun and merriment starts at 7:30 PM. In July, Jack Layton, W9UK, will be talking about antennas and transmission lines. In August, Paul Pinyot, KB3LZP, will be talking about 5 tube radios and restoration techniques with said radios. In September, Bob Bastone, WC3O, will present PL-259 installation K3LR style. Ye Olde Editor will present "Estate Planning for your Amateur Radio Equipment – Now What?" in October. Be sure to join in these informational and educational sessions!

New Fresh Water System Installed at the Clubhouse

At the April Business Meeting, the membership voted to purchase a fresh water system from Dean's Water in little Washington. Several days afterwards, the system was installed and is now fully operational. The old underground water storage tank sprung a leak, necessitating replacement of the system. Pictures of the system are below. A BIG THANKS to KB3VHT for the pictures from Ye Olde Editor!



Latrobe Air Show Needs Operators

Operators are needed for the Latrobe Air Show. Anyone wishing to sign up for the Latrobe Airshow, June 23rd and 24th, Field Day Weekend, should go to www.rbhoffman.com/airshow or www.wc3ps.com. You will find a link at bottom of the page. The Blue Angels are the headlining act and we will also be conducting Field Day from right at the airshow. We will rotate out of our assignments during show hours to work Field Day. The more operators we have, the easier this will be. We are expecting a large crowd so this is a good chance for some excellent public relations.

If you have questions and/or need more information, please contact me at (724) 984-5671 or by e-mail at bshann@zoominternet.net.

Thanks,

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Fayette County ACSO
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Museum Ships Weekend Special Event

Museum Ships Weekend 2012 – June 2 2012 0000Z June 3 2012 2359Z . Activating IOTA NA-143 (Pelican Is.) Brazos Valley ARC will be operating from radio rooms of WWII Submarine USS Cavalla and Destroyer Escort USS Stewart from Seawolf Park on Pelican Is. in Galveston, Texas. We will be operating on 10-80 meters (SSB and CW). Be a part of living history as we commemorate the actions of these ships and crews. More information at <http://www.bvarc.org/index.php?page=ms> Special Event QSL with SASE via KK5W (QRZ.com).

Ron Litt, K5HM
Event Coordinator

Editor's Note: From W3SVJ...Thanks OM!

13 Colonies Special Event Station

The 2012 13 Colonies stations will operate from 12:01 AM Eastern (0401Z), on July 1st, (That's one minute after midnight, early Sunday morning, July 1st) to 11:59 PM Eastern (0359Z July 6) ending on July 5th (One minute to midnight, late Thursday night, July 5th).

Recognizing that the 4th comes in the middle of the week (Wednesday) and that some operators will be going to their work on the 2nd, 3rd and 5th, we will add a BONUS DAY on Saturday, 30 June 2012!! Stations will operate from 09:00 AM Eastern (1300Z) right through until the 5th. Keep in mind that there may be fewer operators available on the work days so, PLEASE BE PATIENT!

There will be at least two S.E. stations per colony state. Also included will be Super contest stations, multi-operator Club stations & OM & XYL teams.

Editor's Note: Excerpt from <http://www.13colonies.info>. Full details are on that link.

Public Service Pictures



Pittsburgh Marathon



Race for the Cure

Clubhouse Painted and Landscaped

Update: the clubhouse was recently painted and some landscape work was completed around the front as well. Thanks to President Art, Della, his XYL and others who pitched in to make this happen! Good job all!

President Art is taking bids for other clubhouse maintenance items – see the list inside the door.





Upcoming Public Service Events

Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix 30th Anniversary July 21 & 22 – More details to follow as “Ye Olde Editor” receives them!

