

November 2004



Upcoming Public Service Events:

- **Mamaroneck Turkey Trot, Sunday, November 21st, Harbor Island Park, Mam'k, 9AM (8AM meet @ McDonald's)**
- **"The Santa Claus Operation", Blythdale Children's Hospital, Tuesday, December 14th, Set-up@ 6PM, On the Air @ 7PM.**
- **If you have an APRS setup, you are encouraged to bring it to events and events! Want to learn more about APRS? Please join for a public service event!**



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Coming up!

I Guess it is almost time to address the holiday season with Amateur Radio. We can start off with the Sky Warn nets, when dangerous weather hits our area, handle holiday traffic into our area via the Southern District Net (SDN) on the 2 meter repeater daily at 9:30PM, The New York City Marathon, Santa's visit to the children at Blythdale via ham radio, and many other activities.

We have quite a few new hams joining us on the air after passing their exams during the WECA VE sessions. Be sure to greet them when they come on the air and guide them into the relationships formed with our club members. You can become an "Elmer" instill the amateur spirit in someone new. Just remember that we guide but don't chastise on the air.

Based on the membership's recommendation, we have received permission from Sandy N2SF's family to obtain his call for a WECA club call. We will use it for field day and other special operations.

Hope to see all of you at the November meeting.

73s,

Stan, WA2NRV



November – December Events Calendar

- Sunday, November 7th—Yonkers ARC, 8:30 AM
- Sunday, November 7th – New York City Marathon
- Thursday, November 11th— WECA ARRL/VEC Session, Fire Training Center, 7PM
- Monday, November 15th—Columbia University VE Session, 6:30 PM
- Sunday, November 21st – Mamaroneck Turkey Trot, 8 AM / 9 AM
- Thursday, November 9th— WECA ARRL/VEC Session, Fire Training Center, 7PM
- Sunday, December 5th, Yonkers ARC, 8:30 AM
- Tuesday, December 14th—"The Santa Claus Operation" @ Blythdale, 6 PM / 7 PM

Please note: Hamfest and VEC information from the ARRL website, Hudson division. Many VEC sessions require a call ahead. Would you like to see an event added to this calendar? Please e-mail wecagram@weca.org.

Get your official WECA wear!

If you haven't already, please consider getting your official WECA wear! They're good to have for public service events, ARES/RACES events, and meetings!

The following are the current prices for WECAwear items. For more information, please contact Grant, KC2FNU, or check out http://www.weca.org/wecawear_order_form.pdf

Item	Price
Long Sleeve Polo	\$ 18
Short Sleeve Polo	\$ 23
Short Sleeve Dress Shirt	\$ 20
Long Sleeve Dress Shirt	\$ 25
WECA Cap	\$ 9
Firefighter workshirt	\$ 40
Work Jacket	\$ 60
Three-Season Jacket	\$ 50
Vermont Parka	\$ 65
Call Sign/WECA embroidery on a garment you provide	\$7

Upcoming WECA Membership meetings:

December—Rob, K2UP, Software Defined Radio
The social half hour starts at 7:00PM and Rob's presentation begins at 7:30PM

Board meetings:
November 22nd — 7PM
December 27th — 7PM
Fire Training Center
4 Dana Road
Valhalla, NY 10595

Public Service Update

Here are the events we had in September—October:

WECA members four different non-profit groups in the last two months. They are:

The Golden Apple bike ride there were 15 members.

N2AMP N2TJE N2TSE
N2NWS N2FMC N2WQG
N2YGL K2LCA KA2KCR
KA2BRH KC2MFF KC2CHS
KC2FNU KC2MJV WB2NHC

Leukemia and Lymphoma Walk had fourteen members:

N2TJE N2TSE N2WQG
N2YYL N2NAA KC2MPK
KC2MPH KC2HZW KC2ESU
WA2NRV WA2JXI WB2QJA
KB2LLV K4ZGE

Can you imagine?

Can you imagine what life will be like without receiving the WECAGRAM, with it's full color presentation and loaded with news and events about your club? Can you imagine what life will be like without talking radio to fellow WECA members? The WECA email reflector will not be available to non-members either.

Well, that is what is going to happen to those members who do not renew their 2004-2005 membership by November 15. They will be removed from the club roster.

The F.D. bike ride had twelve members:

N2TJE N2TSE N2WQG
K2LCA WB2NHC WB2VVS
WB2BTJ KC2JKR KC2ESU
KC2ESU KC2FNU KC2CLZ

The Thunderbird Games BSA "JOTA" had ten members:

N2TJE N2TSE WB2NHC
WA2NRV KC2MPK KC2HZW
KC2ESU KC2GWK KC2NFI
KC2FYY

So far, thirty-two members have helped out at least once this fiscal year, and I'm looking forward to working with many more members in the coming months.

Don't forget the Turkey Trot in Mamaroneck on Sunday, November 21st, and Blythedale Children's Hospital on Tuesday, December 14th at 6 PM!

73s,

Robert Kantor, N2TSE, Public Service Director



The new membership roster is in the process of being prepared and members who do not renew by the deadline will not be included in it. It is a once a year event so don't be left out.

PLEASE send your renewal in today. We want you to stay a member so that we will not miss you!
Thanks,
Ron, N2TJE Membership



P.S. Please keep your personal data current. Personal data updates can be sent any time to me at: membership@weca.org



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147.060(+), 224.400(-) and
447.475(-) MHz

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