



THE FRANKFORD RADIO CLUB NEWSLETTER

PROFICIENCY THROUGH COMPETITION

CALENDAR

September 2011:

- 3-4 All Asian DX Contest, SSB
10 No. American Sprint, CW
10-11 Worked All Europe, SSB
13 Main Meeting, 7 PM
14 FRC West Meeting, 6:30 PM
15 T.I.T.S. Meeting, Noon
17 No. American Sprint, SSB
17-18 Scandinavian Activity, CW
24-25 CQ WW DX Contest, RTTY
27 Remy Meeting B, 8 PM

October 2011:

- 1-2 California QSO Party
1-2 Oceania DX Contest, SSB
8-9 Pennsylvania QSO Party
8-9 Oceania DX Contest, CW
8-9 Scandinavian Activity, SSB
11 Main Meeting, 7 PM
15-16 New York QSO Party
15-16 Worked All Germany Contest
20 T.I.T.S. Meeting, Noon
25 Remy Meeting B, 8 PM
29-30 CQ WW DX Contest, SSB

November 2011:

- 5-6 Ukrainian DX Contest
5-6 ARRL Sweepstakes, CW
12-13 WAE DX Contest, RTTY
12-13 OK/OM DX Contest, CW
17 T.I.T.S. Meeting, Noon
19-20 LZ DX Contest
19-20 ARRL Sweepstakes, SSB
22 Remy Meeting B, 8 PM
26-27 CQ WW DX Contest, CW

CHANGES

None this Month

Deadline for October issue:
Sunday, September 25, 2011

President's Column

Straight from the Radio Shack, K9 Radio Shack that is...

There are lot's of great things going on in **FRC**, where do I start, well maybe here...

A very close win in ARRL 2011 !

Awesome, awesome what more can I say! We win! Very, very close, just 1.2% over YCCC but it's still a win. Remember every score really does count. We really appreciate every single score. Don't worry if you didn't have one of the highest scores, you were still an important part of the team. Take a look for your call on the certificate and take another look at the scores below. Let's enjoy the win!

2011 ARRL DX Affiliated Club Competition

Score Entries

Unlimited Category

Frankford Radio Club 222,644,199 157

Yankee Clipper Contest Club 220,000,884 184
Potomac Valley Radio Club 148,744,419 167
Northern California Contest Club 47,472,297 105
Contest Club Ontario 47,102,589 85
Society of Midwest Contesters 42,565,110 98
Minnesota Wireless Assn 41,706,240 102
Florida Contest Group 39,551,604 109
Arizona Outlaws Contest Club 27,078,405 76
Tennessee Contest Group 17,700,834 58

CQWW 2011 just ahead

Speaking of every score counting. Now is the time that we can impact CQWW 2011.

We can do it in several ways:

- ◆ Plan some improvements in your own station that can increase your score
- ◆ Invite a new member or two to join
- ◆ Plan to take that contest expedition that you always wanted to go on
- ◆ Encourage other members to get on and/or increase their scores
- ◆ Help out at a multi op
- ◆ Invite a guest op or go multi-op if you can't operate much

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MEETINGS

Main meeting—September 13 at 7 PM, Holiday Inn, Lansdale (see details in president's column).

FRC West meeting—A meeting of the **FRC West** will be held Tuesday, September 14 at 6:30 PM at the Quentin Haus Restaurant. The restaurant is located at the intersection of Routes 419 and 72 in Quentin, PA near Lebanon. That's just a few miles north of the Lebanon exit of the Pennsylvania Turnpike on Route 72.

T.I.T.S. meeting—The Trexlertown International Transmitting Society meets on Thursday, September 15 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, September 27.

President's Column (continued)

If we start now we can impact all of these. If you need help with advice or an antenna project now is the time to ask and get started. I am delinquent but still planning to help K2AX get an 80M and maybe 160M 4-square going. Every score counts and every improvement counts!

K3WW on CAC

Congratulations to K3WW on being named to the Contest Advisory Council, it's great to have an FRC voice back on this!

