

TRAFFIC CALL



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Hit and Bounce Net M-F 7042 kHz - S-S 7114 kHz 8:30 AM ET
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SILENT KEY W3JKX 1922-2011

Earle H. Lewis, Jr., 88, of Pottstown, husband of Jane R. (Royer) Lewis, died Saturday [January 1, 2011] at Pottstown Memorial Medical Center. Born in Phoenixville, he was the son of the late Earle H. Lewis and Ruth (Allott) Thomas.

He was a 1939 graduate of Phoenixville High School. Mr. Lewis was employed as a tool & die maker with the former Synthane Taylor Corp., Oaks.

He had served in the Coast Guard during WWII as a radioman with the Greenland Patrol and later did radio transmission intercept work in Lima, Peru. Mr. Lewis was a member of First United Methodist Church, Pottstown, and the Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks Lodge #814, Pottstown. He was an avid amateur radio operator and a member of the American Radio Relay League and the Rag Chewers Club.

Surviving in addition to his wife is one son, Allan M. Lewis, Takoma Park, MD; one daughter, Bonnie L. Merkel, wife of Gene Merkel, Charleston, SC; one grandson, Curtis A. Mack; one stepdaughter, Barbara Ayres, Manahawkin, NJ, one stepson, Dennis Kirk, Pottstown; six step-grandchildren, Tami Knopp; Sherri Holt; Karen Texter; Frederick Knopp; Randy Kirk; Sara Nordeen, and eight step great-grandchildren. Memorial services were held on Thursday, January 6, 2011 from the Schumacher & Benner Funeral Home & Crematory, 359 King Street, Pottstown, the Reverend Will Humes officiating.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in his memory to the First United Methodist Church, 414 High Street, Pottstown, PA 19464. Arrangements are by the Schumacher & Benner Funeral Home & Crematory, at 359 King St. in Pottstown. Our web site exists to serve the friends and family of the deceased.

Goto: <http://www.schumacherandbenner.com> to extend sympathies and access additional service details.

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ATIBUTE After many many years of dedicated service to HBN, Jack, KA8WNO, has [stepped down] as a Net Control Station. There are not enough words to express our thanks to Jack, but we will miss him running the net, and know that we will still hear him checking in. His

service is one of the reasons why HBN is what is today. Thank you Jack, we all thank you and wish you well. 73.

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Larry Frazer W4SUS Award

People come into our lives and pass through swiftly. A very few come into our lives and remain forever in our hearts. Larry Frazer was one of the very few. - Jack K2GWN

**January - June 2011
K2TV**

Note: The committee awarded K2TV, Bob, for the six month period, . Being we were so late with this, I made the decision to let W1KX hold onto it until December, 2010, and Bob take it over for the first 6 months of next year, (2011) so we can get a fresh start. -W2EAG

Read Bob's comments on page 3.

**July - December 2011
N4DY**

It is a pleasure to announce, after a unanimous vote by the committee, that Des, N4DY is the new recipient of the W4SUS Award. Des has been an outstanding member in his commitment to the net by his checkins, traffic handling, and cw fist. He is well deserved of this prestigious award. -W2EAG

FROM THE MANAGER

Greetings Everyone! I hope you had a joyous Holiday Season and that 2011 will bring good health and prosperity to all.

The New Year has started out nicely on HBN, please look at the yearly 2010 totals printed elsewhere in this edition of TC. My sincere thanks to all stations that

checked in, brought traffic, and relayed traffic. A big round of applause to all.

Of course, the net could not function without our top-notch Net Control Stations. I consider HBN to be similar to a morning edition of the Eastern Area Net because of the area we cover to get traffic relayed or delivered, and the quality and diversity of the membership and our Net controls abilities.

It seems to me that since we made the change of frequency to 7.114, that the net has not skipped a beat. Some mornings it gets quite busy around net time, but the NCS' do a good job of finding a clear spot to "fire up " the net. However, I have heard on several occasions, stations tuning on top of QSO's in progress. Please be reminded that we do not "own" the frequency. Listen carefully before transmitting before the net starts. Courtesy always comes first in Amateur Radio.

