

# THE TARA NEWS

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## BEST FIELD DAY EVER !!

Now that I've had a couple of weeks I think it's time to reflect back on this year's TARA Field Day. I know for myself I had a few jitters going into this year's Field Day weekend. I hadn't heard that much chatter on our repeater system prior to Field Day and with the changes we've made this year I began to wonder if we maybe made the wrong decisions. Well, at about 12:30 PM on that Friday I began to see the results that we've come accustom to...lots of volunteers! In fact with the amount of volunteers we had and with the lighter load the gang got loaded in record time and was in route to Frear Park earlier than ever before.

Friday just seemed to be a day that was fast paced to me. Everything that the setup crew did just seemed to click along so smoothly and efficiently. I know over the last couple of year's we had a number of things that just set us back but this year it just seemed that everyone was determined that nothing is going to get in their way.

The new improvements this year paid big dividends early in the weekend. The most notable addition this year was the new TARA Communications Trailer that Ken Smith, WA2TQK, built and donated to the club. This trailer had all of our towers and other related equipment loaded on board. Ken was able to maneuver this trailer up to each of our 3 tower sites and unload all of the necessary equipment. That was pretty cool! The next thing that I observed was just how easy the new tower stakes went in the ground. In year's past our setup crew spent literally HOURS getting those stakes driven/screwed into the ground. This year I bet they had all of the tower bases and stakes in the ground in about an hour and a half! Heck, we even had extra sledge hammers this year!!

Many will remember that last year we lost a lot of time waiting for a stinking sledge that had to be located. This year that was not the case the crew was better prepared.

For those of you that couldn't make it to our Field Day we set this up differently this year. We relocated our tents more to



the East and closer to the parking lot to make it easier for all. The new site seemed to be a hit with many of the folks that attended the event. The setup crew had all of our tents erected and operating tables in place by around 3:45 PM on Friday afternoon. Again, fast paced!

This year it was actually the report of inclement weather that slowed things down a bit. The setup crew was so fast that they actually ran out of things they could do early in the evening hours. With the treat of rain the crew held off on actually setting up each of the stations like we do each year. And, by the time darkness set in all of the towers and beams were in place ready to be cranked up on Saturday. Oh yeah I almost forgot to acknowledge the great job that Mike, N2JVE, did with filling in for Roy, N2OWC, who couldn't join us this year for setup. Mike stepped in and by early evening he had everything wired and connected to the generators. This is never an easy job but I know a lot of folks were sure glad that Mike could fill in for Roy.

On Saturday I was again pleased with the number of folks that showed up early to get things ready for the 2:00 PM starting time. [Continued on Page 2](#)



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# Field Day 2006 - Another Great Success !!

The major work seemed to be getting the radios and related equipment in place and configured for operating. While Steve, KF2WA, finished putting his final touches on the computer network the rest of the gang finished all of the tower work that needed to be completed for the start of Field Day. With all of the volunteers nobody had to bust their guts and things went quite smoothly. Well, there was one exception to that. It seems that a certain person who will remain anonymous wanted to see just how cranked he could get "Mr.Bill" and reported that one of our "new" Icom radios had no output power. Yep, he got Mr.Bill all cranked but it turned out to be a bad band pass filter.

I'd really like to congratulate Karen, KS2O, on another fine job of coordinating this year's Field Day Barbecue. I know for fact that she spend a great deal of time making plans with the caterer but the end results couldn't have been more perfect! Our catering firm told us they'd make this an enjoy- able function and they were not kidding. This was our first year of using Classe Catering of Albany and by the reactions I observed from the gang it certainly might not be that last. These guys were ready to feed us at 1:45 PM and the main meal was ready at 5:45 PM. I know we've always had some excellent food in years past and lots of it but this year I think it was the best yet. Plus, it was very nice to see all of those that normally put the feed on for us being able to sit and enjoy their meals too.

Saturday was a great day for keeping the radios busy. We had several new folks that volunteered to operate and they did one hell of a job. We ran in the "3-A" category and we had a GOTA Station too. I was delighted to see that our over night crew kept us going. Usually we're pretty thin on operators for the night shift but this year we managed to change that around. I want to acknowledge the great job that Lisa, KC2OEA and Ray, N2VLY did to assure us that our Field Day site was secure into the night time hours. Plus, the both of them did a lot more operating this year and the results showed up in our score.

