



# The Vox



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St. Luke's Half Marathon, Lehigh Valley Road Runners

Sunday, April 22nd 2018

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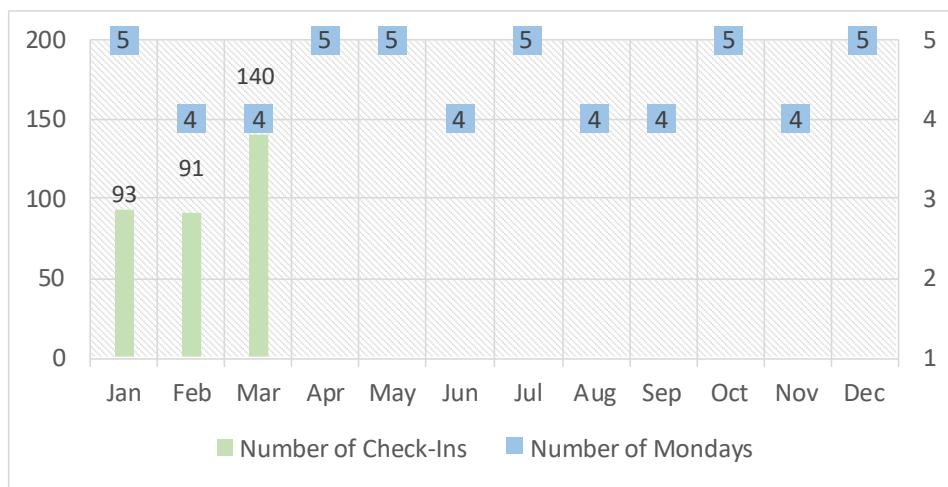
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## Monday Night Traffic Net



On Monday nights at 7:30pm the club has a different kind of 'meeting' on the air called a traffic net. Members and non-members can check in and hone their emergency traffic handling skills as part of the net. The net takes place on the primary repeater used by the club on 146.94 Mhz. Messages, bulletins and traffic are handled by the net control station. Tune in for announcements of upcoming meetings and club events.



Check-Ins Every Monday Night  
LC/LVARC/RACES Net on  
146.94 (PL 71.9)

Alternate frequency on  
147.735/147.135 (DCS 315)

The Net begins at 7:30 p.m. ET

LVARC Repeaters  
146.34 / 146.94 (PL 71.9)  
147.735/147.135 (DCS - 315)  
Club Simplex Frequency - 147.420

### 2018 Monday Night Check-In Summary

Month	Count	Days
January	93	5
February	91	4
March	140	4
April		5
May		5
June		4
July		5
August		4
September		4
October		5
November		4
December		5

## ARES Event Schedule



2018 ARES Events			
Location	Time	Date	
St. Luke's/Lehigh Valley Road Runner's Half Marathon	TBD	Sunday, April 22 <sup>nd</sup>	✓
Hanover Township Spring 5K	TBD	Saturday, June, 2 <sup>nd</sup>	✓
VIA Marathon	TBD	Sunday, September 9 <sup>th</sup>	✓
Women's 5K Classic	TBD	Saturday, October 6 <sup>th</sup>	✓
D&L Rail Trail Half Marathon	TBD	Sunday, November 4 <sup>th</sup>	✓
Penn State "Thon" 5K Hanover Township	TBD	Sunday, November 4 <sup>th</sup>	✓

"It's not too early to mark your calendar for these events. Listen to the Monday Night Net and read the VOX for details of these events. The LVARC has a strong ARES program because of you! Let's keep it going. If you have never volunteered to offer communications support for a community event, 2018 is your year to start. Your help is needed." Mark, AK3M

Contact Mark, AK3M if you have any questions or want to volunteer for one or all of these events at [AK3M@rcn.com](mailto:AK3M@rcn.com).

## ARES Report



### St. Luke's Half Marathon Lehigh Valley Road Runners

Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> 2018

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## LVARC VE Schedule



2018 LVARC Test Sessions			
Location	Time	Date	
Hanover Elementary School	6:30 p.m.	Friday, January 19 <sup>th</sup>	✓
Hanover Elementary School	6:30 p.m.	Friday, February 16 <sup>th</sup>	✓
Hanover Elementary School	6:30 p.m.	Friday, March 16 <sup>th</sup>	✓
Hanover Elementary School	6:30 p.m.	Friday, April 20 <sup>st</sup>	✓
Hanover Elementary School	6:30 p.m.	Friday, May 18 <sup>th</sup>	✓
LVARC Field Day site	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.	Saturday, June 23 <sup>rd</sup>	✓
Summer Break		No Test Session	✓
Summer Break		No Test Session	✓
Hanover Elementary School	6:30 p.m.	Friday, September 21 <sup>st</sup>	✓
Hanover Elementary School	6:30 p.m.	Friday, October 19 <sup>th</sup>	✓
Hanover Elementary School	6:30 p.m.	Friday, November 16 <sup>th</sup>	✓
Hanover Elementary School	6:30 p.m.	Friday, December 21 <sup>st</sup>	✓