I would again like to thank the NCS' for getting the net reports to Will, K4IWW, in such a timely fashion, and thank you Will for your fine work keeping the records for us. It is much appreciated.

Traffic Call is for all members to enjoy. As you can imagine, it has a wide distribution. Please do not hesitate to send articles of interest to Sis, WD8DIN. Biographies, Health and Welfare, antenna work, new radio gear you like, anything pertaining to ham radio, especially traffic handling. We can always make a great newsletter even better. How about it?

I hope band conditions improve as the year progresses. I also hope that Sis will get some antenna work done so we can get her back on the net. Sincere good wishes to all, take care and Happy New Year.

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HBN	2010	2009	2008
QNI	6,414	6,295	6,772
QTC	6,768	7,639	8,425
QSP	6,600	7,287	7,721
QND	11,994	12,283	12,895
Sess	365	365	366

REMINDER —Freq changes: Remember that not everyone has automatic tuning. If you are sent off to another frequency to pass traffic, please allow a little extra time for the other station to load the antenna. Don, WB8KPE, lost a couple of stations that way twice one day. *[I don't have one either. I like the "low-tech" rigs. Got enough troubles with hi-tech computers. Hi. -Sis]*

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(Manager, cont.) NET CONTROLS. Our NCS Staff has been doing a super job, and I cannot thank them enough. They have had to contend with terrible band conditions all year. They know when to get relays and help from other stations to get the job done.

I also want to say thanks to all of our members who are so patient awaiting instructions from the NCS. For the most part they are attentive and ready to go when instructed. Congratulations to everyone who participates on HBN. This is why you are called "traffic hounds." I sincerely thank you, you are a class act.

73 ARF
Mark W2EAG

The Award

For those of you who asked, and for those who do not know, this is how the Larry Frazer award began:

After Larry's tragic death on September 30, 1992, seventeen of his HBN friends set up the Larry Frazer Memorial Fund:

N1DHT,W1EOF,WA1TBY,W2EAG,WI2G,K2GWN,
W2WSS,W3KOD,W3QQ,K3RC,WA3UNX,W4DJ
W4FRR,NJ4L,K4MTX,K4ZB,WB5ZJN,KA8WNO

All members of the Hit and Bounce Net were asked to submit suggestions as to how to use the fund. The decision was made to purchase a suitable trophy to be awarded to a deserving member in memory of W4SUS. Mike, KA5NNG suggested the paddle. Jack, K2GWN inspired the inscription and the tribute.

Don, WA3UNX took charge of the purchase, engraving and the dust cover. Jack, KA8WNO offered to build a sturdy shipping carton if needed and Pete, W2WSS volunteered to design a certificate to accompany the trophy.

The first award committee was Jack KA8WNO, George N1DHT and Gale NJ4L. Second committee was Don WA3UNX, Harry, N3DE, and John, K8LJG. The paddle was awarded quarterly until January 2007, at which time it was discontinued. It was resumed January 2010, and the current Award Committee is composed of some four Hit and Bounce Net members: WD8Q Chair, W2EAG, W2MTA, and K8LJG. [K8LJG, John, is an original Award Committee member.]

An added note – the FB wooden case protecting the W4SUS keyer was constructed by one of the original WASC members, Jack KA8WNO.

Bob's Comments about the Award paddles

I got the W4SUS paddle OK via Priority mail from W1KX. Needless to say that I am honored to have it for six months.

I notice that the Plexiglas cover with the W4SUS call engraved on it has been replaced with another plastic case that is cracked in several places.

The key arrived in great condition and I am going to look around to see if there is a heavy duty Plexiglas case available to replace the old one. No guarantees, but I'm going to try. Jack did a nice job with the wooden box.

Might I also suggest that whomever ships the key, ships it via Priority mail because FedEx has the contract for the Postal Service for Priority mail and they do a good job.

