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Next meeting to be held:

Wednesday, Sept. 12, 2018

8:00pm Levittown Hall

Welcome Back Party—7:00pm

Franks and Beans

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Guest Speaker - Ria Jairam N2RJ

Running for Hudson Division Director

Save The Dates!!

Long Island Motor Parkway 110th Anniversary - Oct. 7th

Boy Scouts - JOTA - Oct. 20th

LIMARC Hamfest - Levittown Hall - Oct. 28th

For a complete list of all that is coming up check Page 5

Greetings!

We all belong to one or another organization in which we pay our dues for whatever benefits we might obtain, and have little or no participation in that organization work. That is human nature and LIMARC is no different. The stated purpose of LIMARC, among other things, is to enhance mobile communications and provide education about ham radio. We do those things well and a small group of active members is able to provide these services.

Over the years, we have tried to give back even more to our hobby and our community. We have supported ARISS programs at the Cradle of Aviation and Freeport HS; we do two Special Events stations and this year we have added in the LI Motor Parkway for this year only; we display at the Levittown Library for the month of September, and have a mini-field day at the Library to show off what we do; we run an HF station after our VE sessions; and began a series of training and informative sessions before the general meetings. These are all great programs for us to be involved with, however, it is the same small group of members that are trying to fulfill all of these programs, and it takes its toll.

It is not anyone's fault. The vast majority of our members are either still working or have family obligations that must take precedence. That is fully understandable. Many members will put imbue time with the club when their other obligations change. This is very much appreciated. We are left though at a crossroads. Do we continue down the path of broadening our involvement in the hobby, or withdraw somewhat back to promoting mobile communications with limited other activity? This is a big decision for us and something to be decided in the next few months.

Your thoughts?

73,

Richie, K2KNB

President

LIMARC Board Meeting Minutes - Draft Version

July 11, 2018

Officers present: President - Richie K2KNB, Vice President – Craig KD2CXK, Secretary – Ken WB2KWC, Treasurer – Jerry WB2ZEX

Directors present: Neil W2NDG, Ken KD2GXL, George WB2IKT

Guests present: Bill KC2SYL, Rob KC2ILP, Gary W2MIT

The meeting started at 7:35pm.

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the June board meeting as published in the Log; accepted unanimously.

Hamfest: Jerry WB2ZEX stated that we had a net profit of $1715.71 at the June Hamfest. Richie K2KNB said that we are very thankful for the vendors that support our Hamfests. Unfortunately Dave Schneider and Gene from KJI Electronics were not able to attend. Our next Hamfest is indoors on October 28. Hopefully Dave Schneider and KJI will be at that Hamfest.

Field Day – Richie K2KNB nominated Rob Yenis KC2ILP as the new Field Day chairman. The board unanimously approved the nomination. The board agreed that Friday setup made our operation much easier. Richie said that we will need to evaluate the tents damaged by the wind in 2017. The board discussed requiring that all non-service animals be leashed. We are guests at the Field Day site; we must observe all school rules including no smoking or vaping anywhere on school property. The board reviewed our notes and survey about Field Day to determine what did and did not work. There will be a follow-up meeting dedicated to Field Day on July 19.

Vanderbilt Motor Parkway: We have been approached to help celebrate the 110th anniversary of the Vanderbilt Motor Parkway. The entire path ran from Fresh Meadows to Lake Ronkonkoma and there are remnants of the original road still around today. The actual celebration will be on October 7th. We have been approved for the special event call W2V for this event. There will be an antique car race following the original parkway route; we will put a mobile in this race with a radio operator and logger. Jerry WB2ZEX will be driving at the end of the race so that we can follow it on APRS. We will also have a special events station using the W2V call at the Lake Ronkonkoma fire station at the end of the race. LIMARC members can support this event operating using the call W2V. QSL cards will be sent to those who make contact with our stations, Craig KD2CKX contributed $100 toward the purchase of QSL cards for the event.

Treasurer: Jerry WB2ZEX said that we have $12,820.81 in the checking account, $866.26 in our PayPal account and $2101.40 in the Memorial Funds for a total of $15,808.47. We budgeted $1300.00 for Field Day and spent a total of $1464.19.

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Membership: Jerry WB2ZEX reported that we now have 371 members; the most recent are KD2OQO and WX1FLY.

New Business: Ken WB2KWC proposed that the LIMARC DMR talkgroup be made available to hams using DMR hotspots. This would enable us to speak to our fellow LIMARC members when they are in Florida during the winter or on their way to events like the Dayton Hamvention or the Orlando Hamcation. The board unanimously authorized an expense of up to $250 to implement the connection between the Brandmeister network and the LIMARC talkgroup. Ken will pursue this matter and report on progress.

