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Last week I opened with “hope you got your taxes paid” – this week, (presuming you have any money left) I want to open with “I Hope You’ve Got Your Ticket To Hamvention”. While not a function of the Ohio Section, those of us in the Ohio Section are certainly blessed to have one of the most Iconic Amateur Radio Events *IN THE WORLD* – right here in our own back yard! In my 50+ years as a HAM, I know that I’ve attended HamVention at least 40 of those years! Of the years I didn’t make it, I blame my own ignorance for not knowing what I was passing up.

I'm not going to let that happen to you. I'm going to tell you, and I'm going to remind you that this is something where your attendance is required,

First off, I want to encourage you to attend all the Ohio Section Hamfests you are able to. *EVERY* Hamfest is important to all the hams in the Ohio Section. Many hamfests are the primary fund-raising activity for local clubs. Their continued existence and activities may depend upon a successful hamfest. Get out there and support those clubs! Hamfests are where a new ham might just find that piece of used gear he needs to have a successful "on air" experience. Where a ham might get that equipment sold giving him the funds to upgrade his station. Finally, where the estate of a deceased ham is sold off providing needed funds for his family. Hamfests are also where you can meet in person the voices you have only heard on the air. Friendships are made and important relationships are established. Smaller hamfests are more casual and more personal.

Hamvention is similar, but on a much larger scale. Similar, but drawing on a world-wide basis rather than just a local basis. Different in that while the flea-market has the same types of used gear, it's populated with hams from all across the country! (and the flea-market is HUGE!) Hamvention has more exhibitors who are distributors of Ham Radio products and most of the major manufacturers of Ham Radio products are there too! And Hamvention is not just the buying and selling of equipment. Clubs and organizations from around the world are there. In addition to the marketplace, there is an extensive list of forums and educational experiences you can participate in every hour the "hamfest" is open. Even when the "hamfest" is closed down for the day, the activities and festivities continue into the night with banquets and parties.

One other thing about Hamvention – I don't have any "factual" information to share on this, but I know Hamvention has a positive economic impact on the state of Ohio.

As Ohio Section Manager, I do not have the authority to require you to do any of this. But it is my job, and my personal goal, to encourage you to attend. Attend the local fests and attend Hamvention! I promise, you will benefit from both. In my years as a Ham I've had a lot of memorable experiences, and a lot of them have taken place at Hamfests! GO!

As you know, the last few months I've been encouraging you to go to your local club meetings and even visit with other clubs. Add getting on the air, working on projects, learning what you need to know to upgrade, Ham Radio is a hobby that is pretty demanding of your time. Time is all we have, we're all going to run out someday, and there are no "second chances". Have you ever heard someone say that they weren't doing anything specific, they were just "killing time"? Spoiler Alert! You cannot kill time. Time is killing YOU. Make the most of it while you have it.

One last comment on Hamvention. On Friday morning at 9:15 – I'll be presenting a forum on "Club Building" in forum room 4. I would really appreciate it if you would attend! I'll have lots of information on making *your* club, large or small, an outstanding club that will stand out in

your community. Clubs are one of the most important resources we have as hams to improve ourselves in the hobby, and the clubs we belong to can either help us move forward, or set up roadblocks to our progress. Don't let your club just exist – make it outstanding!

73,

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Youth Net

When: The second Sunday of every month at 7:30 PM EST

Where: The K8IV repeater located in Kent, Ohio (EchoLink node K8BF-L) RF: 146.895 Mhz with PL 118.8

Who: Any licensed amateur radio operator who wishes to participate. Priority will be given to youth stations and those located in Ohio.

The purpose of this net is to encourage youth activity in amateur radio and to help new hams get more comfortable on the air.

Next Net is Sunday May 14th

If you are a young ham, in the Ohio Section or elsewhere, please check in and say “Hello”! Even if you're far away from OHIO you can check in via Echo-Link. Echo-Link is a good tool to have, and it can be accessed from your laptop, tablet or cellphone. But there is a process to get validated to the Echo-link system. It's simple to do, but you need to get it done before the day of the net! Go to [Introducing EchoLink](#) for more information on getting started. If you're an “Old Guy” (a gender neutral term meaning not a youthful operator) and you have some kids, grandkids, nieces, nephews or even some neighborhood kids who you would like to give a chance to talk to other kids about Ham Radio, this might be an excellent opportunity to give them that small nudge that could be the start of something positive they will carry with them through life!

National News

(from ARRL and other sources)

National Voice of America Museum of Broadcasting Open during 2023 Dayton Hamvention®.

The National Voice of America Museum of Broadcasting, in conjunction with the West Chester Amateur Radio Association, announced their expanded hours during the 2023 Dayton Hamvention®.

The museum will be open Thursday, May 18, from 1:00 PM to 9:00 PM; Friday, May 19, from 1:00 PM to 9:00 PM; Saturday, May 20, from 12:00 PM to 9:00 PM, and Sunday, May 21, from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM.

Admission is \$10.00 at the door. The West Chester Amateur Radio Association, WC8VOA, will be on the air. The museum is a short drive from Hamvention, down Interstate 75 or Route 42 from Xenia. Use the Crosley Blvd address on your GPS.

New exhibits include a dedicated room for amateur radio and shortwave equipment and a newly renovated ham shack with state-of-the-art equipment from Yaesu, Icom, and Elecraft. Docents and operators will be available to enhance visits to the museum.

For further information, visit voamuseum.org or wc8voa.org. You can also find the museum on Facebook or call 513-777-0027. The museum's regular hours are Saturdays and Sundays from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM, and it is located at 8070 Tylersville Road, West Chester, Ohio.



VOA Museum.

Dave Kalter Memorial Youth DX Adventure

ANNOUNCING THE 2023 TRIP TO CURACAO, July 13-18. Applications now being accepted.

The Caribbean Contest Consortium and Geoff Howard have once again agreed to let us use the PJ2T site for our 2023 trip. The support they give us is greatly appreciated. Especially thanks go to Uli DL8OBQ for being our on site representative. His travel and use of vacation to help the youth is noticed and allows us to make the trip. We will be once again applying for the call sign of PJ2Y.

Team applications for the 2023 trip are

[NOW being accepted, click to download the PDF form](#)
[Click to download the Word form](#)

Annual Armed Forces Day Crossband Test

The US Department of Defense (DoD) will host this year's Armed Forces Day (AFD) Crossband Test on May 13, 2023. This annual event is open to all licensed amateur radio operators and will not impact any public or private communications. For more than 50 years, military and amateur stations have taken part in this event.

The AFD Crossband Test is a unique opportunity to test two-way communications between military communicators and radio stations in the Amateur Radio Service (ARS), as authorized in 47 CFR 97.111. These tests provide opportunities and challenges for radio operators to demonstrate individual technical skills in a tightly controlled exercise scenario.



Military stations will transmit on selected frequencies and will announce the specific ARS frequencies monitored. All of the times are Zulu (Z), and all frequencies are Upper Side Band (USB) unless otherwise noted. The frequencies used for the test will not stray outside the confines of the exercise.

A complete list of frequencies, time periods, QSL cards, and other information can be found at [DoD MARS - Armed Forces Day](#).

AFD is a time of honor. It will be celebrated on Saturday, May 20, 2023. The first AFD was celebrated with parades, open houses, receptions, and air shows. Today, many events and activities take place and may include multi-service military displays in areas open to the public, various educational activities that teach children about the armed forces, and large parades with local celebrations.

