



# The Blurb

*Newsletter of The Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club  
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## The New Lawrenceville Input is LIVE! PL 88.5



# The Prez Sez...

Fellow Phil-Monters,

The wait is over! After extensive planning and discussion, I am thrilled to announce that our Lawrenceville, NJ remote input is officially on the air!

The Board voted a unanimous "YES" for this major capital improvement, and the results are already speaking for themselves. Located on the giant tower near the Quakerbridge Mall, our new antenna is sitting pretty at 465 feet. The coverage is absolutely amazing.

This new site replaces the Bucks County input that went silent last year, filling a crucial gap in our system.



**What this means for you: If you can hear our 2M 147.03 repeater, you can talk on it!**

We now have three robust ways to access the system: RF/Roxborough: PL 91.5, Delaware County Input: PL 100.0, and the NEW Lawrenceville Input: PL 88.5. Get on the air and give it a try!

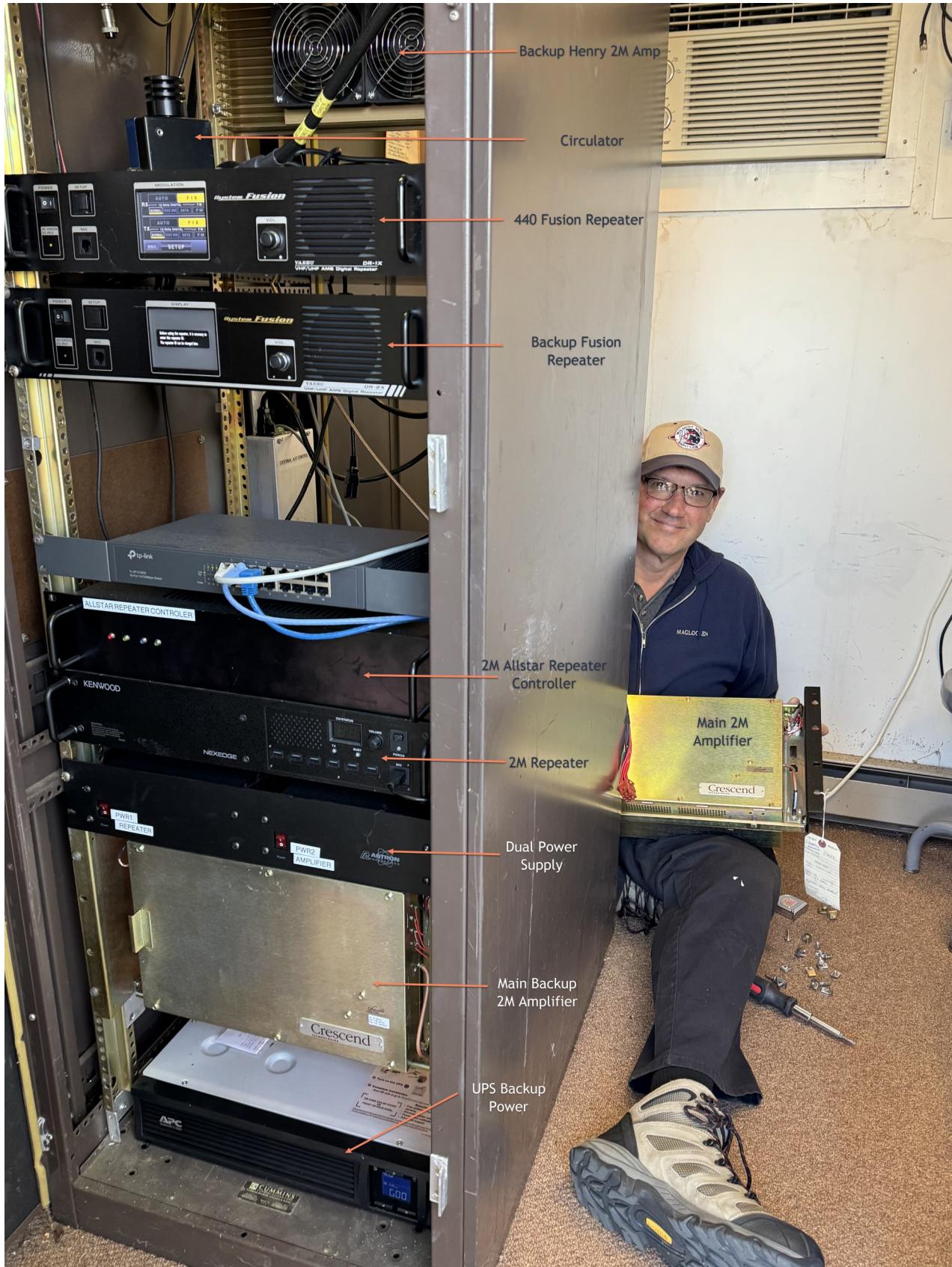
**But wait, there's more! A huge thank you goes out to Jeff, WN3A, for an incredible gesture of support this week. While the club was fully prepared to pay the costs for the new input, Jeff insisted on covering the entire expense personally. It is this kind of generosity that helps PMRC continue to thrive. A sincere thank you from all of us and a massive round of applause to Jeff, for his hard work in making this a reality for our club in every way.**

