



# **DELAWARE VALLEY RADIO ASSOCIATION**

## 2020 Programs and Activities Survey Results

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# Overview

- Survey conducted March 3<sup>rd</sup> – March 15<sup>th</sup> 2020
- Members notified via email, website posts, and Google membership group
- Areas of focus include:
  - Repeater Operations (4 questions)
  - Repeater Nets (2 questions)
  - Open-ended repeater recommendations (20 responses, not shown here)
  - Club Shack / Station (3 questions)
  - Areas of Operating Interest (2 questions)
  - Open-ended leading-role question (21 responses, not shown here)
- 48 members responded to our survey (about 50%)

This survey helps shape the future direction of the DVRA

# Repeater Operations (1 of 5)

44 members answered

1. How often do you TRANSMIT using the W2ZQ Repeaters?

[More Details](#)

● Daily	8
● Once Weekly	13
● Once Monthly	9
● Listen Only	14



32% listen only, followed by 30% who transmit once weekly

# Repeater Operations (2 of 5)

39 members responded

## 2. How do you use the club Repeaters?

[More Details](#)

● 2 meter FM	35
● 2 meter Digital	12
● 440 Digital	16
● 440 Wires-X	7



multi-select question; doesn't total 39

50% use 2M FM, followed by 23% who use 440 Digital

## Repeater Operations (3 of 5)

15 members responded

~31% of members don't use the repeaters

3. If you DON'T use the club Repeaters, please indicate why. (Leave blank if you use)

### More Details

- Don't have 2 meter or 440 MH... 1
- Too far away to reach the Rep... 6
- I call out, but nobody answers 4
- Not interested in using the Re... 4



40% are too far away, followed by 27% who get no answer when they do call

# Repeater Operations (4 of 5)

47 members responded

4. Would you be opposed to limiting the connection to the Wires-X network to certain (off-peak) hours?

[More Details](#)

● Yes	6
● No	15
● No Opinion	26



55% have no opinion limiting connection to Wires-X on certain (off-peak) hours

# Repeater Operations (5 of 5)

47 members responded

5. Do you think Wires-X should be moved to the 2 meter Repeater and run on a limited basis?

[More Details](#)

● Yes	5
● No	14
● No opinion	28



60% have no opinion running Wires-X on 2M on a limited basis

# Nets (1 of 2)

46 members responded

6. Are you aware of the 2 meter Tech Net every Sunday night at 9:00PM?

[More Details](#)

- Yes 29
- No 7
- Yes, but just to listen and neve... 7
- Yes, but not interested 3



63% are aware of the 2M Tech Net every Sunday



## Nets (2 of 2)

45 members responded

7. Are you aware of the 2 meter Pepper Net every night at 10:00PM?

[More Details](#)

● Yes	25
● No	5
● Yes, but just to listen and neve...	5
● Yes, but not interested	10



56% are aware of the 2M Pepper Net every Sunday

# Club Shack / Station (1 of 3)

47 members responded

9. Would you like additional days and hours for the shack to be opened?

[More Details](#)

● Yes	18
● No	5
● No opinion	24



51% have no opinion on shack hours, followed by 38% who would like more hours

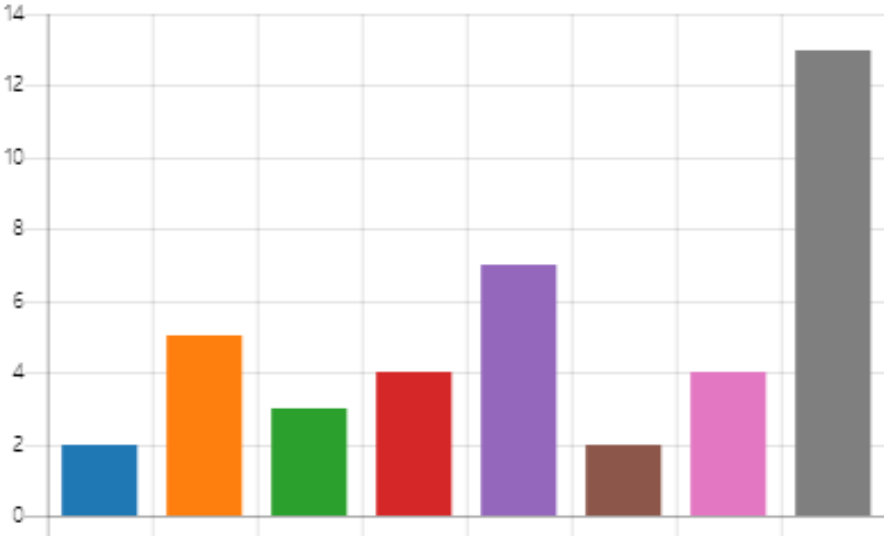
# Club Shack / Station (2 of 3)

19 members responded

10. If you would like additional shack days and hours, please choose all that apply:

[More Details](#)

- Mondays (daytime) 2
- Mondays (evenings) 5
- Wednesdays (daytime) 3
- Wednesdays (evenings) 4
- Thursday (evenings) 7
- Fridays (daytime) 2
- Fridays (evenings) 4
- Saturdays (daytime) 13



Saturdays (day), followed by Thursdays (evening) followed by Mondays (evening)

# Club Shack / Station (3 of 3)

48 members responded

11. Are you aware that the shack has an Earth-moon-Earth (EME) station?

[More Details](#)

● Yes	37
● No	8
● Yes, but not interested	3



77% are aware of the EME station, followed by 17% who are not aware

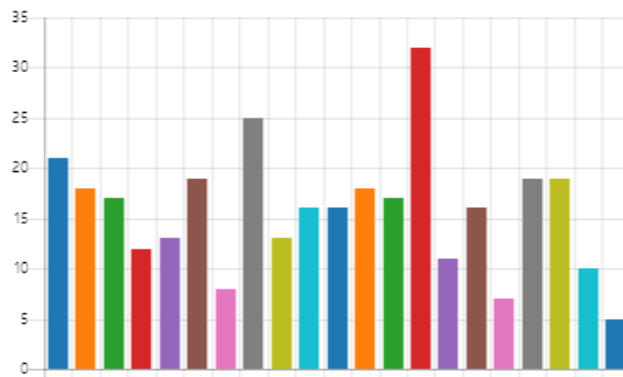
# Areas of Operating Interest (1 of 2)

47 members responded

12. Please indicate your DVRA and/or ham radio areas of interest. Please choose all that apply:

[More Details](#)

● Antenna Construction	21
● CW Learning / Operation	18
● Digital Modes	17
● Emergency Operations / ARES	12
● Fox Hunting	13
● Kit Building	19
● Learning Log Programs	8
● Ham Radio Seminars / How-Tos	25
● VHF / Microwave Communicat...	13
● Swap Meets	16
● Learning and/or Participating i...	16
● DX Chasing	18
● Earth-moon-Earth (EME)	17
● General Radio Operations	32
● Licensing Classes	11
● QRP	16
● Pedestrian Mobile	7
● Satellite Operation	19
● Social Gatherings	19
● Volunteering	10
● Other	5



1. General Radio Operation
2. Seminars / How-Tos
3. Antenna Construction
4. Kit Building
5. Satellite Operation
6. Social Events

Top five areas of interest (4, 5, and 6 are a tie)

## Areas of Operating Interest (2 of 2)

45 members responded

13. Are you willing to take a lead role on any of the areas of interest listed above?

[More Details](#)

● Yes	8
● No	23
● Yes, but with assistance of ano...	14



51% not willing to take a lead role, followed by 31% who would with assistance