Another member that racked up some serious QSO's was Mike, N2QDK. He took control of the 20 Meter station and his results were big too. Joining the over night gang this year were Beth, KC2BSC and Brother Rich, KC2FOL. Beth made it a point to come back at 2:00 AM to get on a radio and better her skills. If you could have heard her on Sunday talking about beating her contacts over last year you'd be just as excited as I was. If I'm not mistaken Brother Rich showed up to keep the 40 Meter station pumping along at 5:00 AM until the early morning shift showed up. I know there was others too that operated over night but I don't have everyone's names or calls. I want you to know no matter when you operated our stations that this club appreciates your services.

I had a chance to operate myself on Sunday morning and the bands were pretty darn good. Also, the new radio's I thought were working just perfect! I had my top logger Karen, KS2O, helping me and we were able to make some good runs. We ran a good number on 40 Meters and then moved to 15 Meters where the band was jumping. You know in all of the years that I've been involved with doing Field Day activities this was the first year I really wished I had a lot more time to operate. And by the way, we made nearly 1500 QSO's which I believe is our 2nd highest total EVER!

Teardown began right after the gang had a bite to eat. Again, we were trying to get things torn down before the weather turned on us and we did! A number of fresh volunteers showed up for the Sunday tear down and once again it was fast paced. The efficiency of the gang was very impressive to witness. Everyone worked hard together yet there were still time for the normal joking and fooling around. Overall by around 4:00 PM everything was torn down and loaded! This year we loaded all of our tower equipment and the tents into the communications trailer. The trailer was later relocated to Roy's house and we did not have to unload this stuff. Plus, it will be ready to roll next year. Shortly after 4:30 or so everyone was out of the park and in route to Mac & Karen's house to unload the truck.

In closing I want to say, "Thank You" to all of you that attended our Field Day. We had a perfect weekend and to see that many people having a good time was well worth the effort that this club puts into its Field Day's. However, the greatest accomplishment this year was.....everyone had a great time and got home SAFELY!!

I'll be looking for you again next June for Field Day 2007!

**73 de NY2U "Mr. Bill"**



# ARES/RACES TEAMS HANDLE FLOOD DUTY IN MIDDLE ATLANTIC STATES

Amateur Radio volunteers this week supported communication or remained on alert to assist relief organizations and local emergency managers in flood-stricken regions of the Eastern US. Widespread flooding in several states claimed at least a dozen lives. ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania PIO Bob Josuweit, WA3PZO, says ham radio volunteers in 10 counties in his Section actively aided local law enforcement, emergency management agencies and the Red Cross, which set up about a dozen evacuation centers.

"Hams in some areas may be on duty for several days as river levels slowly drop below flood stage," Josuweit told ARRL June 29. The Delaware River -- which separates New Jersey and Pennsylvania -- crested June 29, and the Susquehanna River a day earlier.

Locally in the Albany Capitol District The Red Cross put out a dire request for ARES radio operators. Jim Noble, K2ZP Rensselaer County EC put ARES on Alert status and requested any available operators to contact him for possible duty and dispatch from the Albany Red Cross Chapter House to flooded areas in Upstate NY.

A mandatory evacuation order affecting some 200,000 residents of the Wilkes Barre area in Luzerne County was lifted June 29. Josuweit reports that the Susquehanna crested at nearly 34 feet, 12 feet above flood stage for that area. "In areas where the water has already receded, many utilities are still out of service and local officials are advising residents to stay away from their homes until at least Saturday [July 1]," Josuweit said.

Despite flooding in the area, Josuweit says the Wilkes Barre hamfest <http://www.qsl.net/k3yt1> sponsored by the Murgas Amateur Radio Club will go on as scheduled Sunday, July 2, at the Luzerne County Fairgrounds, Route 118, Lake Lehman.

ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Emergency Coordinator Al Rabenau, W3AHR, reported the Schuylkill River receding as of June 29. He said Bucks County ARES had been on alert status since June 28. Members established a VHF repeater net and have been staffing several EOCs and shelters. Bucks County EC Harris Stein, NY3H, says ARES/RACES was trimming down some operations at week's end but will continue Red Cross support through the holiday weekend. He anticipates needing operators to assist with damage assessment July 1 and to replace shelter operators.

Due to topography, flooding along the Delaware typically is worst in Bucks County and in Hunterdon County, New Jersey. ARRL Hunterdon County District Emergency Coordinator David Kanitra, WB2AZE, this week placed Hunterdon ARES on a Level 1 alert for possible deployment to assist RACES.

In Mercer County, New Jersey, Emergency Coordinator Kip Burnett, KB2EGI, reported his ARES/RACES team was on standby and no longer staffing the EOC, which remains active. "We may be needed later to assist with water deployment or some other situation," he said. ARES/RACES personnel at the EOC this week monitored river levels.

Burnett called the flooding "basically a repeat of the October 2004 and April 2005 floods," and said officials evacuated the same locations -- an area called "The Island" -- in Trenton as well as parts of Titusville. Conventional communication systems remained intact.

In Binghamton, New York, and surrounding Broome County authorities ordered the evacuation of some 15,000 residents as the Susquehanna and Chenango rivers overflowed their banks, putting some neighborhoods under several feet of water. Parts of Interstates 81 and 88 as well as State Route 17 were closed.

In Delaware last weekend, Justin Kates, KB3JUV, says ARES volunteers diverted their attention from Field Day and prepared to support communication in the wake of flooding in Sussex County, which received 15 inches of rain in some areas. "Emergency management had a difficult time providing road and medical crews to the affected areas due to the high water," Kates told ARRL. The weather event also disrupted conventional communication systems.

While formal activation was unnecessary, Amateur Radio volunteers remained poised to supply any needed communication assistance. A SKYWARN activated, however and volunteers relayed rainfall reports as well as road and highway reports.



# WESTERN NEW YORK HAM MARKS 100TH BIRTHDAY

ARRL Member Horace Staley, KA2HDO, of Walton, New York, turned 100 years old on June 6. ARRL President Joel Harrison, W5ZN, took note of the occasion to extend best wishes on behalf of the League.

"Congratulations on reaching the one-century mark with your birthday on June 6," Harrison, said this week in an e-mail greeting to Staley. "Your enthusiasm for life and your dedication to amateur are a great example we can all admire and be proud of. CU on the bands!"

A longtime member of the Walton Radio Association, Staley is an active ham, and he continues to run the Walton Radio Association Monday evening CW net. His decades of experience make him a wonderful mentor, says his friend John Hampel, AB2IC. Staley answers questions that club members e-mail, and he checks into the club's 2-meter net every Wednesday evening with well-thought-out questions or solutions, he said.

A widower, Staley lives independently, is in good health and still drives a car. While the ARRL does not keep statistics on the oldest radio amateur in the US or even the oldest League member, Staley likely would be at or near the top of the list.

The Walton Radio Association staged a surprise birthday party for Staley on June 4, complete with a birthday cake bedecked with strawberry slices. He took the opportunity to talk about his life, starting with his time in China and continuing through the last 75 years he's lived in New York.

"It was fascinating; all were amazed," Hampel said. "It is an honor to be his friend."



# Hudson Division Announces 2006 Award Winners

A few days before Field Day The Hudson Division met via a teleconference call to select the 2006 recipients of division wide awards. The selection committee was chaired by Hudson Division Vice Director, Joyce Birmingham, KA2ANF and consisted of the following six Hudson Division Assistant Directors:

Diane Ortiz Tranos - K2DO, Nancy Rosner- N2TKA, Jim Jackson- NS2K, Doug Rue- W2EN, Bob Chamberlain, N2KBC and Fred Fittee- WA2MMX..