"The LVARC operators performed admirably. Traffic was handled in a professional manner. A BIG TNX to, Mark (AK3M), Larry (NR3R), Dan (KC3HWD), Bob (WB3JSZ), Brian (KB3QHA), Andy (AK3KA), Chuck (KB3RBW), Jim (KC3FBK), Steve (KS3RO), John (AB3LZ), Mike (KC3BLF), Randy (N3ET), Bob (N3BZ), Paul (KA3MTY), Kenny (KC3BLE), Chris (N3RPV), Barbara (KK6RUA) and Don (NOVGA). Without these volunteers, events like this could not be possible." Mark, AK3M

## LVARC VE Report

**Planning to take the Technician license exam BEFORE July 1, 2018? Choose the CURRENT pool.**



### Volunteer Examiners

Date: The next VE test session will be on Friday, May 18, 2018

Location: Hanover Elementary School at 6:30 pm.

Registration: Contact Mark (AK3M) at [AK3M@rcn.com](mailto:AK3M@rcn.com).

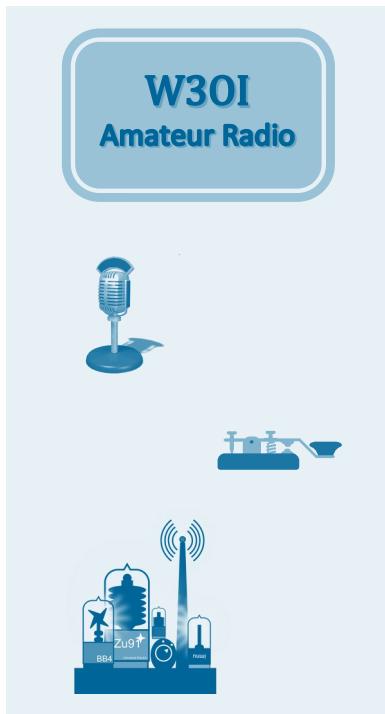
Enrollment: The deadline to register is Sunday, May 13, 2018

Name	Call	Class	
Craig A Bianchini	N4CAB	Amateur Extra	

### Report:

On March 16 we had one no-show and one passed to Extra from General, Craig, N4CAB

## Club Station



### Club Station News

The 80 Meter OCF needs some maintenance, as one leg fell down. The trailer will need to be stripped before we can get it up to get the new graphics put on.

### Club Schedule Update

**The club station will be open:**

**Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm**

## Communications



### Reminder

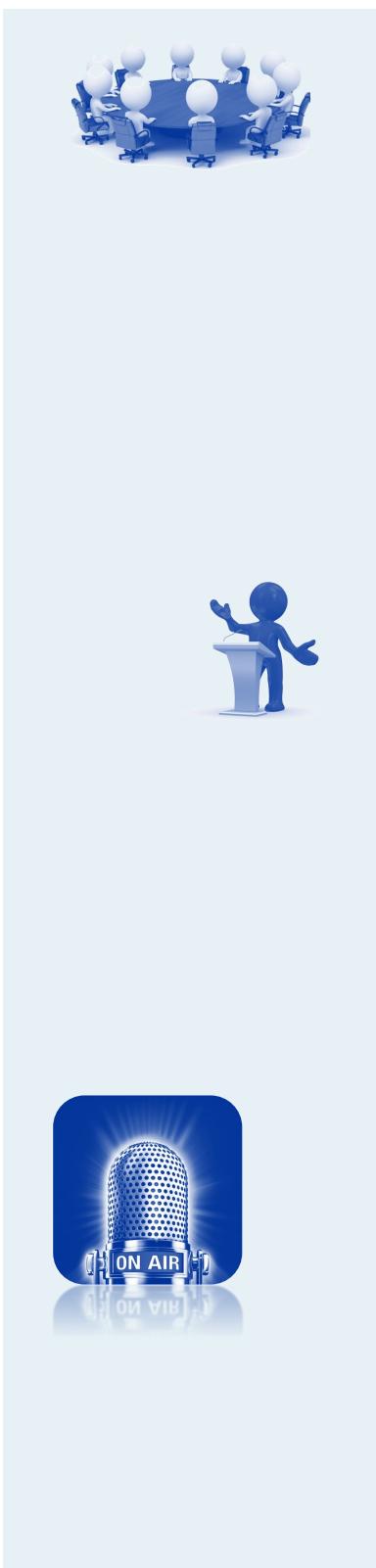
**Beginning January 2018 The Vox will be published on the last Tuesday of the month, one week before the next meeting.**

BOG thoughts for the change:

1. It's publication would serve as a reminder of the upcoming meeting.
2. At meetings we ask for corrections and comments on the meeting minutes published in the VOX, The meeting minutes would be fresher in members mind.
3. It allows more time to add items that may be discussed at the next meeting.
4. It gives contributors more time after meeting to supply content.

