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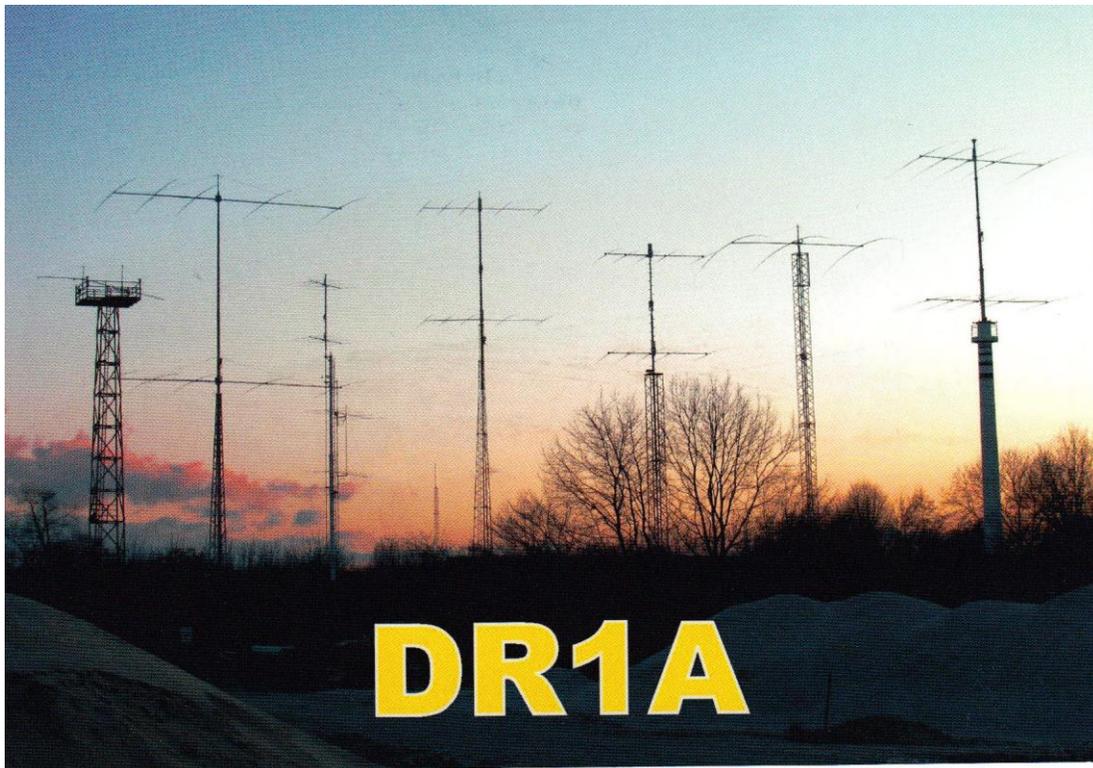


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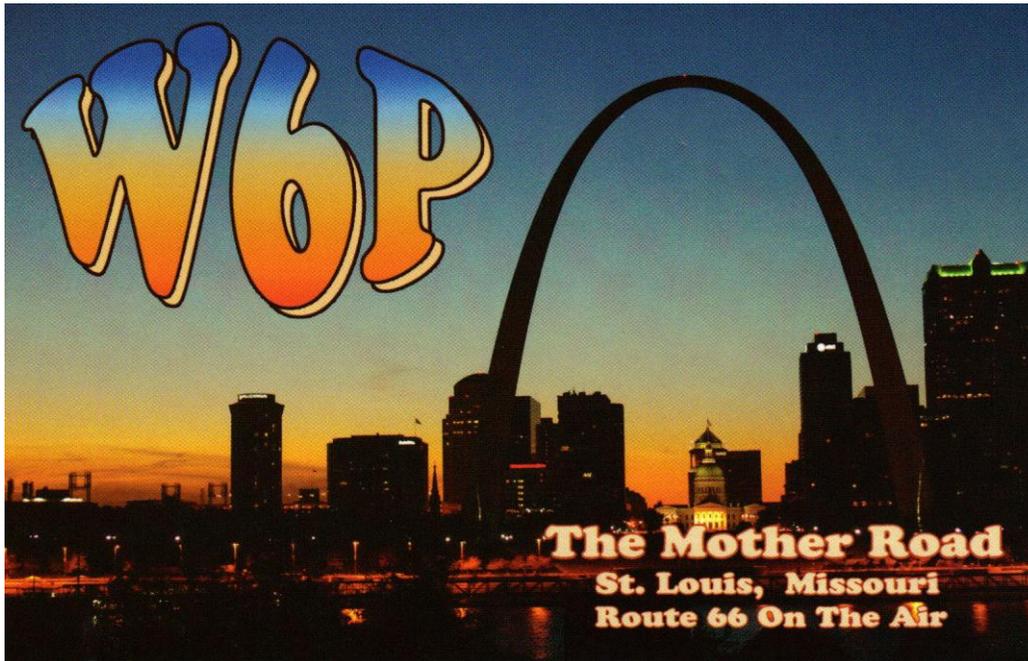
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## Who have you been talking with?

