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with news of the HF and VHF Traffic Nets in the Garden State, since 1978.

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Statewide NNJ / SNJ Section Nets (HF)

New Jersey Morning Net (NJM) 3.544 MHz, 10am Fri/Sat/Sun, N2GJ Mgr.

New Jersey Net (NJN) 3.544 MHz, 7 & 10pm Daily, AG2R Mgr.

New Jersey Phone Net (NJPN) 3.950 MHz, 6pm Daily, 9am Sun, W2CC Mgr.

New Jersey Slow Net (NJSN) 3.547 MHz, 6:30pm Daily, K2PB Mgr.

NNJ Local Nets (VHF/UHF)

New Jersey VHF Net (early), 146.895 -, PL151.4, 7:30pm Daily, N2RPI Mgr.

Central Jersey Traffic Net, 146.760 -, PL156.7, 8pm Daily, KB2VRO Mgr.

New Jersey VHF Net (late), 146.700 -, PL141.3 , 10:30pm Daily, N2OPJ Mgr

Union County Traffic Net, W2NJR linked repeaters, 10pm Daily, KY2MMM Mgr.

SNJ Local Nets (VHF)

Jersey Shore ARS Traffic Net, 146.910 -, PL127.3, 7:30pm Daily, WA2NDA Mgr.

South Jersey Traffic Net (early), 145.470-, 147.150+, PL127.3, 8pm SuMWF

(late), 147.345+, PL127.3, 10:30pm TuThSa, KB2RTZ Mgr.

Active Membership Roster for HF Section Nets

P=NJPN, C=NJN, M=NJM, S=NJSN

Please advise of any changes.

call	name	city/town	county	nets
KC2 ANN	Wayne	West Caldwell	Essex	PCMS
N2 ATJ	Connie	Kingston	Somerset	P
WB2 CAK	Jerry	Erial	Camden	S
W2 CC	Dave	Englewood	Bergen	P
WA2 CUW	Tom	Cherry Hill	Camden	CM
K2 DBK	David	River Vale	Bergen	P
WN2 DX	Marty	Middletown	Monmouth	S
WB2 FTX	Dave	Butler	Morris	P
N2 GJ	Gerry	Kingston	Somerset	PCM
K3 GNZ	Skip	Manalapan	Monmouth	P
N2 GS	Greg	Chester	Morris	P
K2 GW	Gary	Hamilton Square	Mercer	P
W2 JG	Joe	Waldwick	Bergen	CMS
WA2 JSG	Curt	Carneys Point	Salem	S
N1 JX	Arnold	Roseland	Essex	PCMS
WB2 KNS	Bob	Morganville	Monmouth	PCM
WJ3 P	John	Hopewell	Mercer	PCMS
K2 PB	Pat	Plainsboro	Middlesex	CMS
WA2 PCS	Matt	Oak Ridge	Morris	PCM
AG2 R	Gene	Parsippany	Morris	PCMS
NJ5 R	Jeff	Union	Union	P
W2 RQ	Bill	Andover Twp.	Sussex	P M
KB2 RTZ	Steve	Turnersville	Gloucester	P
K2 SO	Steve	Elizabeth	Union	P
WA2 SOC	Steve	Denville	Morris	S
N2 SU	Bob	Clifton	Passaic	C
AA2 SV	Willie	Brick	Ocean	CMS
WA2 TWS	Roy	Flemington	Hunterdon	CMS
K2 UL	Dan	Hamilton Square	Mercer	PCM
KB2 VRO	Jim	Bridgewater	Somerset	P
WB2 VUF	Bob	Morris Plains	Morris	CM
Out-Of-State				
KK3 F	Pat	MD		M
WE2 G	Tom	NY		S
KA1 GWE	Ann	CT		S
W2 MW	Kurt	NY		P
N2 QZ	Nick	NY		S
WA2 SEI	Ray	FL		C S
W4 VLL	Vic	VA		S
K2 VX	Dave	VA		CM
WA2 WMJ	Julian	NY		S
KC4 ZHF	Bob	FL		C S

New Jersey Traffic Handler Awards Nominations

It's that time of year again. We need your nominations for our FOUR annual awards. The deadline for all nominations is 12/31/08.