The longest running AFD parade in the United States is held in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Certain types of music will be played at AFD 2023 events to show respect to those in the armed forces who died for their country.

2023 Online Ham Bootcamp

The [Nashua Area Radio Society's](#) spring 2023 online Ham Bootcamp will be held on Saturday, May 13, from 10 AM to 6 PM Eastern Time. Access to the session will be provided via [Zoom](#).

Ham Bootcamp includes a series of demonstrations and tutorials designed to help newly licensed Technician-, General-, and Extra-class license holders get on the air. Ham Bootcamp is also a great opportunity for hams who are interested in seeing what the hobby has to offer.



The online Ham Bootcamp program is available to all licensed and prospective amateur radio operators. You can register for the next Ham Bootcamp session [here](#). For additional information, contact Anita Kemmerer, AB1QB, of the Nashua Area Radio Society at ab1qb@arrl.net.

The Nashua Area Radio Society is an ARRL Affiliated Club.



This classic photograph of the Earth was taken on Dec. 7, 1972, by the crew of the final Apollo mission, [Apollo 17](#), as they traveled toward the moon on their lunar landing mission. For the first time, the Apollo trajectory made it possible to photograph the south polar ice cap, shown here along with heavy cloud cover in the Southern Hemisphere.

Photo Credit: NASA

Announcements

AMSAT needs volunteers for the Dayton Hamvention. Amateur radio's biggest event of the year is less than eight weeks away at the Greene County Fairgrounds in Xenia, Ohio. The 2023 Hamvention is May 19 - 21. AMSAT is a major Hamvention exhibitor with different displays, ranging from engineering, operations, educational relations, the AMSAT Store, and much more. In 2022, about 35 people assisted with the AMSAT booth. It was the efforts of those volunteers that made the 2022 Dayton Hamvention a success for AMSAT. The interaction with AMSAT members, satellite operators, designers, and builders make the whole experience a lot of fun. Would you consider helping AMSAT at the Hamvention this year? Whether you're available

for only a couple of hours, or if you can spend the entire weekend with us, your help will be greatly appreciated. If you will be attending Hamvention and can help, please send an e-mail to Phil Smith, WIEME, AMSAT Hamvention Coordinator, at wleme@msat.org.



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Making a Big Decision -- Together

Dear member,

For only the second time in 22 years, we are considering a dues increase. Promoting and protecting amateur radio requires a strong and vibrant ARRL. Paying our dues (and some of you go above and beyond) is one way each of us does our part.

In my column in the April issue of *QST* ([read now](#)), I introduced the following question:

How does ARRL handle an increase in dues?

On May 1, we will launch an online survey, inviting all ARRL members to participate. The survey will include some short questions about raising dues and modifying the way some membership benefits are bundled. The survey will also include an opportunity to share your feedback. The participation of every member is important.

Do this before May 1: Review your ARRL website account

Before you can take the survey in May, you'll need to make sure you have a working ARRL website account that is associated with your membership.

Follow these steps:

1. Go to www.arrrl.org/take-dues-survey. This is a member-only page.
2. If you are already logged in to your account, you'll see **CONGRATULATIONS!** on the members-only page that will host the survey in May.

3. If you are NOT already logged in to your account, follow the instructions on the page to log in. Or, select the Login button at the top of the web page, and you will be prompted to enter your ARRL website username (usually your call sign) and password. If you have not logged in since April 2022, please use these [Login Instructions](#).
4. **The survey will open on May 1.** Return to this web page to take the survey on, or after, May 1: www.arrl.org/take-dues-survey.

If you need additional help with your login, call us Monday - Thursday from 8 AM to 7 PM ET, and Friday from 8 AM to 5 PM ET at 860-594-0200 or email us at membership@arrl.org.

We'll send an update on May 1 once the survey is live.

Thank you for being a member and collaborating on this big decision.

73

David A. Minster, NA2AA
Chief Executive Officer

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Lewis & Clark trail on the air (LCTOTA) special event

Greetings,

The Clark County Amateur Radio Club (W7AIA) is once again hosting the LCTOTA special event. This will run from 0000 UTC June 3rd to 0000 UTC June 19th. We have 20 clubs from the 16 states, along the trail, activating during this period. Certificates are available for those working 1-15 states and another one for those working all 16. Stations on air times are posted on the website, LCTOTA.org. A great opportunity to pick up some elusive states for WAS. Details are on LCTOTA.org.

Thank You ,
Rick Smith KT7G
LCTOTA committee.

Notable Events on the Timeline of Amateur Radio Disaster Communications

Far from an exhaustive list, here are a few events involving amateur radio communications support over the past 100 years that may help define our role over time and its evolution.

1906 -- According to family lore, radio amateur Barney Osborne, later W6US, provided emergency traffic handling during the San Francisco Earthquake and fire.

1913 -- Hams provided emergency communications during Midwest storms and floods with spark-gap transmitters and crystal receiver sets, as vacuum tubes wouldn't emerge until after World War I and 1919.

1916 -- A national traffic relay system was organized to provide relay of messages cross-country, and 9XE in Illinois originated a message that was received in California in 55 minutes, and on the East Coast an hour after that.

1926 -- The cover of the May issue of *QST* featured a drawing of a railroad engineer holding an ARRL Radiogram with the caption reading, "Amateurs Give Emergency Service for Railroads When Wires Are Down"

1920s -- A motor provided emergency power to the plates of newly invented vacuum tubes in a station of an "RM" -- a "Radio Man" -- during a Mississippi flood.

1925 -- Amateur radio provided the only communications (5 watts CW) during the failed rescue attempt of caver Floyd Collins.

1933 -- Radio amateurs at W6BYF provided disaster communications for the Long Beach, California earthquake. Although his house was demolished, famous ham Don Wallace, W6AM, operated a portable station through his surviving extensive antenna farm with the help of the Navy in supporting the relief effort.

1935 -- Predecessors of ARES established. ARRL had a vision of them in 1917.

1936 -- The catastrophic floods of the northeast (from Maine through to the Ohio River valley) wrecked the ARRL HQ station in Hartford (along the Connecticut River), with amateur radio again providing support. Famous VHF pioneer and ARRL HQ staffer Ed Tilton, W1HDQ, and his wife provided communications.

1937 -- Dr. Joseph Vancheri, W8BWH, was a key relief communications asset, arranging for aid to refugees from the Johnstown floods.

Late 1930s -- Commercial emergency amateur radio gear appeared and was advertised: an example was the battery-powered 50-S transmitter from Harvey Radio Laboratories of Brookline, Massachusetts.

1948 -- Flooding of Vanport, Washington, after the rupture of a Columbia River dike prompted an Amateur Radio Emergency Corps response under EC W7DIS, with amateurs using handheld radios (walkie-talkies).

1957 -- RACES was involved in providing communications support during the Malibu-Topanga Canyon (California) fires. Deputy Chief Radio Officer W6QJW operated under RACES tactical call sign CPT19 and controlled a net on 3995 kHz. The Gonset Communicator was an iconic Cold War/Civil Defense portable transceiver.

