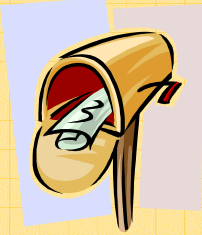


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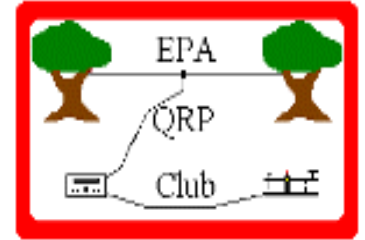
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New Member Profile: KB3GEX

Harvill Eaton, KB3GEX, was born in Nashville, Tennessee. He is Vice President for Research at Drexel University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Got my first ham license (novice WN4OKJ) in 1964 at age 16 in Nashville, Tennessee. Got back into it at age 50 living in Philadelphia and working at Drexel University. I have been in the QRP side of the hobby for two years now.



Welcome Harvill, EPA # 125

72, KB3GEX

New Member Profile: N3RN

Welcome Bob, N3RN, EPA # 126. I have been licensed in 1974 as WN3YON. Also a member of QRP ARCI. I enjoy VHF / UHF as well as QRP on the Low Bands. Primary QRP rigs are K2 / 817 / S & S Engineering TAC-1.

I enjoy building and contesting.

72, Bob de N3RN



New Member Profile: K3WWP

Welcome John Shannon, K3WWP- EPA # 127. John is retired and was first licensed as KN3WWP in 1963. he then upgraded to his present call K3WWP in 1963. John is active in amateur radio and enjoys operating cw, qrp and DX contests.



John also enjoys walking, computers, fishing, gardening and he also writes a qrp column in the FISTS newsletter - The Keynote. You have to take a look at John's website – WOW! He has a wonderful website that just has to be seen to be appreciated. You can view his website at <http://home.alltel.net/johnshan>

John, welcome to the EPA-QRP Club!



K3WWP 1963 Wall of Talk!



New Member Profile: W3DEA

Welcome Charles, EPA # 128. I belong to the [Delaware Lehigh Amateur Radio Club](#) and I am currently the secretary. The clubs call is W3OK and its station is in the process of becoming all modes on all bands.

Right now I am almost exclusivly on 40M doing cw - qrp (trying to work all states this way).I am using an MFJ-9040 (5 watts) thru a dipole ~12ft up.



I REPLY 100% to your qsl, no SASE is needed. I have been a ham for 5 years. I recently got my VE certificate thru the ARRL and also recently upgraded to Extra. My former call sign was KB3DEA (11-98 to 2-04).



New Member Profile: K2DB

Welcome Paul Mackanos, Jr. – EPA # 129. Licensed in 1962 as WN2ITU, then in 1963 got my General as WB2ITU, upgraded to Extra in the 70's when Incentive licensing took away the bottom of the band and got K2DB as my call. Station Trustee for K2NNY in NNY and we operate (although mostly QRO) but have run the November SS as QRP. Divorced 6 years ago, and live in a condo now, therefore I use a Red Hot NorCal 20 at 5 Watts and an Indoor dipole as my only hamming activity. I was born and raised in Indiana, PA, and I visit and operate as /3 several times a year.



72 Paul de K2DB

*“Volunteers are always
welcomed in the EPA-
QRP Club.”*



May EPA-QRP Website Sponsor: N3AO

This guy has his face all over the Sounder! My name is Carter W. Craigie, and I was born and raised in Richmond, VA. I have held the calls KA3IME, KD3AO, and now N3AO. I was first licensed as a novice in 1981 in Devon, PA. I was an SWL while at Williams College (1954-1960) in northwestern Mass. I thought it was a gas to hear Radio Moscow, the BBC, and VoA.

My graduate degree is in Folklore and Folklife Studies from the Univ. of Pa. While teaching at Cabrini College in Radnor, PA, I returned to radio, still as a listener. When I learned that an ordinary American could also TALK on the airwaves as well as listen, I started going to classes to get my ham ticket. I was a novice for at least two years doing CW only on HF before I tried to get my general. Wow! There were voices in that radio! From that point on I worked and finally earned my extra ticket. My wife Kay WT3P also got her extra about the same time.

We taught novice classes for about 5-6 years for the Mid-Atlantic ARC. I still teach CW classes here at home now... I'm still not a fast sender or receiver but I really like CW. I have been club president for two 2-year terms. I was the EPA Section Traffic Manager for about 2 years. I have been Field Day Chairman for years, and am also the club's Traffic Net Manager. As you may know, my wife Kay has gone on to become EPA Section Manager, then, Vice-Director, and now Director of the ARRL's Atlantic Division. She loves her job, and enjoys contests especially, among other interests in ham radio...

I have fallen in love with rig (kit) building and have built the following:

TAC 1 (one for 80 meters and one for 40 meters), OHR 500, WM-2 QRP

Wattmeter, DD-1 Digital Dial, and now a Red Hot NorCal 20. I make all my own

dipoles, of course... I like to operate HF mobile, and I also like to go camping (and

canoe-camping) and to do portable QRP while in the campsite. I think the people in the EPA QRP Club are some of the nicest and most helpful people I've had the pleasure of meeting!

