



THE FRANKFORD RADIO CLUB NEWSLETTER

PROFICIENCY THROUGH COMPETITION

CALENDAR

June 2011:

- 16 T.I.T.S. Meeting, Noon**
- 18-19 All Asia Contest, CW
- 25-26 ARRL Field Day
- 28 REXY Meeting B, 8 PM**

July 2011:

- 2 FRC West, 10 AM**
- 9-10 IARU HF World Champ.
- 16-17 No. Am. QSO Party, RTTY
- 21 T.I.T.S. Meeting, Noon**
- 26 REXY Meeting B, 8 PM**
- 30-31 RSGB IOTA Contest

August 2011:

- 6-7 No. Am. QSO Party, CW
- 7 Summer Mtg, K2AX, 1PM**
- 13-14 WAE DX Contest, CW
- 18 T.I.T.S. Meeting, Noon**
- 20-21 No. Am. QSO Party, SSB
- 22 REXY Meeting B, 8 PM**
- 27-28 YO DX HF Contest

CHANGES

None this Month

Deadline for July issue:
Tuesday, June 28, 2011

2011 FRC Fund Drive is
underway.

Please see page 2.

President's Column

Straight from the Radio Shack – K9RS

I hope everyone had a good time at Dayton . I missed it this year due to a work commitment but took a hard look at the reports following the Hamvention. The Triplexer from International Radio and the KX3 from Elecraft both were interesting to me. I'm sure there was plenty of interesting conversation at the hospitality suites as well. Wish I could have been there!

We are confirmed for a summer picnic meeting Sunday August 7th at **K2AX** at 1:00. These are always a great time and it's the weekend before WAE so plan to be there. We are also looking at one or two other summer meetings at the **KF3B** super station and/or at Van **W2DLT**'s place in Lords Valley , PA but due to my travel schedule we have not confirmed yet. We will get the word out as soon as possible.

The next regular meeting will be September 13th as usual be at the Holiday Inn at the Lansdale Interchange on the PA Turnpike. Plan to show up around 7 PM for food and drink. We will plan to have another auction so bring something along for that if you want. This will also be a program put on by all of us on CW paddles and keys. There will be some interesting ones there that you can look at and try. I will bring an N2DAN Mercury, some Begalis, a March, Jones, a WBL V2L ... etc and a couple of keyers to plug them in to. What do you have to bring? Maybe **W2GD** will bring his special Vibroplex? It will be interesting to see what shows up. This topic had lots of interest on the reflector so let's have fun with it.

Now clearly we are in the warm weather and time to work on antennas for next season and time to consider your annual contribution to **FRC**. We don't have dues so we depend on our members to give what they can to keep our club moving forward. Please consider carefully and donate to **FRC**! We are doing some great things for our club and for ham radio thanks to our members. With the last newsletter you should have received an envelope to send in what you can.

73, de K9RS

MEETINGS

T.I.T.S. meeting—The Trexlertown International Transmitting Society meets on Thursday, June 16, at 12:00 noon. Location is the Hometown Diner on Route 222 in Trexlertown..

Rexy Meeting B—The Rexy Meeting B will meet at 8 PM on Tuesday, June 28..

FRC West— The next planned meeting of FRC West will be at the Harrisburg Hamfest on July 2 at Marysville, PA. The time will be 10:00 am.

2011 FRC Fund Drive

The 2011 **FRC** Annual Fund Drive is now officially underway. This issue should contain a stamped envelope for your contribution. Here a few reminders when getting ready to make your annual contribution to help keep our club running

- 1) **PLEASE** make ALL checks payable to **FRANKFORD RADIO CLUB, and NOT N3RD.**
- 2) **PLEASE** write your return address and callsign on the envelope.
- 3) **PLEASE** write your callsign/callsigns on the check.
- 4) **PLEASE** seal the envelope.

If for some reason you don't get an envelope, or you misplace it, you can send your contribution to: Dave Hawes, N3RD, 143 Camp Council Road, Phoenixville, PA 19460

Current 2011 Contributors

AA3B	AB2IO	AF3I	K2CJ	K2GN
K2UT	K3ATO	K3BHX	K3PH	K3SWZ
K3WW	K9RS	KQ2M	N2BA	N2CQ
N2LT	N2VW	N3ED	N3KR	N3RD
N3RG	N3YW	N3ZA	NA2U	NK3Y
NZ3O	W0MHK	W2CG	W2GD	W2IRT
W2LE	W2REH	W2UDT	W2YC	W3EA
W3FVT	W3KB	W3MF	W3MM	W3RAT
WB3FIZ				



FOR SALE: Two large 20 meter yagis, a Hy-Gain 3-el. 40-meter yagi remain as well as lots of coax cable, hardline and other items from the W3PP estate. Follow the link at top of www.aa1k.us for details.

Member accomplishments:

K3MD

2010

First place EPA multiop high power ARRL RTTY Roundup

5BDXCC... 33 years after original DXCC

WPX SSB—First Place tribander/wires High Power 3rd call district, #3 USA, #14 world

2011

First Place EPA Single Op High Power ARRL RTTY Roundup

AB2E (V26E)

If the score holds after log checking, I have #1 World, and a new World Record for SOAB(A) LP category in the WPX CW contest as V26E from Antigua.