And even more. Also thanks to Jeff, WN3A, we have our main 2M amplifier back from repair along with another amplifier. This means we now have 2 backup amplifiers for the 147.03 repeater. Here it is in its proper place in the back of the repeater rack.



# The Prez Sez...

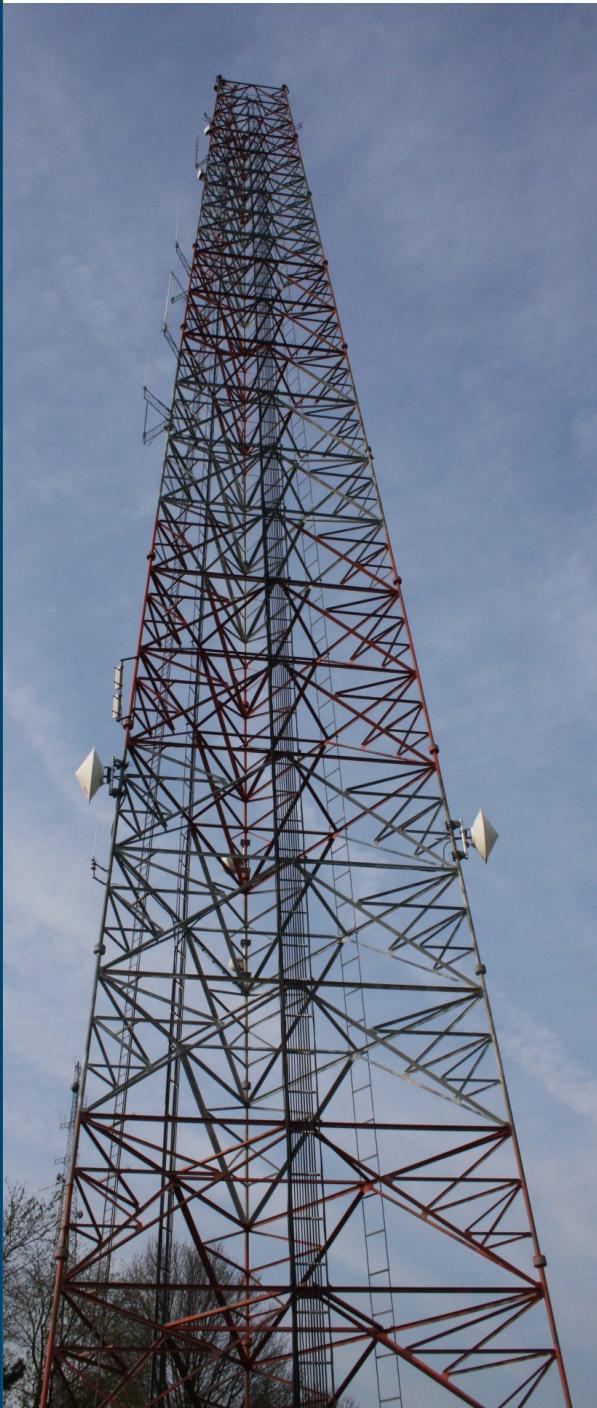
And before you ask, here's what the repeater rack looks like and what's in it.



# The Prez Sez...

And here's the 3 towers that make up our 2M repeater system.

Roxborough-Main RF TX/RX Site



Delaware Co. Input



Lawrenceville, NJ Input



# The Prez Sez...

It's time to vote! There are 4 candidates for 3 two-year board positions: Jeff, KC3GJX, Charlie, K3NOP, Mike, KC3UKC, and Jack, KC3TIQ. You should have received an email with the link to vote through hamclubonline. The election will close on December 9th at 4pm. Results will be shared at the December general meeting.

Get your plan together for Auction-Fest in January, it's going to be here quick. Decide what you want to move on from your shack and start saving your \$\$ for new stuff for your shack. There's going to be plenty of good items up for grabs. See you on January 14th, 2026 at the Ben Wilson Senior Activity Center.

