



SCARA NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2014



Celebrating over 50 Years Affiliation with the ARRL

SCARA P.O. Box 121 Linwood, NJ 08221

Repeaters 146.745 MHz PL 142.6 and 448.775MHz

Meeting Notice

Our next regular club meeting will be held on Thursday, December 11th, 7:30 PM. at the Canale Training Center. At the end of the meeting we will take time to review our activities for the 2014 year. **Plenty of room, conversation and refreshments for everyone!**

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SCARA 2014 Monthly Calendar

AUXCOM-SKYWARN Nets:
Mondays 7 PM on
146.745 MHz, K2BR /R

SCARA VHF KISS Net:
Every Thursday 7:00 PM on K2BR
Repeater

SCARA HF Net: Sun. Dec. 21
10:00 AM 3.928 MHz +/- QRM

Board Meeting: To be announced

VE Test Session: 1st Thursday each
month 6:30 PM, testing begins at
7:00 PM at Canale Center. Pre-
registration is required!

RACES Net: Dec. 29, 7:00 PM
At Canale Training Center

Meeting Report

November 13, 2014

The meeting started at 7:30pm and all committee reports were given.



Nominations/Election

Well, it is that time again. In the upcoming meeting we will be electing officers and board members. If you want to make a difference or get more active with the club's events, come to the meeting and let's hear your voice. As a side note, if you don't make the meeting you might be nominated for office. (HI HI)

A reminder to all: You can get the latest local weather and severe weather reports from:

<http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>

Club Dinner

The time is almost here for the Club Dinner. The club dinner will be held on January 9, 2015, again at the Crab Trap in Somers Point. The cost for the dinner this year is \$32 per person. The guest speaker for this dinner is Bob Schenck, N2OO. Bob will be

speaking about his experiences on a recent DXpedition.

Amateur Operator Of The Year 2014

We are looking for nominations from the club for a deserving individual who promoted the hobby in an exceptional manner this past year. If you would like to submit an application, please include a short narrative with your nomination. Please send your nomination to either Larry at kb2mn@verizon.net or Bill kc2aay@comcast.net.

President's Note

We are going to chat at the December meeting about the different types of speakers, programs, and events of the past year. I hope everyone enjoyed the past year BUT, if you would like to have something different or additional, the club welcomes all ideas.

Monthly VE Test Sessions

On the first Thursday of each month SCARA holds a VE test session. For information call Larry, KB2MN, 609-287-5340. The test location is the Canale Training Center, 5033 English Creek Ave, Egg Harbor Twp., NJ 08234. The doors open at 6:30 PM and testing begins at 7:00

PM. Pre-registration is required. Be sure to bring your photo I.D. and photocopy of your current license if you are upgrading to a higher license class. The current testing fee is \$15.

December Contests

All ARRL contests for 2014 are listed inside the link below. A generic ARRL contest calendar is also provided that gives the weekends for all their events, to assist with long-term planning of your contest operations. The Contest Corral files include non-ARRL events.

<http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Contest%20Corral/Contest%20Corral%201412.pdf>

DXpedition

A DX-pedition is an expedition to what is considered an exotic place by amateur radio operators, perhaps because of its remoteness, access restrictions or simply because there are very few radio amateurs active from that place. This could be an island, a country, or even a particular spot on a geographical grid. DX is a telegraphic shorthand for "distance" or "distant."

Locations Around the World

Many DXpeditions take place from locations with adequate access to power and supplies, often where the country has a small resident amateur population or where licensing is not very difficult. Many Caribbean and Pacific island nations, as well as European micro-states, have very small populations, but have hotels, reliable power, and supplies, and are easy to gain operating permission in.

Therefore these states are regularly activated by amateurs, often in combination with a family holiday.

Other jurisdictions take a more stringent view of individual access to communications equipment and are rare because very few amateurs are licensed in those countries and visitors find it difficult or impossible to gain operating permits or import amateur radio equipment. Examples include North Korea, Yemen and Iran.