Neil W2NDG said that he would prepare a presentation on the Jumbospot DMR hotspot that he built to be given at a future LIMARC meeting.

Craig KD2CXK said that he received an email from Freeport High School asking if we could help their students with Raspberry Pi projects. Craig will be sending them a few to enhance the relationship between the Freeport schools and LIMARC.

VE: Ken KD2GXL said that there will be a VE session on 9am on Saturday July 14. A HF station will be available for operation at the VE session from 9am to 1pm.

Good and Welfare: Richie K2KNB said that we received a letter from the family of Al K2ES thanking us for our contribution in his memory.

ARRL: Richie K2KNB said that he attended an ARRL meeting where there was a proposal to expand Technician license privileges on HF. This year we will be voting on NYCLI Section Manager and Hudson Division Director. Jim W2KFV is running for Section Manager and Mike Lisenco N2YBB is being opposed by Ria Jairam N2RJ for Hudson Division Director. Ria will be speaking at the September LIMARC General Membership meeting and Mike will be at the October meeting.

Votes/Actions:
1 – The board approved Rob Yenis KC2ILP as the Field Day Chairman.
2 – The board authorized an expenditure of up to $250 to make the LIMARC DMR talkgroup available to DMR hotspot users through the Brandmeister network.

Respectfully submitted;
Ken Gunther WB2KWC
LIMARC Secretary

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept 4th- LIMARC library display through the month of September.

Sept 5th- LIMARC Board Meeting, Levittown Library

Sept 8th - VE Session, Levittown Hall followed by an HF station setup for anyone to come down and operate - VE at 9 AM, station setup immediately following VE.

Sept 12th- General Meeting- Food!!!!! Franks and beans at 7 PM.

Oct 4-7th - Special Events Station W2V for the 110th Anniversary of the Long Island Motor Parkway, with a dedication on October 7th at Lake Ronkonkoma.

You can operate under that call sign from home from the 5th to the 6th, and join us in Lake Ronkonkoma on the 7th.

Signup on the website!

More details to follow.

Oct 28th- Hamfest at Levittown Hall

Board Vacancy

Due to the resignation of Director Neil Goldstein, W2NDG, effective August 31st, there is a vacancy to be filled until the upcoming election in December.

If you are interested, please email the Board, limarc@limarc.org with your request.

Applicants will be interviewed at the September 5th Board meeting, starting at 7 PM.

Neil will be moving upstate and we wish him and xyl Jill, KD2CHE, all the best.

Neil has been a very valuable asset to the club for many years, and we will miss him and his valuable contributions..

GOOD AND WELLFARE

We just wanted to let you know of the passing of former member, Gary Leidahl, KA2UAP . We extended our deepest sympathies to Gary's family and friends.

We are also announcing the passing of Jerry Zeller, W2SCW. We extended our deepest sympathies to Jerry's family and friends.

The club received a letter from the family of Al, K2ES thanking us for our contribution in his memory.

LIMARC Membership Report – September 2018

Please welcome the following new/returning members:

Jeff Rose KD2QEX
Jay White KA2UGZ

If you have an optimum (optonline) account, please make sure that emails from elog@limarc.org, or membership@limarc.org are not being blocked by your spam filters.

HAMFEST!

~ Sunday, October 28th 2018 ~

Levittown Hall, 201 Levittown Parkway, Hicksville, NY 11801

Doors Open at 9am to Buyers Vendors Set Up at 7am

Amateur Radio Dealers & Equipment ~ 10am VE Session ~ Tune-Up Clinic (Get your Rig Checked!)
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General Admission $6.00
Licensed Ham's Non-Licensed spouse & children under 12 are free.
Free Parking! Food & Refreshments! Door Prizes!

Have a Few Items to Sell?
LIMARC will have a table set up to sell items for others. There's no charge to club members.
Non-members pay just 10% of their selling price. Please make sure to mark your price clearly on the item.

VENDORS > One $22.00 Space includes a 6' table & chairs.
Bring your own table for $15 per space and you'll still get chairs! If bringing your own table, you must notify us by October 12th, 2018
The $6.00 Admission Fee is separate.

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Talk-In on W2VL Repeater 146.850 (136.5 PL)
For more information, see www.LIMARC.org or contact our Hamfest Co-Chairs at 516-694-4937, or email us at hamfest@limarc.org.

Dave AK1NS and Richie K2KNB

Directions:

By way of the LIE from the West (travelling from NYC)

Take Exit 38 to Northern Pkwy East to Exit 33 Wantagh Pkwy South. Take Exit W2 East onto Old Country Rd At the 3rd light turn right onto Levittown Pkwy. (There's a Dunkin Donuts there on your left). The Hall is at the end of the short strip mall on your left, turn left at the light to park .