Bob Myers, K2TV website: <http://www.qsl.net/k2tv>

ROOA, DOB and Award recipient list can be found here: <http://hitandbounce.net/hbn-rooa.html>

The web site will be updated asap. Hopefully sooner rather than later. Sorry for all the trouble. [-Sis]



K2TV & Grandson

Treasurer's Report Treasurer, N4ABM Ole MWON4ABM@aol.com

Balance 10/25/2010 \$279.67
Pd po/pr 11/24/2010 (\$56.11)
Balance 11/24/2010 \$223.56
AA8PI 2/11/2011 \$20.00
Balance 2/16/2011 \$243.56

To make a contribution, make check
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Ashby Ponds 21125 Cardinal Pond Terrace
Apt. 319, Ashburn, VA 20147

**Lancaster Hamfest
Sunday August 28th**

Only \$5 admission includes unlimited flea market pace
Buy or Sell with ten acres for Flea Market

**Bowen Road Grove and Grounds
3845 Bowen Rd, Lancaster NY 14086
(Suburb of Buffalo)**

7:30 am - till Talk In - 147.255 pl 107.2

APRS Beacon Ham fest

Web site & Maps <http://gbhamfest.hamgate.net>

For more information send request to:

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**ARL Forty-Six
July - Belated
1 W2MTA BILL
5 WD9F WOODY
14 WB8KPE DON
17 N4DY DES
21 W2EAG MARK**

**August
5 K4MSG PAUL
8 W2PL PHIL
24 KC8GMT LORA
30 KX8B CHUCK
30 W4VFJ CHARLES**

HBSN	JUNE QNI	2011 QTC
VE3GNA	17	34
KG2HA	2	0
WB2GTG	16	5
K2TV	18	11
WA3JXW	9	6
WD8Q	11	1
KK3F	16	17
N1JX	22	0
WD8DHC	1	0
KT2D	3	1
K3IN	2	0
W2EAG	1	0
W1KX	19	2
WB8WKQ	1	1
WE2G	2	5
WA2WMJ	1	0
KB2ETO	11	0

HBSN	NCS	ROSTER
MONDAY		WD8Q
TUESDAY		VE3GNA
WEDNESDAY		K2TV
THURSDAY		KK3F
FRIDAY		W1KX
SATURDAY		KT2D
SUNDAY		WA3JXW

HBSN JUNE	2011
Sessions	19
No info for Sun.	Jun 19
Total QNI:	155
Total QTC:	96
Total QTR:	582
Avg min/sess:	20
Avg tfc/sess:	3.3
Rate tfc/min:	.165

HBSN	MAY	2011
	QNI	QTC
AB1AV	1	0
K2TV	22	10
K3IN	3	0
K9PUI	1	0
KB2ETO	10	0
KC1DI	4	0
KG2HA	26	0
KK3F	7	3
KT2D	5	7
N1JX	22	0
N3SW	1	0
N9KHD	2	0
VE3GNA	18	64
W1KX	18	1
W2EAG	1	0
WA2CUW	1	0
WA3JXW	23	18
WB2GTG	13	11
WB8WKQ	2	0
WD8DHC	1	0
WD8Q	13	7
WE2G	1	1

HBSN MAY	2011
Sessions:	31
Total QNI:	197
Total QTC:	122
Total QTR:	695
Avg Time/session	22.4
Avg Tfc/sess:	3.94
Rate msg/min:	.176

HBN	MAY 2011	QNI	QTC
KA 8WNO	30	VE 3GNA	224
WB 8KPE	28	K 8LJG	54
K 8KV	28	KW 1U	50
W 2MTA	27	KA 8WNO	38
W 2EAG	26	W 1WCG	33
WD 8PNL	26	W 2EAG	28
K 4IWW	25	KK 3F	14
W 1WCG	24	W 1KX	12
WA 4BAM	24	WA 2CUW	9
N 4DY	23	W 8IM	8
W 1KX	22	WB 8WKQ	8
WA 2CUW	21	WD 8PNL	7
K 2TV	20	WD 8Q	7
VE 3GNA	20	KT 2D	7
K 8LJG	18	N 1OTC	7
KW 1U	16	WB 8KPE	4
W 8IM	14	K 4IWW	4
KA 5NNG	13	WA 3JXW	4
WB 8WKQ	12	W 4WXA	4
WD 8Q	11	K 8KV	3
WA 3JXW	10	N 4DY	3
KK 3F	9	K 1EIR	3
K 1EIR	7	KA 5NNG	2
K 4YMB	7	K 4YMB	2
KT 2D	6	WA 4BAM	1
K 4OSO	6	K 2TV	1
W 4VFJ	6	K 9NY	1
KB 2ETO	4	W 2MTA	0
WB 8SIW	4	K 4OSO	0
W 2PL	3	W 4VFJ	0
W 4WXA	3	KB 2ETO	0
WD 8DHC	3	WB 8SIW	0
KC 0M	2	W 2PL	0
AB 1AV	2	WD 8DHC	0
N 1BHH	2	KC 0M	0
N 1OTC	2	AB 1AV	0
K 3MIY	2	N 1BHH	0
VE 3TPZ	2	K 3MIY	0
K 3RC	1	VE 3TPZ	0
N 3SW	1	K 3RC	0
K 4MSG	1	N 3SW	0
K 7IFG	1	K 4MSG	0
WA 9AQN	1	K 7IFG	0
K 9NY	1	WA 9AQN	0
K 9PUI	1	K 9PUI	0
K 5KV*	1	K 5KV	0