This year there were nineteen nominations in the three categories and the decisions made were not easy ones. After a more than a two hour conference call the decision was made to grant the following awards in 2006:

Amateur of the Year - Barry Cohen, K2JV (from NNJ) nominated by: K2AL, WW2OLF, KC2KMK, N2VI, W2FMI and KC2ONP (New Providence ARC/SaltBrook School ARC)

Grand Ole Ham - Bob Raffaele, W2XM (from ENY) nominated by: K2XA Saul Abrams

Technical Achievement: Elmer Sharp, WA2YSM (from ENY) nominated by: KB2ZE - Donald Hitt

Special Recognition for Public Service Excellence: Jeff Schneller, N2HPO (NLI) nominated by: Mike Linsenco, N2YBB and Charles Gallo, KG2V

Jeff is a long time member of the Salvation Army Team Emergency NetworkResponse Network (SATERN) team in New York City and has responded during 9/11, the Flight 103 crash, and was in Mississippi after Hurricane Katrina. The committee was unanimous in granting Jeff this special award.

Thanks to Vice Director Joyce Birmingham and the committee for making these selections.

The awards will be presented at the 2006 Hudson Division Awards Dinner hosted by the Bergen Amateur Radio Association at the Holiday Inn in Saddle Brook New Jersey just off Route 80 on Saturday night, November 11th at 7 PM. Please attend to help us honor these outstanding Amateur Radio operators who truly make us all proud to be part of the Amateur Radio Service. Tickets are \$48 and an application form is available at <http://www.bara.org/>

We hope to see you there.

73 de Frank Fallon, N2FF  
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# Joseph Battaglia *A Series of Articles*

## By *John "Steve" VanSickle* WB2HPR

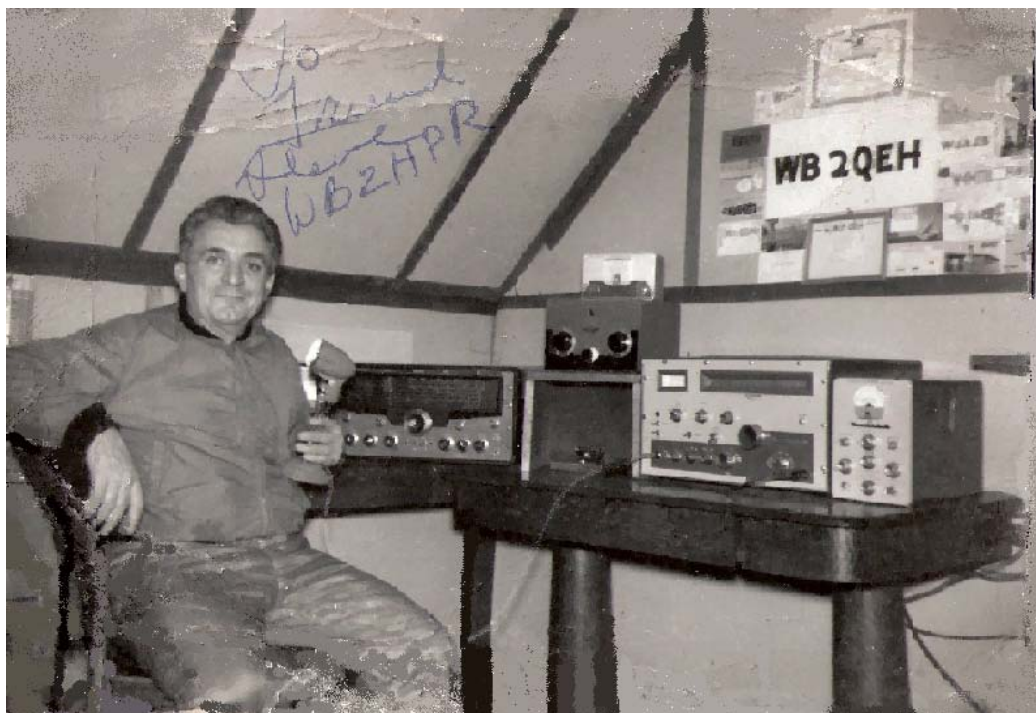
I had been a bona fide "Ham" radio operator for a little more than a year. During that time, I had advanced from Novice to General, and was anxious to get a transmitter with a VFO, leaving the rock-bound world of crystal control behind.

