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## CQ CQ CQ de WB8LCD

Did you see that beautifully manicured lawn? I know that some of you are going to use the old and tired excuse “I couldn’t make it to Hamvention because I had to mow the lawn....” Well, that’s not going to fly around here! There’s an old college saying: “You can always re-take a class, but you can never re-live that fantastic party”. Besides, you’re gonna have to mow that lawn again next week! Get thee to Hamvention!

Here's another idea, HVOTA – Ham Vention On The Air! Take some gear with you and let’s light up the airwaves with signals from Hamvention. Bring your POTA gear, bring your “go-kit”, bring your QRP set up. Operate from your car, from the flea-market, from your hotel room and even from the Hamvention grounds. Let’s let the WORLD know that we’re at the biggest Amateur Radio Party in the World!

Are you a member of ARES? You should be. Part of our reason for existence, as listed in Part 97 is to provide Emergency Communications in times of National Disaster. Sure, you can do that on your own, but you’ll be much more useful as a part of a national organization that exists for that purpose. ARRL offers courses on EmComms and there are also courses offered by the Feds – usually as a part of the state and local EMAs. If you go to the Ohio Section Website ( [www.arrl-Ohio.org](http://www.arrl-Ohio.org) ) and click on the Ohio ARES tab, you’ll see a lot of basic information on ARES in Ohio, and a lot of information on getting you started. You’ll notice that a few counties in Ohio do not have an operational ARES unit. That does not preclude you from participating in ARES as you can join the unit in a neighboring county. Some counties have other EmComm opportunities through their local EMA. If that’s the case in your county I would certainly encourage you to participate in that way. However, membership in ARES can still enhance your abilities to respond in emergency situations and/or in situations outside of your own local EMA.

While I’m on this, I also want to encourage you all to participate in local / national traffic nets. Nets are another important “tool” for responding to local / national disasters. During the disaster is NOT the time to be trained on net protocol and traffic handling. Once a month, PostScript is replaced with the Ohio Section Journal. That gives all Ohio Section Cabinet appointees an opportunity to correspond with you and let you know what’s going on in their area of responsibility. I would encourage you to read the articles from Bret Stemen – KD8SCL the Section Emergency Coordinator (SEC), David Maynard – WA3EZN the Section Traffic Manager (STM) and Jim Yoder – W8ERW our ARES Data Manager. Every month they bring you TONS of good information! (You can look at last month’s Ohio Section Journal here: [OSJ-Apr-23.pdf \(arrl-ohio.org\)](#) .

A couple months ago, I challenged you all to start expanding your horizons beyond your own local club by visiting other clubs in the Ohio Section. You can do that in person (the preferred method) or, in this “Post COVID World” you can now visit most clubs local meetings via

ZOOM. Not wanting to throw out a challenge I was not willing to do myself, I've been trying to visit more of the Ohio Section clubs, especially now since the days are longer and the weather is better. From my experience I'm happy to say there are some really good Ohio Amateur Radio Clubs! If you're looking for ideas to make your club better, I'll be doing a presentation on clubs at Hamvention – 9:15 Friday morning in Forum room #4. I hope you'll be able to join me! And, I had visions of "Club Visitations" being something measurable and trackable. I even said I would include a "Leader Board" for the results. Here's that Leader Board:

## Highland Amateur Radio Association (HARA)

They have taken this to a whole different level than what I had anticipated (no wonder they were Hamvention "Club of the Year" recently! John Levo writes: "You can put HARA down for another visitation to another club. Tonight nine members journeyed to Wilmington to attend the Clinton County ARA meeting. The trip was mainly to discuss the arrangements for the CCARA to share HARA's Hamvention Flea Market spaces.

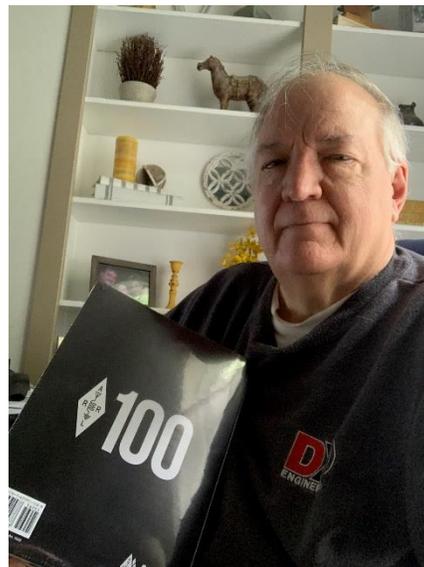
However it also called attention to a program through local EMA's called "GETS" which some of our members immediately had their attention drawn to. We were not aware of this program and will be discussing it with our county EMA director.

We probably would not have ever heard of the program if we had not attended the meeting."

Here's a secret: the "JOY" of Ham Radio comes from "doing". Sure, you can learn lots of stuff, you can look at really cool stuff that others have built, you can complain about your club, other hams, the ARRL. Blah blah blah. Let me say it again, the Joy of the Hobby comes from DOING the Hobby!