N2XJ Memorial Lifetime Achievement Award - The leadership of the National Traffic System in New Jersey announces the establishment of a new "Lifetime Achievement Award" for the state. This award is in addition to other awards which recognize the achievements of the outstanding NJ traffic handler, the outstanding newcomer and the outstanding VHF traffic handler.

This award is in memory of Carl Felt Jr, N2XJ. Carl was a unique member of the NJ traffic handling fraternity up to his passing in June 2000. It is our intent to honor Carl's memory by bestowing this award to the amateur radio traffic handler who has given a lifetime of service and dedication to NJ NTS.

This award, also to be known as the "Captain's Award," will be given to an amateur only once in his/her lifetime. In the event there are no suitably qualified candidates for a particular year, the award will not be given. Nominations for the award, as with the other three statewide NTS awards, will be solicited from the NJ NTS community and whatever other operators that would like to make a nomination.

Who will be the first "lifetime achiever" in New Jersey NTS? Make your nominations soon.



W2SWE Memorial Award for Outstanding Contributions to NJ Traffic-handling - The W2SWE Memorial Award was named in honor of Ed Malecki, a cornerstone of NJ Net operations throughout the 1970s. Ed epitomized the best in traffic handlers through his expertise, his volunteerism, and his mentoring. Ed died in early 1979 and the award has been made every year since 1979 by nominations from our membership. (This is NOT an award for "flash in the pan" superstars who are "here today and gone tomorrow." It is the highest recognition of *SUSTAINED* achievement, as recognized by your peers.)

1979 W2UEZ-sk	1989 W2RRX-sk	1999 W2JG
1980 WB2IQJ-sk	1990 K2VX	2000 KJ4N (WA2YL)-sk
1981 AG2R	1991 KE2JX (N1JX)	2001 WA2OPY-sk
1982 KB2WI (W2VX)	1992 W2MTO	2002 KB2VRO
1983 N2XJ-sk	1993 N2GJ	2003 W2MTO
1984 KB2HM	1994 AA2HJ	2004 N1JX
1985 WB2ZJF	1995 AA2SV	2005 K2PB
1986 W2QNL-sk	1996 WA2SEI	2006 AG2R
1987 K2UL	1997 WA2CUW	2007 WA2TWS
1988 WB2FTX	1998 W2CC	

W2UEZ Memorial Award for Most Promising "Rookie of the Year" - The H. William West W2UEZ Award honors Bill West for his outstanding achievements in managing and growing the NJ Slow Net and mentoring newcomers to traffic handling. Ironically, Bill was also the first winner of the SWE award for his good work. Since 1981, the W2UEZ Award has been presented yearly to the most promising newcomer in NJ traffic handling – the kind of guy or gal that Bill would be proud of.

1981 N2CER	1992 N2QQK	2002 WJ2F
1982 N2CXX	1993 N2OFB	2003 W2QOB
1983 KY2P	1994 AA2SV	2004 W2YME
1985 WB2ZJF	1995 N2ZJK	2005 WA2TWS
1987 KA2INE-sk	1996 WB2RPW	2006 KC2PFV
1988 N2FGC	1997 K2PB	2007 KB2RTZ
1989 W2MTO	1998 KB2VVB	
1990 W2DMM (W2JG)	2000 KC2ANN	
1991 WA2PCS	2001 W2NTS	

K2SE Memorial Award for Outstanding Achievement on VHF Nets - This award honors Ed Solov K2SE who died in 1987. Ed was instrumental in developing VHF net activity and coordinating ARES and NTS programs. He served as ARES EC for Passaic County for 11 years and helped build the Ramapo Valley Emergency Network (RAVEN) from scratch to serve flood-prone towns in the valley. He was also mentor to many current leaders in the ARES and RACES organizations.

