

# SOUTH MOUNTAIN RADIO AMATEURS

## General Meeting Agenda

15 September 2015

[www.n3twt.org](http://www.n3twt.org) (repeater info, calendar, ARRL info) <http://www.facebook.com/groups/n3twt/groups.yahoo.com/group/smra/> (Roster, minutes, copies of presentations) email: [n3twt@arrl.net](mailto:n3twt@arrl.net)

- 1900 - Call to order
- Introductions – What brand of GPS do you use?
- Acceptance of new members
- 1910 – President’s message Don, KB3VAX
- 1915 – Effective antennas for 40 & 80M Glenn, K3SWZ
- 1940 - Basic HR: SWR bridges, what are available Jerry, KM3K
- 1955 – Technical Accomplishments, Awards, Activities, testing, problems, and Questions
- 2000 – Social Break
- 2010- **Secretary’s Report**  
Minutes from the previous month are posted on the SMRA web site N3TWT.ORG and are available for all.
- 2011 - **Treasurer’s Report**
- 2012 - **Committee Reports**
  - **Events / Bike races**
    - 23 Aug MORE - Dual Sport M’cycle - review
    - 13 Sept South Penn Enduro Riders - review
    - 27 Sept G’burg Bicycle - Terror of Teaberry
    - 4 Oct Foundry Cycles - Iron Cross
  - Repeaters – need repairs to Lamb’s Gap building
    - New 440 repeater in – but has antenna issue
  - VE testing
  - Field Day
  - **Nets – Monday, Wednesday (recruiting volunteers for Monday NCS)**
  - EMCOMM
  - Cent PA IP Network
  - EchoLink
  - Tech Project Team
  - Code Class
  - General / Extra study
  - Equipment donation / loan program – Don KB3VAX
- 2030 - **Unfinished Business**
  - Additional items
- 2040 - **New Business**
  - Additional items
- Announcements – Contests
  - 19 September SC & NJ QSO parties, NA Sprint RTTY
  - 26 September CQWW RTTY
  - 3 October CA QSO party
  - **10 October PA QSO party**
- **Announcements – Hamfests / Other**
  - **Monthly HAM breakfast – 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday - 0830 – West Main Family Restaurant, 710 W Main, Mechanicsburg or Colony House Restaurant, 125 W Main, Mechanicsburg or Crumbs Café, 101 Watts, Mount Holly Springs (dates and locations subject to change) – upcoming dates – 10 Oct, 14 Nov, 12 Dec**
- Next EB Meetings: (5:30 dinner, 6:30 meeting, West Main Family Restaurant – dates and location subject to change)
  - 13 October 2015 (Hoss’s – Mechanicsburg, 61 Gettysburg Pike)
  - 8 December 2015 (Hoss’s – Mechanicsburg, 61 Gettysburg Pike)
  - 19 January 2016 (after general meeting)
  - 16 February 2016

- Next general meetings (3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month): (programs subject to change)

### 2015 Presentation – main (goal 20 minutes) & Basic Ham Radio (goal 10 minutes)

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|---|---------|-------------|
| • 20 Oct... Portable antennas for HF                    | Tom     | KB3CVO      |
| • Basic HR: CHIRP program – using it to load memories   | Dick    | WA3USG      |
| • 17 Nov... How does a tube power amplifier work?       | Dave    | W3SOX       |
| • Basic HR: Coax cable comparisons / selection for hams | Don     | KB3VAX      |
| • 15 Dec... Review of SMRA building projects – future   | John    | W3HMS       |
| • Basic HR: New capacitor and resistor markings         | Jerry   | KM3K        |
| • 19 Jan: Antennas – Yagi-Uda – how does it work?       | Jerry   | KM3K        |
| • Basic HR: ECHOLINK                                    | Chris   | W3ZRD       |
| • 16 Feb: History of traffic handling / ARRL            | Scott   | N3SW        |
| • Basic HR: Logging program control of your radio       | Bob     | W0BR        |
| • 15 Mar: SWR – understanding it in an antenna          | Jerry   | KM3K        |
| • Basic HR: Field Day Planning – part I                 | FD      | committee   |
| • 19 Apr: Field Day Planning – part II                  | FD      | committee   |
| • Basic HR: Reading component data sheets               | Ralph   | K3HQP       |
| • 17 May: CW – learning and on air use                  | Bob     | N3ACP       |
| • Basic HR: Solar cells to charge batteries             | John    | W3HMS       |
| • 21 June: HF loop antennas – benefits and use          | Ralph   | N0TXU       |
| • Basic HR: HF vertical antenna – building              | Don     | KB3VAX      |
| • 19 July: Coax-evaluating loss, power & frequency      | Jerry   | KM3K        |
| • Basic HR: FD 2016 review                              | FD      | committee   |
| • 16 Aug: CW – advanced learning and on-air use         | Bob     | N3ACP       |
| • Basic HR: PA QSO Party                                | Don/Bob | KB3VAX/W0BR |

- 2045 – Adjour general meeting

#### Monday night 9PM NCS schedule

1 <sup>st</sup> Monday	Patti KC3CDL
2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday	Sandy N3ECF
3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday	Bob N3ACP

4 <sup>th</sup> Monday	Craig KB3ZJF
5 <sup>th</sup> Monday	John W3HMS
Net Manager	Bob N3ACP

#### Officers / Board of Directors:

President:	Don Evans KB3VAX (2016)
Vice-President:	Edward Crossley W3SMF (2016)
Treasurer:	Mike Giordano KC3CDJ (2016)
Secretary:	N3SW /W3ZRD
Trustee (N3TWT)	Bob Single N3ACP

#### SMRA Leadership

Director:	Gary Cribbs KB3YDB (2016)
Director:	Chris Gainey W3ZRD (2015)
Director:	Craig Telesha KB3ZJF (2015)
Director:	Bob Raker W0BR (2015)
Director:	Scott Walker N3SW (2015)
Past President:	Curt Wann K4ITO
	(Indicates year term ends)

#### Committees:

Cumberland County Relations (Technical)	Gary Blacksmith WA3CPO
Cumberland County Relations (Operations)	TBD
Lower Allen Twp liaisons	Ed W3SMF, John W3HMS, Scott N3SW, Bob N3ACP
Technical:	Bob Raker W0BR, Rick Taylor K2RBT, Edward Crossley W3SMF
ATV:	Gary Blacksmith WA3CPO, Dick Goodman WA3USG
Programs:	John Jaminet W3HMS
Field Day:	John W3HMS, Dick WA3USG, Scott N3SW, Don KB3VAX
Audit:	John Jaminet W3HMS, Scott Walker N3SW, Curt Wann K4ITO, Gary Cribbs KB3YDB
Nominating:	Dick WA3USG, Rick K2RBT
Events (Bike races):	Robin Cartwright KC3CEK, Chris Gainey W3ZRD
Membership / recruiting:	all members
SMRA net mgr:	Bob Single N3ACP
CATN net mgr:	Scott Walker N3SW
Morse Code practice:	Scott Walker N3SW
W5YI - VE testing	Don Evans KB3VAX
Central PA IP Network	Gary Blacksmith WA3CPO
Equipment loan manager	Curt Wann K4ITO
Digital Net Manager	Craig Telesha KB3ZJF
Elmer Committee	John Jaminet W3HMS (717-697-3633), Ed Crossley W3SMF (717-975-8748)

### SMRA Mission Statement

- To be a resource for advancing operational and technical skills, competency, and amateur radio licensing
- To mentor new members and enhance fellowship among radio amateurs
- To provide amateur radio communications resources and emergency communication services for the community
- To honor The Amateur's Code