DAYTON HAMVENTION PICS



Crowds checking out the Yaesu Display



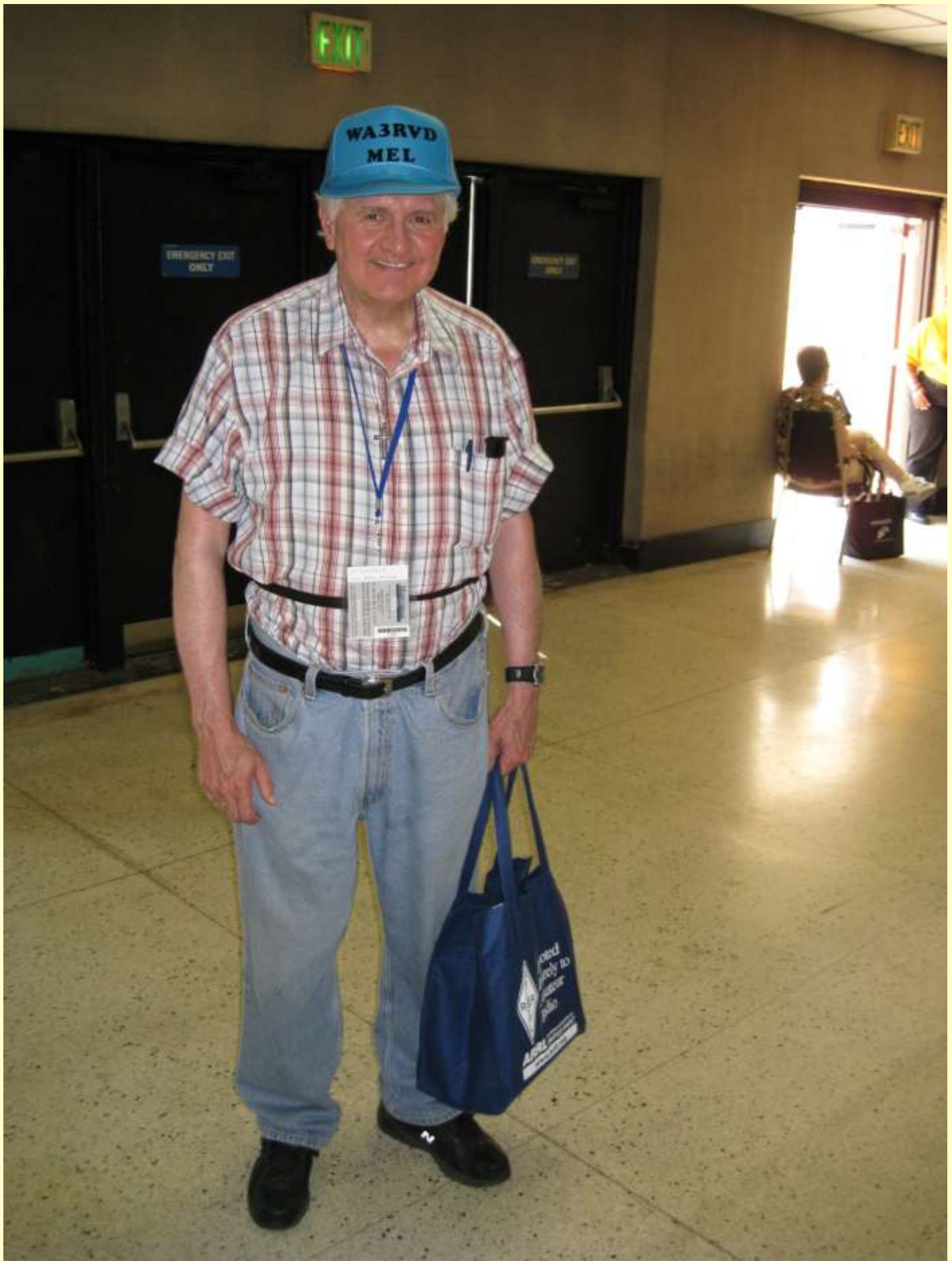
Yaesu FT-2000



Crowds in the exhibition area



Help me – I'm lost! What is my current QTH???



Our own Mel – WA3RVD



Ye Olde Editor with XYL (KB3ORO), John (WA3YT) and Helen (KB3UKF)



Bob (K9EID) and Gordon (WB6WOA) being interviewed by AR Newsline



DARA Emcomm Vehicle



Joyce (KB3ORO), Nancy (N1NCY), K4NOB (Sally), K5NOB (Luther), Helen (KB3UKF), John (WA3YT) and Paul (N4PD) at the Cracker Barrel Restaurant on Miller Lane



Ye Olde Editor with Pietro Begali (I2RTF) – yes, the Morse Code key manufacturer!