1988 N2DXP-sk	1995 N2OWN	2002 KY2MMM
1989 KA2KJF	1996 N2VQA	2004 WB2KNS
1990 KB4CYC	1997 N2OPJ	2005 WA2ZNT
1991 W2PTZ	1998 N3RB	2006 W2LTF
1992 K2PBP -sk	1999 KB2VRO	2007 N2GS
1993 W2OD	2000 KC2AHS (WA2MWT)	
1994 N2RPI	2001 WB2UVB	

Letters

Re: Summer NJTB

I had seen Lee's (W2QNL) Silent Key notice in QST and was quite saddened by it. It had surprised me that he was so very good about making the best of the situations he found himself in. But he adjusted well to all that life threw his way. In general it was a pretty good life. His son should be commended on the care he gave Lee. Lee and I were able to communicate much with just a couple of dits. I enjoyed our QSOs before and after nets. It's clear from his writing that he accepted the fact that when he got to California he was in a new phase of life and made sure to enjoy it.

You, in turn, have to be commended on the superb job you've done with NJTB. The Virginia section is a very good one, but it has no "Bulletin".

73 to all,

Dave, K2VX

NEW JERSEY MORNING NET

It's another quarter behind us! Summer was spectacular this year, although radio conditions were not always great. Autumn is upon us, with cooler temperatures and daylight savings on the horizon, affecting propagation (based on time of day) on the bands.

Don't forget to ask a friend to join us on NJM! As we get new blood from General upgrades let's do what we can to encourage folks to help out!

The NJM "Ironman" Award for this quarter once again goes to Roy WA2TWS for his almost perfect attendance, leading our Top QNI list July through September. Congratulations, Roy - keep up the great work! Roy is our Friday morning Net Control Station from beautiful "downtown" Flemington, NJ.

Everyone have a wonderful autumn going into winter! Safe travels.

73, Gerry Jurrens N2GJ, Net Manager

Month	Sessions	QNI	QTC	QSP	QTR	STNS
Jul	12	59	14	13	102	15
Aug	15	89	18	18	161	14
Sep	13	75	20	13	129	13
TOTAL S	40	223	52	44	392	(Mins)
					6.53	(Hours)
Pct QSP	84.62%					
Avg-QNI	5.58					
Avg-QTR	9.80	(Mins)				

Top QNI	<i>Jul</i>	<i>Aug</i>	<i>Sep</i>
N4AF	1	0	0
KC2ANN	1	2	3
N2ARC	1	0	0
KK3F	3	4	1
N2GJ	6	11	10
W2JG	11	14	11
N1JX	7	9	7
WB2KNS	1	9	8
K2PB	3	6	7
WA2PCS	0	4	1
WA2QHA	0	1	0
WJ3P	1	1	1
AG2R	2	0	0
W2RQ	0	1	0
AA2SV	2	4	1
KF2TP	0	0	0
K3TW	0	0	0
WA2TWS	12	13	13
K2UL	7	10	9
WB2VUF	1	0	3
Totals	59	89	75

NCS	<i>Jul</i>	<i>Aug</i>	<i>Sep</i>
N2GJ	0	1	1
W2JG	4	5	4
WA2TWS	4	5	4
K2UL	4	4	4
Totals	12	15	13