1964 -- The Great Alaskan Earthquake hit Anchorage, drawing a massive amateur response in handling emergency and health-and-welfare traffic. It was the most powerful earthquake in North American history, and the second most powerful in recorded history of the world. There was sweeping destruction in the city and the region. George Hart, W1NJM, wrote about the amateur response in the July 1964 issue of *QST*: 314 Alaskan amateurs supported the disaster relief effort, with 1,200 more from around the rest of the country actively supporting them. "KL7DVY reports he operated 20 hours on 2 meters, relaying messages from the Alaska Native Hospital to c.d. headquarters in Anchorage." See the August 2014 issue of *QST*, Public Service column, "Alaska Shield 2014."

1979 -- Hurricanes Frederic and David wrought destruction on the Gulf Coast and East Coast, respectively. Amateur radio support of relief efforts was in evidence in both cases.

That brings us up to the modern era and the emergence of the contemporary emergency management model. A few of the major events beginning in the 1980s that come to mind are hurricanes Gilbert (1988) and Hugo (1989), and the spate of four hurricanes in 2004 that affected us here in Florida extensively. Hurricane Andrew (1992) also wreaked incredible devastation in Florida. Hurricanes Katrina (2005) and Sandy (2012) were game-changers for emergency management thinking and policy for this country. Amateur radio was extensively involved in all cases. And, of course, amateur radio was involved in the colossal relief effort in the aftermath of the 9/11 attacks.

[Much of the above was culled from an excellent presentation given at the ARRL Pacificon convention in San Ramon, California, 2010, by Bart Lee, K6VK, ARRL State Government Liaison, ARRL Volunteer Counsel, Historian and Archivist, California Historical Radio Society, and lecturer, Antique Wireless Society. A tip of the ARRL fedora to him. -- *KICE*]

Club Corner

This is YOUR corner of the newsletter. Send me what your club is doing and I'll make sure that it gets in. Got a special event or club project that you want everyone to know about? Send it to me! Need help with a project? Send it to me.

Let me know what your club is up to. Are you going to have a special guest at your meeting or are you having a special anniversary?

Just send it to: webmaster@arrl-ohio.org



Please! Format as below:

If you want me to publish your club information, or even an article you have written, please send it in WORD format (.docx). Please use Times New Roman font size 12 for the body of the article. Any photos please include as a .jpg or .bmp – the time you save me in doing all the conversions will be greatly appreciated.

Alliance ARC HF Rig Raffle

We've started up our 2023 HF Rig Raffle. Our 2023 prize will be a Yaesu FT-DX10. This is our 4th year doing this. A portion of the money raised goes back into our community in the form of donations to local service groups at Christmas Time.

Since 2020, we've donated over \$3500 to Charities in the Alliance, OH area.

tickets can be purchased via our website at https://www.w8lky.org/fundraisers/2023-hf_rig_affle/, or in person at our monthly club meetings. We will also be set up at several Ohio/Western PA Hamfests in the next few months.

The prize will be drawn on July 12, 2023. The winner need not be present to win.

73,

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Club Commission Program Update

Clubs are using the Club Commission Program to generate income for the club and promote ARRL membership across the country. From January 1 through March 31 of this year, various

clubs generated 217 separate memberships, with 21 of them returning members, 59 new members, and 135 renewals. That translates to a total of \$1,875 paid in commissions to those clubs.

Development is under way to improve the process. As of now, the steps are the same:

- Distribute the application forms to prospective and existing members.
- Collect the applications and fill out a Club Reconciliation Form.
- Send all the forms with the dues to ARRL.

Once the above steps are completed, the club will receive a commission check from ARRL.

The necessary forms are located at [Affiliated Club Benefits \(arrl.org\)](https://www.arrl.org/affiliated-club-benefits) under the Club Commission Program link.

Consider having a quarterly event at a club meeting to discuss ARRL membership, and offer this to members. Members can renew at any time without losing time. If your renewal is normally in July and you renew in May, the time is added to your July date.

In the spirit of ARRL's Year of the Volunteers, in 2023 we are offering the following promotion to clubs using the Club Commission Program:

- For every five new members signed through the Club Commission Program through the end of 2023, ARRL will give the club a copy of *The ARRL Handbook*, which can be used as a promotion, a door prize, an auction item at hamfests, or however you choose.

Keep reading ARRL Club News for additional information on how clubs are using this program.

Want to know where to go to get the courses you need? It's all Right Here!

- [Ohio EMA Training Calendar](#)
- [Login to the DPS Training Campus](#)
- [Create a new account on the DPS Training Campus](#)

NOTE:

- Most courses are in-person but some course may be hosted virtually (this will be noted).
- Seats available listed are as of the release of this update and will change quickly.
- All classes will be posted on the DPS training campus at least 60 days prior to the start

- of the course.
- Please read the [Training Policy & Catalog](#) for more information on Ohio EMA trainings.
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How to Plan and Apply for an ARRL Hamfest or Convention

If your amateur radio club is planning to host a convention, hamfest, tailgate, or swapfest, please consider applying for ARRL sanctioned status for your event. To learn what it means to be an ARRL sanctioned event, and to get some ideas on how to prepare for and conduct a hamfest or convention, visit www.arrl.org/arrl-sanctioned-events.

To apply for ARRL sanctioned status for your event, go to www.arrl.org/hamfest-convention-application.

The ARRL Hamfests and Conventions Calendar can be found online at www.arrl.org/hamfests. In addition, the Convention and Hamfest Calendar that runs in *QST* each month also presents information about upcoming events.

VE Sessions

The following information is for ALL exam sessions:

It is now an FCC requirement to have an FCC FRN; active email address and active phone number before taking any exam. Please bring your FCC FRN, original license, a copy of your license (if a licensed ham), a valid photo ID and \$15.00 - Cash preferred.

Effective April 19, 2022, the FCC will charge a \$35.00 application fee for amateur radio licenses. The fee will apply to new, renewal, rule waiver, and modification applications that request a new vanity call sign. License upgrades will not have a fee applied. The fee will be per application. *VE's will not collect the fees at exam sessions.*

All Things Amateur Radio Association (ATARA)

We host testing sessions every second Tuesday of the month in Lancaster. To sign up please visit our website <https://atara-w8atr.fun> and contact us at hamexams@atara-w8atr.fun.

Butler County Amateur Radio Association W8WRK

Laurel VE Testing Session - hosted by DIAL amateur radio club

Amateur Radio License Examinations at 9:00AM on Sunday April 29th at Fairfield Township Administration Building 6032 Morris Rd. Hamilton, OH 45011. Pre-Registration is required, go to: www.qsl.net/w8blv click on Exams and follow the instructions. Additional info may be obtained from Thurl Golden, KD8VLU (513) 939-4891 tgolden@fuse.net or Ron Spaulding, N8QF, (513) 617-6181 or n8qf@roadrunner.com . There are no Exam Fees!

CARS

VE testing from CARS - Cuyahoga Amateur Radio Society - at Elmwood Recreation Center, 6200 Wisnieski Parkway in Independence, Ohio 44131 Time: 9:15 AM (Walk-ins allowed) Always the 2nd Sunday of the odd month. Go to CARS www.2cars.org for detailed map of location. Call Metro W8MET 216-520-1320 for details

Clark County Amateur Radio Association (CLARA)

What: CLARA sponsored A.R.R.L. VE Testing - Walk-ins allowed. Pre-Register via email preferred.