We're always looking for submissions to The Blurb, so if you have an idea for an article, write it up and send it in. There's some great ones this month, keep them coming.

This is the best hobby ever with unlimited possibilities. It is always there whether you play daily, weekly, or monthly. We're all busy but have our club to keep us together through radio. So don't stress it and keep having fun playing radio. We play radio; that's what we do. Play, Break, Learn. See you at a club event soon.

73, Rich, AA3RC

**Remember, this is YOUR HOBBY, YOUR Club, YOUR repeaters.  
USE them. MONITOR them.**

**BE A REPEATER GREETER.**

**Answer calls when you can.**

**Let's leave NO CALL UNANSWERED.**

**FAIL = First Attempt In Learning**

# The Radio Amateur's Code

*The Radio Amateur is:*

**CONSIDERATE...** They never knowingly operate in such a way as to lessen the pleasure of others.

**LOYAL...** They offer loyalty, encouragement and support to other amateurs, local clubs, the IARU Radio Society in their country, through which Amateur Radio in their country is represented nationally and internationally.

**PROGRESSIVE...** They keep their station up to date. It is well-built and efficient. Their operating practice is above reproach.

**FRIENDLY...** They operate slowly and patiently when requested; offer friendly advice and counsel to beginners; kind assistance, cooperation and consideration for the interests of others. These are the marks of the amateur spirit.

**BALANCED...** Radio is a hobby, never interfering with duties owed to family, job, school or community.

**PATRIOTIC...** Their station and skills are always ready for service to country and community.

*- adapted from the original Amateur's Code, written by Paul M.*

# Get the Net!

There's no ham radio without **YOU!**

Get on the air and share! Operate, cooperate, & celebrate ham radio!

## Phil-Mont's Drive Time Net

*Join us every Monday-Friday 5 to 6pm on our VHF Repeater, Allstar or Echolink*

## DENn-Digital Education Net for newbies

*Every Tuesday 2000-2130 on our VHF repeater with Zoom back channel for video only. Watch our Groups.io for posts tagged #DENn for details.*

## Philadelphia ARES

*Sundays 8 PM ET on our VHF Repeater, Allstar or Echolink*

## OMIK Net Sat. 11am

## KC3BVL VHF and UP Nets

All nets upper sideband but CW ok

Fridays are to get your VHF station running smoothly and find out who you can work.

7:30pm 144.160 8pm 50.160  
8:30pm 222.150 9pm 432.160

Microwave Wednesdays are to get your microwave station up and running smoothly.

7:30pm 903.100 8pm 1296.100  
8:30pm 2304.100 9pm 5760.100

## **CLUB REPEATERS**

**VHF: 147.030 MHz**  
(+offset 91.5 PL)

### **REMOTE VHF INPUTS:**

Bucks Co/Lawrenceville Input  
North and East PL 88.5 (147.030)  
Delaware County West and South  
PL 100.0 (147.030)

**UHF: 444.80 MHz Yaesu**  
**System Fusion WiresX**

**ECHOLINK W3QV-R &**  
**ALLSTAR Node# 47970**

Phil-Mont Simplex Frequency  
147.510mHz PL91.5 TSQSL

**CQ! CQ! CQ!**

**Calling CQ for New**  
**Net Control**  
**Operators!**

**Click Here and Sign Up Today! It's a Fun Way to Meet Our Members!**

## Sunday Morning Nets

*Tune in on any or all for a Sunday morning 'Hello!'*

**0930 ET:**

VHF Repeater, Allstar or Echolink

**1000 ET:**

75 meter Net (3.993 MHz LSB +/-QRN)

**December**

**Sunday Net**  
**Control Schedule**

**12/7/2025 KE3QB**

**12/14/2025 KB3SJS**

**12/21/2025 W3UP**

**12/28/2025 WA3GM**

# Club Business

## NEXT GENERAL CLUB MEETING:

Wednesday, December 10th

Giant Supermarket 315 York Rd.  
Willow Grove, PA 19090

**5:30PM Yack & Snack**

**6:30PM Meeting Starts**

**7PM Presentation**

**December Presentation:**  
**Election Results &**  
**NEW-Timers Night**

## This Month's Birthdays

NS3K James J McCloskey 25-Dec

W3KBS William J Bruno 27-Dec

K3PPD Popeye Frysinger 29-Dec

KC3PGT Cliff Hotchkiss 31-Dec

Want your Birthday read on the Nets?  
Update your info at [hamclubonline.com](http://hamclubonline.com)

## New Club Members

- **Douglas Mead, KD3BBA, Technician**
- **Sam Guirguis, KE2GRC, Technician**
- **William "Bill" Biermann, NZ3Z Extra**
- **Kayla Adams, KD3CBL, Technician**



welcomes you!