Being a relative newcomer to the local radio club in Schenectady, NY, each meeting opened another door to some technological marvel, and that lead my inquisitive mind on yet another learning expedition. And yes, there were always new faces to meet, and ideas to exchange.

It was at one such meeting that a slight man, with graying hair and stooped shoulders introduced himself to me. His name was Joe Battaglia, a barber from the uptown section of the city. He looked to be in his late 60's, and had a pleasant smile. He began to tell me of his youth, and how he was once a "ham" himself -- back in the days when call signs were simply the operator's initials. That was until the federal government began issuing licenses and assigning station call letters. His was 2CPA -- or "Two Certified Public Accountant" as he proudly recited.

Joe and I quickly became friends, and he told me that he wanted to regain his amateur radio privileges and license. He told me that he used to run a spark gap transmitter, with something called a Leyden jar as part of his power supply. It all sounded pretty strange and eerie, since I had my roots in vacuum tubes and had already played a bit with transistors. He asked me if I could help him practice the code. We began.

Two nights a week, Joe would drive over to the house to pick me up, since I was only 16 years old, and had no car. We went to his house, up in the attic, to study and practice Morse code. Little by little, Joe regained his proficiency, since he had never really forgotten, and we began to challenge one another. Each week would find a new addition to Joe's growing array of radio equipment. He could no longer tramp through the woods to pursue his hunting and fishing adventures, so had begun to sell off his sporting equipment. And he began to amass quite a collection of gear. One of his acquisitions was a war surplus Navy TCS radio system, made by Collins.



**My friend Joe Battaglia, WB2QEH in his shack chasing DX, his favorite pastime -- when he wasn't on 6 meters AM or 2 meters FM. Joe later received the call sign W2CPA, and is now a SK.**

# Joe Battaglia

It covered the entire 40-meter band, but the transmitter would not work. So I brought my tools, and went to work, repairing the antenna relay with a piece of metal cut from the side of a soup can.

Joe passed his General exam, on the first try, becoming WB2QEH. That old TCS rig got quite a workout! Pretty soon, he expanded his station, adding SSB equipment, and eventually VHF -- AM and FM. I sure was proud of my friend Joe. It was a great feeling to give something back, the way others had helped me! Joe eventually applied for, and received vanity call W2CPA.

Along the way, Joe demonstrated the merits of a vertical antenna, with an artificial ground called a counterpoise. Both of us put them up, building them with aluminum TV mast sections, about 40 feet high, and insulating them from ground using glass soda bottles.

I extended mine for 80 meters by adding a war-surplus whip, which converted it to 1/4 wave on 80 meters. These antennas worked just great!

Joe is now a SK. He had come full circle during the many years of his "new" hobby. It is now our duty to help others who may enter this great field; either by mentoring a newcomer, or by simply helping others sharpen their radio skills.

## Tech Talk

### Invention of the Yagi Antenna

If asked, many who have studied electronics would tell you Yagi antennas were invented by someone named Yagi. That would be only partly true. Yagi antennas were designed, constructed, and tested by two Japanese professors named Shintaro Uda and Hidetsugu Yagi. They began their work on the antenna in 1924.

Professor Uda first described their revolutionary design in 1926 in a Japanese-language article published in IEEJ and during a personal presentation the same year at Tohoku University. Professor Yagi published an English-language version of Uda's IEEJ article two years later in the June 1928 IRE Proceedings. Yagi's English version was more widely read than Uda's Japanese version, which is the reason Yagi's name became so widely associated with the antenna. A U.S. patent was granted to Yagi and assigned to RCA in 1932.

## New TARA Communications Trailer

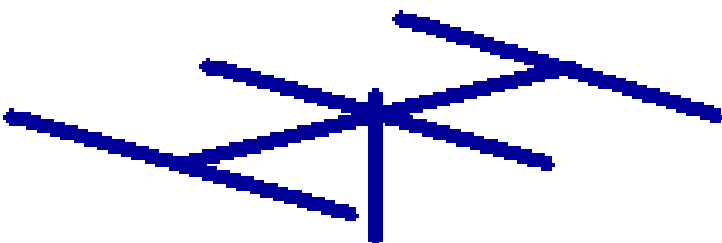
### built by Ken Smith - WA2TQK

I'd like to thank Ken Smith, WA2TQK, very much for the time and effort that he put into our new TARA Communications Trailer. This trailer really became a big hit this year and it's hoped that we'll get many years of use from it.