When: On every second Saturday of each even numbered month starting at 10:00 AM
Feb 11th; Apr 8th; Jun 10th; Aug 12th; Oct 14th; and Dec 9th, 2023.

Where: Springview Government Center - Emergency Operations Center; 3130 E Main St; Springfield OH 45503 This is US-40 aka "old national road". From Route 40 enter Old Columbus Road, at the fork stay left driving straight onto Ogden Rd, then immediately turn left into the parking lot behind the EMA. Walk to the door with the "Employees Only" sign.

For more information contact Roland W. Ude, W8BUZ, (937) 605-4951 Email:

buzz@baylorhill.com

Dayton Amateur Radio Association (DARA)

If you are interested in testing for a new or upgraded license, please come see us at the DARA Clubhouse. If you have questions about testing, please email exams.w8bi@gmail.com

Dial Radio Club, Middleton, OH

Will offer Amateur Radio License Examinations at 6:00PM on Wednesday March 1st at St. John XXIII Elementary School, 3806 Manchester Rd., Middletown, OH 45042. Pre-Registration is required, go to: www.qsl.net/w8blv click on Exams and follow the instructions. Additional info may be obtained from Dave Williamson, KD8W, (513) 424-5819 or kd8w@ARRL.net or Ron Spaulding, N8QF, (513) 617-6181 or n8qf@roadrunner.com . There are no Exam Fees!

Geauga Amateur Radio Association (GARA)

Amateur License exam sessions are offered for all license classes (Technician, General, Extra). Walk-ins are always welcome - no prior registration is required. No fee for the exam.

The GARA schedule of exams are these Sundays at 2pm. Dates for 2023 are January 15th, March 19th, May 21st, July 9th, September 10th, and November 12th.



Exams are held at the Geauga County Department of Emergency Services and Emergency Operations Center, 12518 Merritt Road, Chardon, Ohio 44024. The EOC is located just south of the University Geauga Hospital and just east of the Geauga County Safety Center (Sheriff's Office), off of State Route 44 between State Route 322 and State Route 87 on Merritt Road.

Please arrive a few minutes before 14:00 to allow adequate time to process the necessary paper work and take your test. Bring your 1) photo ID, 2) email address, 3) FCC FRN, 4) a printout of your current license if taking the General or Extra exam.

Additional info may be obtained from Jim Mekeel, KE8EMP, email KE8EMP@gmail.com or the Geauga Amateur Radio Association website <https://geaugaara.org>

Huber Heights Amateur Radio Club

Huber heights amateur radio club does ARRL VE testing the second Saturday of each even numbered month. Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct, Dec. 9:30-11:00 For more information contact Jim Storms – AB8YK at ab8yk@hotmail.com

The Lake County Amateur Radio Association

The Lake County Amateur Radio Association is holding its **2023** Amateur Radio license exams at the **Kirtland Library**, 9267 Chillicothe Road, on the following dates:

Saturday, February 4

Saturday, April 1

Saturday, June 3

Saturday, August 5

Saturday, October 7

Saturday, December 2

This bi-monthly schedule is the first Saturday of every even-numbered month (e.g., February being the second month, etc.). They are held at the Kirtland Library, 9267 Chillicothe Road. It is 1.7 miles south of I-90 on Route 306 (Chillicothe Rd). The library is on the left, just beyond the Marathon gas station.

The tests will start at **12 noon**. Please arrive a few minutes earlier.

To register, you will need a NCVEC 605 Form, which will be available at the test. If you would like to complete one ahead of time, be sure it is the Sept 2017 version or later. You can find it by Googling “NCVEC quick-form 605” and clicking on the url for a pdf of the form. Please note **the FCC requires you to provide a FRN** (FCC Registration Number). Social Security Numbers are no longer accepted. If you are new to ham radio and don’t have a FRN, Google “New FRN” and follow the fcc.gov link.

If you are currently licensed, be sure to **bring a copy of your license to the exam**. The cost of the exam itself is \$15.00, and if you wish to pay by check, it should be made out to the ARRL/VEC. Identification with your picture is also necessary, such as a driver’s license. If you have any questions, please contact Scott Farnham, KO8O, at (440) 256-0320, or scottfarnham@roadrunner.com

In addition to the \$15 test fee, the FCC now charges \$35 to add you to the Amateur Radio database. The FCC will e-mail successful candidates instructions for payment directly to them. Payment must be made within 10 days of the e-mail. This charge does not apply to upgrades.

The Lancaster and Fairfield County Amateur Radio Club (LFCARC)

hosts exam sessions at the FAIRFIELD County EMA, 240 Baldwin Dr in Lancaster Ohio, 43130, on the first Saturday each month at 10:00 am. Please visit our website at <http://www.k8qik.org> for exam dates on our calendar and navigate to our Learning Center/Taking the Exam link for information and requirements. Our experienced VE team looks forward to serving the Amateur Radio community in Central Ohio. Contact me at ve_testing@k8qik.org to register.

Lisbon Area Amateur Radio Association

Beginning Feb 11, 2023 Testing on the 2nd Saturday of each month at the Columbiana County EMA located at 215 S Market St. Lisbon, OH 44432. Walk-ins OK. Check in at 1:00PM. For more information go to www.K8GQB.com or contact NN8B at nn8b.oh@gmail.com

Madison County

The Laurel testing group will offer testing on the first Thursday of January, March, May, July, September and November. Tests are held at 7:00PM at the Madison County EMA located at 271 Elm St. London, OH. No fee.

The Milford Amateur Radio Club (MARC)

VE testing is held the third Thursday of each month at 6:00 PM. Location; Miami Township Civic Center located at 6101 Meijer Drive, Milford, OH 45150.

Please pre-register at www.milfordhamradio.org

Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society (NOARS)

VE sessions are held the first Saturday of odd-numbered months (EXCEPT FOR March and July) at 10 AM in the North Olmsted Library, 27403 Lorain Rd., North Olmsted. Registration is preferred, but walk-ins are welcome. For more information or to register, contact Elaine, KC8FOS at ewilkinson1951@gmail.com. There will be a VE session held March 12th at the NOARS Winterfest held at Lorain County Community College in the John A Spitzer Conference Center, 1005 Abbe Rd N, Elyria, OH 44035. Please email Elaine – KC8FOS at ewilkinson1951@gmail.com to register.

Portage County Amateur Radio Service (PCARS)

The first Saturday of every even numbered month -10 am – at the PCARS club site in Ravenna. Please visit the PCARS web site and check out the information about VE testing in the latest newsletter at www.portcars.org.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me at KB8UUZ@gmail.com

Tusco Amateur Radio Club W8ZX

VE Testing sessions are held on the second Saturday of every even numbered month at the Dover Faith Church, 420 N Wooster Ave, Dover, OH 44622. Pre-registration is not necessary. Doors open at 0830 for registration, exams begin at 0900. Cost is \$15. You are required to have an email address and a copy of your FRN or current ham radio license. For more information please go to www.w8zx.net/exam or email VETEAM@N8BAG.NET.

West Chester Amateur Radio Association (WC8VOA)

Exam sessions are held one Saturday each month at 10:00 AM-Noon at the VOA Bethany Relay Museum located at *8070 Tylersville Rd, West Chester, Ohio 45069*. For more information and links to register, please see our website: <https://wc8voa.org/licensing/>

Upcoming classes at DARA

- Amateur Extra License Class starts Saturday 22 April 2023 at 09:00 to 13:00 at the DARA Clubhouse. The Amateur Extra sessions run 4 Saturdays (22 & 29 Apr, 6, & 13 May) with the Exam at Hamvention 19, and 20 May. We have a few Extra Study books

on hand, or here is an Amazon link for the [Extra Book](#) - Read chapters 1, 2, and 3 before class.