# Phil-Mont Membership Statistics

## December 2025

### Member Types Statistics: (Active Members)

REGULAR Membership	205
Honorary	3
Board Member	7
Officer	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>219</b>

Philadelphia



ARES

The Amateur Radio Emergency Service are trained licensed amateur radio operators providing radio communications as a public service in disaster situations. All licensed operators are welcome to join. To learn more join our [Groups.io](#) and visit [PHLARES.org](#).

**Join the A.R.E.S.  
Training Net**

**Every Sunday  
evening at 2000  
(8:00 PM)  
147.030 MHz**

# Ham Radio Challenge

Here's a fun checklist you may have seen in the group messages, but here it is again.  
GO PLAY RADIO. Let's see who can check all the boxes!

Band Worked	Mode Worked	Activity (or mode of op)
<input type="checkbox"/> - 2,200 M (135 kHz)	<input type="checkbox"/> - SSB	<input type="checkbox"/> - Repeater QSO (2 M and up)
<input type="checkbox"/> - 630 M (472 kHz)	<input type="checkbox"/> - CW	<input type="checkbox"/> - Repeater QSO (10 or 6 M)
<input type="checkbox"/> - 160 M (1.8 MHz)	<input type="checkbox"/> - AM	<input type="checkbox"/> - Simplex FM QSO (VHF/UHF)
<input type="checkbox"/> - 80/75 M (3.5/3.8 MHz)	<input type="checkbox"/> - FM	<input type="checkbox"/> - SSB QSO (VHF/UHF)
<input type="checkbox"/> - 60 M (5.3 MHz)	<input type="checkbox"/> - PSK (31, 63)	<input type="checkbox"/> - CW Contact
<input type="checkbox"/> - 40 M (7 MHz)	<input type="checkbox"/> - FT4	<input type="checkbox"/> - Contest Contact
<input type="checkbox"/> - 30 M (10.1 MHz)	<input type="checkbox"/> - FT8	<input type="checkbox"/> - Satellite and/or EME Contact
<input type="checkbox"/> - 20 M (14 MHz)	<input type="checkbox"/> - Other WSJT- X Modes (FSK441, JT6M, JT65, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/> - Fox Hunt (ARDF)
<input type="checkbox"/> - 17 M (18 MHz)	<input type="checkbox"/> - JS8call	<input type="checkbox"/> - WinLink Contact
<input type="checkbox"/> - 15 M (21 MHz)	<input type="checkbox"/> - Packet (AX25)/APRS	<input type="checkbox"/> - EchoLink Contact
<input type="checkbox"/> - 12 M (24.9 MHz)	<input type="checkbox"/> - SSTV or Fast Scan ATV	<input type="checkbox"/> - WAS (work all 50 states)
<input type="checkbox"/> - 10 M (28 MHz)	<input type="checkbox"/> - Digital FM- DMR, D-Star, Fusion, etc.) or Hotspots	<input type="checkbox"/> - Work <u>50</u> countries
<input type="checkbox"/> - 6 M (50 MHz)		<input type="checkbox"/> - Work <u>100</u> countries
<input type="checkbox"/> - 2 M (144 MHz)	<input type="checkbox"/> - Pactor, Clover, Olivia, Throb, DominoEX, MT63, Thor, AMTOR, etc.	<input type="checkbox"/> - WAC- Work All Continents
<input type="checkbox"/> - 1.25 M (222 MHz)		<input type="checkbox"/> - POTA (Parks On The Air) or SOTA (Summits On The Air) Chaser Contact
<input type="checkbox"/> - 75 cm (440 MHz)	<input type="checkbox"/> - FAX or Hellschreiber	
<input type="checkbox"/> - 33 cm (902 MHz)	<b>Club</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> - POTA or SOTA Activation
<input type="checkbox"/> - Higher Microwave Bands	<input type="checkbox"/> - Attend an ARC meeting	<input type="checkbox"/> - POTA Activator
<b>Build or Install</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> - Present at ARC meeting	<input type="checkbox"/> - Work <u>your State</u> QSO party
<input type="checkbox"/> - New VHF/UHF Antenna	<input type="checkbox"/> - Head a committee	<b>Build/Test/Repair</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> - New HF Antenna	<input type="checkbox"/> - Attend a Hamfest	<input type="checkbox"/> - Electronics Kit or Homebrew
<input type="checkbox"/> - New Mobile Radio	<input type="checkbox"/> - Teach a Licensing Class or be a VE	<input type="checkbox"/> - Use an Antenna Analyzer or nano-VNA to measure
<input type="checkbox"/> - New Mobile Antenna	<input type="checkbox"/> - Mentor a new ham	<input type="checkbox"/> - Fix non-working Radio
<input type="checkbox"/> - Computer/Radio Interface	<input type="checkbox"/> - Write a newsletter article	<input type="checkbox"/> - Arduino, Rasp Pi microprocessor project or Program
<input type="checkbox"/> - New Operating Desk	<input type="checkbox"/> - Volunteer for Public Serv	

