

Field day June 27th & 28th



One of the highlights of Field Day is watching for hours as Ted Lockman, WB3BZK and Bill Hill, W3IBT, erect tents. The magical duo is well known for their proficiency in erecting tents such as this photo depicts during Field Day

Last year's Field Day was one of the club's best ever. With your cooperation this year's event could be even better.

Norm Torisky, N3KLR, this year's chairman is asking that members sign up early so he can have an idea of how many are planning on participating this year.

The Frankenberys have graciously agreed to host the club behind their home in Eighty Four. In addition, Lowell Frankenbery will cook breakfast for everyone on Sunday morning. This

is going to be a real treat.

Norm is looking for volunteers to staff the Novice station. If you are interested, please contact him at 745-6154 as soon as possible.

Club members making reservations early will have the first choice of location and band so be sure to check with Norm as soon as possible.

A registration form is enclosed in the newsletter. Please complete it and mail it to Norm or bring it to the June club meeting. See map on page 3.

Autopatch abuse

Sam Mayberry, W3CYO, disclosed at the May meeting that the autopatch on the W3CYO repeater is being abused. One or more persons is bringing up the autopatch, not identifying and not disconnecting.

Direct access to 911 and the State Police has been discontinued because of the abuse. If you need access for emergency calls you

must first use the access code and then dial 911 for local emergencies or 1111 for the State Police.

If the abuse continues, the privilege of using the phone patch will be discontinued.

It is important that all hams monitor the 5.49 repeater and report improper use of the autopatch.

WARNING

The W.A.COM HAMS

ARES Report

Walt Piroth, N3BKW
ARES EC Washington County



I have been leaving my MFJ TNC with Mailbox on most of the time. Its been on 145.03MHz and will probably stay there for the immediate future. I have been leaving Club and ARES type messages on it. Feel free to use the Mailbox, especially if you have a problem getting into KA3MZS PBB, or digi thru. With my location I don't expect much activity but help yourself. One nice feature, I don't read other peoples messages, like what happens on the other PBB in town. Well at least I don't read them all the time.

We had our first Skywarn Net on Saturday May 2nd. Ten stations took part. A severe thunderstorm warning was issued

for Washington County that evening. Nothing major turned up, but we did have real time radar reports from N3LIK at the EMA office. K3DMY reported hail in Allegheny County and N3KDN experienced power interruptions in Canonsburg. The net was on .79. Thanks to every-one that checked in.

I have a limited quantity of "AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE" black and gold cloth patches available. They are \$3 each. They go well on our Club jackets.

In and effort to bring reliable Packet activity back to Washington I wonder if anyone has any suggestions or comments. I use KD3AI, which is on Pittsburgh's Northside, however

I have to go thru "Dormont" KaNode in Dormont to get here. This has been my most consistent choice. KD3AI is on 145.91.

N2AEL in Mt Lebanon is closer but never been a reliable path for me. .01 even now with the all the changes is still aggravating at best to impossible all too often. KC8JN and others just wipes 01 out of the picture for me..

Another recent addition in the Packet world is KC4CCU in Belle Vernon on 145.95. This is a little used frequency but there seems to be no good way from Washington to there. The W3CSL digi in Bentleyville, also on that frequency, seems to not hear well in this direction and when it does is unbearably slow. So is a Club sponsored Digipeater somewhere between here and there a viable idea? Does anyone have any ideas?