The great thing about amateur radio is that while we share a rich resource it is at the end of the day an individual or club pursuit. Each individual or club is free to do as they see fit within the rules and regulations. QSL cards are a window on who is at the other end of our QSOs. The QSL cards shown below illustrate this point nicely.



How's this for antennas?



Someday I'll see this in person.....

## A Distracted Driving update:

From RAC

### **RAC Bulletin 2012-071E - Distracted Driving Update – Ontario Regulations Changed** 2012-12-22

In light of the prorogation of the Ontario Legislature on October 15, 2012, the amateur radio community in Ontario has raised questions regarding the status of the 5-year extension to the amateur radio exemption in the Display Screens and Hand-Held Devices Regulations that was announced by Minister of Transportation Bob Chiarelli on September 24, 2012. Former RAC Honourary Legal Counsel, Steve Pengelly, VE3STV, has advised that prorogation would have had no effect on the announced extension because it was contained in a regulation passed by an order-in-council.

To further address the concern, Radio Amateurs of Canada is pleased to inform Ontario hams that Ontario Regulation 253/12, which can be found at: [http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/source/regs/english/2012/elaws\\_src\\_regs\\_r12253\\_e.htm](http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/source/regs/english/2012/elaws_src_regs_r12253_e.htm) has amended the amateur radio exemption sections of former Ontario Regulation 366/09. Specifically, the “January 1, 2013” portion of section 13(1) and the entirety of section 13(2) of Ontario Regulation 366/09 were struck out and replaced with section 3(1) and 3(2) of Ontario Regulation 253/12, stating the new January 1, 2018 deadline. The actual amended Ontario Regulation 366/09 can be found at [http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/regs/english/elaws\\_regs\\_090366\\_e.htm/](http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/regs/english/elaws_regs_090366_e.htm/)

Radio Amateurs of Canada will continue to pursue a permanent exemption for Amateur Radio operators in Ontario. Similar exemptions already exist in many other provincial jurisdictions in Canada - thanks in part to the efforts of local amateurs and RAC's national strategy to address distracted driving legislation.

Radio Amateurs of Canada is Canada's national voice for Amateur Radio. Our efforts not only promote the Amateur Radio Service but protect it from regulatory interference that may lead to less capability to provide emergency communications. Not already a RAC member? Why not join today at

[www.rac.ca](http://www.rac.ca) and find out about the many benefits our members enjoy across the country and the world beyond.

**It is recommended that you carry a copy of your certificate and a copy of the exemption in your vehicle.**

Jeff Stewart, va3wxm - RAC Ontario South Director/Assistant Chairman - Ontario distracted driving committee on behalf of Bill Unger, VE3XT - RAC Director Ontario North - East - Chairman - Ontario distracted driving committee

## Amateur Radio dining

From Ken VE3RMK

Award Winning Eastern NC Style  
Steve Spoon, Jr.

5524 South Boulevard  
Charlotte, NC 28217  
704-525-8865  
[www.spoonsbarbecue.com](http://www.spoonsbarbecue.com)



I know that this is not a QSL card and that it is not strictly speaking related to our hobby, however my possession of this business card is directly related to the fraternity we share in the hobby.