The NEW Kenwood rig – their rep told me that this is still a prototype and has not been yet approved for final production – that will happen soon



ICOM Booth

58th Annual

Largest Hamfest in the Tri-State Area !

BreezeShooters

THIS IS AN ARRL SANCTIONED HAMFEST

HAMFEST 2012 and COMPUTER SHOW

Web Site <http://www.breezeshooters.net>Email: hamfest2012@breezeshooters.net

General Hamfest Chairman: Bob Benna N3LWP (412) 366-0488

BUTLER FARM SHOW GROUNDS**Sunday June 3, 2012 * 8am to 3pm**

Indoor tables on first come first serve basis. **\$20.00 per 8' table** and may be reserved by contacting Bob Benna, N3LWP (412) 366-0488 or mail to : P.O. Box 101018; Pittsburgh, PA 15237 - Table reservation **Cut-off Date May 20th**

Main Prize Drawing : (Now 14 Prizes!! 2 more chances to win)

- | | |
|--|---|
| 1st ICOM IC-7000 160m-70cm | 8th Heil Boomset Proset Elite |
| 2nd Yaesu FT-897D 160m-70cm Mobile | 9th West Mountain Rigblaster Advantage |
| 3rd Ameritron 811 600w Linear Amplifier | 10th Fluke Digital Multimeter |
| 4th Yaesu VX8DR 6m-70cm Handheld | 11th \$100 Cash Prize |
| 5th MFJ 259B Antenna Analyzer | 12th MFJ 864 SWR Meter |
| 6th Icom V8000 2m Mobile 75 watt | 13th MFJ 121B Atomic Clock |
| 7th LDG AT-100 Pro II Antenna Tuner | 14th \$50 Cash Prize |

Computer Drawing: Dell Laptop, Intel, 17" Display, 3 GB RAM, 250 GB, DVD+/RW, Wireless LAN**Apple Wi-Fi iPad Two Separate Drawings:** Only 200 tickets per iPad drawing will be sold at \$5 each.These tickets will be available at local hamfests prior to the Breezeshooters Hamfest. Check Breezeshooters.net for locations.**Black & Gold Football Prize Basket Drawing:** Only 250 tickets at \$ 2 each**Lottery Basket Drawing:** Only 250 tickets at \$ 2 each**Evening OUT Drawing: (Dinner & Show)** Only 250 tickets at \$ 2 each**50/50 CASH Drawing: (must be present)** Only 250 tickets at \$ 2 eachWinners need not be present for Main, Computer, iPad, Basket or Evening drawings. -- **Prize Drawings at 3:00 pm** - All prizes subject to availability

Icom, Yaesu, Kenwood & MFJ prizes from K JI Electronics

Admission \$ 5.00 donation per person, (Age 12 and over)

Tailgate/Flea Market spaces available \$ 5.00 per space

Farm Show Grounds open at 5:00pm Saturday June 2, 2012 for Vendor and Tailgater setup

Prices may be subject to change.

MAIN PRIZES - ADVANCED TICKET SALES

Ham Prizes Drawing		\$2 Each	3 for \$5	7 for \$10	15 for \$20	40 for \$50	90 for \$100
Computer Drawing		\$2 Each	3 for \$5	7 for \$10	15 for \$20	40 for \$50	90 for \$100
iPAD Drawing		iPAD tickets will not be available via mail					
ENCLOSED CHECK IN THE AMOUNT \$ OF:	Send a Self Addressed Stamped Envelope to: Advance Ticket Sales, Breezeshooters Hamfest PO Box 101018, Pittsburgh, PA 15237						
Make check Payable to the Breezeshooters, Inc. Mail Deadline is May 20, 2012. Ticket Stubs returned in your SASE!							
NAME:			CALL:		PHONE: () -		
ADDRESS:							
CITY:				STATE:		ZIP:	