Non-USA SO(A)AB LP	<u>QSOs</u>	<u>Prefixes</u>	<u>Final Score</u>
V26E	1779	777	5,191,914

Editor's note: Always glad to receive and publish member accomplishments. They don't even have to be ham radio accomplishments.

Reprinted from the ARRL Contest Update

ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X relates discovering and repairing an issue with the ARRL 160 Meter contest results for the Club Competition, "Numerous members of the Frankford Radio Club were accidentally listed as members of the Yankee Clipper Contest Club. This appears to be the result of an error on my part during the data processing phase. The order of finish was unchanged in the Unlimited Club category; however, Frankford Radio Club is the correct winner of the Medium Club category. The Local Club category was unaffected by this error. The online results database has been corrected."

The N1MM team is pleased to announce the release of new, reorganized documentation for N1MM Logger. The material has been arranged into three new sections that you will find in the Documents menu of the N1MM website. The authors of this revised documentation would like to acknowledge the huge contribution made by Thomas PA1M who wrote and maintained the original N1MM Logger manual for a decade. (Thanks, Larry K8UT, Pete N4ZR, and Rich VE3KI)

Russia Permits Reciprocal Licensing

On Wednesday, May 18, the European Communications Office (ECO) in Copenhagen added the Russian Federation to the list of those countries that accept the CEPT reciprocal operating arrangements. Now US hams who hold an FCC-issued General, Advanced or Amateur Extra class Amateur Radio licenses may operate in Russia, as well as the other countries covered by the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations (CEPT), subject to the regulations in force in the country visited, to operate in those countries.

US amateurs holding an Advanced or Amateur Extra class license will be granted CEPT Radio Amateur License privileges in accordance with *CEPT Recommendation T/R 61-01 (as amended)*. US amateurs with a General class license will be granted CEPT Novice Radio Amateur License privileges, in accordance with *ECC Recommendation (05)06 (as amended)*.

While operating an amateur station in a CEPT country, the US amateur must have a copy of the *FCC Public Notice DA 11-221*, proof of US citizenship and evidence of their FCC license in their possession. They must show these documents to proper authorities upon request.

CEPT countries participating in *ECC Recommendation (05)06* as of May 18, 2011 are: Belgium, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark (including Greenland and the Faroe Islands), Germany, Hungary, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Montenegro, Netherlands, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Slovak Republic, Slovenia and Switzerland.

CEPT countries participating in *CEPT Recommendation T/R 61-01* as of May 18, 2011 are: Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark (including Greenland and the Faroe Islands), Estonia, Finland, France (including Corsica, Guadeloupe, French Guyana, Martinique, St Bartholomew, St Pierre and Miquelon, St Martin, Reunion and its Dependencies, Mayotte, French Antarctica, French Polynesia and Clipperton, New Caledonia, and Wallis and Futuna), Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Macedonia, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine and the United Kingdom (including Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man).

New Russian Prefix System in Use

If you have been on the HF bands lately, you may have noticed that a number of new prefixes are in use by stations in the Russian Federation. Here is a summary of the changes recently adopted by the Russian telecommunication authorities. Thanks to SRR President Roman Thomas, R5AA (ex-RZ3AA) for the information.

- ◆ Russian prefixes with the numeral 2 are no longer limited to Kaliningradsk. Stations with RA2 and UA2-UI2 (with F and K as the first letter in the suffix) are in Kaliningradsk; otherwise, these prefixes will be used in European Russia.
- ◆ Stations with the following prefixes are in European Russia: R1, RA1-RZ1 (except RI1 as noted below), R2, RB2-RZ2, R3-R7, RA3-RZ7, UA1 and UA3-UI7. Also, stations with the prefixes R8, R9, RA8-RZ9 and UA8-UI9 (with F, S, T, W or X as the first letter in the suffix) are in European Russia.
- ◆ Except for those listed above, all stations with 8, 9 and 0 as the numeral are in Asiatic Russia.
- ◆ Russian Antarctic stations use temporary call signs in the series RI1ANA-RI1ANZ and RI00ANT to RI99ANT.
- ◆ Franz Jozef Land stations use temporary call signs RI1F, RI1FJ and RI1FJA-RI1FJZ.
- ◆ Malyj Visotskij island stations use temporary call signs RI1M, RI1MV and RI1MVA-RI1MVZ.



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Repeater - 2 meters, 147.27/147.87 Input and Output PL tone, 114.8

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Meetings

The main meeting is held at the Inn at Towamencin in Lansdale between 7-9 pm on the second Tuesday of each month from September through May. Summer meetings are held at member homes (one Saturday/Sunday per month).

Packet Cluster Contest/DX System

144.950 K3ZV
 145.050 W3TUA
 145.530 AA1K
 145.530 K3WW
 145.570 WT3Q
 145.670 W3PP

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