John, WB3DX

## LVARC Meeting and Club Station Schedule



### LVARC Meeting and Club Station Schedule for 2018





# may 2018

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
		1 <b>LVARC Meeting 7:30 pm</b>	2 District 2 RACES Net 7:30 pm 147.255	3	4	5
6	7 ARES/RACES Net 7:30 pm	8	9 District 2 RACES Net 7:30 pm 147.255	10	11	12
13 Deadline to Schedule VE Test	14 ARES/RACES Net 7:30 pm	15 <b>Club Station 7:30 pm</b>	16 District 2 RACES Net 7:30 pm 147.255	17	18 VE Test Session Hanover Elem. School 6:30 pm	19
20	21 ARES/RACES Net 7:30 pm	22	23 District 2 RACES Net 7:30 pm 147.255	24	25	26
27	28 ARES/RACES Net 7:30 pm	29	30 District 2 RACES Net 7:30 pm 147.255	31		

**notes**

- There are no scheduled hands-on nights for 2018. However, the club station will be open for selected third Tuesday nights.
- The April presentation will be
- The club station will be open on Tuesday, February 20th at 7:30 pm.

# LVARC April 2018 Minutes



## Tri-Clover Fire Company, Orefield, PA

4/3/2018

### Opening:

The regular meeting of the Lehigh Valley Amateur Radio Club was called to order at 7:30PM on April 3 by President Bartos.

There were a total of 27 members in attendance, and the club was joined by 2 guests.

Guests: DC, Leo

The following Board Members were present at the meeting: John Bartos, Chuck Ballard, Paul Ryan, Mark Miller, Dave Jenkins, Phil Biggs, Rick Pearce, Mike Mandell

### Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed.

Moved: Chuck, W3CDY

Second: Rick, KC3EXO

Approved

### Treasurer's Report (Brian-KB3QHA)

The Treasurer's report was read.

Motion to approve: Don, N0VGA

Second: Dan, KC3HWD

Motion carried

### Committee Reports

Repeater:

John reported the 2M Dstar repeater is back online. All repeaters appear to be working normally.

Program:

Tonight's program was Ed Fong via Skype on his patented Jpole. Rod, N3XG will talk next month.

Ares:

The St. Luke's Half Marathon is Sunday April 22. All stations are currently staffed but more volunteers are welcome. The next event will be the Hanover Township spring 5K, after which nothing is on the ARES schedule until September.

Volunteer Examiners:

On March 16 we had one no-show and one passed to Extra from General, Craig, N3CAB

Communications:

There have been some issues with the club member list. One of the webmasters has not been able to be contacted.

Club Station:

The 80M OCF needs some maintenance, as one leg fell down. The trailer will need to be stripped before we can get it up to get the new graphics put on.

### Old Business:

Last month Mark, AK3M wanted to use the VE funds to make a donation to the Hanover School. This can be done to the Hanover PTA so the funds will be used at the school. Mark will donate \$200 of the VE funds to the PTA.

### New Business:

The club received a letter from the family of an SK ham who wants to donate a bunch of HTs. A few board members



will discuss if these can be usable for hams.

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

There will be a SkyWarn class at Monroe County at the 911 center on April 18.

The June Red Cross training meeting there will be a ham training event. If the trailer is ready, we may show it during this event. This will be at LCCC. DLARC is doing the ham presentation.

### **Sick Report:**

None

### **New Member Applicants:**

Gina Monaco, N2RNA

Leo Anicola, No call

Motion to accept: Ken, KC3BLE

Second: Chuck, W3CDY

Carried

### **Adjournment:**

Meeting was adjourned at 9:04PM

Moved: Chuck, W3CDY

Seconded: Rick, KC3EXO

Carried

Minutes submitted by: Mike, KC3BLF

**Click to search for ARRL Hamfests and Conventions**



## LVARC Classified



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Do you have any equipment for sale?