Reg 145	<i>Jul</i>	<i>Aug</i>	<i>Sep</i>
N2GJ	3	5	5
N1JX	6	7	7
Totals	9	12	12

73, Gerry Jurrens N2GJ, Net Manager

NEW JERSEY CW SECTION NET

NJN/EARLY JULY 2008

QNI 180 QTC 45 QSP 39 PERCENT PASSED 87 MINUTES 365

NOTABLE CHECKINS

AA2SV-31 W2JG-30 WA2CUW-28 N1JX-26 AG2R-19 N2JG-12 WB2KNS-12

NJN/LATE JULY

QNI 166 QTC 30 QSP 28 PERCENT PASSED 93 IN 276 MINUTES

"HONKEY-DORYS

WA2CUW-28 N1JX-23 WA2TWS-23 K2UL-22 W2JG-21 AG2R-21 K2PB-14 WB2VUF-14

NJN/EARLY AUGUST

QNI-174 QTC-36 QSP-33 PERCENT PASSED 92 IN 339 MINUTES

MONSTER MEN

N1JX-31 W2JG-29 AA2SV-28 N2GJ-18 AG2R-18 WB2KNS-15 WA2CUW-13 WA2TWS-10

NJN/LATE AUGUST

QNI-154 QTC-34 QSP-31 PERCENT PASSED 91 IN 284 MINUTES

LATE NIGHT KEY TAPPERS

WA2TWS-25 N1JX-24 W2JG-21 AG2R-21 WB2VUF-17 K2PB-15 K2UL-15 WA2CUW-10

NJN/EARLY SEPTEMBER

QNI 167 QTC 27 QSP 26 PERCENT PASSED 96 IN 298 MINUTES

KRAZY KREW

W2JG-29 AA2SV-28 N1JX-27 AG2R-23 WB2KNS-17 N2GJ-13 WA2TWS-10

NJN/LATE SEPTEMBER

QNI-147 QTC-33 QSP-33 PERCENT PASSED 100 IN 281 MINUTES

STATIC CRASHERS

WA2TWS-28 AG2R-26 N1JX-22 K2UL-21 W2JG-18 WB2VUF-15 K2PB-13

NJN/EARLY FUNCTION ROSTER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURS	FRIDAY	SAT
NCS N2GJ 745	AA2SV ****	W2JG ****	AG2R WA2CUW	N1JX *****	WA2TWS *****	**** ****

NJN/LATE FUNCTION ROSTER

NCS 930	**** ****	K2UL K2UL	K2PB ****	WB2VUF WB2VUF	K2UL K2UL	W2JG WA2CUW	**** ****
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****NOTE: W2JG WILL BE LEAVING SOON FOR SUNNY FLORIDA. THOSE IN THE WOODWORK CAN PICK UP THE SLOT FOR THE EVENING OR FOR THE WINTER UNTIL HE RETURNS.

WOIDS FROM THE KEY-MAN
De AG2R

I have a ye old bone to pick with my people. Since we have become crowded together on the band, we need to pay attention to what your Net Control is telling you. Contests make it a trial to find a spot where you can run NJN. My 746 PRO has a 500 hz and a 250 hz filter. Noise limiter... all kinds of little thingies to help separate myself from the other guys out there. If you run the net on the high side of their signal, they should be able to filter you out. The net does not have to be run on 3544 Khz. Net Controls should use the Q-signal QNZ – “Zero beat your signal with mine.” If the NCS says QNH or QNL you need to try again. I have told stations that are off my frequency QNL and they don’t know what the heck I’m saying. I know because they just stay where they are. That drives your Humble Net Manager EL-NUTZOOOOO!!!!!!... If the band is crummy, if the band is crowded, run the net fast and concise. “GIT ‘ER DONE!!!!!!” And “GET OUT OF TOWN....” Also, I find a lot of stations trying to anticipate what’s coming their way. Listen to what the station is sending. On one occasion the net control started the net 2 down or 1 up. Whatever... Stations don’t bother to look around to see if/where the net might be. Next thing I hear is “NJN IMI.” And they even start another net. SAY IT ISN’T SOOOOOO. Com’on kiddies.. Let’s tighten up the ole ship. Make me proud. Semtrees y’all, de AG2R Himself.....

Editor’s note: Some radios output CW on Lower Sideband, others use Upper Sideband. One man’s quiet spot is another man’s QRM hell.

ARRL NTS Second Region Net Expands to Include Eastern Canada

As of November 1, 2008, the Second Region Net (2RN) of the ARRL National Traffic System (NTS) expanded its reach, providing regular network nodes for Canadian provinces in Eastern Canada.

In a joint announcement last week, NTS Eastern Area Chair Marcia Forde, KW1U, and Bill Thompson, W2MTA, NTS Second Region Net (2RN) Manager for Cycles 2 and 3, invited those Canadian radio amateurs who handle traffic to participate in Second Region Net operations as the Eastern Canada Net (ECN) is no longer active. According to Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC), the ECN, a CW Net, handled traffic for Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland into the US for transcontinental transmission.