Interests: QRP operating and kit-building. I enjoy operating out of doors, especially summer camping. A special interest is "hiking and hamming" on the Appalachian Trail in various states. Also do same on other Pennsylvania trails. I like to paddle canoes, and I sometimes go canoe-camping; when I do, listen for me in the mornings as the tea is brewing or after early supper. I like 7.043+/- as my starting frequency. I enjoy QRP contests, especially the Spartan Sprints on the first Monday nights of each month, starting at 9:00 p.m. Eastern Time Local. I'm always in the PA QSO Party, and in ARRL Field Day. I am a County Hunter, and will gladly give you Chester County (and/or nearby counties). I QSL 100%! If you're in my log, that's the right place to be. I'll be happy to send you my card via the U. S. mail, as I don't use eQSLs very often. An SASE would be appreciated. EPA QRP 13, TEN-TEN 35549, ARCI 8745, ARS 480, NORCAL 1095, FISTS 2367, CC 444, MI-QRP 1699, Flying Pigs 621, Zombie 801, 2003 Bumble Bee 80, ISSB 15222, ECARS 3326, MARAC 1761.

Thanks Carter!
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EPA-QRP Appalachian Trail Awards Program News

The AT Awards program now has a chairman - Carter Craigie, N3AO. I hope Carter will provide me with information about who has obtained an AT Award. As you might know, certain contest contacts are now allowed to count towards your AT Award! This is a great idea that might allow more operators to have one of these beautiful At Awards hanging in their shack. The award is very beautiful so make a few AT contacts and receive one. Check out our website for more details at:

<http://n3epa.org>

Steve, KD1JV's Virginia AT Adventure!

Just a few days before my great VA AT adventure starts. Trying to hike from near the NC/VA line to at least MD. About 400 miles. Will leave Berlin, NH by bus 7 am, Wed. the 5th. Some 28 hrs later, arrive Marion, VA and find a hotel to recuperate in :-). Hitch a ride to the nearest trail head Fri morning, the 7th.

No doubt pain killers will be a big part of my diet for the first week or so and I'll be darn sure the bottle of magic "New Skin" blister stuff is in the pack! That stuff is worth it weight in DDS chips :-)

I'll have the ultra-light version of the AT Sprint II with me and will work 40M as often as I can. Not likely to be every night and not for the first few days out. I expect early evening between 7 and 8 pm local will be the times. Got to be in the sack by dark. Between 7.040 and 7.045. (the whole station is packed in a modified CD carrying case and weighs just over a pound, external is the end feed antenna on the clothesline reel)

I will also have a 2M HT with me. Let me know if you can hear the following 2M repeaters:

Marion, (first few days) Pearisburg, Roanoke, Lexington, Waynsboro or Front Royal. If you know of anything I can hit between Waynsboro and Front Royal while in the Shenandoah NP, that would be good to know too.

If you can hear any of these we can set up a skid (say 7 pm) and keep the list informed of my progress and when I'll be on 40M.

That's about it, wish me luck and see ya in mid June!

72,
Steve, KD1JV "Melt Solder"
White Mountains of New Hampshire



Atlanticon 2004: EPA-QRP Club Members!



What a crew! Here are a few EPA-QRP Club members at Atlanticon on Saturday night. From left to right: N2APB, N3ZUI, N3ZIL, WW2W, WA3WSJ and WB3GCK.

QRP Forums etc. Place

FDIM	Dayton, OH	May 13 – 16	http://www.qrparci.org/fdim64.html
Pacificon	California	October 16 – 18	http://www.amqrp.org/pacificon

EPA-QRP Contest Corner

<http://www.amqrp.org/contesting/contesting.html>



WA3WSJ.com: Nomad Award

Do you like wallpaper? If so, here's a new award to hang on your wall. It's the Nomad Award and it's easy to get. All you have to do is make a contact with WA3WSJ while he is on one his expeditions etc. There are three Nomad Awards to be had. The easiest is the Bronze Nomad Award. To hang this one on the wall, you have to make only one contact with WA3WSJ. The next is the Silver Nomad Award. This one takes three contacts with WA3WSJ. The last and hardest award is the Gold Nomad Award. You'll need five QSOs with WA3WSJ to receive this one. Here's a bonus, after the Gold Nomad Award, you can get an endorsement sticker to attach to your Gold Nomad Award. An endorsement sticker will be issued with every additional ten QSOs. Once you reach 100 QSOs with WA3WSJ, you will receive the WA3WSJ Nomad Plaque and become a member of the WA3WSJ Nomad Pack. Once a pack member you will have the privilege of issuing Nomad Awards!

Here are the rules (KISS):

1. Only one contact per band per location, if I change my QTH, another contact is ok on the same band on the same day.
2. No QSL cards are needed, just an email or eqsl card with the info.
3. All certificates are free!
4. All plaques cost \$20.00 including S&H.
5. Only contacts after April 9th, 2004 count.

For additional information on this unique award program, go to

<http://www.wa3wsj.com/files/WA3WSJevents.html>