Submit your ad to John, WB3DX

[radio.WB3DX@gmail.com](mailto:radio.WB3DX@gmail.com)

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## LVARC Club Photos



### Trailer Work Party



"Removing the old decals. This was a lot harder than expected."  
Mike Mandell, KC3BLF



*Photos courtesy of Mike Mandell, KC3BLF*

## LVARC Club Photos



### St. Luke's Half Marathon Lehigh Valley Road Runners

Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> 2018

On Sunday, April 22, 2018, eighteen operators from the LVARC turned out to provide communications support for the St. Luke's Half Marathon. The weather was excellent for a running event. The sun was shining, the air temperature was in the mid 60's and there was no rain.

Approximately 2,400 runners participated in this event which included both a 5K (3.1 miles) and a half marathon (13.2 miles). The half marathon began at William Allen High School, continued through the city streets of Allentown, ran through the Lehigh Parkway and ended at J. Birney Crum Stadium in Allentown.

A directed net was opened at 0750 at which time, "tips," for operating were reviewed, and a role was taken to be sure all were on their assigned site. Twelve pieces of event traffic were passed including one, "priority," message which required EMS support. One runner suffered a hand injury (potentially a broken hand) but was able to contact the ham operator on site who contacted net control. EMS was dispatched and was on site within a few minutes (well done Kenny - KC3BLE)!

Stations began to close when their station was dismantled by event staff, an Allentown Fire Police passed or when there were no more runners in sight. The net was closed and the directed net terminated at 1120.

The LVARC operators performed admirably. Traffic was handled in a professional manner. A BIG TNX to, **Mark (AK3M)**, **Larry (NR3R)**, **Dan (KC3HWD)**, **Bob (WB3JSZ)**, **Brian (KB3QHA)**, **Andy (AK3KA)**, **Chuck (KB3RBW)**, **Jim (KC3FBK)**, **Steve (KS3RO)**, **John (AB3LZ)**, **Mike (KC3BLF)**, **Randy (N3ET)**, **Bob (N3BZ)**, **Paul (KA3MTY)**, **Kenny (KC3BLE)**, **Chris (N3RPV)**, **Barbara (KK6RUA)** and **Don (N0VGA)**. Without these volunteers, events like this could not be possible.

One suggestion was made to Dr. Michael Martinez, the event coordinator, to improve next year's communications. There is a sag wagon for this event with no amateur communication aboard. The possibility of a ham on the sag wagon will be discussed. Right now, EMS must be contacted, and they must call the sag wagon via cell phone. A ham aboard the sag wagon would reduce the time needed to reach those who cannot continue the race. This procedure is done during September's marathon and works very well.

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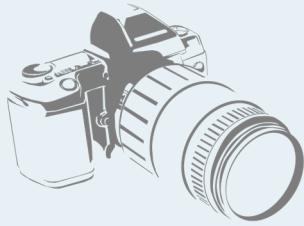
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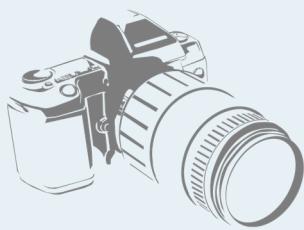
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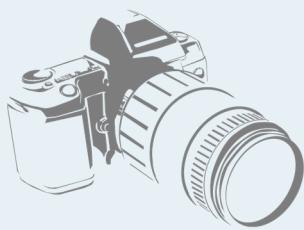
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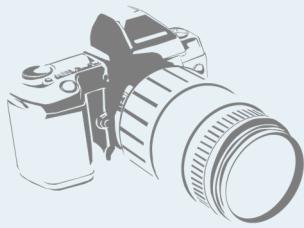
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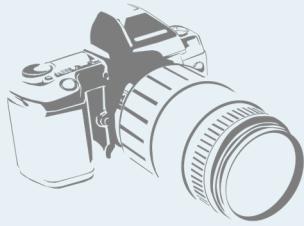
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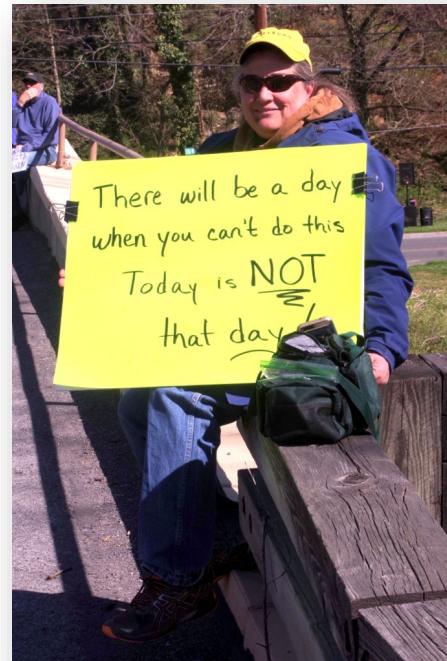
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