



# The VOX



The Official Newsletter of the

**L**ehigh **V**alley **A**mateur **R**adio **C**lub - W3OI / KB3SYV  
Allentown, Pennsylvania (Lehigh County) - USA

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### LVARC Repeaters

146.34 / 146.94 (PL 71.9)  
147.735/147.135 (DCS 315)  
147.420 (Club Simplex Freq.)  
445.025 W3OI D-Star "B" module  
147.165 W3OI D-Star "C" module

### LVARC/RACES/ARES Net

**Every Monday at 7:30p (ET)  
on the 94 repeater.**

\* 147.735/147.135 (DCS 315)  
Automatic Mode Select. Analog  
\* FM or YSF, Yaesu System Fusion),

**Many club announcements will be heard there**

The **August** LVARC meeting will be held on **Tuesday August 6** , 2024 via **ZOOM AND In-Person** at **7:30p**.

**Program:** *Field Day Preparation*

***Plan to attend this Meeting!***

The LVARC holds it's monthly meeting the **FIRST TUESDAY** of every month **BOTH In Person AND** using **ZOOM** at 7:30p Eastern time. Meetings are held at the Tri-Clover Fire Co. in Orefield, PA.

### **LVARC TEST SESSIONS**

The LVARC test sessions are held the **THIRD FRIDAY** of **EVERY OTHER MONTH**.

Contact Mark Miller (AK3M) at [AK3M@rcn.com](mailto:AK3M@rcn.com) for details.

### **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED**

**If you have questions, contact Mark (AK3M) at [AK3M@rcn.com](mailto:AK3M@rcn.com)**

### **Up Coming 2024 LVARC Programs/events**

**August 6** — LVARC meeting 7:30p

**August 16** — LVARC test session 6:00p at the fire company



Do you remember ...  
“Photomat developing kiosks?”

Send your “What Ever Happened To/ Do you Remember...,” to Mark (AK3M) for inclusion in a future issue of the VOX).

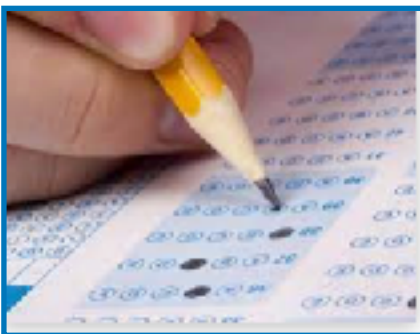


READER SUBMISSION

Larry (NR3R)

### LVARC Nets

1. **Monday Night LVARC/ARRS/RACES/ACS Net - 7:30p - 146.94 MHz**
2. **Monday Night USB Simplex Net - 8:15p - 144.250 MHz**
3. **Tuesday Night Net - 2nd & 4th Tuesdays — 8:00p - 146.94 MHz**
4. **Wednesday Night D-Star Net - 7:00p - The Net starts out on the W3PLG B DSTAR Repeater - frequency 447.7125 MHz.**
5. **Thursday Night - 2m Simplex Net - 8:00p - 147.420 MHz**



### LVARC 2024 Test Session Dates

**2024**

**August 16**

**October 18**

**December 20**

***Check the expiration date of your VE certificate. If you need to renew, feel free to attend any LVARC test session.***

# This Month In Ham Radio

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h2>August 2024</h2>				1		
				2m FM SIMPLEX net 147.420 8:00		
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	LVARC Net 7:30p  <b>KC3HWD</b>  2m AM/SSB Net - 8:15p	LVARC Meeting 7:30p		2m FM SIMPLEX net 147.420 8:00		
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	LVARC Net 7:30p  <b>N3RPV</b>  2m AM/SSB Net - 8:15p	<b>Tuesday Night Net</b> 146.94 8:00p		2m FM SIMPLEX net 147.420 8:00	LVARC Test Session 6:00p	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	LVARC Net 7:30p  <b>WW3TRG</b>  2m AM/SSB Net - 8:15p	LVARC "Hands On Night"		2m FM SIMPLEX net 147.420 8:00		
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	LVARC Net 7:30p  <b>AK3M</b>  2m AM/SSB Net - 8:15p	<b>Tuesday Night Net</b> 146.94 8:00p		2m FM SIMPLEX net 147.420 8:00		

## LVARC June 2024 Net Report

### Monday Night ARES / ACS

06/03 - 45

06/10 - 44

06/17 - 45

06/24 - 38

Total Check-in's - 172 (4 weeks)

### Monday Night 2m SSB

06/03 - 6

06/10 - 7

06/17 - 5

06/24 - 6

Total Check-in's - 24 (4 weeks)

### Tuesday Night Tesla Net

06/11 - 6

06/25 - 10

Total Tesla Tuesday Check-in's - 16 (2 Weeks)

### Thursday Night 2m FM Simplex

06/06 - 5

06/13 - 8

06/20 - 8

06/27 - 6

Total Thursday night check-in's - 27 (4 weeks)



**Monday Night Net Control operators are being sought.** If you are interested in becoming a Net Control operator for the LVARC Monday Night Net, contact Rod (N3XG) at [n3xg.radio@gmail.com](mailto:n3xg.radio@gmail.com).