Some locations are also rare due to their extreme inaccessibility - examples include Peter I Island, Campbell Island, Clipperton Island, Navassa Island, or Desecheo Island. When amateurs travel to remote locations such as these, they must first obtain permission to operate from that location from whatever political jurisdiction rules the area they wish to travel to. Even in countries such as the United States, this permission can be difficult to obtain.

Once operating permission is assured, transportation must be arranged. This can be both expensive and dangerous. Some locations are coral atolls that are almost submerged at high tide, such as Scarborough Reef. Others are sub-polar islands with inhospitable climates such as Peter I Island. The amateur must also take care of the basic necessities such as food, water, and power.

Special Events

After the dinner in January we have the Boy Scouts Show at the Hamilton Mall. The date and time

are Saturday, February 7, from 9:00am to 4:00pm. On February 14 the Boy Scout Merit Badge class will be held at Stockton College in Galloway. More information is to follow about the class. The contact person is Bill KC2ONQ, 609-435-0598.

Swap Shop

Reminder: SCARA has an online amateur radio swap shop. Go to our website to see current listings. E-mail your "For Sale" and "Wanted" items to Larry KB2MN, kb2mn@arrl.net

Club Information 2014

Officers

President:	Bill McCord	KC2ONQ	(609) 435-0598
Vice Pres:	Bill Schwoer	KC2AAY	(609) 892-7888
Treasurer:	Bob Webb	WA2YSA	(609) 646-6843
Secretary:	Mandy McCord	KC2QOG	(609) 435-0598

Board of Directors

Stan Friedman	WA3JMV	Arnie Oberson	W2OB
William Paulus	W2MWI	Bob Nicotera	KB2ERL
Tim Adams	KD2EGR		

Committee Chairs

VE Coordinator	Larry Schall KB2MN	ARRL QSL Card Mgr	Arnie Oberson W2OB
Sunshine	Bob Webb WA2YSA	Dinner Chair:	Harry Cohen, KD2AYT
Refreshments	KC2ONQ	Field Day	Bill Schwoer
ARLHS Coordinator	Ed Clark W2KP	Repeater	W2KP, KC2AAY
Newsletter Editor	Bill Schwoer KC2AAY	Newsletter Copy Ed.	Nancy Jarrin N2ANG
Trustee:	Bill Schwoer	Web site Ed.	Larry Schall KB2MN
E-mail	SCARA@k2br.com	SCARA Web	http://www.k2br.com

SCARA Annual Dinner
January 9, 2015

Our Annual dinner is at the Crab Trap. The Crab Trap is located in Somers Point, New Jersey where Shore Road, Mays Landing Road, MacArthur Blvd., and the Ocean City connector to the 9th St. Bridge, all come together. Phone (609) 927-7377.

The choices for the main entrée are:

Broiled Filet of Flounder	<i>Broiled with white wine and lemon</i>
Famous Crab Cakes	<i>Made with lump crab, golden fried</i>
Roast Top Sirloin of Beef	<i>House roasted served sliced with a Jardiniere gravy</i>
Chicken Parmigiana	<i>Breast of chicken hand breaded, golden fried, topped with Mozzarella cheese and tomato sauce</i>

All dinners include appetizers during the cash bar, house salad, soup, bread, vegetable, potato, dessert, and coffee or tea.

The **cash bar** starts at 6:30 PM. **Dinner** will be served at 7:00 PM. The cost is **\$32.00 per person**, including tax and gratuity.

Please send your order form and check payable to **SCARA, PO BOX 121, Linwood, NJ 08221**.
Dues for 2015 may be included with your dinner payment.

(PLEASE PRINT)

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

DINNER CHOICES

2015 DUES

___ Broiled Flounder

___ Famous Crab Cakes

___ Roast Top Sirloin of Beef

___ Chicken Parmigiana

Single Membership \$20.00 _____

Family Membership \$25.00 _____

_____ Dinners @ \$32.00 = _____ **Total Enclosed** _____

The Amateur of the Year Award

This award was originated by John Struckell, Chief Engineer and General Manager of radio station WFPG. The Southern Counties Amateur Radio Association has presented it annually to one individual Amateur Radio Licensee selected by a duly appointed committee made up of former award recipients. The selected person will be chosen as outstanding for his or her effort and contributions of knowledge and understanding resulting in the furtherance of Amateur Radio. In memory of John Struckell, SCARA has continued the annual presentation of the award. The award is based not only on achievement, but also on anticipated activity. The amateur need not be a member of SCARA, so long as he or she is a resident of South Jersey and active in amateur radio.