"This expansion of 2RN operations is intended to allow Section Nets in the eastern provinces of Canada to have outlet to Eastern Area Net operations and to allow inbound traffic to flow to those provinces of Ontario, Quebec and the Maritimes," Thompson said. "This is much the same way as the more-western provinces in Canada currently interface with the NTS RN7 (Seventh Region Net) and TEN (Tenth Region Net) nets."

Canadian operators are invited to participate in 2RN operations in addition to those of their provincial NTS Section Nets. The Second Region Net operates four times daily on the 75 and 80 meter bands (3.925 and 3.576 MHz) in accordance with the NTS Four Cycle timetable using Cycles 2, 3 and 4.

This means - expect to find Canadian stations on any/all sessions of the 2nd Region Net (2RN).

Gene AG2R adds - Regarding Eastern Canada traffic coming through 2rn, both ways, as I understand it, I'd like to inform my NJN people to make sure they get someone covering these region nets. Also, stations should be capable of handling traffic at a somewhat faster speed. I've already used the ole QRS signal and the sending station complied. I just want to get the message out.

F O N E N E T F O N I C S

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JULY 2008: 35 SESSIONS CHECK-INS: 193 TOTAL / 22 DIFFERENT STATIONS
TRAFFIC: 46 LISTED 42 PASSED = 91% 202 MINUTES
AUGUST 2008: 36 SESSIONS CHECK-INS: 216 TOTAL / 26 DIFFERENT STATIONS
TRAFFIC: 41 LISTED 38 PASSED = 93% 237 MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 2008: 34 SESSIONS CHECK-INS: 217 TOTAL / 24 DIFFERENT STATIONS
TRAFFIC: 33 LISTED 29 PASSED = 88% 222 MINUTES

HONOR ROLL:

JULY: W2CC 32 / N1JX 30 / WB2KNS 15
AUGUST: N1JX 34 / W2CC 30 / WB2KNS 20 / WS2L 18 / KB2RTZ 17 / N2GJ 15
SEPTEMBER: N1JX 30 / W2CC 26 / WB2KNS 20 / NJ5R 17 / WS2L 16

TOTAL NCS: W2CC 49 / KB2RTZ 36 / N1JX 14 / N2GJ 2 / AG2R 2 / K2GW 1
NJ5R 1

TOTAL LIAISON: N1JX 107 / WS2L 14 / N2GJ 11 / KB2RTZ 9 / AG2R 4 / WB2KNS 3
N2GS 1 / WJ3P 1

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FUNCTION ROSTER:

Table with 4 columns: Day, NCS, 145, 630. Rows include SUNDAY MORNING, SUNDAY EVENING, MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY.

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Remember that the MINIMUM time for a net session has been reduced to four minutes.

Many thanks to Steve KB2RTZ for picking up the open NCS slots.

My usual plea to make sure that all of the net sessions are covered and that the reports get to me promptly, particularly towards the end of the month. I really want to get the report in the mail to the SM/STMs on the first of the month. I would appreciate it if I am not in attendance in a particular net session that stations in that net would make note of who was NCS so that I can get the report.

PLEASE!!!

73,

Dave

David B. Popkin W2CC
Net Manager - NJPN
e-mail = w2cc@ARRL.net

NEW JERSEY SLOW NET – Fall 2008

NJSN meets every day at 6:30 PM Local Time on 3.547 MHz.

	Sessions	QNI	QTC	QTR	stations
JULY	31	167	14/14	462	17
AUGUST	31	167	14/14	422	18
SEPT	30	203	14/14	466	18

VERY REQUENT CHECKINS - AA2SV - KA1GWE - W2NTS - AG2R - K2PB - N1JX - KC2ANN - WA2TWS - WA2QHA - W2JG - WE2G - WA2SOC - KC2JEM - N2GJ - N1QH - WA2QHA. We very pleased to have Steve wa2soc as the tue, ncs spot. He is doing very well. The net has been going very well, ncs spots have been filled, traffic has passed smoothly - thank you all.