One final item:

Dave Vest – K8DV was the winner of the March Handbook Give Away! You can't win if you don't enter! Towards the end of every issue of PostScript and Ohio Section Journal we have a 1 Question Questionnaire. Sometimes there will be a **BIG RED ARROW** taking you to the Handbook give away entry form. Keep checking, you never know when it could be your lucky Day! By the way, if you have a question you would like to see posted – send it to me, I'll make sure I get it in an upcoming issue.



Get on the air, try new things, build a new antenna or a QRP rig! Have Fun!

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 14<sup>th</sup>\*\*\*

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)*

### **Hamvention® 2023**

On-Line: <http://www.hamvention.org>

#### News Release

April 23, 2023

For Immediate Release

Contact: James Gifford, Media Chair

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More than 30,000 amateur radio enthusiasts will attend Hamvention in less than a month. Over 32,000 passed through the gate at the Greene County Fairgrounds and Expo Center in 2022, and Hamvention General Manager, Jim Storms, reports that advance sales have exceeded last year's totals for the same time period. Spokesman Michael Kalter was recently a guest on "Ham Nation" YouTube channel, and he said sales indicate that interest is "stronger than it's been in years." He also said that vendors are rallying this year, and only a very few booth spaces remain available.

Hamvention is not just about the numbers and choices of vendors, nor is it just about the huge flea market. The theme for 2023 is Innovation, and innovative ham radio operators desire more than to just purchase radios and hardware, they seek knowledge. Hamvention offers over 50 forums where eager enthusiasts can learn and share ideas with other ham radio operators. These forums range from operating procedures to youth activities to hardware and software, each presented by experts in each subject.

Hamvention will be held May 19, 20 and 21, 2023 at the Greene County Fairgrounds and Expo Center, Xenia, Ohio. Additional details may be located at <http://www.hamvention.org/>.

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## **ARRL Ready to Welcome Attendees at Dayton Hamvention® 2023**

[Dayton Hamvention](#) 2023, ham radio's largest annual gathering, is just two weeks away. Gates open for the 3-day event on Friday, May 19, at 9 AM, at the Greene County Fair and Expo

Center in Xenia, Ohio. Spokesperson Michael Kalter, W8CI, reports that 700 volunteers are working to get the event ready.

"We like to think of Hamvention as ham radio's people event, and we have a lot to offer," said Kalter. This year's Hamvention theme is Innovation, and will be reflected in the variety of exhibits, activities, and forums that have been organized this year.



[ARRL The National Association for Amateur Radio](#)® will occupy a large exhibit area in building 2. "Much of our effort this year will build on ARRL's yearlong theme, Year of the Volunteers," said ARRL Public Relations and Outreach Manager Sierra Harrop, W5DX. ARRL program representatives and volunteers will be on hand to help interested attendees find paths to become more active and involved in amateur radio.

There will be booths organized around radiosport, emergency communications, technology, and youth. "We'll also ask everyone to 'reach one rung higher' by -- encouraging all active hams to pursue opportunities to mentor others, and to consider volunteering in the ARRL Field Organization and elected positions," said Harrop. A list and map of the ARRL booths and, a list of ARRL-sponsored Hamvention forums can be found at [www.arrl.org/expo](http://www.arrl.org/expo).

Kalter recommends downloading the [free mobile app](#) for smartphones and tablets to help attendees navigate the large-scale event. Developed as a collaborative effort with ARRL, the ARRL Events app is now available and already includes Hamvention's full program, so attendees can browse and schedule forums, find affiliated events, and preview the extensive list of exhibitors. During the event, attendees can use other app features to follow the hourly prize drawings, browse building and site maps, and even connect with one another. The ARRL Events app can be downloaded from the Apple [App Store](#) and [Google Play](#), or you can use the [web browser version](#).



Kalter said communication during Hamvention is critical and there is a new cellular phone tower near the venue that should improve cell phone coverage.

"Our Talk-in Net will be in operation beginning Thursday, May 18, at 7 AM on the Dayton Amateur Radio Association's repeater, 146.94 (-) 123.0 PL with an alternate frequency of 146.985 (-) 123.0 PL. The net offers directions and assistance as well as traffic conditions and detours," said Kalter. Additional frequencies and information are available at [Talk In - Hamvention](#).

Also new this year is a free bus service available on Friday and Saturday that will operate between 10:30 AM and 3 PM to take riders to downtown Xenia.

For more information about Dayton Hamvention, visit [hamvention.org](http://hamvention.org).

## ARRL Helps Radio Amateurs Comply with New RF Exposure Evaluation Rules

ARRL The National Association for Amateur Radio® provides free, comprehensive resources to help radio amateurs ensure they are compliant with the new RF exposure rules.