Sealed recommendations are requested of the amateur radio fraternity two months prior to the annual meeting. The selection committee will meet in secret session, on a night other than a regular SCARA meeting night, to select the recipient of the award from among the sealed recommendations. Recommendations must be received no later than 21 days prior to the installation dinner. The committee's selection shall remain secret until the actual presentation is made at the annual SCARA banquet.

The honored radio amateur will retain possession of the plaque for one year, returning the plaque to the trustees of SCARA not more than fifteen days prior to the annual meeting of the year following. The award may not be made more than once to the same amateur except under extraordinary circumstances, and never shall the amateur receive the award two years in succession.

Southern Counties Amateur Radio Association
Bylaw Article VII, Section 1

Past Award Recipients

Irving Cohen (SK)	K2YYB	1962	Joseph H. Lee (SK)	N2CKM	1988
Robert Rosenberg (SK)	WA2OZQ <i>then N3BR</i>	1963	Robert Webb	WA2YSA	1989
Charles Bengal	W2TUR <i>now XE2TUR</i>	1964	Paul O'Donnell	WB2OYC	1990
Samuel Knox (SK)	WB2MRA	1965	Mark Adams	WB2JHG <i>now W2UR</i>	1991
Maryan Bouchard (SK)	K2BKG <i>now K2MB</i>	1966	George Bull	N2HWK	1992
Marvin Bobb	WA2SIP <i>now KD2MB</i>	1967	Alfred B. Schultz (SK)	KB2ET	1993
Carleton Thraser (SK)	W2SAS	1968	Jacob C. Kaferle (SK)	W2IFI	1994
Sam Nash (SK)	K2LZB	1969	James J. Pieklo	W2BYW	1995
Charles J. Hobart (SK)	K2CIR <i>then W2JH</i>	1970	Edward Clark	W2KP	1996
Anthony Butterhof	K2JOX <i>now N2NJ</i>	1971	Lawrence Schall	KB2MN	1997
Raymond Brooks	WB2FTD	1972	David J. Stackhouse (SK)	W2BHH	1998
S. Albert Segen (SK)	W2BP	1973	Nancy S. Jarrín	KC2BFM <i>now N2ANG</i>	1999
Arnold Oberson	W2BZL <i>now W2OB</i>	1974	Robert Pantazes	N2WRD <i>now W2ARP</i>	2000
John H. Dilks III	K2TQN	1975	Tom Hurst	AB2KP	2001
Jack Castree (SK)	WB2ASB <i>now K3IHA</i>	1976	Anne Duffy	KB2CIZ	2002
Robert Shapiro	K2MYS	1977	Art Holmes	W3ART	2003
Oscar M. Adams	WB2AIQ	1978	Bill McAdam (SK)	WM2Q	2004
Richard Snyder	WB2KNY	1979	Bob D'Imperio	N4XAT	2005
Steve Lucas (SK)	AF2X	1980	Lou Milone	KA2NTT	2006
James Main	K2PU	1981	Jim Buzzetta (SK)	W2BUZ	2007
Dennis Walsh	WA2GWS	1982	William Schwoer	KC2AA Y	2008
Jesse Pagan	WA2PRY	1983	John Barbieri	K2JGB	2009
Jan Scheuerman (SK)	WB2JCE <i>now WA2YL</i>	1984	Fred Weber	AA2KI	2010
Mark Schoenthal	N2AHS	1985	Robert W. Schenck	N2OO	2011
Toni Bull	N2CYL	1986	Timothy J. Cwik	N2LTQ	2012
Fred Wahlquist (SK)	AA2P	1987	Stanley S. Friedman	WA3JMV	2013

Please submit your nominations no later than Dec 15, 2014 to:

SCARA, P.O. Box 121, Linwood, NJ 08221 or E-mail to: kb2mn@arrl.net