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News Letter of the Central Virginia Contest Club

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Meeting Notice

The May meeting of the CVCC will be held on Tuesday 3 May 2011 at 7:00 P.M. at St. Martin's Episcopal Church, 9000 St. Martin Lane, Richmond, Va. 23294. The pre-meeting social and dinner will be at 5:30 P.M. at the Golden Corral, Gaskins Road and West Broad Street.

Monthly Program

TBA

CVCC 2011 Annual Picnic

The CVCC picnic is set for Saturday June 4th on the James River beginning at 3:00PM. This is our usual place owned by James Frame, AC's cousin. As usual the club will furnish burgers, dogs, buns, and condiments. Members must bring their own beverages and are asked to bring a side dish to share with the members. To make sure we have a variety of dishes please let me know what you would like to bring.

Also members should bring a beach chair or equivalent. If you plan to attend please let me know.

Bob NK4H raladd1@verizon.net

Directions:

**Directions from Huguenot Rd (Rt. 147) and Robious Rd (Rt. 147) in Richmond

Go West on Robious Road (Rt. 711) approx. 12.5 miles. Robious turns into Huguenot Trail at the Countyline. 2320 Huguenot Trail is on the right and is approx. 2 miles past Lucky's service station

**Directions from Goochland Courthouse (Route 6 and Rt. 522)

Go South on Rt. 522. Cross the James River.

Go East (Left) on Huguenot Trail (Rt. 711) approx. 5.5 miles 2320 is on your Left and approx. 1 mile from Lee's Landing Road.

**Directions from Rt. 60 and Rt. 522

Go North on Rt. 522 to Rt. 711. Go East (Right) on Huguenot Trail (Rt. 711) approx. 5.5 miles.

2320 is on your Left and approx. one mile from Lee's Landing Road.

Or just key these coordinates into your GPS device: **37.595022, -77.805197**. This should put your right in front of the driveway.

There are stone columns at the entrance. James's access road goes around his home and on down to the river. PLEASE DRIVE SLOW AND WATCH OUT FOR LITTLE ONES NEAR THE HOUSE.

NOTE: Since this year the picnic is in early June it will also serve as our regular June Meeting!

Random Skip by W4DR

Bob is still remodeling his shack.

MONTHLY DX REPORT

APRIL DX REPORT

The big news for May is the much anticipated T6PSE operation from Afghanistan. This is the same group that activated Iraq as YI9PSE in April 2010. For security reasons the exact dates of activation have not been disclosed; only that they will activate YA for 10 days sometime during the month of May. This international team will operate 5 stations on all bands 10-160M. On a very sad note taken from their website: **This DXpedition is dedicated to the memory of our friend and advisor, Jim McLaughlin WA2EWE/T6AF who was killed in Kabul Afghanistan on Wednesday, April 27th, 2011. Jim was an honorary member of our team and was planning to join us to operate with us. Jim, we will really miss you!** Website here:

<http://www.intrepid-dx.com/t6pse/index.php>

For more planned DX activity in the month of May check out this: <http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxo.html>

Don't forget about CQ WW WPX CW Contest May 28-29. Rules here: <http://www.cqwpw.com/rules.htm>

Here are your reports from April:

W4DR - Bob reports a great month with the addition of T31 on RTTY. He enjoyed several days of 12M openings to Southeast Asia as well. Bob anticipates a few weeks downtime as he renovates his shack!

W4HJ - A.C. reports no radio activity in April but is hoping to spend some time in May with his radio!

W4PM - Here is Puck's activity for the month: T31A - 40,30,20,15,12. 9V1YC - 15. JT5DX - 15. 9K2HN - 12. ZB2FK - 12. I'll bet you can't guess which mode he used for these? Congrats, Puck!

N3UA - I missed Sejo's submission from last month so here is his March and April activity:

80m: CY0. 40m: TL0, T31. 30m: CN, UN, 5V. 20m: S21 (all time new), 9N (all time new), T31 (all time new).

