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ITS YOUR SARDINE WRAPPER

Yes, its your Sardine Wrapper. The members of the Tamaqua Amateur Radio Club have accepted this monthly paper as one of the club fixtures and soon ask whats wrong when its press time has been held up. During the summer months we had very little to give you in its confines. Due to vacations and lapse of activity.

Now we s tart another year for the "Wrapper". Yes, the Sardine Wrapper is a year old this month. Its just a year ago that it was voluntaily printed by W3ZRQ and later taken over as the clubs responsibility.

We hope that in the past year we haven't offended anyone in our columns or have left some item out as intentional. The staff prints the news as we see it and as its heard over the air. If you didn't get your scandal in to the Wrapper Staff and it wasn't printed then whose to blame.

In taking account of our membership we see that there are over twice as many associate members as there are regular membership. A survey has been taken and it was shown at the September 12th meeting that the Wrapper has cost the TARC more than has been paid in dues. Over a period of a year now the regular members have taken up this slack by paying higher dues.

As we shall state here and now. There has been nothing passed by the TARC as yet to overcome this. But discussion and foresight is part of our Democratic way of life.

So it is at this time that we ask each and every Associate member of the club if you are willing to pay an additional amount to your yearly dues to help overcome this deficit.

We would like to see you at the meetings to express your opinion or if not, please write us and we shall bring your expressions on the meeting floor. Since many of our dues start around the first of the year, do it now so this may be thrashed out and you may continue to receive your "Sardine Wrapper" regularly. And don't forget to get your articles in before the last Sunday of the month for publication.

73 s Wrapper Staff

** ** QLF ** **

By ZRQ

We have been using this expression in the "Wrapper" for some time now and in the course of its use we never gave it a thought that there mite be some one within the confines of our editorial reach that wouldnt know just what we were talking about. I hope that we haven't printed something that you didn't know the meaning of.

There are the standard "Q" code signals we use in every day Haming the trafic man has his "QN" signals and there are numerous others used by the armed forces but no where in any books have you seen QLF.

QLF is that which you do or see at that smoker you attended the other week. QLF is the Beer or Spirits you and the gang had after the meeting at the Fire Company. QLF is that pin-up you have hanging in the shack that gets the eyes of every male visitor. QLF is the trick you pulled on your buddy by pulling out his 807 buffer plug so he couldn't tune up. QLF has many explanagions to numerous to mention. Always on the obscure end of the meaning.

What does QLF mean ?? It means send with your LEFT FOOT. And if there is any Op that can rattle out 35 WPM with his left foot then I personally will donate him one*half barrel of the stuff if he invites the gang around to empty it, so happy "QLFing".