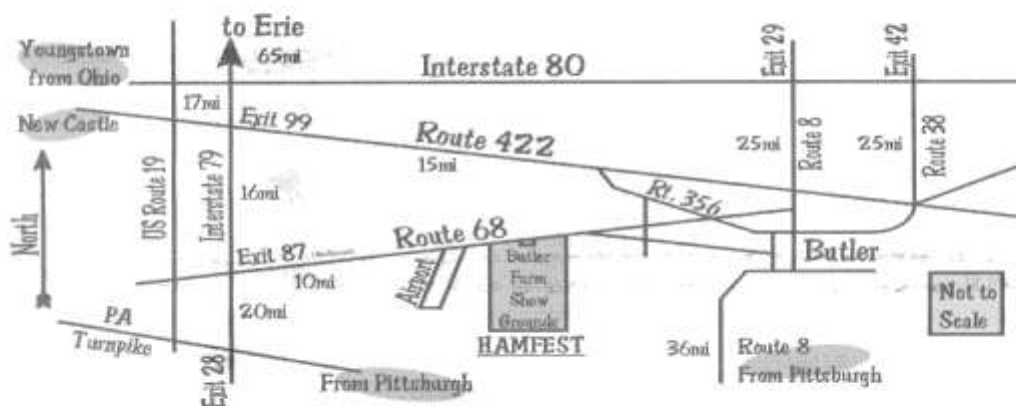
Check www.breezeshooters.net for updates and forums.

QSL Card Checker Onsite!

VE Testing 12 Noon till ? Registration is **not required** however you may register on our web site.
30 Acres of outdoor flea market area, over 20,000 sq ft of indoor vendor space available @ \$20 per 8' table * 20 Acres of parking * Handicap parking available * Overnight camping \$10, Electric for camping overnight or Tailgate-Vendor Area on day of +\$10, Camper water \$10 * Food and drink sold at the hamfest by Breezeshooters concessionaire, No other food or drink sales! Everyone attending is responsible for their own actions and behavior * No firearms permitted

* Sellers may be responsible for state sales tax * No sales of live animals

The Breezeshooters reserve the right to limit participation in any and all parts of this event for reason of but not limited to health, safety and good taste



DIRECTION AND TALK-IN: 147.300+ REPEATER

Latitude North 40 deg 51.440min. (40.857333) Longitude West 79 deg. 58.398 min. (-79.9733)

Butler Farm Show Grounds, 627 Evans City Road, Butler, PA 16001

NORTH HILLS AMATEUR RADIO CLUB 27TH Anniversary Hamfest

Saturday July 7, 2012
8AM until 1PM



Parkwood United Presbyterian Church
4289 Mt. Royal Blvd. Allison Park, PA

Talk-in on 147.09 W3EXW
North Hills Club Repeater

NEW DAY SATURDAY! NEW LOCATION!

\$5.00 Admission - Free Parking

Tailgating \$5 each space

Inside tables \$5.00 each

Both Indoor and Outdoor Spaces are Available

Feature Vendor: **KJI ELECTRONICS**

Main Prizes

All prizes subject to availability

- 1st Prize: Icom IC-7410
- 2nd Prize: Yaesu FT-8900R
- 3rd Prize: MFJ-266 Analyzer
- 4th Prize: MFJ-993 BRT Tuner

Directions: From points north or from the Turnpike use the Butler Valley exit #39. Take Route 8 south to Mt. Royal Blvd. The hamfest will be about one mile on the right side of the road.

From Pittsburgh, take Route 8 north to the Mt. Royal intersection. Turn left onto Mt. Royal.

Hamfest Chairmen: Cathy Heiles KB3OYS, 412-486-2785, e-mail: hamfest@nharc.org

Additional information: www.nharc.org

A Real Old Fashioned Hamfest!

Handicapped Accessible

No Firearm Sales Permitted

Advance Ticket Sales -- Deadline is July 1, 2012

Please send a self-addressed, stamped envelope with this coupon and your check made payable to the **North Hills Amateur Radio Club** to:

Cathy Helles KB3OYS
134 Easley Rd.
Pittsburgh, PA 15237

I have enclosed \$ _____ for _____ main prize tickets for the July 7, 2012 NHARC Hamfest.