## Famous Ham

Ronnie Milsap - WB4KCG

Ronnie Lee Milsap is an American country music singer and pianist.

He was one of country music's most popular and influential performers of the 1970s and 1980s



## READER SUBMISSION

Submitted by Larry (NR3R)

## Mark your calendar!

Rod has reserved the Hawk pavilion for September 21, 2024 picnic.



## "Tesla" Net



**Don't forget to check into the new Tuesday Night Net on 146.94 at 8:00p.**

This net meets when there is no meeting or Hands On Night. The topics will depend on information wanted by new hams. Experienced hams are invited to check in to offer their wisdom.

## 2024 ARES Events

**October** — Women's 5K Classic

**November** — St. Luke's Marathon/Race Fest

*Specific dates to be announced.*



The August 16 2024 LVARC test session will be held at the Hanover Elementary School this August session. The address of the school is: 3890 Jacksonville Rd, Bethlehem, PA. 18017

Registration is necessary. To register for the August 16 test session, contact Mark (AK3M) at [AK3M@rcn.com](mailto:AK3M@rcn.com).



## New LVARC Member

At the July 2, 2024 meeting, Stephen Small (KC3OZB) was voted in as a new LVARC member!

**CONGRATULATIONS** and welcome to the club Steve!



## Vacation Tip:

If you are going on vacation this Summer, don't forget to take your HT. You can listen to marine and lifeguard traffic, local public service and local repeaters. A good site to get frequencies to pre-program your radio is:

<https://www.radioreference.com/apps/db/>



## Commemorate 85th Anniversary of the CG Auxiliary

Time: Anytime during the entire weekend.

Amateur bands only.

HF and VHF

Listen for a 1 X 1 call sign.

## Hurricane Season

Be advised that the 2024 hurricane season is in effect.

It will last into the end of November 2024.



You can monitor and/or participate in the **H**urricane **W**atch **N**et on **14.325.00** MHz and **7.268.00** MHz or go to <https://www.hwn.org>.

## FOR SALE

ICOM ID-5100A Dual VFO, Dual Band D-STAR, FM Transceiver & Cross Band Repeater.

Like New Condition - Shack / Portable operating only  
– Non Smoking environment.

**Also includes** the optional Mounting Bracket, Blue Tooth Module and USB Data Cable for Programming and D-RATS!

Price: \$250.00

If interested please contact Doug McNair, N3WGH - [n3wgh@arrl.net](mailto:n3wgh@arrl.net)



**Keep your license, VE and ARRL certificates, along with your home address, current with the LVARC, FCC and ARRL.**

**Don't Forget .... There is a new Extra test as of July 2024. When studying for your Extra test, be sure you are studying the current questions.**



# Lehigh Valley Amateur Radio Club Monthly Meeting

June General Meeting 07/02/2024

Combo Local and Remote via Zoom

The Meeting was called to order by Jeff Bauer (JB) @ 730

**Secret Word is FOXHUNT and needs to be emailed to KS3RO@arrl.net to show attendance for online participants.**

Rod was absent and his responsibilities were covered by Jeff, WA3PNY

Jeff covered hybrid zoom meeting procedures, zoom will be an active participant in the meeting

Remotes will raise hand to signify a nay vote otherwise no indication will be considered a yes vote

Online was interactive with full communications for both local and remotes

## **ATTENDEES**

There were a total of 23 members in attendance with 7 remote members (as per the email method) and 16 Local Attendees.

The following Board Members were present at the meeting:

President – Rodney Wolfe N3XG **REMOTE**

Vice President – Jeff Bauer WA3PNY **PRESENT**

Treasurer - Paul Ryan N0KIA **PRESENT**

Secretary - Steve Olock KS3RO **PRESENT**

## **Board of Governors:**

**Rick Pearce KC3EXO PRESENT**

**Mark Miller AK3M REMOTE**

**Scott Leichssenring KB3YOT PRESENT**

**John Bartos AB3LZ PRESENT**

## **Phil Bigg KB3HMK PRESENT**

**Guests:** None noted

### **Proceedings:**

A motion was made to approve the June 2024 Meeting minutes as published in the July 2024 VOX newsletter. Motion to approve was made by Chuck, CDY and 2nd by John, AB3LZ

Motion Passed = Y

**Program for tonight:** Radio Direction Finding

**Treasurer's Report** (Paul - N0KIA)

No abnormal or special expenses noted, Net change slightly negative

Motion to Approve by Chuck W3CDY, 2nd By Mike KC3UCX

Motion Passed = Y

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **ARES Report**

On June 8 2024, the second LVARC ARES event was held in Hanover Township, Northampton County. The LVARC once again provided communications support for their annual Spring 5K.

