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A REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT by John Bartholomew WB3ELA

Well, the club's new year is well under way. The new Officers and Board of Directors are hard at work on a number of projects aimed at making MARC the most interesting Amateur Radio club in the Delaware Valley.

You'll be happy to learn that our hanfest site is available again this year and the hanfest will go off as scheduled on August 7th. As you know, this is the source of the funds we need so the club may continue to provide you with the services you have come to expect. We will need your help in order to make the 'fest a success. We need people to help in all capacities. No special training or abilities are needed and it's a heckuva lot of fun so please come out and give us a hand!

We are moving closer to getting the 220 machine on the air, and the .06 and .13 machines will soon be improved in their operation also.

I hope those of you who haven't been able to get to our meetings lately will be able to come to one soon. Thanks to HARRY WB3FM we have been lucky to get some very interesting programs, and Harry assures me there are some even better ones coming up.

The Board is considering a dues increase. We need the operating capital and must try to be less dependent on the hanfest for routine expenses. We don't think a \$5 increase would be out of line, but I'd like to get your opinion so feel free to voice it.

There are a lot of other projects in the offing and I'll keep you posted in future reports. 73, JOHN WB3ELA.

[Modern club that we are, John's column was sent to the editor via the WB3JOE packet BBS.]

HANFEST CALENDAR

May 1	DCARA	Drexel Hill Middle School
May 15	Warminster ARC	Wrightstown Grange Fair
May 20-21-22	Rochester Hanfest	Rochester NY (with ARRL Atlantic Division Convention)
May 28	Ephrata ARS	Ephrata High School

LOCAL LICENSE TESTS

Phil-Mont MRC	May 2, June 6, Franklin Institute 6:30 PM 448-1139 recorded information number
Penn Wireless Assn	May 5 Church of Christ, Levittown 7 PM Dave Heller K3TX 736-3333
Marple Newtown ARC	May 7 Marple Newtown Jr. High Music Room Newtown Square 8:30 AM John Chester WB3PUP 544-3837
Mid-Atlantic ARC	May 14 Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church Education Building 9:30 AM Bob Haase W3SA 293-1919
Warminster ARC	May 25 St. John's Lutheran Church, Hatboro 7 PM Tom Michaud WA3TQJ 343-3494

ICC '88 FEATURES HAM PANEL

Thanks to perseverance by TOM K3YP0, the 1988 International Conference on Communications will include an Amateur Radio program among its technical sessions. Scheduled for 12:15 to 1:45 PM on June 15 at the Wyndham Franklin Plaza Hotel in Philadelphia, the Amateur Radio panel is open to all interested Amateurs. You don't have to pay or register for the conference. The program will be chaired by ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Manager KAY CRAIGIE KC3LM who'll speak on "Amateur Radio in the Delaware Valley." TOM TEEL KB3UD will present "Packet Radio: Past, Present; and Future." "Amateur Television" will be the topic of a presentation by RON COHEN K3ZKO and JACK SMITH K3AFK. After the panel, JIM METZGER KA3HMD will guide a tour of the Liberty Bell ARA club station located near the conference hotel. The conference is sponsored by the IEEE Communications Society and the Philadelphia Section IEEE. If you know people, hams or not, who're coming to the conference, encourage them to attend the Amateur Radio session.

NEWS FROM MALFUNCTION JUNCTION

Did you work the special event station at Owl Plucking Day in Stuffbag, West Virginia, or the one commemorating the 100th anniversary of the last four-syllable word uttered in Tinkers Dam, North Dakota, or the one marking Dried Rutabaga Week in Saskatoon? No? Well, you just dropped the ball, didn't you?

Two things I could live without on packet radio. Thing One: Control-G's! When Zeke bongs somebody from his keyboard, the bells go off at every station whose monitor parameter is ON. Irritating! Thing Two: What RUSS K3RH calls "hate message" exchanges on some BBS's -- fortunately not on WB3JOE. People unsympathetic to ham radio are monitoring packet nowadays looking for evidence that we don't deserve all that valuable VHF/UHF spectrum. Debates about issues make the bands lively, but verbal rock fights and insulting name-calling belong off the air, no matter who's right or wrong.

The Philadelphia Inquirer reported some guy says shoes cause cancer. Run that station barefoot, will ya?

MAY 22 FIELD TRIP DIRECTIONS

On U.S. 30 west, take the bypass around Downingtown and Coatesville to the traffic light at PA 10. Turn right and go north 2 miles to the top of the hill. Turn right on an unmarked road and go 0.2 miles to the site. There will be talk-in on 146.985/R(+). FLASH! We're invited to the same hilltop for a "do it yourself" picnic on Sunday, June 5, 1988. Talk to HARRY WB6FM for details.

MARC MEMBERSHIP FORM

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ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIPCODE _____

HOME TELEPHONE () _____ OK to publish phone in club list? Yes No

ARRL MEMBER? Yes No

Membership year begins March 1. We do not accept more than 1 year's dues at a time. Make checks payable to Mid-Atlantic ARC. Mail to MARC at P. O. Box 352, Villanova, PA 19085. (5/88)