Name: _____

Call: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

\$2.00 each, 3 for \$5.00, 7 for \$10.00, and 15 for \$20.00

North Hills Amateur Radio Club
4736 Penn Ave
Pittsburgh, PA 15224



**NEW DATE
SAME PLACE**

Somerset County PA Hamfest

Presented by the Somerset County Amateur Radio Club
P.O. Box 1241
Somerset, PA 15501

Talk-In on K3SMT Repeaters
147.195+ pl 123 and 443.250+ pl 123

All-You-Can-Eat pancake & egg Breakfast for \$6.00 served from 8 to 10am,
while supply lasts, children under 13, \$3.00
followed by lunch items featuring Blackburn & Russell products



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Free Parking

GPS Coordinates
40° 00' 17" N
79° 01' 48" W

Sunday, July 8th, 2012 – 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Where: Somerset County Technology Center
281 Technology Drive, Somerset, PA 15501

Grounds Open at 6:00 am for vendors and tailgaters.

Entrance Fee: **Adults \$5.00, children under 13 FREE**

Indoor Tables: Pre-Registration Required

Outside Tailgating: **FREE**

Free Coffee

Open at 8:00 am
VE Testing at 10:00 am
Fee: \$15.00

Main Prizes supplied by KJI Electronics

First Prize: TM-710A Dual Band APRS/ITNC

Second Prize: IC-2200H 2m FM Transceiver 65w

Third Prize: KG-UVD1P Dual Band HT

Fourth Prize: KG-UVD1P Dual Band HT

Prize Tickets: \$2/ea, 3/\$5, 7/\$10, or 15/\$20

PLUS Black Box Mystery Prize — 50 Tickets @ \$5.00 each



Created By Amy



Plus Fldigi demo by
W3YJ Harry



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No-Cost Pre-Registration
REQUIRED for indoor space
contact Stew, AK3J at
ak3j@arrl.net or 814-444-0637
for flyer updates visit
www.k3smt.org

**Directions from PA
Turnpike Exit 110**

Go straight off
ramp and turn left
at 4th stoplight onto
Route 31 East

Go 2.0 miles and
turn left onto
Technology Drive.

The Hamfest will be
on your right
behind the building



For more local events and attractions see: www.laurelhighlands.org

for Hamfest updates www.k3smt.org and
www.arrl.org/hamfests/somerset-county-arc-hamfest



SWAP n SHOP 2012

SUNDAY AUGUST 26

2335 TURKEY RIDGE RD. UPPER BURRELL TWP.

TIME: 8 AM-1 PM

Prizes Prizes Prizes Prizes Prizes

			
MFJ 259 B Antenna Analyzer		Begali "Sculpture KEY" Signed by Piero and Bruna Begali	
DX Engineering CABLE PREP KIT Shop Skyview Table		Door Prizes Every Hour-	 
			
		Breakfast Skyview Burger Dipole Dog	
\$3.00 Entrance ---\$5.00 / FLEA MARKET SPACE			

BUY - SELL - TRADE



ARRL WPA SECTION CONVENTION WPA ARES MEETING

ARRL HQ Speakers

DIRECTIONS TO SKYVIEW RADIO SOCIETY

TALK-IN: 146.640 - pl 131.8
GPS=40° 31' 03" N / 79° 40' 37" W



Follow the Skyview Signs

From PA 380 PA 366 Cloverleaf - Take Rt 366 West toward New Kensington for 1 mile to **WHITTEN HOLLOW ROAD** on right. Take Whiten Hollow to right turn onto Turkey Ridge at stop sign. Follow ¾ mile to Skyview.

FROM NEW KENSINGTON - Take Rt 366 East 8.5 mi. to **WHITTEN HOLLOW ROAD** on left. Take Whiten Hollow to right turn onto Turkey Ridge at stop sign. Follow ¾ mile to Skyview.

Questions and Vendor Pre- registration: AB3ER@ARRL.NET

WWW.SKYVIEWRADIO.NET

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VENDORS



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