# Upcoming Club Events

Won't You Join Us...

in ***The DENn!***

Phil-Mont's *Digital Education Net for newbies!*

**Tuesday Evenings @8:00pm Zoom Backchannel @7:00pm**

W3QV Repeater: 147.030 MHz + 91.5

Allstar Node: 47970 Echolink: W3QV-R

*Don't let the name fool you!*

All are welcomed to join us and play. It doesn't matter if you are new to Ham Radio, new to digital modes, or are an already experienced ham and digital operator.

**We are here to play, learn, and test our equipment.**

With the digital modes if you can do it on the repeater you can do it pretty much everywhere, *including HF*.

*So come on out, test your setup, and **HAVE SOME FUN!***

**NET CONTROLS** KC3SMW, Greg—NY3J, Ron—W3ZO, Rob

## Upcoming DENn Topics

- Stay tuned to the groups.io group, December's topics TBD.

# New Weekly Net!

**THE PASTA NET!**

**Starts Monday December 1st**

**Plain and Simple Talk Around Net = PASTA**

How the net will operate:

Net Control will open NET LOGGER <https://www.netlogger.org/> and call for check-ins.

As people check in they will be put on net logger and will see their position in the rotation if they too are using Net Logger. It's not necessary for participants to use Net Logger but it can be convenient.

Once all are checked in, Net Control will turn it over to the first check in and start to "Talk About" what they have to say. Once done making their comment they pass to the next person and so on. At any time during the comments a person can contact another check in during their turn for direct communication with the another check-in.

When the bottom of the list is reached, Net Control will take over and call for more check-ins and the process starts over with the new check-ins starting first.

There will be no strict time limit, stations can check out at any time, even in and out. Two hours is recommended as a maximum. When Net Control feels the net is slowing down, a call for final check-ins will be made and if none heard, there will be a call for final comments.

The idea is for a directed "rag chew" type of net. Just something different. This idea is borrowed from the Rochester net that is held on 3.972 on Tuesday and Thursday night.

Join in. Have fun. It's what we do.

Dave, K3DFG  
PMRC Secretary  
PMRC Net Control Coordinator

# Celebrating Our 'Old' Timers!

It's always a highlight of our calendar when we take the time to recognize and honor our esteemed "Old" Timers—those dedicated Amateur Radio operators who have maintained their license for **more than 25 years**.

The photo from our recent gathering truly captures a remarkable achievement: within that single picture resides **hundreds of years of combined Amateur Radio experience!** This longevity and dedication are what make our club so special.

**The Longevity King: Dick W3UP:** We'd like to extend a special congratulations to **Dick W3UP**, who took home the top honor this year (as he always does!). Licensed since **1954**, Dick's commitment spans over seven decades and stands as a testament to the enduring fascination of the hobby. His contributions as a former club president and board member along with his knowledge are invaluable!

**A Foundation of Knowledge:** We are incredibly fortunate to have such deep roots and a rich history of experience within our club. These operators represent a living library of knowledge, technical expertise, and club lore. Whether you're a new licensee looking for advice on antenna building, or a veteran seeking historical context on a specific mode, there is a wealth of wisdom to **lean on** in our membership.

We encourage all members, especially newer ones, to seek out and chat with our Old Timers. Their stories which you heard at the meeting and their insights are truly inspiring. Thank you to all of our long-time members for everything you do to strengthen Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club.



# June VHF Contest Winner

## Phil-Mont Member Earns First Place in ARRL June VHF Contest!

The Phil-Mont Amateur Radio Club extends a huge **congratulations to Mike, KC3UKC**, who secured a **First Place finish in the Eastern Pennsylvania (EPA) Section** for the **Single Operator 3 Band (SO3B)** class in the recent ARRL June VHF Contest! This is a tremendous accomplishment, marking a first-time placement in a major radio contest for one of our members. Earning the top spot in the section is a testament to the skill, preparation, and endurance Mike demonstrated over the 33-hour event.