NCS Roster

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
W2JG	AA2SV	WA2SOC	AG2R	N1JX	WA2TWS	KC2ANN

Pat K2PB, NJSN Mgr.

SOUTH JERSEY TRAFFIC NET

South Jersey Traffic Net (E) meets on the Burlington County OEM repeater system. 145.470-, and 147.150+, PL127.3, at 8:00pm on M/W/F/Su.

South Jersey Traffic Net (L) meets on the Waterford Works, Camden County, repeater. 147.345+, PL127.3, at 10:30pm on Tu/Th/Sa.

Net Control Stations

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
8:00PM	K2UL		KB2RTZ		KC2EMW		KC2IYC
10:30PM		KC2SNI		KB2BAA		open	

NEW JERSEY VHF NET / EARLY

July QNI 308, QTC 103, QSP 103 in 443 mins, 31 sessions, 35 different stations

Aug QNI 329, QTC 105, QTC 97 in 423 mins, 31 sessions, 37 different stations

Sep QNI 374, QTC 68, QSP 65 in 406 mins, 32 sessions, 45 different stations

HONOR ROLL: 15 or more check-ins per month

July W2MGT 29, N2RPI 28, N2GS 26, N1JX N3RB 24, WB2FTX 23, KC2ANN KC2PFV 22, AB2ZK W2LTF 20

Aug N1JX N2GS 26, N2RPI N3RB 25, WB2FTX 24, AB2ZK 21, KC2ANN 19, KC2PFV 18, W2LTF 17, KB2ZK 15

Sep N1JX N2RPI 25, N2GS 24, N3RB W2LTF WB2FTX 23, AB2ZK 22, KC2PFV 19, KB2BAA KC2ANN 18, WA2EPI 15

Function Roster

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
WA2EPI	N2GS	KC2PFV	KC2ANN	N2RPI	KY2MMM	W2LTF

Recently, Greg N2GS along with Dave WB2FTX, gave illustration to the New Providence ARC on the digital procedures of traffic handling on the NTS nets. Dave and Greg are willing to assist other amateur radio clubs on this subject. Well done. Recently, John KB2BAA along with Steve KB2RTZ, have been accepting traffic for Southern New Jersey. To both, well done and keep charging.

Tom KC2PFV along with Bob WB2KNS have been taking traffic not only for their respective areas, but in addition, taking traffic for the New York City area. Keep up the good work.

Put the first Saturday of December on your calendar and remember to watch the Army-Navy football game. This game teaches you the importance of teamwork which we apply on NJVNE nets.

Until next time, enjoy your holidays and continue to participate in NTS nets.

73, John N2RPI, Net Manager NJVN/E

NEW JERSEY VHF NET / LATE

HONOUR ROLL

July 2008

N2OPJ 30 WB2KNS 25 KB2KLH 22 K1VDH 19 WB2LEB 19 KC2PFV 19 NJ5R 18
N2RDB 17 N2NHM 17

August 2008

N2OPJ 31 WB2KNS 25 WB2LEB 23 KC2PFV 23 N2RDB 21 KB2KLH 20 K1VDH 19
NJ5R 19 KC2GIK 18

September 2008

N2OPJ 30 WB2KNS 27 K1VDH 24 KB2KLH 23 WB2LEB 22 KC2PFV 22 N2RDB 22
KC2GIK 18 K2ADC 16 NJ5R 15

July 2008

QNI 343 QTC 29/28 97% of traffic passed 30 sessions 175 minutes 48 different stations.

August 2008

QNI 337 QTC 22/22 100% of traffic passed 31 sessions 175 minutes 41 different stations.

September 2008

QNI 328 QTC 24/24 100% of traffic passed 30 sessions 161 minutes 35 different stations.

DR. HERBERT VAN DEN HOUTEN N2OPJ, Net Manager

POSTSCRIPT

This newsletter completes thirty (30) years that I have been editing, publishing, and distributing the New Jersey Traffic Bulletin.

Happy Holidays to all. See you all next year in 2009.

73 de Dan K2UL, NJTB editor, SNJ STM