My wife and I along with friends were planning a vacation to the southern states. The destination and the route was not one that we had travelled before. It was decided by majority vote that my 2001 Buick Century ( which I still say is still a great car ) was not the vehicle for the trip and that our new Chevy Cruze would be absolutely Ideal. Now I wasn't altogether against this as the Cruze does have a smaller trunk which should have translated into less shopping, but that is a story for another time. Given that Cruze's compactness, I decided that my HT would be suitable.

So we had our destination and we then picked out waypoints. The first one would be Charlotte NC. I looked up the clubs in Charlotte and emailed the Charlotte Amateur Radio Club. Jim Crisco WA4YIZ responded in a flash with the recommendation for Bill Spoon's. <http://spoonsbarbecue.com/>.

The fact that the restaurant was only about 3.5 miles from the hotel where we were staying was really good as after a day of driving, we were tired to say the least.

We arrived at Spoon's at 7:30. It closed at 8. We told the waitress that we were from Toronto, Canada and that they had been recommended to us by Jim. The waitress said "come on in". We feasted on the small BBQ plate. The small plate was BIG. I can't imagine how large the big plate would have been. The BBQ pork and sides were wonderful, like nothing we'd tasted before. The eastern style BBQ sauce which is vinegar based was excellent, BUT the meat didn't really need it as it was so nicely seasoned and juicy. The desserts were really good too. When the meal was done we thanked them for the good food and as we were paying, our waitress shouted into the kitchen, "Steve these are the folks I told you about!". We met the owner and thanked him for the great meal. We chatted briefly about the restaurant and Jim's role in our choice. They all had nothing but good to say about Jim.

The next day I tried to raise the repeater to check-in with Jim. The HT would not oblige.

Should you find yourself in Charlotte, look up Spoon's. I should mention as well that they deliver.



# What's New at Durham Radio

Dec 16th, 2012

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Orders: 888-426-1688

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whatsnew@durhamradio.com to your address book.

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**Christmas Specials** - "Save the Tax" on a whole bunch of items! We have lots of Christmas deals on right now! [Click HERE for details.](#)

**We Deliver!** - Want to get items from us by Christmas? There's still time! We ship most orders by expedited post and we are currently 100% caught up on our orders! If you live in a remote area please call us if you need items before Christmas.

**Spot Deals** - Now you can get the [SPOT2](#) for only \$99.95 and that INCLUDES FREE TRACKING.

**Spot Connect Mail-In Rebate** - Purchase a [SPOT Connect](#) between November 15th, 2012 & January 31st, 2013 and receive a \$50 Pre-Paid Visa card via mail-in rebate.

**LDG Baluns on Sale** - Two baluns and an unun to chose from for only \$24.97 each. Click [HERE](#).

**TM-281A Sale** - This full-featured 2 metre rig features a healthy 65W output and is on sale for only \$179.97! Click [HERE](#) for product page.

**Gift Certificates** - If your family considers you one of the hard-to-buy-for people on their list, you might want to do yourself and them a favour by dropping a hint that Durham Radio has [Gift Certificates!](#)

**New Products - New Products**

## Amateur Radio

### Dual Band Amp for Your HT



Boost your HT's power to 45W on 2m and 35W on UHF with the Mirage BD35.

[More Info](#)

### Mirage 2 Meter 35W Amp



The B34 accepts 1-8W input. FM only. No preamp. Full 35W at only 2W input.

[Product Page](#)

### SL1+USB With Elecraft KX3 Connectors



Get all of the digital modes without the hassles of internal sound card patch cables. [Other models available](#) with cables for your transceiver.

[More Info](#)

### Signalink KX3 Cable

The cable for connecting your Elecraft KX3 to the Tigertronics Signalink is available separately here.

[Product Page](#)



## Kenwood 8-Pin Replacement Mic



The Kenwood MC-43S fits the majority of Kenwood transceivers that use an 8-pin round connector.

[Product Page](#)

## Alinco Replacement Mic



The EMS42 fits the DX-70 and DX-77. May work on some Kenwood transceivers too.

[Product Page](#)

## Battery Pack for Alinco DJ-G7 and DJ-G29



The EBP73 is a 7.4 Volt 1200 mAh Lithium Ion battery as supplied with radio.

[Product Page](#)

## 2 Metre Beam for SSB and FM



The Cushcraft A148-20T consists of 10 vertical and 10 horizontal elements for 11.1 dBi on both polarizations.