The ARRL VHF Contests challenge operators to make as many contacts as possible on the bands above 50 MHz (VHF/UHF/Microwave) and in as many different Maidenhead grid squares as possible. Mike's category, **Single Operator 3 Band**, specifically requires focused operation on the **50 MHz (6-meter), 144 MHz (2-meter), and 432 MHz (70cm)** bands using limited power, adding a layer of strategic challenge to his effort. Successful participation relies heavily on maximizing equipment setup, predicting unusual propagation conditions like Sporadic-E, and maintaining focus throughout the non-stop weekend. Well done, Mike, on a truly outstanding performance!

## June VHF Contest

*In recognition of achieving a winning score by working fellow amateurs on designated Amateur Radio frequencies above 50 MHz during the contest period.*

This award is presented to

**KC3UKC**

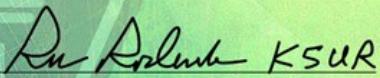
Score: 1,480

Single Operator, 3 Band

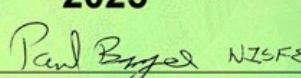
1st Place Eastern Pennsylvania Section

10th Place Atlantic Division

2025

 KSUR

President, ARRL

 N1SFE

Contest Manager

# VHF



**ARRL** The national association for  
AMATEUR RADIO®

# Members Helping Members

It's no secret that the Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club is a thriving club of engaging members with a variety of knowledge and skills. It's also no secret that members are always helping others.

**Antenna Mast vs High Winds** We sure did have our share of high winds this year. And along with them came a lot of antennas that suffered. Just ask Peg, N3PEG, who recently moved out to Parkesburg PA. With the generous help by long time club member, Steve, WU3I, she finally got a 40' mast with a UHF/VHF vertical on top and an off center fed dipole with the balun suspended from the mast. All was fine and performing well. That is until one of the wind storms we had challenged the set-up and won. The mast was folded over and Peg mentioned that maybe it could be cut down just below the fold and then the antennas reattached. Not sure what to do, and with Steve wintering in Florida, Peg posted her predicament, along with a picture, on the Phil-Mont groups.io. Dave, K3DFG, saw the post and also heard Peg mention it on the Philadelphia County Amateur Radio Emergency Net (PCARES) net held on the W3QV repeater every Sunday night..

On a day convenient to both, Dave loaded up his truck with a ladder, cut-off saw and tools and headed to Peg's. After getting a close look at things it was decided to cut the mast and re-install the antennas. Fortunately Peg saved all of the hardware when she disconnected the antennas. This eliminated a run to the hardware store.

Once the plan was determined the job progressed smoothly and the outdoor work completed. All that was left was to check the SWR on the antennas and do a radio check. Measurements/radio checks were extremely satisfactory. N3PEG is back on the air.

Got a story about a club member helping another member? Please submit it to Dave/K3DFG for publication in a future newsletter.



# The M.O.R.E. Project

## Phil-Mont Supports the M.O.R.E. Project Initiative

The Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club is proud to support and promote the Make Operating Radio Easier (MORE) Project, an exciting initiative dedicated to expanding the amateur radio demographic by training, licensing, and equipping hundreds of new Hams across the country. We are sharing the full details of this successful program, submitted by Project Director, Dr. Rebecca Mercuri (K3RPM), to encourage our members to learn more about this effort to grow our hobby and to consider getting involved as a volunteer.

### **From: Rebecca Mercuri, Ph.D., K3RPM, MORE Project Director**

The Make Operating Radio Easier (MORE) Project is a joint initiative of the Princeton-area David Sarnoff Radio Club (N2RE) and the Princeton / Central Jersey Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Broadcast Technology Chapter (IEEE-PCJS BT). In mid-2021, shortly after the start of the COVID pandemic, we received very generous funding from Amateur Radio | Digital Communications (AR|DC) for the purpose of expanding the demographic of Hams to include a MORE diverse population of ages and genders. We had originally intended to provide in-person training primarily in the tri-state (Eastern PA, Eastern NY and all of NJ) area, but because of the nationwide lock-down, quickly pivoted to offering amateur radio license training over Zoom, which enabled participation throughout the USA. No one who applies is ever turned away (as long as they satisfy radio licensing eligibility requirements), but we try to reach out to encourage under-represented groups and individuals to join the hobby.