For more information please see <http://www.w8bi.org/>

Club Commission Program

One of the benefits of being an ARRL Affiliated Club is having access to the Club Commission Program. Affiliated clubs can use this program to receive a commission for promoting membership in ARRL. When you sign a new member, the club gets \$15, and when a member renews through the club, you get \$5.

Members can renew anytime without losing any of their membership time. Details and forms are available on the ARRL website, at www.arrl.org/affiliated-club-benefits. FAQs are also available to help explain the program. It does take some effort and a bit of paperwork, but the club reaps the reward in cash. If your affiliated club is not participating in this program, ask them to investigate it.

Pan Ohio Hope Ride Request for Assistance

We are currently looking for additional volunteers for the 2023 Pan Ohio Hope Ride (POHR). POHR is a charitable bicycle ride that supports the American Cancer Society. It is a 4-day ride that spans the state from Cleveland to Cincinnati, with overnight stays along the way in Wooster, Westerville, and Dayton. Thursday, July 20th - Sunday, July 23rd 2023

We are currently looking for assistance in the following roles:

- SAG (Support and Gear) drivers
 - SAG drivers follow along the route in their personal vehicles and provide assistance to cyclists in need. They are provided a tote of equipment (spare tubes, air pump, snacks, water, Gatorade, other misc. supplies) at the beginning of the event and are expected to return unused items at the end. SAG drivers are coordinated and dispatched using MARCS interop channels. Anyone with their own radio is welcome to use it. For all other volunteers, CACHE radios will be signed out each day. SAG drivers are offered prepaid overnight lodging in hotels along the route. They are also provided food every day. Fuel receipts can be submitted at the conclusion of the event for reimbursement if desired. We would love to have SAG drivers accompany us for all 4 days but will accept volunteers for any individual days as well. We would prefer that SAG volunteers are able to commit to at least one full day.

- Rest Stop Transportation Officers
 - Transportation officers will be assigned to rest stops along the route. Transportation officers will be responsible for coordinating SAG pickups at each rest stop, assigning waiting riders to available SAG vehicles as they arrive on site, and then reporting all pickups to net control via radio (MARCS, simplex, or ham repeater depending on cache radio availability) or telephone.

An amateur radio comms plan will be in place for all days of the event, but will serve as a backup with MARCS being the primary means of communication whenever possible.

Anyone interested in volunteering for this event, or with any questions about the event should contact Mat Nickoson, KC8NZJ kc8nzj@outlook.com

As a side note, I've heard many comments from people regarding the past communications leadership of this event. I want to assure everyone that the event is being run by a new group (Event Support Group www.n8esg.org) as of around 2019 and ALL amateurs are welcome and encouraged to participate in this event!

Thanks again and I look forward to your assistance!

Mat Nickoson KC8NZJ COML
[Event Support Group Founder](#)
Ohio ARES District 10 Emergency Coordinator
Cuyahoga County/Cleveland Weather Skywarn Coordinator

The Parma Radio Club (W8PRC) is having a Special Event Station on Saturday, April 22nd, 2023 from the hours of 1000 to 1500 EDST at the Historical Stearns Homestead in Parma, OH.

See their Facebook page at : (stearnshomestead) Check out their photo file for April 23, 2022 for the PRC pictures of that past event.

The PRC has developed a close relationship with this historical site over the past several years. They are very welcoming and are providing their Meeting Cabin site for this event. Not only celebrating Earth Day but giving an opportunity for Amateur Radio to be introduced to the general public attending this event. In past years the PRC has seen a growing interest, on the part of the public eye, in our hobby during this event.

“Let us not pass by an opportunity to introduce new and interested persons to Amateur Radio”.

With that being said, the PRC is welcoming any interested amateur operators to be part of this public event. Come and operate the VHF and HF stations “On The Air”, help with greeting incoming visitors, help show what our hobby is all about. Let’s use this opportunity to bring in new interested people to a fun, rewarding and educational hobby.

Please contact the Parma Radio Club at parmaradioclub@gmail.com if you can help or Listen and Call for them “On The Air”. See attached Event Flyer for details.
Setup time starts at 0900 EDST at site on Saturday, April 22nd , 2023.

http://www.kb8wlv.com/KB8WLW_Home_Page/KB8WLW.html

Your Club news should be listed here!

I know you’re out there doing things! Send me a write-up (MSWord please) and some photo’s (.jpg please) and we’ll get your club hi-lited here for the other OH Section Clubs to see! Send to WB8LCD@ARRL.ORG

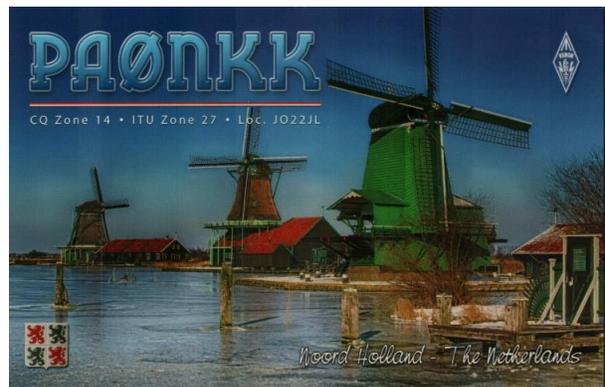
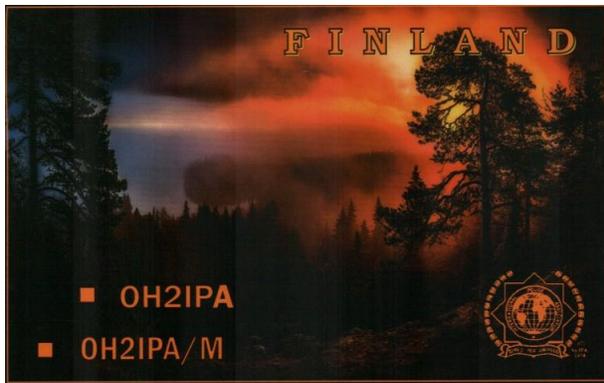
DX This Week – UN7LZ Interview

Bill AJ8B (aj8b@arrl.net, @AJ8B, or www.aj8b.com)
CWOPs Member #1567

One of the more interesting hams I have worked was UN7LZ, Val. It seems that many folks like the interviews that I reprint here, so I know you will like this one. Watch for Val on the air and set up a sked if you need Kazakhstan.

I received some nice QSLs this week including OH2IPA – The Finnish IPA radio club, ON8VK – Didier in Belgium, OP2KMJ – Jean-Paul in Belgium, and PA0NKK in the Netherlands. Let me know what you received.





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Interview with UN7LZ—Valery

I worked Val and, as is my habit, after reviewing his QRZ.com page, I just knew he would be an interesting person to get to know. I know so little about Kazakhstan, that I wanted to learn more. This was reprinted with the permission of the SouthWest Ohio DX Association. I hope you enjoy.

AJSB: How did you get started in Ham Radio?