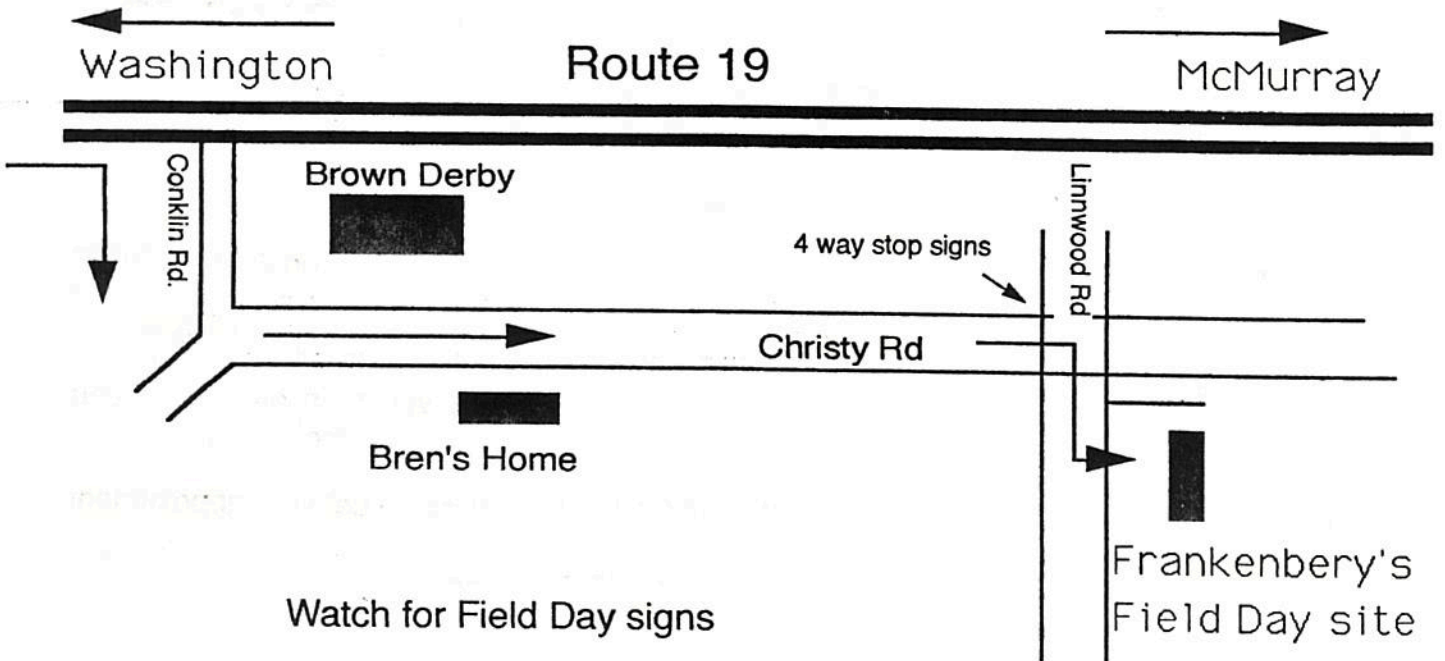
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See Norm Torisky, N3KLR

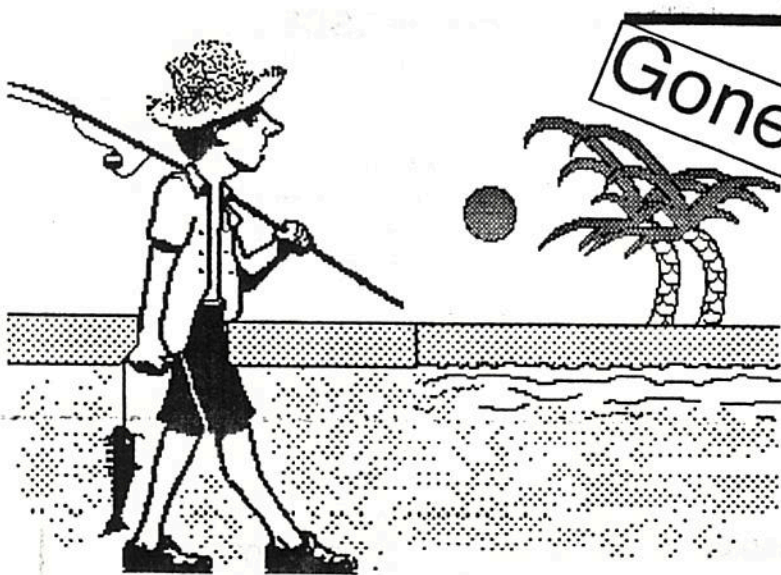
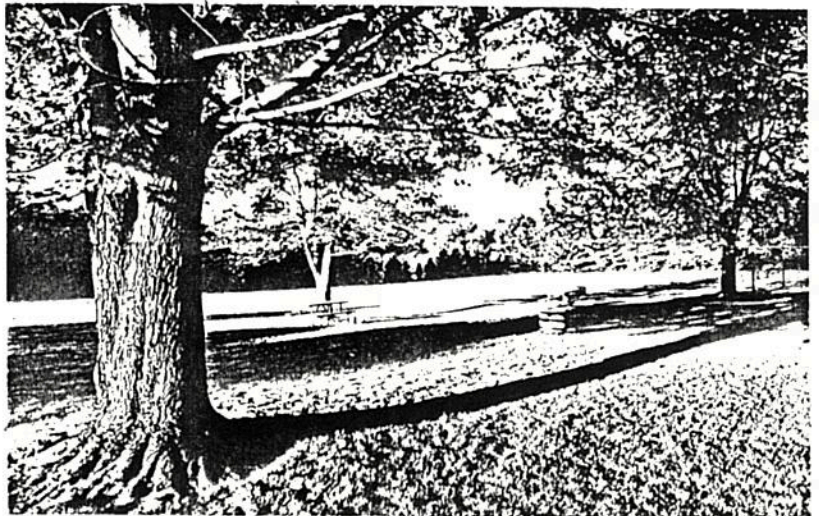
New Members

Pete Beazley, N3LVP
Stan Golick, N3BXC
John P. Shutt, N3BXE



Field Day Map

For the past two years the Frankenbery's, Fay, Lowell and Dave have donated their property, house and hospitality for the club's Field Day exercise. Be sure and let them know how much you appreciate their cooperation.



