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## **MS Walk**

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## **IMPORTANT DATES & TIMES**

### General Membership Meeting:

Thursday, June 5, 2003 7:00 PM

\*\*\* \*\*\* Location Change \*\*\* \*\*\*

RAE Club House– EOC (take Rt. 99 south about 2-3 miles, make right on Bargin Rd. near lawn tractor shop, make right on Wagner Rd. and take till the end of the road.)

## **Board of Directors Meeting:**

**Tuesday, June 24, 2003** 

**Location:** 

**RAE Club House-EOC** 



## **Public Service Events**

Mark Your Calendar

Edinboro Triathlon...(approved).. June 7

Caring Place Triathlon.....(approval pending)......Sept 6

#### A note from our Special Events Chairperson

A Special thanks to the R.A.E. Club members who gave of themselves to work on May 18 for the M.S. walk. They were ...

N3LBI Bob	N3IQ	Dick
N3FAW Bob	KB3Å	Chris
KC2HVX Bob	KB3B	Debi
N3UMJ Bill	N3BZL	Clif
AD4UL Doug	KB3CAT	Matt
WB8KPE Don	KE3XR	Mick
K3LD Dianne		

T Shirts will be given out at the club meeting on June 5th 2003.

The next "Special Event" is June 7th 2003, This is the "BIG ONE", we will need more help to do it right. I will have the sheet at the meeting for the people who can share a little of there time to help some one else.

Paddle Erie is coming up to be held on August 16 2003 (Saturday). This event starts at 8am and ends at 2pm. Last year there was a cook out at the

lagoons. I will have a sign up sheet at the August meeting.

Jack ...N3RKO Special Events Chairperson Volume 2, Issue 5 Page 3

## General Meeting Minutes-May 1, 2003

Board Members Present: KB3A, N3FAW, N3RKO, N3LBI, NI3Q and K3LD Not present: N3BXL and N3ZNP

Meeting brought to order by President KB3A at 7:01, General Membership Meeting at the RAE club house (EOC).

Guest: Bill Boa, Erie Fire Department, Larry Rickard W2BIS, Admiral Curtze WB3VHS

Upgrades: KD3RDA to general

KB3A: Announcement: we are in need of 2 Board of Directors

KB3A: We have been in the process of an extensive audit since the last one was two years ago. Data needed to be re-entered into the computer and records needed to be reorganized. We contained any issues, in the process of the audit, asked for some resignations and appointed NI3Q as new treasurer. The board is now in agreement with the audit.

Secretary's report- K3LD: motion to accept the minutes that were printed in the QuaRae for April

Motion: K3TJM Second N3LBI N3RKO: introduced guest: Mary and Lynn from the March of Dimes. Mary had told Jack that she had gone to Radio shack after the race to get a Technician Class book and told Jack that they were out. Jack presented them with a Technician Class Book and told them they had to pass by the June 30th deadline. Mary presented Jack with an earphone for his radio to replace the one he let her use during the race. Mary thanked us for another

great event and that it was a great success. They had over 2,000 walkers and wanted to know if we had any suggestions to improve it for next year. They had the walk on the Lake Road this year and it was a great success. They also thought having the radio op on the bus was very important. She also thanked us for watching over a lady that was in the walk using a walker. That extra effort on our part was appreciated.

Treasurer's report- NI3Q: given

Board of Directors report-N3LBI: N3FAW brought in a donated tube tester from Paul Flick. We also received a donation from the daughter of Sigmund Stacey W3MMJ, of \$70.00. A Non-profit account was opened, the Audit committee has completed the audit, N3FAW is reinvesting the investments. Lighthouse contest in August will be at the East side Lighthouse.

KB3A: thanked KD3D for donating the hot dogs, rolls and pop and for cooking the hotdogs for the meeting. Note: some of the money was donated by Jerry (W2FD) for the pop.

Membership- N3FAW: 142 members so far for 2003 membership drive.

ARES / RACES/Skywarn: N3HPR- quiet on the ARES/ Races and it is Skywarn sea-Skywarn EC Dave Henderson who is gravely ill has a rare bacterial meningitis. He is stable at this time, prognosis is guarded. They are seeing some progress everyday. Keep him in your prayers. Tom will need all our help and will need to pitch in with Skywarn, he needs net control ops. Right now the family doesn't want any visitation for Dave, but will let us know his progress. He is at the VA hospital.

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## General Meeting Minutes...continued

QuaRae: KC2HVX Bob will be asking members for info for the QuaRae. He will get the contest and public service events in.

Public Service- N3RKO-.March of Dimes is April 27 was a great success.

4 different events coming up. Membership voted on doing two, the first Sunday May 18, MS walk, meet at Mac's at 8:00 and Edinboro Triathlon, June 7. Contact Jack if interested in helping.

Repeater: / EOC: N3SRD- Squelch tail in elongated was fixed. The .82 at Sharp road, Lee says has a bad switch, it is up but still needs fixed, but is doing well with 9 watts out at this time. N3SRD and KE3XR got the club ready last week for the meeting. The water started right up when primed but had some leaks that was repaired by John Kovoski.

N3SRD- Emergicare has donated 2 more computers to the RAE. Jeremy (KB3BAM)donated a printer to the RAE.

Contest- KB3A— The Field Day event will be June 28 and 29 here at the EOC. We will have stations set up and available and food. They also have another Class F this year for emergency operation centers.

PA QSO results are in, RAE came in 4th. We can do better. We also need control ops for the EOC anyone that can please let Chris know.