UN7LZ: In 1973, three friends from the same high school class came to a teenager club at an amateur radio station UK7LAF. It was me (now UN7LZ, UP4L) and two my friends Vlad (now UN9LW, UP0L) and Grigory (now UN9LG, UP2L). We were 13 years old.

AJ8B: Do you have a favorite band or mode?

UN7LZ: Most of all I like to operate on CW in Contests on HF bands. At other times, I operate mostly on DIGI, including the WARC bands.

AJ8B: What time of day do you like to operate?

UN7LZ: I operate on the air at different times as the opportunity arises to do so.

AJ8B: Any secrets to your success?

UN7LZ: There are no secrets. Interest in radio, meeting friends on the air and, of course, the desire to beat your own previous score in Contests.

In 2010, I was a participant in the WRTC competition in Moscow, and in 2018 I was also invited to the WRTC in Germany, but due to problems with obtaining a visa, I could not take part.

AJ8B: Any tips you can share?

UN7LZ: For beginner radio amateurs, I would advise you to learn the CW, as well as be able to operate with all modern modes.

AJ8B: Describe what you are currently using.

UN7LZ: I use my old favorite Elecraft K3 transceiver on the HF bands and also purchased an IC-7300 transceiver to operate on 50 MHz. Power amplifiers for HF and 50 MHz up to 1 kW made in Russia. On my small garden place (30m x 30m) in out of city, I was able to place only two towers (22m and 16m). On one I placed a combined antenna for 4 bands (2el / 40m, 3el / 20m, 3el / 15m and 4el / 10m) and on the second one, 2el/30m and 7el/6m are installed. On the 80m and 160m bands I use a wire vertical beams from top of 22m tower. Unfortunately, last year, due to a strong hurricane, I lost my antenna at 17m/12m.

AJ8B: What advice do you have for those of us trying to break pileups to work DX?

UN7LZ: To successfully work with a DX, you should always try to improve your setup, listen carefully to whom and at what frequency the DX answers, and patiently wait for your call to be answered.

The DX will always move away from its TX frequency to the side in order to confidently hear calling stations.

AJ8B: What is your favorite contest?

UN7LZ: I have several favorite Contests and it



is not easy to choose the best one between them). Most likely this CQ WW DX CW Contest, Russian DX Contest, IARU Contest.

AJ8B: I can see you are a veteran of many DXpeditions. Which was your favorite? Why?

UN7LZ: No, I have not been on many DX-peditions, these were only two DX-peditions: in 2012 to Senegal and in 2013 to Jamaica.

Both DX-peditions were very memorable and enjoyable for me. Firstly, I met new interesting radio amateurs Jan-Francois 6W7RV, Jeff N1SNB and Josh 6Y5WJ. And secondly, our team was able to show a good result in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as M/S with simple setup and antennas.

AJ8B: If I were to stop by for a visit, what local place would you want us to visit?

UN7LZ: Of course, in Kazakhstan, the most beautiful and largest cities are Almaty and Nur-Sultan. I live in a small town (population 200,000) in the north of the country, and here you can fish well and go hunting during the season. By the way, this is my second hobby.)

AJ8B: What local food would you want me to try?

UN7LZ: The most common kazakh food is «beshparmak». «Beshparmak» is a dish mainly of horse meat or beef and dough. Try it for sure if you get a chance.

My regards to all readers of your newsletter and see you on the bands.

73 Valery UN7LZ / UP4L in Contest

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Here is an update from Bernie, W3UR, of the DailyDX and the WeeklyDX, the best source for DX information. <http://www.dailydx.com/> . Bernie has this to report:

1S - Spratly Islands - 4F2KWT, Gil, has just made final travel arrangements for his expedition to this rare one. He will be there April 30 to May 9, operating on 160-6M with 100 watts. He will be on Kalayaan Island. Gil says he will also have antennas for 6M. Look for him on 50313 and 50102. DU1NA, Nic, will be his pilot, dxOne.pagasa@gmail.com who will keep him apprised of any feedback. Gil says his internet connection will be spotty but he will check messages when he can. His antennas will be a 160/80M K5WZ dual resonance "horse fence antenna," and SVDAs for 10-10, and his radios, a pair of Yaesu 991As. Gil says other ops are now unable to join due to schedule conflicts. His goal is to make at least a thousand QSOs a day, "or at least 500." One of the two 991 radios will be dedicated to "MSHV." QSL via IZ8CCW, and you can request through PayPal, f2kwt@yahoo.com

C2 – Nauru - FK1TS, aka 3D2TS, Phil, was on from Nauru, C21TS, in mid-March, and he plans to go there again starting in late July and going into August. He says the plans are on track and this one will be longer and better equipped. Phil says, "More news as things firm up."

CE0Y - Easter Island - CE0YHF, George, is on Isla de Pascua for the rest of the month, CW, FT8 and FT4, QRP. He mentions good propagation on 12, 10 and 6, so that appears to be his emphasis.

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CONTEST CORNER

Below is a list of upcoming contests in the “Contest Corner”. I think this is important for someone who is trying to move up the DXCC ladder since entities that are on the rarer side and easiest to work in contests. Some of my best “catches” have been on the Sunday afternoon of a contest when the rarer entities are begging for QSOs. Of course, the gamble is that if you wait until Sunday, conditions may change, or they simply won’t be workable. However, it is not a bad gamble. Of course, why not work the contest and have some fun!

Check out the WA7BNM Contest Calendar page

(<https://www.contestcalendar.com/>) and CQ Magazine for more contests or more details. I also have a comprehensive list that can be imported to your calendar at www.aj8b.com/files

The contests in **red** are those that I plan to spend some significant participation time on. PLEASE let me know if you are working contests and how you fared.

Thanks!

Date(s)	Event	Info
All Year	CQ DX Marathon	bit.ly/3FyPiui
Apr. 26	432 MHz Spring Sprint	http://bit.ly/3XM4RpW
Apr. 26	UKEICC 80m Contests CW	https://ukeicc.com/80m-rules.php
Apr. 27	RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data	https://bit.ly/3TxCrxl
Apr. 29-30	10-10 Spring Digital Contest	http://bit.ly/1FrFeBc
Apr. 29-30	Florida QSO Party	www.floridaqsoparty.org
Apr. 29-30	Helvetia Contest	www.uska.ch
Apr. 29-30	UK/EI DX Contest, CW	www.ukicc.com/dx-contest-rules.php
May 27-28	CQWW WPX CW Contest	www.cqwp.com

ARLD016 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by The Daily DX, 425 DX News, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

UGANDA, 5X. Pista, HA5AO will be QRV as 5X2I from Busbala from April 24 to May 10. Activity will be on 40 to 6 meters using CW, some SSB, and FT8. QSL via operator's instructions.

CROATIA, 9A. Special event call sign 9A0EMCOR is QRV until April 25. QSL via 9A7R.

CUBA, CO. Members of the Russian Robinson Club will be QRV as CO30RRC from Cayo Coco Island, IOTA NA-086, from April 24 to May 4. Activity will be on the HF bands with eight stations. QSL direct to N7RO.

SOUTH COOK ISLAND, E5. Janusz, SP9FIH and Leszek, SP6CIK are QRV as E51WEG and E51CIK, respectively, from Rarotonga, IOTA OC-013, until April 28. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, and FT8. QSL to home calls.