Ten LVARC operators participated in a very successful event! A big TNX to Andy (AK3KA) who acted as net control for this event with little notice!

#### **VE Report**

Due to my inability to drive and limited mobility during May and June, the June 21 LVARC test session was cancelled. The next test session will be held on Friday August 16 at the Tri-Clover Fire Company at 6:00p. **REGISTRATION IS NECESSARY.** To register for that test session, contact Mark (AK3M) at [AK3M@rcn.com](mailto:AK3M@rcn.com).

Communications: None

**Repeater report:** by Rod N3XG.

No issues noted, but made observation that your radio should be narrow mode to correctly operate with the .94 repeater.

**Club Station / Trailer:**

A work party will be had to address post field day and return the trailer to normal operational condition

John, AB3LZ:

**Old Business:**

1. A reminder to all that we have several on-air activities each week. Monday night is the official Club net at 7:30, followed by a 2 meter SSB net at 8:15. Non-club meeting Tuesday nights we have the Tesla Net at 8pm on the 94 repeater. Thursday nights at 8pm we have the 2m Simplex net. 147.420 Please stop by the various nets, and say hello!

1. Summer Field Day was HOT HOT HOT, but it was a success. A huge thanks to Dan KC3HWD or chairperson, and everyone that made it happen. If we have an MVP this year, it would be Scott N3ATQ who provided many CW contacts through the night. **Dan KC3HWD to provide a report here:**

1. CLUB PICNIC - Saturday 9/21 - Hawk Pavillion, Upper Macungie Park (1.5 miles north of Fogelsville on Rt 100

1. The new Yaesu FT-710 Field really worked well at FD for both voice and CW operations. Phil KB3HMK has provided a hard transport box for the radio as a donation. We thank Phil and are excited to bring the 710 to more events.

2. Trailer mast report- John , Mast was repaired and reinstalled and worked for Field Day as designed. Slight leak over time but currently we are fully operational

Net control operators are needed for monday night net, please contact Rod, N3XG if you're willing to learn and help out the running of the net.

Looking for members for Elmer List, Note your area of expertise or experience or particular enjoyment in sharing and help those with needs in these categories to further their learning and enjoyment in the Hobby, Share your talents with members. Let Rod N3XG Know of how you would be willing to help

### **New Business:**

New Member candidate, Steve Small KC3OZB

Motion to approve by Dan KC3HWD, Motion 2nd by John AB3LZ

Motion Passed

### **Sick Call:**

Mark AK3M is on the mend

Rod, N3xg is having a revisit with Covid and is on the mend

Phil's Dad KA3RBH is also addressing some issues

### **Good of the Order:**

#### **Hands On Night will be a real fox hunt**

#### **Sussex Hamfest 2024**

- Date: July 14, 2024.
- Location: Sussex County Fair Grounds, 37 Plains Road, Augusta, NJ 07822.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Chuck, W3CDY, 2nd by Scot, KB3YOT. Meeting adjourned at 7:59

**Respectfully Submitted Steve Olock KS3RO, Secretary**

## On The Air Nets for Lehigh Valley Amateur Radio Club

Monday 730PM 146.94 Club Net, Formal Alphabetical (suffix)  
Checkin,

Monday 815 2M **SSB** Simplex 144.250 casual round robin net  
following the monday night net

Tuesday, 8PM April 9th 146.94 repeater casual round robin net on  
**Non Meeting Tuesday Nights**

Wed 7PM Dstar / digital d-rats / 147.7125

Thursday 8PM FM Simplex 147.420 5-8



Send any information for the VOX to Mark  
(AK3M) at [AK3M@rcn.com](mailto:AK3M@rcn.com). Your information  
can be text and/or graphics/

## Your Club Needs Your Help

The LVARC needs:

1. Monday Night Net operators
2. Tuesday "Tesla Net" net operators
3. ARES volunteers

Contact any club officer to help.



## ***10 Highlights In this VOX***

1. The August LVARC meeting will be held using ZOOM AND In Person on **Tuesday August 6** at **7:30p.**
2. Monday Night Net control operators wanted.
3. Tuesday Night Net control operators wanted.
4. Monday Night Net Net Control operators wanted.
5. New LVARC member.
6. Elmers wanted!
7. June 2024 minutes
8. LVARC ID badges.
9. Hurricane Watch Net.
10. For sale



**and more**