Our primary goal is to train, license, and get on the air 500 new Hams, each of whom receives reimbursement of their testing (up to 3 tries) and licensing fees. Currently, we have trained MORE than 400 candidates, with over 250 successfully licensed. Our grant also pays for a GOTA kit for each of the newly licensed Hams, which includes a Yaesu FT-65R HT, plus programming cable and a variety of additional materials to help them get started. The candidates attend a weekly 2.5 hour training course, for 6 sessions, which is followed by testing. After the GOTA kits are distributed to those who have completed the training and received their callsign, additional activities are scheduled to help these new Hams experience a broad range of radio operations. To date, we have completed 21 MORE Courses, including Seniors at Rutgers Bioengineering, Engineering students at The College of New Jersey, youth members of the NJ Civil Air Patrol, "preppers" across the USA, "Radio Weaves" which is a group of indigenous tribal youth, and MORE!

To join the MORE Project as a license candidate, all one needs to do is download a form from our website at <[n2re.org/m-o-r-e-project](http://n2re.org/m-o-r-e-project)>, fill it out and email to <[MOREProject500@gmail.com](mailto:MOREProject500@gmail.com)>. We'll review to ensure that all information has been correctly provided, and then add the applicant to our database to receive notices when new MORE Courses are opening up. We also welcome licensed Hams, at the General level or above, to contact us at the same gmail address, if they are interested in assisting as trainers or VEs (such as for ARRL and GLAARG in-person or remote exams). Considerable study materials, including videos, lecture slides, and Q&A review flash-cards for the full Technician question pool, are freely available at our <[n2re.org/more-project-resource-page](http://n2re.org/more-project-resource-page)>. For further information, and to get involved with MORE as a student or volunteer, please contact Dr. Rebecca Mercuri, K3RPM, at our <[MOREProject500@gmail.com](mailto:MOREProject500@gmail.com)> address.

# Upcoming Club Events

## MARK YOUR 2026 CALENDARS

### Club Radio Activities

- January 14th, 2026 Auction-Fest
- January 24th and 25th, Winter Field Day

**The start of an amazing 2026 lineup.**

**Stay tuned for more event listings to show up on this page.**

**Get ready for some serious fun.**

# Upcoming Club Events



## **PHIL-MONT MOBILE RADIO CLUB, INC. 28th ANNUAL HAM RADIO "AUCTION-FEST"**

**Wednesday, JANUARY 14, 2026**

**5:30 PM Setup  
7PM Start (General Meeting before auction)**

**Ben Wilson Senior Activity Center**

**580 Delmont Avenue  
Warminster, PA 18974**

**DIRECTIONS**

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**TALK IN: 147.030 (91.5 PL)  
For More Information Contact:**

**PMRC**  
P.O. Box 404  
Warminster, Pa 18974  
OR E-MAIL  
[info@phil-mont.org](mailto:info@phil-mont.org)

# Upcoming Events

## 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

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Buyer(for club use) Call

Item Model#

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**Start Bid at \$** **Minimum bid you will accept \$**

Tell us about this

View details about this item

Item \_\_\_\_\_

# N3ZP's Contest Corner

Here is the contest calendar report for December. Not as many as some months but there is still activity. There are two 160 Meter contests, 10 Meters, RTTY, QRP and even FT8.

## December 5 - December 7

ARRL 160 Meter Contest - 2200Z Dec. 5 - 1600Z Dec. 7. Worldwide. 160 Meters. CW only. Rules:<http://www.arrl.org/160-meter>. With colder weather 160 has a lower noise level and this contest will bring out activity. DX stations only work North America. If you can tune your antenna on 160, give this CW contest a try.

FT Challenge Contest - 1800Z Dec. 6 - 2359Z Dec. 7. Worldwide. 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 Meters, FT8/FT4. 100 Watts max. Rules:<http://www.rttycontesting.com/ft-challenge>. This event is not limited to active contesters. Exchange is in the standard FT format, so all contacts count. Scoring is based on distance. A low pressure way to try a contest.

## December 13 - December 14

ARRL 10 Meter Contest - 0000Z Dec. 13 - 2400Z Dec. 14. Worldwide. 10 Meters. CW, Phone. Rules:<http://www.arrl.org/10-meter>. Work as many stations as possible on the 10 Meter band. Ten isn't quite as good as a few months ago but with a contest on, there will be plenty of activity.

TRC Digi Contest - 0600Z Dec. 13 - 1800Z Dec. 14. Worldwide. 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 Meters. RTTY. Rules:<https://trcdx.org/rules-trc-digi/>. A Bulgarian RTTY DX contest that is open to all. Work some RTTY DX.