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA, E7. Special event station E7WARD is QRV until April 26. Activity is on the HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB, and various digital modes. QSL via LoTW.

ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON, FP. Georg, DK7LX is QRV as FP/DK7LX. Activity is in his spare time on the HF bands using CW. QSL to home call.

OGASAWARA, JD1. Harry, JG7PSJ will be QRV as JD1BMH from Chichijima, IOTA AS-031, from April 22 to May 5. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, and RTTY. QSL direct to home call.

DENMARK, OZ. A group of operators will be QRV as 5P5FI from the Jylland West group, IOTA EU-125, from April 22 to 29. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, and various digital modes. QSL via ON6EF.

WEST KIRIBATI, T30. Members of the Rebel DX Group are QRV as T30UN from Tarawa, IOTA OC-017, until May 1. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, with multiple stations using FT8 in DXpedition mode. QSL via Club Log.

AUSTRALIA, VK. Special event station VK100ZL is QRV until December 31 to celebrate the first amateur radio contact made between Australia and New Zealand. QSL via bureau.

LAKSHADWEEP ISLANDS, VU7. Operators YL2GM and VU2CDP are QRV as VU7W from Kavaratti Island, IOTA AS-011, until April 29. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, and FT8. QSL via YL2GN.

MEXICO, XE. Special event station 4A9O is QRV until May 30 to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Club de Radio Experimentadores de Occidente. QSL via LoTW.

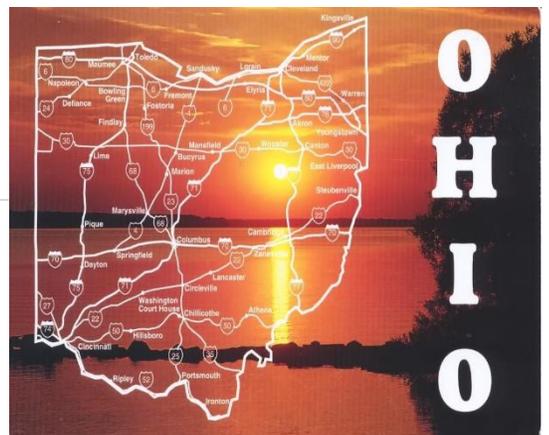
NEW ZEALAND, ZL. Special event station ZL100 will be QRV from April 26 to July 25 to celebrate the first amateur radio contact made between New Zealand and Australia. QSL via bureau.

The K1USN Slow Speed CW Test, QCX CW Challenge, ICWC Medium Speed CW Test, OK1WC CW Memorial, RSGB FT4 Contest, Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest, ICWC Medium Speed CW Test, ZL Sprint, SKCC CW Sprint, Phone Weekly Test, A1Club AWT, CWops Test, Mini-Test 40, Mini-Test 80, 432 MHz Spring Sprint and the UKEICC 80-Meter CW Contest are on tap for April 24 to 26.

Please see April QST, page 69, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest web sites for details.

Upcoming *Hamfests*

We **DO** have some hamfests scheduled for 2023!! Yes, take a good look at the list. And YES! They are starting to book up for 2023 already!



Ohio Hamfests

2023

04/30/2023 - [Athens Hamfest](#)

Location: Athens, OH

Sponsor: Athens County Amateur Radio Association

Website: <http://www.ac-ara.org/>

[Learn More](#)

05/07/2023 - [Lucas County Amateur Radio Emergency Service Trunk Sale and Swap Meet](#)

Location: Toledo, OH

Sponsor: Lucas County Amateur Radio Emergency Service

Website: <http://swap.lucasares.org>

[Learn More](#)

05/13/2023 - 05/17/2023 [RV Radio Network](#)

Location: Berlin, Ohio, OH

Type: ARRL Operating Specialty Convention

Sponsor: RV Radio Network

[Learn More](#)

Great Lakes Division Convention!!

05/19/2023 - 05/21/2023 [Dayton Hamvention](#)

Location: Xenia, OH

Sponsor: Dayton Amateur Radio Association

Website: <http://Hamvention.org>

[Learn More](#)

<p>05/27/2023 - Scioto Valley Amateur Radio Club Hamfest Location: Piketon, OH Sponsor: Scioto Valley Amateur Radio Club Learn More</p>	<p>06/03/2023 - FCARC Summer Hamfest Location: Wauseon, OH Sponsor: Fulton County Amateur Radio Club Website: https://k8bxq.org/hamfest Learn More</p>
<p>07/08/2023 - Mansfield Trunkfest 2023 Location: Mansfield, OH Sponsor: Intercity Amateur Radio Club Website: http://iarc.club Learn More</p>	<p>07/15/2023 - NOARSFEST Location: Elyria, OH Sponsor: Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society Learn More</p>
<p>07/16/2023 - Van Wert Hamfest Location: Van Wert, OH Sponsor: Van Wert Amateur Radio Club Website: http://w8fy.org Learn More</p>	<p>07/22/2023 - Ashtabula County Hamfest 2023 Location: Pierpont, OH Sponsor: Amigos Radio Club Ashtabula Website: https://sites.google.com/view/arca-home/ Learn More</p>
<p>08/05/2023 - 2023 Columbus Hamfest Location: Grove City, OH Sponsor: Aladdin Shrine Audio Unit Website: http://www.columbushamfest.com Learn More</p>	<p>08/12/2023 - Cincinnati Hamfest Location: Owensville , OH Sponsor: Milford ARC Website: https://CincinnatiHamfest.org Learn More</p>
<p>08/20/2023 - WARA Tailgate Swap Meet Location: Cortland, OH Sponsor: Warren Amateur Radio Association Website: http://w8vtd.org Learn More</p>	<p>09/10/2023 - Findlay Hamfest Location: Findlay, OH Sponsor: Findlay Radio Club Website: http://findlayradioclub.org Learn More</p>
<p>09/24/2023 - Cleveland Hamfest Location: Berea, OH Sponsor: Hamfest Association of Cleveland Website: http://www.hac.org Learn More</p>	<p>10/29/2023 - Massillon (OH) Hamfest (& auction) Location: North Canton, , OH Sponsor: Massillon Amateur Radio Club Website: http://www.w8np.net Learn More</p>

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OHIO'S



Look for updates in next week's Ohio Section News!

OHIO SECTION TRAFFIC REPORT – MARCH 2023

OHIO SECTION NETS – MARCH 2023

NET	QNI	QTC	QTR	SESSIONS	N/M
BNE	129	40	336	31	N2LC
BNL	46	34	201	31	WB8LBI
OSN	87	24	540	23	N2LC
OSSBN	1787	329	2190	93	KC8WH

OHIO SECTION PSHR REPORTS – MARCH 2023

AD8CM	31	40	10	535	0	10	TOTAL	635
WA3EZN	40	40	30	375	0	20	TOTAL	505
KC8WH	40	40	30	80	0	0	TOTAL	190
KV8Z	40	40	10	90	0	10	TOTAL	190
N2LC	40	40	30	30	0	40	TOTAL	180
WB8YYS	40	22	20	75	0	10	TOTAL	167
AC8NP	40	34	10	60	0	20	TOTAL	164
N8SY	40	5	30	20	0	60	TOTAL	155
KC8PBU	40	40	20	40	0	0	TOTAL	140
KE4RS	40	40	10	50	0	0	TOTAL	140
K8MDA	40	40	30	0	0	20	TOTAL	130
AC8RV	40	40	10	10	0	0	TOTAL	100
KB8GUN	40	40	10	10	0	10	TOTAL	100
W8MAL	40	40	10	0	0	10	TOTAL	100