By way of the LIE from the East (travelling from Suffolk Co.)

Exit the LIE south prior to exit 40 and change to the westbound Northern State Parkway. Follow the directions below:

By way of Northern Parkway

Take the parkway to exit 33 (Wantagh Parkway South). Take Exit W2 East onto Old Country Rd east. At the 3rd light turn right onto Levittown Pkwy. The Hall is at end of the short strip mall on your left, turn left at the light to park.

By way of Southern Parkway

Take exit 27N Wantagh Pkwy North to exit W2 onto Old Country Rd east. At the 3rd light turn right onto Levittown Pkwy. (There's a Dunkin Donuts there on your left) The Hall is at the end of the short strip mall on your left, turn left at the light to park.

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Gary Buchwald – W2MIT

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REMINDER

If You Hear Something, Tell Someone

Those of you who use the repeaters on a regular basis are all too aware of the fact that there are certain individuals who have nothing better to do with their time than to interfere with people on the repeater. An organized effort is underway to locate and identify these individuals. **YOU CAN HELP**. If you hear malicious interference on any of the LIMARC repeaters, please hit the reverse (HM/RV) button on your radio and see if you are able to hear them on the input. Please email your findings to rfi@LIMARC.ORG. Indicate whether you heard them on the input or not. Please include the time of day, the repeater, your location and type of antenna (if you have a beam, include the heading).

Thank you for your cooperation.

DOOR PRIZE DONATORS

Below is a list of individuals, organizations and companies that contributed to the 50th Anniversary celebration.

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VE Testing Schedule for 2018

LIMARC VE Test Sessions are held on the second Saturday of every odd numbered month at the Levittown Hall, Levittown Parkway, Hicksville, NY. Please remember to bring two pieces of identification (one with a photo), your *original* license *and* a copy of it, any *original* Certificates of Successful Completion of Examination (CSCE's) *and* copies of them. *Also remember to bring the proper fee in check made out to ARRL VEC or exact change (NOTE: the 2018 fee remains at $15.00).* The LIMARC VE Team will supply the FCC Form 605. For further information, contact Al W2QZ at (516) 623-6449 or Jim W2KFV at (516) 997-6023.

2018 SESSION DATES AND TIMES AS POSTED

Sept. 8 9:00am Oct. 28 Hamfest 10:00am Nov. 10 1:00pm

2018 Meeting Schedule

All general meetings are held at: Levittown Hall 201 Levittown Parkway, Hicksville, NY. Meetings start at 8:00PM.

All Board meetings are held at the Levittown Library 1 Bluegrass Ln, Levittown, NY. Meetings start at 7:30PM.

LIMARC AT A GLANCE–2018

Month	Bd. Meeting	General Mtg	VE Session	Hamfest	Other
Jan	3rd	10th	13th		SATURDAY 6 - HRU
Feb	7th	14th	25th	25th	
March	7th	14h	10th		
April	4th	11th			
May	2nd	9th	12th		Lindbergh event - 20
June	May 30th	6th		10th	FD - 23 –24
July	11th		14th		Apollo event - 20
August	NONE				
Sept	5th	12th	8th		
Oct	3rd	10th	28th	28th	
Nov	7th	14th	10th		
Dec	5th	12th			

LIMARC Repeater Nets
(W2VL 146.850, unless otherwise noted)

Monday: Info Net, 8:30 PM

Net Control Operators

Week 1-Lew N2RQ; week 2-Richie K2KNB; week 3-Ceil W2CTG; week 4-Harry KC2FYJ; week 5-Rick K2RB

Following the Info Net

Stay tuned for the Swap – n – Shop Net, 8:45 PM (approximately)

Bill **WB2CUK**, Net Control

3rd and 4th Wednesday, Computer Net with Ken **WB2KWC**

Sunday: Tech Net, 8:00 PM – Dick **K2RIW**, Net Control

1st and 3rd Tuesday, Astronomy Net, 8:30 with Craig **KD2CXK**

Any month with 5 Wednesdays, Nostalgia Net, 8:30 with Richie **K2KNB**

LIMARC Repeaters: W2VL 146.850 – IRLP node 9126;

W2KPQ 147.375 - IRLP node 9126;

W2KPQ 224.820; **W2KPQ** 449.125- IRLP node 4969; **W2VL** 1288.000

WA2LQO 146.745; **Digital Mobile Radio W2KPQ** 449.375 (No PL)

All analog PL tones are 136.5

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From The Editor

Please send all items for entry into the LOG to W2CTG@LIMARC.org. I will be glad to accommodate all appropriate requests. If you miss a deadline (the deadline is the 15th of the month) I would be glad to place your item in the LOG next month, space permitting.

Thanks, and 73, Ceil W2CTG - Editor, The LOG