## December 20 - December 21

OK DX RTTY Contest - 0000Z - 2400Z Dec. 20. Worldwide. 80, 40, 40, 15 and 10 Meters. RTTY. Rules:<http://okrtty.crk.cz/index.php?page=english>. A Czech sponsored contest but open to all with higher points for other continents, OK stations and for 80 and 40 Meters. Another chance for RTTY DX.

ARRL Rookie Roundup, CW. 1800Z to 2359Z Dec. 21. Worldwide but North America focused. 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 Meters. CW. Rules:<http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup>. A CW contest to encourage rookie (licensed less than 3 years) operators to work HF band CW. Non-rookies work only rookies. Try some CW in a non-competitive event.

# N3ZP's Contest Corner

December 27 - December 28

Stew Perry Top Band Challenge - 1500Z Dec. 27 - 1500Z Dec. 28. Worldwide. 160 Meters. CW. Rules:<http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup>. A less crowded contest where points are based on distance between stations and higher point value for lower power. Try another 160 contest if you can.

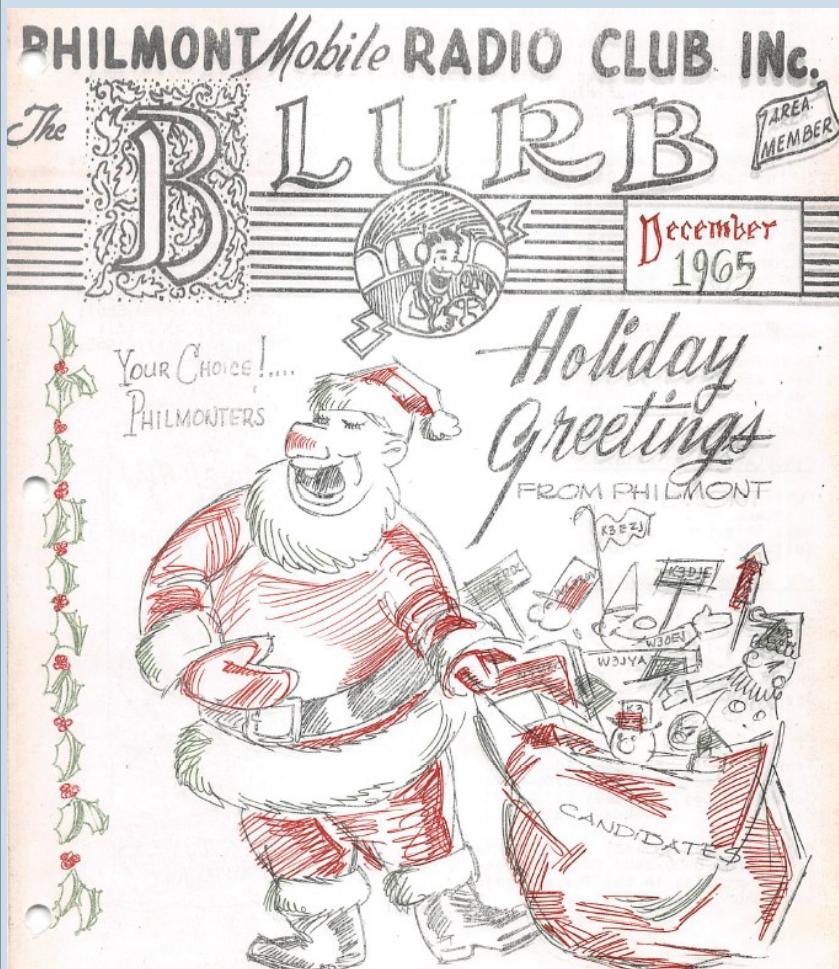
Original QRP Contest - 1500Z Dec. 27 - 1500Z Dec. 28. Worldwide. 80, 40 and 20 Meters, CW, SSB. Rules:<http://www.qrpcc.de/contestrules/oqrpr.html>. A contest for QRP rigs or running your 100 Watt rig at reduced power, even as high as 20 Watts. This one even has SSB.

This completes December's activity. As always, you can reach out to me for assistance or advice in participating in a contest and logging.

Phil N3ZP

# From the PMRC Archive...

Here are some highlights from this month in Blurb history, December 1965...



"Peace  
and Goodwill"



# The Last Page

*The Blurb* wants to hear from **YOU!**



Got a hot lead on antenna design? Soldering up a special circuit? Digging some new DSP? Reminiscing about some retro receivers? Do you have some goodies for sale?

**Click the big blue envelope**

## ***PMRC Officers for 2025***

### **Officers**

**President:** Rich AA3RC

**Vice President:** Greg KC3SMW

**Treasurer:** Jim NS3K

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