



K2BWR
PLEASANTVILLE, N.J.

RUSS BUCHERT
125 E. OAKLAND AVENUE

Phone Pville 2188 J

To Radio John Wilke Confirming QSO

On at EST.

UR 1.8 MC ~~GW~~ FONE SIGS RST

XMTR 200 W.

RECR HOWARD (V4V4OLD)

ANT 254' center fed.

PSE QSL TNX.

Remarks thanks for SWL John
for nice report. Sure
hope to hear you on the air
someday - Russ.

John Wilke
center fed -
PT 1
Hinwood N.J.

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Russ Buchert, K2BWR

Russ, was one of my ham radio mentors back around 1955. I used to listen to him on 160-meters from home as I was studying for my ham license. I fondly remember having my dad drive me at their home for our “eyeball” visits. I remember seeing Russ sitting in his easy chair in their living room when I entered. And I remember Mrs. Buchert too. They always made me feel welcome.

After a few minutes Russ would invite me to visit his ham radio “shack” located in the back yard. There were several large ham radios in there that Russ had built, and also his prized “modified” Howard receiver. We would make radio contacts for an hour or so on 160 AM, and then I would have to leave and go home. These memories are still fresh in my mind.

I received my ham license in 1956 and shortly after, his son Gordon received his, K2ZRJ. Going to different high schools, Gordon and I didn't get a chance to buddy-up. But over the years we would bump into each other and reminisce about the good old 160-meter days we had with his father.