HBN QNS JUNE 2011

	QNI	QTC
K 1EIR	8	1
W 1KX	28	16
N 1OTC	2	11
KW 1U	24	45
W 1WCG	22	16
WA 2CUW	6	1
KT 2D	2	1
W 2EAG	30	49
KB 2ETO	4	0
W 2MTA	26	2
K 2TV	26	10
WA 2WMJ	1	0
KK 3F	21	26
VE 3GNA	19	149
WA 3JXW	3	0
N 3SW	1	0
WA 4BAM	24	0
N 4DY	24	7
WB 4FDT	1	0
K 4IWW	27	9
K 4MSG	9	3
K 4OSO	12	5
W 4VFJ	3	0
KA 5NNG	5	0
WD 8DHC	4	2
W 8IM	16	3
WB 8KPE	24	6
K 8KV	25	8
K 8LJG	17	53
WD 8PNL	29	3
WD 8Q	11	7
WB 8SIW	3	0
WB 8WKQ	8	10
KA 8WNO	29	42
WA 9AQN	2	1
K 9NY	1	1
K 9PUI	2	0
KC ØM	2	0

HBN JUNE TOTALS				
	2011	2010	2009	2008
QNI	501	498	502	451
QTC	487	738	640	554
QSP	459	722	598	523
QND	996	1074	934	898
Sess	30	30	30	30

The SSB HBN-Type traffic net

-WB8WKQ

For the last few years, I've become involved with the 75 Meter Interstate Sideband Net. Its an independent SSB traffic net, that in a way, I feel is the equivalent of a phone Hit and Bounce type net. There aren't a whole lot of arfers that check in there. Myself, and Pat KK3F come to mind. We really have the south covered pretty well (not to say we wouldn't take more help there), but where we are lacking is N.E. Very little 1s or 2s check in.

The net meets at 0100Z on 3985 every night of the year. What I was wondering, is, would there be some way we could encourage maybe some of the arfers to take a look at checking into the 75 Meter ISBN? Especially some N.E. help? Maybe you're not aware of this net. I was wondering if we could somehow "join hands" and encourage each of the nets to support the other. They're at opposite times (HBN - morning, ISBN - night) so they wouldn't conflict. Maybe we can even do some "cross traffic" work. We try and originate our own messages, as to not take away from the Cyclic NTS system. Just an idea that I wanted to run past you.

From the editor:

This newsletter is almost a year late- (I just realized that). I sincerely apologize to all of you. Had I started in time, it might have been done before my main computer "died". I worked on it for a couple of weeks but it was terminal. [*No, Mike, I did not "kill" it.*] This older one, from 2002, seems to be on its last leg now, but not doing bad for its age. It reboots itself at times, so I have to "save" often. Hi. The "new and improved" programs just won't do right with the old equipment. Come to think of it, progress isn't always best. However, I will order a new one from the local dealer sometime next week.

The remaining stats will be included in the next issue.

Roster: Look it over and let Mark or me know of any errors or omissions. It will be posted on the website asap.

The web site: The tools for editing the site are useless until I get help with the ftp program. However, during all this, I was seriously wishing I had my manual typewriter that I gave away about two years ago. Hi.