17m: VU4 (all time new), 9N, 3B8, P29, 5V, BA. 15m: D2, 9V, HL, BV, XV, 9M6 (all time new), HS, T31, 7P8, E3 (all time new, worked E3AXW ..looking for QSL info).

12m: 3D2, ES, EU, KH2, OA, HH, VP2M, 7P8, A6, 4A, 5T, 8P, 5M, TL0, YT, LZ, HA, 4O, V44, D2, 6W, JA, J5, 5V, T31

10m: OH, 4A, 3D2, 7P8, 5T, 5M, TL0, CP, TR8, 5V

Great job Sejo and congrats on the new one's! If anyone has qsl info for E3AWX please contact Sejo.

WD4LBR - Bruce had a great month on the high bands and scored a total of 48 new band and mode entities. Way to go, Bruce!

K4WNW - Sheila did very well with 28 new entities this month. Congrat's Sheila!

W4PFM - I missed Paul's activity from March and he reports 1,000 Q's from 3 contests in March. He added another 50 Q's in April of which most were new band entities. From the last two months, Paul added 4 new countries! Most of his score came from 10 & 12 meters. Awesome job, Paul!

NW4V - I enjoyed some nice high band openings like everyone else this past month. E21 on 17 SSB and 9K2 on 12 CW were some highlights. I managed the T31A on 30 & 40 CW.

Thanks to all who submitted a report. Good luck in May and WPX CW!

Vy 73,
Ed NW4V

May Contest Calendar

7th Call Area QSO Party	1300Z, May 7 to 0700Z, May 8
Indiana QSO Party	1600Z, May 7 to 0400Z, May 8
ARI International DX Contest	2000Z, May 7 to 1959Z, May 8
New England QSO Party	2000Z, May 7 to 0500Z, May 8 and 1300Z-2400Z, May 8
FOC QSO Party	0000Z-2359Z, May 14
EUCW CW QSO Party	1000Z-1200Z, May 14 and 1800Z-2000Z, May 15
CQ-M International DX Contest	1200Z, May 14 to 1159Z, May 15
VOLTA WW RTTY Contest	1200Z, May 14 to 1200Z, May 15
UN DX Contest	1200Z, May 21 to 1200Z, May 22
King of Spain Contest, CW	1200Z, May 21 to 1200Z, May 22
EU PSK DX Contest	1200Z, May 21 to 1200Z, May 22
Baltic Contest	2100Z, May 21 to 0200Z, May 22
CQ WW WPX Contest, CW	0000Z, May 28 to 2359Z, May 29

Send comments and corrections about this page to Bruce Horn, WA7BNM

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The big one in May is the CQWW WPX CW on May 28-29. Also there are a number of interesting QSO parties and smaller DX contests. Please join me in the FOC QSO Party on May 14th. This is an event is open to all, members and non-members alike.

Virginia QSO Party

This received from Gordon:

“The Virginia QSO Party is over. The logs have been submitted. We have reviewed the scoring of the electronic and paper logs. The tentative results have been posted to our web site.

See http://www.qsl.net/sterling/VA_QSO_Party/2011_VQP/2011_VQP_Main.html

358 logs were submitted this year. We still expect a few more logs as those that were mailed arrive.

Please review your data and send any corrections for comments to vqp@verizon.net.

73, Gordon, NQ4K”

This was received from Ronnie:

“I guess you saw they released the metadata from the QSO party. If I didn’t miss any entries, we were beat out by Loudon ARG by 87,745 for the club plaque. All we needed was one more good entry.

Congrats to them finally winning!

73

Ronnie WU4G”

We just didn’t have the participation this year that we normally do. The boys up north did a great job turning out the troops and deserve the club plaque for their fine effort!

April Program

If you missed the April meeting you missed an excellent presentation by Parke Slater on the TI5N operation in the ARRL DX SSB contest. Thanks Parke bringing this to our club.