As you read this newsletter I am just getting back from two weeks in Florida.

Consequently, this month's edition of the WACOM Ham went to press early, May 14th, to be exact. Even though we printed early, we still mailed it on the regular schedule. Unfortunately, I was not able to include the Pike Festival, nor the air show. Stories and pictures will be in the July edition of the newsletter.

P from the President

Kevin Smith, N3HKQ



This is a short month as I'm writing this only a few days since the May meeting. Other than the meeting where the new by-laws were read, the May meeting was the longest I remember. It is good to hear about the things that are going on in the club and ideas members have. Several items from May's club meeting struck me to be good and worthy of WACOM's support.

The first is the possibility of a new packet BBS being pulled together by Frank (KA3UWW) and Mike (N3IDI). The majority of WACOM's members may not be interested in a local packet BBS but a significant number of us in WACOM would welcome one in a minute. Frank and Mike's idea of locating the BBS at the club room in the George Washington, while utilizing telephone modem access for SYSOP duties to be performed makes good sense. This way routine SYSOP duties could be shared by several people and done from ones home. This would require the club to have a telephone line installed and pay a monthly phone bill. But it makes possible a service to all WACOM members to be provided in a more convenient manner. I encourage Frank

and Mike to develop the BBS system and WACOM to assist where it can financially.

The second idea that I heard and liked was Joe's (KA3MZS) suggestion to take inventory of club equipment and develop a signout procedure to track its whereabouts. An inventory is a good idea for insurance purposes and there is always a question about where such and such item is and who had it last. The portable packet station, that the club approved to purchase in May's meeting, will probably be very popular to demonstrate and use. A procedure like the one Joe suggests would be necessary to know its whereabouts.

Ideas and the effort to implement them are very welcome. They are a measure of an organization's vitality and should always be encouraged.

VE exam in June

WACOM will conduct an VE exam session on June 11, 1992 at the George Washington Hotel beginning at 7:00PM sharp.

If you plan on testing you should mail the following:

SASE to get your appointment time and directions to the exam.

Check made payable to ARRL?VEC for \$5.40.

A **short note** telling what exams you are applying for.

Mail the information to:

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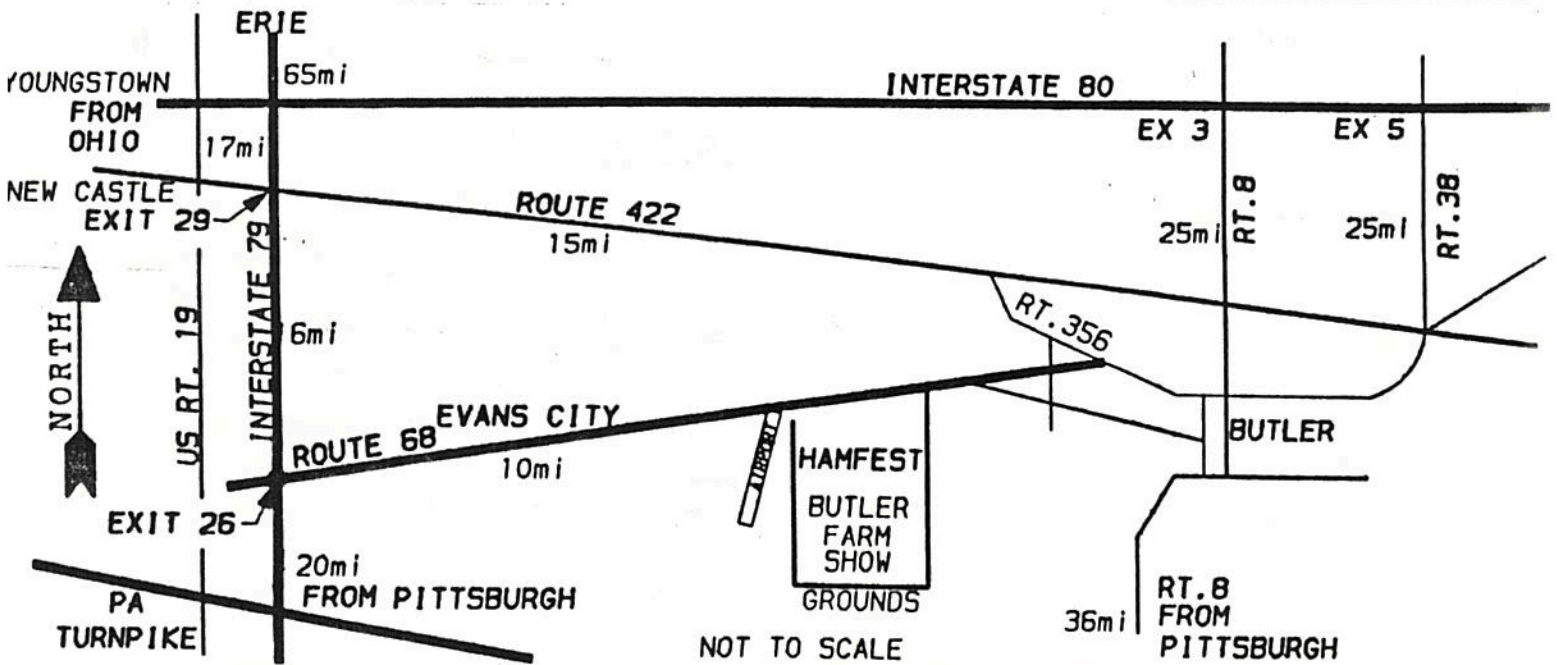
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HAMFEST AND COMPUTER FAIR