-73 Sis WD8DIN

2010 TOTALS HBN

<u>CALL</u>	<u>QNI</u>	<u>CALL</u>	<u>QTC</u>
KA 8WNO	345	N 1OTC	1415
N 4DY	329	KW 1U	1023
K 4IWW	325	K 8LJG	915
W 2EAG	318	VE 3GNA	782
WA 4BAM	302	KA 8WNO	344
K 8KV	296	W 2EAG	325
W 1WCG	283	N 4ABM	244
W 1KX	255	W 1WCG	243
N 4ABM	254	WB 8WKQ	193
K 8LJG	232	K 8KV	183
KW 1U	231	K 3MIY	150
K 2TV	223	WA 4BAM	110
KK 3F	213	WD 8Q	100
WD 8PNL	203	WD 8PNL	66
W 2MTA	195	WD 4DNC	65
VE 3GNA	176	K 4IWW	59
WD 8Q	165	N 4DY	57
WA 3JXW	162	K 2TV	57
K 4OSO	162	WA 3JXW	46
N 1OTC	156	KT 2D	45
KA 5NNG	152	KK 3F	39
W 8IM	146	K 4MSG	38
K 4MSG	129	W 1KX	36
WB 8WKQ	124	WB 8RFB	36
KT 2D	106	W 4WXA	36
WA 2CUW	102	W 2MTA	35
WB 8KPE	100	W 8IM	31
K 3MIY	78	K 3RC	31
K 3RC	67	WB 9JSR	26
WD 8DIN	64	KA 5NNG	18
WB 8RFB	56	WB 8KPE	14
N ØSPY	50	WA 2CUW	12
WB 9JSR	46	N 9NY	10
WD 8DHC	45	N 3SW	9
K 7IFG	36	K 9PUI	8
W 4VFJ	29	K 9NY	8
WD 4DNC	25	WD 8DHC	7
N 3SW	24	K 4BG	7
K 1EIR	21	W 8RTN	7
K 9PUI	21	K 1EIR	6
K 1BTD	17	K 4OSO	4
W 4WXA	17	WA 9AQN	4
WA 9AQN	17	KX 8B	3
KC 1DI	11	WD 8DIN	2

W 2PL	8	AB 1AV	2
N 1BHH	7	N ØSPY	1
N 9NY	7	KA 3OCS	1
K 9NY	6	K 8DD	1
N 3COR	5	K 7IFG	0
KR 3E	5	W 4VFJ	0
K 4BG	5	K 1BTD	0
KB 8NOD	5	KC 1DI	0
WB 4FSF	4	W 2PL	0
K 5NER	4	N 1BHH	0
KX 8B	4	N 3COR	0
AB 1AV	3	KR 3E	0
VE 3TPZ	3	KB 8NOD	0
KJ 4FDV	3	WB 4FSF	0
W 4VLL	3	K 5NER	0
N 3ND	2	VE 3TPZ	0
WB 4FDT	2	KJ 4FDV	0
K 5KV	2	W 4VLL	0
AB 5TY	2	N 3ND	0
KA 8KCR	2	WB 4FDT	0
W 8OLO	2	K 5KV	0
N 8RGF	2	AB 5TY	0
W 8RTN	2	KA 8KCR	0
WB 8SIW	2	W 8OLO	0
WB 9FIU	2	N 8RGF	0
N ØHT	1	WB 8SIW	0
W ØQXN	1	WB 9FIU	0
N 1CKE	1	N ØHT	0
KØ 1E	1	W ØQXN	0
KØ 1T	1	N 1CKE	0
WB 2JNA	1	KØ 1E	0
K 2VCO	1	KØ 1T	0
VE 3GT	1	WB 2JNA	0
W 3JKX	1	K 2VCO	0
KA 3OCS	1	VE 3GT	0
WB 4EDB	1	W 3JKX	0
KA 4KSB	1	WB 4EDB	0
KB 4T	1	KA 4KSB	0
AL 7LV	1	KB 4T	0
K 8DD	1	AL 7LV	0
KA 8NYY	1	KA 8NYY	0
W 9ILF	1	W 9ILF	0
W 9PRD	1	W 9PRD	0



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