VE: K3LD- As per the VE announcement in last months QuaRae Rob Jacobs N3OCL is the new RAE ARRL VEC VE liaison. They will have monthly sessions but you need to contact them to make arrangements. Contact Norma at w3cg@tbscc.com or phone 814-665-9124 or Rob Jacobs at n3ocl@velocity.net or phone 814-438-7804. Saturday May 17 and June 21 at 12:30 at Gannon

KB3A: Ten Erie Hams award to get it get on the air.

Marty (N3EPU) donated a 2 meter handheld

50/50 N3EPU \$21.00

Next meeting will be at the EOC on Wagner Road. Motion to adjourn: N3LBI Second: N3UMJ Adjourned at 8:20 Submitted by K3LD

## Special Thanks

The RAE would like to thank John—N3NKV for his recent contributions to the club. John donated to the club Amateur Radio Band Plans, Yaesu World Maps and Yaesu Log Books found at the Dayton Hamfest. These items will be used for the stations currently setup at the club house.

The club would also like to recognize Doug-AD4UL for his determination and time spent finishing up old projects at our club house. Doug has been working to completing the club house electrical renovation. Thanks for all your hard

work Doug. I personally thank you!~ Bob- KC2HVX



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## **VE Information/Update**

Two test sessions were held in May.

On May 1, a session was held at the Corry Red Cross. This resulted in Stephen Boyd KC2JPY and Abigail Boyd KC2LGA both upgrading to a General Class license.

Stephen was leaving for the U.S. Air Force in a few days and wished to pass General Class before he left, so sister Abigail decided to test at the same time.

The Boyd's are quite a family of hams and only lack one of being a complete all ham family. Brother Daniel is in the U.S. Air Force and as yet is not licensed. But look who is. There is father David KC2KOY, Mother Cindy KC2LFY, Daughters Abigail KC2LGA, and Mary KC2LHF, and sons Michael KC2LFZ, Stephen KC2JPY, and David KC2LHF. Congratulations to this very nice family.

On May 8, a test session was held at the conclusion of the Union city Wireless Association General membership meeting. Earning his first license, Technician Class, was Thomas Kennedy of Union city. William Marshall of Erie gained a Technician Class with HF. Marshall was originally Novice licensed at age 10 in 1973 and was issued the callsign WN3VQC. It was very interesting to read his original log as well as some newspaper clippings with pictures showing him at the key.

The VEs conducting these sessions were Debbie Nelson N2MQ, Dave Wellman WX3E, Pete Albright AA2AD, and yours truly W3CG.

The next test session will be held whenever there is a request, and at whatever location and time is convenient for those involved.

Contact either Rob Jacobs N3OCL at 814-438-7804 or Norma W3CG at 814-665-9124 or by e-mail.

## FIRST 2003 CLUB MEETING @ OUR CLUB HOUSE



Hey everyone... look at all the activity at our very own club house. The May meeting at the RAE Club House (EOC) was fantastic. The meeting was more than just a meeting though. Thanks to a few great hams, food and drink were provided for the first 2003 club house meeting.

We had many visitors join us for our meeting. Thanks to them for visiting, please join us again.

Many interesting topics were covered at the meeting. Please see the official meeting minutes starting on page 3.

The next club meeting is this Thursday. If you would like to bring something for us hams to snack on that would be great. Hot coffee will be available for all those who attend. We hope to see all of you there since the weather forecast looks good for Thursday night.

## Radio Association of Erie

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http://
home.earthlink.ne
t/~n3ntj/rae.html

NEW WEBSITE!!!! http:// www.rae.d2g.com

## A Special Service Club

## Check out what your fellow Hams' have to offer!

#### For Sale...

#### KLM KT34XA Triband yagi

- for 10-15-20 Meters.
- New in original box with original manual!
- DXperience 6 elements on a 32 foot boom.
- Terms: \$495, OBO cash or Paypal. Pick-up only in Girard PA (7 miles west of Erie, PA).

Contact Scott Johns W3TX@arrl.net

#### DONATIONS INFORMATION

The Radio Association of Erie (RAE) is, according to the Internal Revenue Service, a Section 501(C)3 taxexempt corporation. As such, donations of funds or equipment can be income tax deductible. Consultation with a tax professional is advisable. A suitable receipt for tax purposes is available: contact Bob N3FAW (or any RAE officer).

(Donations are welcome, of course.)

## I want...

The RAE Club is looking for a piece of equipment that you might just have... If you have a 220
Transceiver we would like to hear from you!!

Please contact Steve LaJohn. Email- slajohn@adelphia.net Home- 774-0363

Pager- 879-7723

## For Sale...

Two 12VDC/25A regulated power supplies. Brand new in excellent condition. Each used twice for a long term project that ended prematurely. \$85 each.

Lots of vacuum tubes. See updated list at: <a href="http://">http://</a>
<a href="http://">http://</a>
<a href="http://">home.earthlink.net/~n3ntj/</a>
<a href="tubes.html">tubes.html</a>.

Email me your want list for pricing, etc.

Matthew Steger, N3NTJ n3ntj@earthlink.net

#### For Sale...

Yeasu FT-757GX

- 9 band HF Rig. With Manuals and extras—\$475.00
- Heathkit SB-1000(1000 watt) linear amplifier with manuals—\$600.00

Contact Joe Ponchak ka3cpvgrmpap@juno.com 836-9829

#### I want...

12V Car Charger for the Kenwood TR2600 HT

> Marty Fox N3EPU 881-1668

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