All of our tower equipment can now be mobilized simply by hooking up the trailer and towing wherever it's needed. Plus, there was enough room inside this trailer to store all of our tents and accessories. On the top deck of the trailer we now have our HF beams and other antennas mounted for easy transport when needed. Presently the trailer is being stored at the home of Roy, N2OWC, our equipment manager. **(See Picture On Page 1)**

Great Job Ken!!

73 de NY2U  
"Mr. Bill"





# THANKS to our TARA SUPPORTERS

I'm proud to announce that TARA once again received a very generous donation of \$600.00 from Norman Massry of Tri-City Rentals. This money was donated for Field Day use and will help purchase a few of the goodies we have in mind for next year's Field Day. Thanks to Karen, KS2O and Tom, N2TR, in obtaining this donation.

TARA also will be receiving an anonymous donation of \$300.00 - \$400.00 for new tables for next years Field Day within a few weeks. I know we've had a number of folks that expressed that the picnic tables we use at Field day are terribly uncomfortable. Well, TARA's In-house SANTA heard of this and is making all the necessary arrangements so we can purchase new portable tables and chairs for next year. These will be used only for the operating positions. In the future we hope to have enough for our whole operation. That way we won't have to borrow them as we do now.

It looks like John Ray & Son's will again be making a generous donation of \$100.00 to our Field Day operations. Ken Ray, President of John Ray & Son's realizes the need for such support and he's been behind TARA for a number of year's now.

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## TARA PICNIC MEETING JULY 18th - 6:00 PM HUDSON SHORES PARK

I'd like to remind everyone that our next monthly meeting is coming up this Tuesday evening (7/18/06) at 6:00 PM in the Watervliet "Hudson Shores Park" located just off the 23rd Street Exit of I-787 North bound. This is the same location we used last year for our summer picnics. For those of you that are new to TARA we DO NOT hold formal meetings for July 18 & August 15. Instead, we have a picnic both months and enjoy the nice weather with all our members and guests. Please, feel free to invite your friends or family to the picnic, we enjoy everyone's company.

As we mentioned above the starting time is 5:45 - 6:00 PM. However, we will NOT be serving any food from the gas grill until around 6:30 PM. We want those of you that would like to get to the park early to feel free to do so. Also, this gives those that are working a little more time to come join us for the picnic.

As usual we need help from all of you that plan on attending the picnic. Our TARA Food Committee has the summer months off. This means that TARA will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, sausages and maybe some other kind of grill treat, plus the rolls too. We'll also bring all of the cold beverages. We'll need volunteers to bring some of the following: BAGS OF ICE, CHIPS & DIPS, HOT & COLD SIDE DISHES, DESSERTS, BAKED BEANS, MACORONI SALAD, POTATO SALAD or any other treats you'd like to bring. So, if you want to make this a real good picnic volunteer to bring something along! If you plan on bringing something to the picnic please let us know and we'll add it to the list. That way everyone will know exactly what we have and what we still need.

Volunteers are also need to assist with carrying in the coolers and supplies. I believe Ed, KC2HNC, is going to bring his small trailer for the gas grill and supplies. All of the volunteers will be needed at around 5:45 - 6:00 PM at the park to unload things and assist with setting up the tables.

Please, be advised that NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES or PETS are permitted in the park!