Sunday June 7, 1992

8AM-4PM



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- 2nd YAESU FT-747 GX HF XCVR
- 3rd YAESU FT-5200 2M/70CM MOBILE
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- 5th YAESU FT-290R MKII 2M FM/SSB HT
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- 7th YAESU FT-470 2M/70CM HT
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- 9th YAESU FT-415 2M PAGING HT
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- 11th RANGER RCI-2950 10M MOBILE
- 12th RANGER RCI-2950 10M MOBILE

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Manassas Hamfest

Ham Radio & Computer Show

Presented by the Ole Virginia Hams ARC Inc.

Sunday, June 7, 1992

Prince William County Fairgrounds
1/2 mile South of Manassas on Route 234

General Admission \$5.00

Talk-in 146.37/97 & 223.06/224.66

FREDERICK HAMFEST

SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 1992

Father's Day

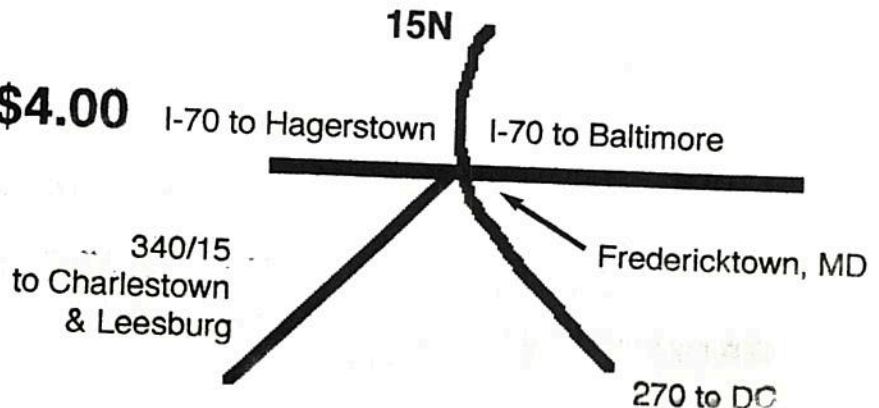
FREDERICK COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

East Patrick Street

Fredericktown MD.

General Admission \$4.00

Talk-in
146.52
146.73
147.06
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WACOM Calendar of Events for June 1992

TUESDAY		THURSDAY	SATURDAY/SUNDAY
DATE	2 Mtr NCS	10 Mtr NCS	
2	KA3VOM	KD3VX	4 WACOM Meeting
9	KA3YTT	N3KLR	11 VE Exam
16	KA3RNM	N3HKQ	6/7
23	NW3X	KA3VOM	13/14
30	N3BKW	WB3GTE	20/21
			27/28 FIELD DAY

Tuesday 8:30 PM - 2 Mtr Net 145.49/443.3/223.86
Tuesday 9:00 PM - 10 Mtr Net - 28.333MHz
Sunday 9:00 AM - RACES Western PA Net - 3990.5KHz
Skywarn Nets - K3PSP/R - 146.79MHz
Club PBB - KA3MZS - 145.03
Digipeaters (WASHPA - 145.01 and W3CYO - 145.03)

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