



Tri County Radio Association
W2LI Since 1934



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FIELD TRIP TO ARRL HEADQUARTERS

TCRA is scheduling a trip to W1AW during the first two weeks of August. Please contact Jeff, NJ5R at nj5r@arrl.net with a date you would be available. We would like to choose a date that would accommodate the most club members and their families/friends.

TCRA NEWS JULY/AUGUST 2006

TCRA News is published ten times a year, with no issues in August and December.

PROGRAMS/EVENTS FOR JULY/AUGUST*

**Subject to change.*

July 3rd: **“NO MEETING”** Due to the first meeting of July falling on the July 4th weekend there will be no meeting held.

July 11th: **“VE TEST SESSION”** VE testing sessions sponsored by TCRA and the Union County O.E.M will be held on Tuesday July 11th at the Union County E.O.C building, 300 North Avenue East in Westfield. Testing will begin at 7:00PM. All license class tests will be given.

JULY 17th: Plans were not finalized at press time. It may be a social meeting or a topic you would not want to miss. **(8PM AT THE UNION ELKS)**

July 24th/August 28th: **“ON THE AIR MEETING”** (9PM W2LI 2M 147.255 PL 141.3).

August 7th: Plans were not finalized at press time. It may be a social meeting or a topic you would not want to miss. **(8PM AT THE UNION ELKS)**

August 21st: Plans were not finalized at press time. It may be a social meeting or a topic you would not want to miss. **(8PM AT THE UNION ELKS)**

FIELD DAY 2006 PRELIMINARY RESULTS

Field Day 2006 was held at the Union Elks in air conditioned comfort. Although operations were limited by shutting down from 11:30PM to 8AM 272 phone contacts were made compared to 266 phone contacts in 2005. By the July 17th meeting we should have the total score including bonus points. Note pictures from Field Day 2006 will soon be put up on the clubs web site at <http://www.w2li.org>.

TCRA FUNDRAISER

Hi TCRA Club Members,

During the field day event, it was decided to ask club members to save their aluminum soda cans for recycling to raise funds for the club. Aluminum is running about 50 cents per pound right now and this is a cheap and easy way to make money for the club.

1. Please remove the top TAB from the can and place in a small plastic food bag for donation to a local American Legion post. They in turn donate the proceeds to **Ronald McDonald house**.

2. Please **CRUSH the Aluminum cans** so as to save space. Place crushed cans in a plastic garbage bag and bring to the **FIRST MEETING** of each month along with the TABS. Kymm or I will take the cans for storage and when a sufficient number (in lbs.) has been accumulated, they will be sent to a recycling facility to aid the club treasury.

Your cooperation in this venture would be appreciated. 73
Gerry, AA2ZJ

TCRA REPEATER ANTENNA FUND RAISER

Both TCRA repeater antennas are being raised to the top of the tower due to a cell site installation. The company installing the cell site is not only raising the repeater antennas but installing new hard line. Considering the age of the antennas and the new position being much harder to access, it has been decided to replace both the 2M and 440 antennas prior to the move. For the antenna replacements to occur donations are being requested. Please bring donations to a club meeting or send donations to TCRA, P.O. Box 412, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076. Please contact Jeff, NJ5R at nj5r@arrl.net or Bob, KB2BBD at kb2bbd@arrl.net for more information.

Crystal Radio Kit Building Session

TCRA is accepting orders for a crystal radio kit to be assembled at an August meeting. A class will be held to discuss how the components function as well as help in assembling the kit will be given. The cost is \$10.00. Kits can be ordered at a club meeting or by sending a check for \$10.0 to P.O. Box 1291, Union, NJ 07083. Please put Crystal Radio Kit in the memo.

HAMFESTS = From June 2006 Hudson Division Beacon - # 63

July 9, 2006 (Sunday)
Sussex County ARC
<http://www.sussexhamfest.org>
Talk-In: 147.30 plus 600
Contact: Dan Carter, N2ERH
8 Carter Lane
Branchville, NJ 07826
Phone: 973-948-6999
Fax: 973-948-6999
Email: Hamfest@Scarcnj.org
Hamfest Location:
Sussex County Fairgrounds
Plains Road, Augusta, NJ



July 2006



TRI-COUNTY RADIO ASSOCIATION EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4 8:30 PM SATERN NET 449.975 MHz	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 7:00 PM VE TEST AT THE UNION COUNTY EOC 8:30 PM SATERN NET 449.975 MHz	12	13	14	15
16	17 8:00 PM TCRA MEETING AT THE UNION ELKS "TBA"	18 8:30 PM SATERN NET 449.975 MHz	19	20	21	22
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30	31					



August 2006



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