Receiver Hash

RZV is sportin a brandy-new 2 M xmtr an is havin a wunderful time lernin wat all the dials and co-dads r for ...one of the harmononics frum COW is hospitalize ... ZXF with his football-dancin es wimen has paid off.. He got in the first local football game and carried the ball for a 5 yd gain then they were penalized 5 yds then the game ended, otr luck next time out... KJJ, CMA es ZRQ were at the game es had to see the nite spots afterwards.. In delivering CMA es ZRQ to their QRA, KJJ using his Jeep thot it vy odd that all the cars were actin mity funny wen they tried to gt past him comin the other way. Seems that he parked on the wrong side of the street es in the wrong direction. After all he only had 3 thirds of the road.... WLBYV is nw a TARC member.. Jack is originally frum town es can't get the coal dust out of his system or rig.. Welcome to the TARC Jack... We also welcome WN3CSR to the Tarc .. Gess Harry found out it takes more then brute force es a K to be Ham op. You also need the friendship and cooperation of ur fellow Ham. Wat say gang give Harry all the help U can, he werks on 3700 Kc...Look out gang.. Candy Masaitis is on a bildin spree and is makin the rounds of the junk boxes. We wud like tosee Billy get his 807 rig goin so see if you have sumtin in ur junk box that Bill can use. He's after a novice ticketand we're sure he'll make the grade..After all -- Most of us x made our start that way... Has any one seen the missing frequenacy licing around in their shack ?AKF has been QRT due to not having same for his lil sigs uerter. The 75 mtr boys have been askin lot of quenies abt sed op es here he's keepin him self... NFA net is bk agn frm their vacation.. Every one invited to QNI at 6:30 PM on 3610 Kc. Also don't forget the beginner not AN... although the AN has quite a few OT's there to teach U an occasional new-comer reports in... WLBYV of Mass, has been reportin in AN quite oftern lately.. Welcome aboard fellas... Carl Zimmeman has passe the code test given by the clubs code class instructor KJJ and has aquired a Globe Scout to giev him a gud start. This young other buster will sn be wearin out the front hall carpet BBS is also a new TARC member . The unner gnd . has jest reported thet a vy OT JVF of Box 32, Gaines, Pa. is in mity poor health . Pop is an NFA es AN op es a card or letter to above adr wud be gratly revd. Pop is pushin 70 yrs young... Jest mail it Pop, W3JVF Box 32, Gaines, Pa. es he'l git it.. Tks fellas.... CMA, RZV es ZRQ were attendants to Jersey Ham-fest. It seems they traveled all that distance to pay 1.50 for a 4oz . cup'a Coke abt 75% ice at that.. Barnum se there was one born every minute but this time there were three... In returning frm there weary wanderers has to stop for sum repast to fill the emptiness frm not getting anythin at the Ham-fest (if U call it that). So whilst stoping at a resturant in Philly RZV had to see what the ladies rest rooms look like dwn there. CMA got so intoxicated frm that Coke that xxxxhe was seein square coffee cups instead of round. While all thiswas takin place ZRQ was the ladies man and the waitress (an old bat) was tryin to make Al's time and he wud hv gone out with her if'n Tony wud have relinqished the keys to his new Ford.. No such luck.. BNR has finally went es done it. Yes he has gone and got himself a job in a mill at Palmerton. Gess now he is surrounded o lot ff the opposite sex es don't miss all his gabbin frm on the 75 mtr foney band.
Wanted.. Oone slitely usedy used sky-hook fer YXS. seems he's been loadin up the rural neighbors wash lines with his ant.
12 ft. off the gnd.
A onstruction hint to PTm . Make sure hat the garage doors are bilt high enuff so U can get the wip frm the the mobile rig in ok... Where's the COW ??? Wat happened to the 75 watter frm Lansford??? If you note, he gets up frm his sitting positon quite often... Seems he don't want his air cussion to explode so he gives it a rest..
NEXT MEETINGS ****OCT 10 th and24 th.

ARRL MOVIES * * OCT. 24 th *** ARRL MOVIES

Just to ceall to your attention once again that comingin November it will be nomination of officers. Give this sum gud consideration as to who you want in as officer for the coming year.
Voting on the officers nominated will take place in December and the installation will take place in January.

SMART TARC

The Leagle Beagle sez if you want to get Ur "Call License Plates" fer 1956 you need to fill out form RGV 6 A and send in not later than January 1st. A limited quantity of these forms are still available from the TARC Sec'y. or write Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Harrisburg asking der same.

A proposed change in Club by-laws is not far in the offing. For further info, see U at club meetings or keep posted with theWrapper.

The TARC had an Arrl movie on Capasitance at the meeting of the 26th. This was vy educational to OT es new-cummers. Another movie is skeduled fer Oct. 24. The TARC has been takin in quite a numb er of the younger generation es will try to hold up to its by-laws in teaching then what "HAM" radio is about. A complete training program is being planned by the club officers. Can U teach the club sumthing about a certain item in ur chack? If so get in touch with any of the Club members. We guarantee you will not be laughed at, but be appreciated by the Club members for the education gotten from these little class-room talks during the meetings.

At the present time we have Professor of Neuclear Physics, Anthony Sarli of the Tamaqua Hi-school faculty, who will give a few lectures in the mathematics used in Ham radio. Also the Embraserie of Radio and TVI fame K.W. Pfeil (the K.W. stands fer kilowat) who is a former tacher of the Franklin Electric School, who will teach a course in "Fundamental Principles in Radio". I'm sure that all os us cud use sum more book lernin and find out how to juggle the figures a little better and also find out more about what takes place in your rig when you press the key or talk into the mike. All this es a lot more is planned fer the fall season. Hpe to C. U. at the TARC meetin.

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The TARC boys were ready and waiting for IONE but fortunately she changed her mind, as women have the privilege of doing, and it is one time every one was glad. Learning quite a bit from her sister Diane, the boys were set up and waiting. KJJ, ZRQ, RZV, ZPW, CMA, YXS es SWL Maisitis were down the Borough Hall and put up a Half Wave Windom or 80 mtrs. Which is to be up permanently. ZRQ es RZV handled the roof situation and KJJ, CMA es SWL were on the other side of the tracks and wires stringing up the Antenna. CMA had to climb the tree and sat up there watching the others work until they had the wire over and up to him. The rig was ZPW's Viking and ZRQ's NC 101X

Thanks to YXS we had the Field day generator sitting there waiting in case of power failure.