Giving Back

- ◆ Still time to donate to **FRC**
- ◆ Think about participating in our station donation project
- ◆ Consider supporting WRTC 2014 <http://wrtc2014.org/>

September 13th Meeting 7 PM dinner etc followed by the meeting at 8 PM

Morse code paddles and microphones are the theme for September

We have some things to discuss and vote on including:

- effort on the web site
- repeater
- continuation of station donation
- support of WRTC 2014
- probably a couple more

And then have a meeting devoted to morse code paddles and microphones. Bring along a favorites or two and/or some stories.

Holiday INN Lansdale just off exit 31 (Lansdale) of the Northeast extension of the Pa Turnpike

Summer Meetings

Thanks to **K2AX** and **W2DLT** for two great summer meetings! I enjoyed seeing everyone at the K2AX meeting but unfortunately missed the W2DLT/3 meeting. Many thanks to Mark, Van and their families for hosting!

I hope everyone had a great summer, now back to antenna work and contesting!

73 de K9RS

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 KQ2M.**
- 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

AA2WN	AA3B	AA3K	AB2IO	AF3I	K2BM	K2CJ
K2FL	K2GN	K2UT	K3ATO	K3BHX	K3FMQ	K3FT
K3JGJ	K3MD	K3ND	K3NL	K3OO	K3OX	K3PH
K3SWZ	K3TUF	K3WW	K3YD	K3IKM	K9RS	KD3TB
KQ2M	KQ3F	KV2M	N1IBM	N1RK	N2BA	N2CQ
N2LT	N2NC	N2RM	N2SR	N2SS	N2TK	N2VW
N3AD	N3BNA	N3ED	N3KR	N3NA	N3PUR	N3RD
N3RG	N3RW	N3VV	N3YW	N3ZA	N8NA	NA2U
ND1A	NK3Y	NZ3O	W0MHK	W1GD	W2CG	W2GD
W2IRT	W2LE	W2OF	W2OX	W2RD	W2REH	W2TV
W2UDT	W2YC	W2YR	W3BGN	W3CF	W3EA	W3FV
W3FVT	W3GK	W3KB	W3MF	W3MM	W3RAT	W3SOH
W3SQ	W3AA	W8FJ	WA2TML	WA2VYA	WA3F	WA3RHW
WB3FIZ	WE3C	WQ3E				

Frankford Radio Club donates complete station to radio contester

The **Frankford Radio Club**, one of the premier radiosport contesting organizations in the world, donated a complete radio station to Matthew Morrison **KB3PSN** of Landisburg, PA.

The **FRC**, as part of its promotion of contest operating, looked to donate a station to one licensed amateur radio operator who wished to get started in the contest experience but was unable to put one together.

The application process included the requirement to write a page about why the applicant feels they are deserving of a station in which to start contesting. Matt **KB3PSN** described how he wanted to enjoy the DX contacts, experience the competition and be a part of contributing toward the total score of the **FRC**.

The station was donated by **FRC** President Ray Sokola **K9RS**. It included everything needed to get on the air on both SSB and CW.

“Thanks to the **Frankford Radio Club** in Philadelphia for the great HF station!” said Morrison. He can be found on the air most evenings on 40/80/160 Meters using the station and is looking forward to participating in the major ARRL and CQ contests as part of the **FRC**.

FRC members have consistently been leaders in both operating and technical excellence in the sport of radio contesting. The **FRC** has historically been at the top of club competitions in the major DX contests. In addition, its members hold many contest records either individually or as part of multi-operator efforts, both U.S. and worldwide.

The **FRC** is also interested in new members who would like to be a part of the contesting experience. The club is particularly interested in those who are willing to submit a log in a least two of the four major ARRL and CQ Worldwide SSB and CW radio contests each season. Participation can be at an individual’s station or as a part of a multi-operator effort at some of the best equipped and competitive stations in the world. As a member, every point counts and it is the chance to make a difference as the club competes to win these contests.

For more information about the **Frankford Radio Club**, please visit its website at www.gofrc.org and look for the membership application.



Matthew Morrison, KB3PSN with FRC President Ray Sokola, K9RS



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The Frankford Radio Club

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

Home Page - www.gofrc.org

Meetings

The main meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn 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

Telnet DX Cluster

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