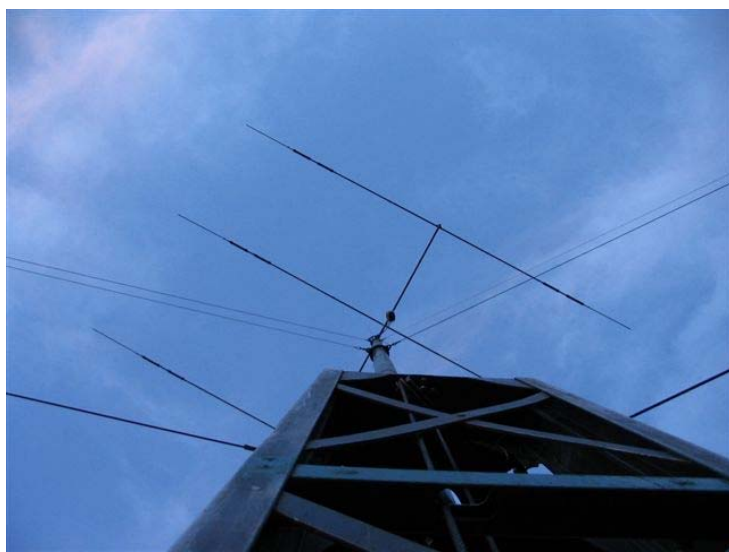
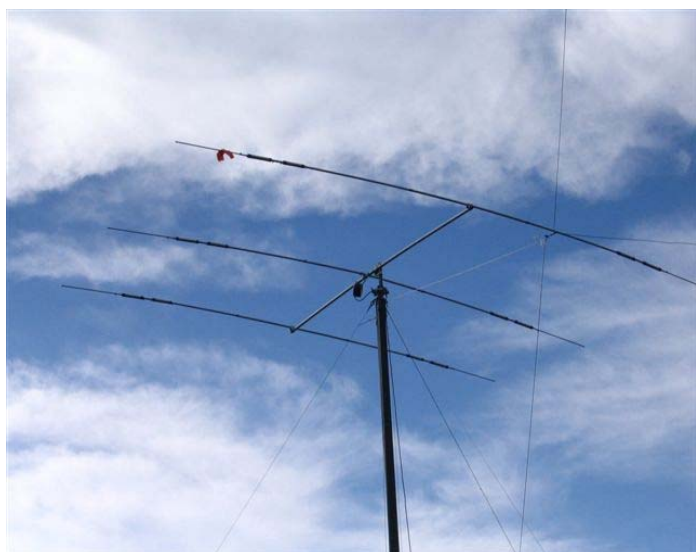
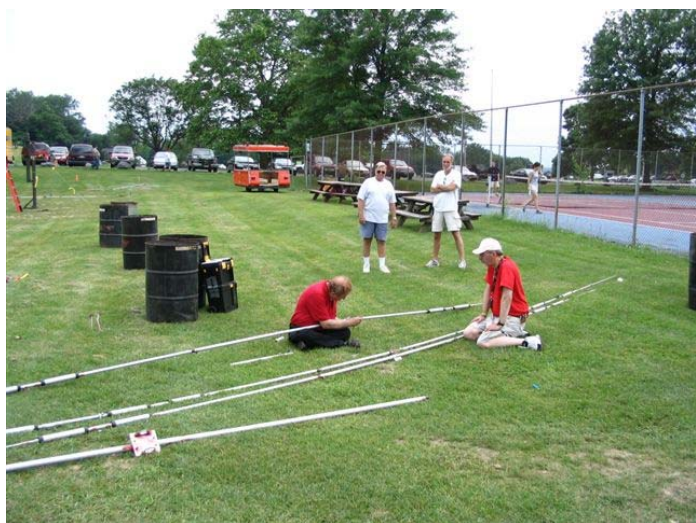
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# Field Day Memories 2006

## Antenna Farm





# Saturday - " On the Air "





# Renewing Friendships





# 2006 TARA Service Awards

On behalf of TARA I want to CONGRATULATE the winners of this year's TARA AWARDS that I presented at our Field Day on June 24. All of you were very deserving of each award and I know the complete membership feels the same way too.

Please, continue to be the leaders that you are and let's hope that next year's recipients are as loyal as you've been to this club.

**Thomas M. Remmert - N2TR - TARA Award**

**Kenneth Davis, KB2KFV**

**"Skip" Wilson, KE2XF - Field Day Award**

**Kenneth Smith, WA2TQK**

**William J. Eddy, NY2U - Community Service Award**

**Beth Whiting, KC2BSC**

Congratulations!

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**Ken Davis KB2KFV**



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**6:00 p.m.**

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