WB8SIQ	40	35	10	10	0	0	TOTAL	95
W8GSR	40	40	10	0	0	0	TOTAL	90
KL7RF	40	40	10	0	0	0	TOTAL	90
K8KRA	40	40	10	0	0	0	TOTAL	90
N8MRS	40	40	10	0	0	0	TOTAL	90
KB8HJJ	40	40	10	0	0	0	TOTAL	90
KA1G	40	40	10	0	0	0	TOTAL	90
W8DJG	19	11	20	5	5	20	TOTAL	80
KD8UUB	40	17	10	10	0	0	TOTAL	77
KE8ANW	40	5	0	30	0	0	TOTAL	73
N8OD	40	33	0	0	0	0	TOTAL	73
NC8V	11	7	0	0	0	0	TOTAL	18

OHIO SECTION LOCAL NETS – MARCH 2023

NET	QNI	QTC	QTR	SESSIONS	N/M
BRTN	75	24	128	11	KD8GXL
COTN	286	87	507	31	KV8Z
NWOH ARES	261	128	548	31	N8TNV
TATN	341	70	342	31	WG8Z
TCTTN	96	8	224	13	WB8YYS

OHIO SECTION TRAFFIC REPORTS – MARCH 2023

AC8NP-35	KB8HJJ-64	KL7RF-65	NC8V-7
AC8RV-60	KC8IDM-57	KV8Z-43	W8DJG-11
AD8CM-82	KC8PBU-42	N2LC-95	W8GSR-94
KA1G-40	KC8WH-45	N8BV-43	W8MAL-115
K3RC-43	KC8YTV-11	N8GBU-25	WA3EZN-140
K8KRA-48	KD8GXL-29	N8MRS-91	WB8SIQ-35
K8MDA-40	KD8HB-57	N8OD-33	WB8YYS-22
K8MWF-3	KD8UUB-17	N8SY-5	WB9LBI-65
KB8GUN-94	KE4RS-79	N8TNV-93	
TOTALS		35/1828	

OHIO HF TRAFFIC NETS

BN(E) Buckeye Net Early - CW
BN(L) Buckeye Net Late – CW
OSN Ohio Slow Net - CW
OSSBN Ohio Single Sideband Net – Phone

OHIO VHF TRAFFIC NETS

BRTN Burning River Traffic Net serving Cleveland and North Central Ohio
COTN Central Ohio Traffic Net serving Columbus and Central Ohio
NWOH ARES Northwest Ohio ARES Net serving Toledo and surrounding counties
TATN Tri-State Amateur Traffic Net
TCTTN Tri-County Traffic and Training Net serving North East Ohio

Print an Official or Unofficial Copy of Your Amateur Radio License

(By Anthony Luscre, K8ZT)

As of February 17, 2015, the **FCC no longer routinely issues paper license documents** to Amateur Radio applicants and licensees. The Commission has maintained for some time now that the official Amateur Radio license authorization is the electronic record that exists in its Universal Licensing System (ULS). The FCC will continue to provide paper license documents to all licensees who notify the Commission that they prefer to receive one. Licensees also will be able to print out an official authorization — as well as an unofficial “reference copy” — from the ULS License Manager. I’ve created a set of instructions on how you can request an **“official” printed copy of your license***



[Click here to download the instructions](#)

One Question Questionnaire

!!!! I would really like to hear from as many of you as possible. How about going to <http://arrl-ohio.org> and giving me a click? (It's in the bottom left corner of the page) While you're there, you can click the Big Red Arrow to enter into this months Handbook Giveaway!



This week's Question: Have you ever won a MAJOR prize at a Hamfest?

A) Yes, or B) No

From last weeks question:

Do you have a QSL card from your very first QSO? **47% SAID YES AND 53% SAID NO (OUT OF 74)**

(This is a subliminal message: Go to the Ohio Section Website, on the bottom left of the landing page answer this week's question. **AND DON'T FORGET** – look for the Big Red Arrow and sign up for the April Handbook give away!)

AND THE MARCH HandBook winner is: K8DV Dave Vest!
There were 160 entries for March, as of Right Now there are less than 70 for April! Probably some of the best odds you'll see in a long time! Get your entry in before the month is over!

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Hey Gang,

Have you taken a look at the **Swap & Shop** page on the Ohio Section webpage yet?? Here's a link that will take you there... <http://arrrl-ohio.org/sm/s-s.html>

Do you have equipment that you just don't need or want anymore? Here's a great venue to advertise it, and it's FREE!! Is your club doing a fund raiser to help raise money? After a lot of thought, it was decided that the Swap & Shop webpage could also contain these types of items as well. The same rules will apply as do for the For Sales and Give-A-Ways and will only be posted for a month at a time. Please see the Terms & Conditions on the webpage.

If your club is doing a fund raiser and wants more exposure, please forward the information to me and I'll advertise it on the Swap & Shop webpage for you.

Now, I still want to remind you that it won't be listed in this newsletter because it would take up way too much space, so your ad will only appear on the website. It is there for any individual to post equipment Wanted / For Sale or Give-Away as well as for Club Fund Raisers. No licensed vehicles/trailers or business advertising will be posted. Postings are text only (no pictures or graphics) will be posted for a maximum of 1 month from date posting and require a contact phone number or email within the posting. Send your Wanted / For Sale or Give-Away post to: swap@arrrl-ohio.org

Back Issues of the PostScript and Ohio Section Journal

Hey, did you know that PostScript and Ohio Section Journal (OSJ) are archived on the website? You can go back and look at any edition simply by clicking:

<http://arrrl-ohio.org/news/index.html>



Want to Share your Club Newsletter With Others?

We have a webpage where you can download and read all of the newsletters that I get from around the state and even other sections!

Here's the link to the page.... http://arri-ohio.org/club_news/index.html

Please, if you don't see your club newsletter posted, it's because I'm not receiving it. Just have your newsletter editor contact me and I'll get your club's newsletter listed on the site!!



We all learn and steal (I mean, share) from each other's work. So, get me your newsletter!!! Send it to: webmaster@arri-ohio.org

Chit – Chat, and All That!

Do you know someone that's not getting these Newsletters? Please, forward a copy of this Newsletter over to them and have them "[Opt-In](#)" to start receiving them. Heck, just have them send an email to: webmaster@arri-ohio.org and we'll get them added to the Ohio Section Emailing list.



We now have many thousands of readers receiving these newsletters weekly. Quite impressive, I'd say! I urge all of you to make sure that everyone, regardless of whether they are a League member or not, get signed up to receive these weekly Newsletters.



You can always "Opt-Out" at any time if you feel this is not what you were expecting. It's fun and very informative. All of your favorite past newsletters are now archived too. You can go back at any time and read them.

Just go to: <http://arri-ohio.org/news/>

PostScript is produced as a weekly newsletter. I want to thank everyone that has contributed articles and ideas to make this an even better news source. I sincerely hope that you have enjoyed this edition and will encourage your friends to join with you in receiving the latest news and information about the Ohio Section, and news and events happening around the world! Occasionally you may find an error or two in this newsletter – be assured, they were put there on purpose to make sure you're reading the newsletter carefully!