After the set up was completed the boys ZRQ, KJJ es CMA, ZPW spent several hours keeping pace with the hurricane. As it moved about her position was noted and given to the pólice. When it was noted that there was no imminent danger, the Tarc went off the air, but kept the set up intact in the event of any emergency the following day.

The local authorities were very well pleased with the set up and many good and encouraging comments made, so good in fact, that they suggest that it become a permanent one, for any future emergencies.

OPERATING TIPS FOR NOVICE OPS.

By KJJ

Since our club has so many new Novice Class Ops. who never had any operating instructions before, here are a few tips that should help you make clean snappy contacts.

1. When you call CQ use the 3 x3 method. Example CQ CQ CQ de WN3COW WN3COW, WN3COW, WN3COW repeated 3 times and sign with the letter K. After the CQ is called, listen on your frequency first, then search the rest of the band. If a station answers you but you cannot copy him correctly send QRZ three times then your call 3 times and end with K. QRZ means "By whom am I being called--never use QRZ in place of a CQ.

2. After you make contact with the other station, this is a good procedure to follow Example--WN3CMA DE WN3COW. BT tnx for call OM es GLD to QSO. UR sigs RST 579x Hr in Lansford, Pa. Name hr is TED. Pse QRK, es QTH AR WN3CMA De WN3COW K never use "back to you" and

such other practices because K means the same thing.

3. When WN3CMA comes back he should follow this procedure if he copeid solid or OK.---WN3COW de WN3CMA--R tnx Rpt es QTH Ted--Then go go into the report, QTH, name and after that anything you want to pass along.

R means every thing copied solid--never send R if you did not copy solid or correctly.

If you do not want any other station to break in on your QSO then sign over with KN instead of K. This is used mostly when working a DX station.

4. When signing off. Sign with the following: WN3CMA de WN3COW SK. If you are closing your station down use the following: WN3CMA de WN3COW SK CL.

Some more operating tips will follow from time to time, following the above, operating tips should help make you sound like an old timer instead of a novice.

CHIPS AND CHATTER FRM THE PRES-E-DENT-E

So here I sit in front of the mill saying to myself, "What can I tell the boy's that they don't already know? "In the first place that is one of the reason's you haven't seen too many articles in the wrapper from me. So here goes, let the keys fall where they may. Hi.

First I would like to call to your attention that in November, nomination for the new officers will take place and it would be a gud idea to five this matter some consideration as to whom you would like to fill the chairs for the coming year. The club has celebrated it's first anniversay and we feel that we have accomplished quite a bit in our first year. But that is no reason to slow down, let's make the next year even better.

Not having seen the rest of the material that goes into make up the paper, I assume at the time for this writing, that the Editor has covered all the current happenings at the club meetings and it's associate activities. Therefore I will not dwell on them. For you who haven't heard we are now sporting a new B & W 5100 here in the shack and enjoying it very much. No more do we have to call our head off trying to make a contact. Now the flower station really get's out. Hi. Had very nice QSO with W3PTM this evening and it sure was good to hear him back on the air. You boy's should see the new garage Hub is constructing. Is the XYL going to send you and the rig out to the garage Hub? S ome people up here would like to send me me some where with a one-Way ticket. Hi Hi.

Tommy Isleib, one of the newer licensed Novice's, dropped into the shack this afternoon. He inform's me that the Army radio School, which he is attending up in Mass. has such good instructors that they had him copying twenty one words a minute on the typewriter and he has only been up there a month. Not bad at all Tom. We will be looking for those speed certificates hanging on your wall when you are released from the Army. They also have use of two rigs at the base and can use them on Sunday's. One is a KW-rig. So W1BYV please take note and take a run over there on Sundays and get on that fone rig and we will have a good old time rag chew. Hi. W1BYV is Jack Steinert formally from Tamaqua, Penna. now working in South Deerfield, Mass., and a B. W. with the Bottled Gas Co. up there.

Well this is enough for this time maybe we can find more next time.

Best of Luck es 73----Tex

TID BITS

On the air connversation--You don't have to be crazy to be a Ham Operator but it sure helps.----Overheard W3___sed that W2---is DIT crazy.___ W4---answering sez--DOTS right.

By the way COW is still sporting his air cushion --That ground Plane still acting up.