[Product Page](#)

## AM/FM/WiFi Radios

### Eton FR-370 Emergency Radio with Alert!



The AM/FM/Weather receiver also has a built-in alert function and flashlight. The internal battery can be charged with solar power or the hand crank.

[More Info](#)

### Tivoli iPal Now Available in Red



The iPAL is a great-sounding portable AM/FM radio with a built-in rechargeable battery. Has an input jack for your MP3 player. See all colours [HERE](#).

[More Info](#)

## Weather Stations

### MFJ-199 Deluxe Weather Station



The large color 7" LCD display shows indoor/outdoor temp, wind, barometric pressure and a lot more. Visit product page to see the different view options. Works as a photo viewer too! Includes wireless remote.

[More Info](#)

## Miscellaneous

### Sangean EU-55 Full Size Stereo Headset



These headphones are designed for maximum musical fidelity, offering spectacular highs and lows to bring your music to life . (Coming soon!)

[More Info](#)

## Scanners

### Bearcat 75XLT Basic Handheld Scanner



Covers the most popular analog frequencies. Preprogrammed weather, police, fire/emergency, marine, racing, civil aircraft, amateur radio, railroad, CB etc. 300 channels to store your favourite frequencies.

Built-in charger for NiMH batteries. [More Info](#)

### USB Cable for DJX-11

The ERW8 allows you to program your scanner using your PC and FREE software.

[More Info](#)



### Affordable Analog Desktop Scanner



The BC355N analog scanner features instant service band search and Close Call™ RF Capture Technology that instantly tunes to signals from

nearby transmitters. It has 300 memory channels but you can use it straight out of the box without programming. [More Info](#)

### AC Adapter for BCT15X & BCD996XT

The AD1009 also works with the BCT15 and BCD996T.

[More Info](#)



## Subscriber Specials

### Subscriber-Only Hidden Link Deals

Order directly from the hidden link below or mention these offers when shopping in person or when you phone in your order. **All items (including the subscriber-only specials) are subject to availability and may be limited to stock on hand.** Sale ends December 22nd at midnight.

### Waterproof High-Power LED Flashlight



A quality C. Crane product is made in the USA and uses inexpensive "AA" batteries. It is waterproof to 160 feet! Offers over 40 hours of bright light, and after that, over 100

hours of useful light on a set of batteries.

**Reg: \$29.95**

**Subscriber Special \$23.97**

[Hidden Link](#)

### Weather Alert Radio with Clock

The Midland WR-120 is an AM/FM radio, weather radio with alert feature and it's also a clock with alarm and snooze function.

**Reg: \$49.95**

**Subscriber Special \$41.97**

[Hidden Link](#)



## Grundig G3 AM/FM/LW/SW with Air Band



Continuous coverage from 150-30000 kHz with SSB plus the FM broadcast band AND it covers the VHF aircraft band! (air band is very rare on a portable radio.)

**Reg: \$99.95**  
**Subscriber Special \$92.97 plus FREE Crane Over-The-Ear Earphone**  
[Hidden Link](#)

## Icom RX7 Wideband Handheld Scanner

Covers from 150 kHz to 1300MHz in AM, FM Narrow and FM wide modes.

**Reg: \$359.95**  
**Subscriber Special \$308.97**  
[Hidden Link](#)



## Save 65% on Energy Saving Bulbs!



Start saving energy today with Crellum high efficiency LED light bulbs. These 4W bulbs produce about as much light as a 25W incandescent lamp making them far more efficient (and safer) than a compact

fluorescent bulbs.

**Big Box Store Price: \$19.98 (Philips)**  
**Our Reg: \$9.95**  
**Subscriber Special \$6.97 each**  
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## ERW-4 Alinco PC Interface Cable

Fits numerous Alinco radios. Please check your manual for compatibility.

**Reg: \$59.95**  
**Subscriber Special \$44.97**  
[Hidden Link](#)



## Tivoli Audio Pal (Blue Only)



A weather resistant AM/FM radio with MP3 input jack that you can take with you anywhere. Built-in rechargeable battery.

**Reg: \$249.95**  
**Subscriber Special \$199.97**

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