On May 3, 2021, [new FCC rules governing RF exposure](#) evaluations went into effect. While the exposure limits were not changed, the requirement to conduct an evaluation was made more broadly applicable to amateur licensees. A 2-year transition period was implemented to allow existing amateur licensees to conduct evaluations and make any changes necessary to ensure that their station complies with the exposure rules. On May 3, 2023, the transition period ended. All licensees must now conduct evaluations of their current station and reassess compliance when making changes to their stations that would affect exposure going forward.



As detailed in a [May 2023 QST article by Greg Lapin, N9GL](#), the rules now require amateur radio operators to perform station evaluations. The Amateur Radio Service is no longer categorically excluded from certain aspects of the RF exposure rules, and licensees can no longer avoid performing an exposure assessment simply because they are transmitting below a given power level.

The ARRL website features an [RF Exposure landing page](#) with resources, such as an RF exposure calculator, the entire RF Safety section from the 100<sup>th</sup> Edition of the *ARRL The Handbook*, a video explaining the topic, FAQs about the subject, and more. These tools and resources are available to the public without an ARRL membership or website account.

For further assistance with technical matters, ARRL members enjoy the additional resources of the [ARRL Technical Information Service](#), and access to the experts within the ARRL Lab.

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## 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.



VOA Museum.

For further information, visit [voamuseum.org](http://voamuseum.org) or [wc8voa.org](http://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.

## **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](#)

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## 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.

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## 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.



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**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, W1EME, AMSAT Hamvention Coordinator, at w1eme@msat.org.

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# ARRL Member Bulletin



April 20, 2023

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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.arrl.org/take-dues-survey](http://www.arrl.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](http://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](mailto: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.

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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](http://LCTOTA.org). A great opportunity to pick up some elusive states for WAS. Details are on [LCTOTA.org](http://LCTOTA.org).

Thank You ,  
Rick Smith KT7G  
LCTOTA committee.

# Ham Radio Project Seeks Science and Tech-Minded Students

The National Radio Astronomy Observatory (NRAO) is looking for up to 20 young adults to join their online amateur radio project, [Exploring the Electromagnetic Spectrum](#). This is the second running of this pilot program.

The program will run from August 7, 2023 - May 13, 2024, for 3 - 6 hours each week. Students selected for the program will receive hands-on experience and learn how the electromagnetic spectrum is used in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields. They will also learn about amateur radio and work towards gaining an amateur radio license. Students from BIPOC and/or LGBTQIA+ communities are especially encouraged to apply.

ARRL member Jesse Alexander, WB2IFS, Ham Radio Project Lead, said one of the benefits for students is building and using RF muscle memory. "Yes, using what I call radio frequency muscle memory will help in many ways. It will help students learn to think and develop a better understanding of the electromagnetic spectrum and get them ready for their amateur radio training and licenses," said Alexander.

The Ham Radio Project is operated by the NRAO's Office of Diversity and Inclusion, which has similar programs designed to increase equitable access to STEM education and careers.

ARRL contributed license manuals for students participating in the project.

Below is a list of qualifications for the program:

- Must be 18-20 years old as of August 7, 2023.
- Must be a US citizen or a permanent resident.
- Must demonstrate an interest in STEM.
- Must have access to a computer or smart device; all other equipment will be provided.

Students selected will:

- Receive a stipend totaling \$4,000, with \$100 weekly for 40 weeks in two sessions
- Attend weekly meetings with dedicated mentors to learn more about the electromagnetic spectrum and how it is used in a variety of STEM fields



Ham Radio Project Lead Jesse Alexander, WB2IFS (left) attended [HamSCI Workshop 2023](#) in March with three of his students from "Wave 1" Cohort: Sullivan Gutierrez Torres, 20, who attends Agnes Scott College in Decatur, Georgia; Logan Slimp, 18, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Nejon McBride-Stubbs, 20, of Prairie View, Texas. (Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R / ARRL, photo)

- Receive long-term networking opportunities with NRAO programs and amateur radio clubs
- Receive opportunities to attend conferences and apply for paid summer research experiences
- Participate in hands-on experiences
- Train to become a licensed amateur radio operator

The application deadline is June 1, 2023. For more information or to apply, please visit [superknova.org/ham-radio-project](https://superknova.org/ham-radio-project).

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# Countdown to W4DXCC

September 29 and 30, 2023, Pigeon Forge, TN

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**NEW LOCATION !!!**

**What:**

**18th Annual W4DXCC DX and Contesting Convention**

**When:**

**September 29 and 30, 2023**

**Where:**

**Ramsey Hotel and Convention Center, 3230 Parkway, Pigeon Forge**

**Why:**

**Fellowship, learning, fun, food and most importantly, renewed friendships!**

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Please visit [W4DXCC.com](https://W4DXCC.com) now for more information and to order your

conference and banquet tickets!

**It's time to make your hotel reservations!!**

The Ramsey is only minutes from our previous venue and their convention/banquet area is outstanding. It's very easy to get to and close to everything. The Ramsey offers a full breakfast buffet, a fireplace in the lobby, a lounge and bar - including a Tiki bar by the pool. Due to many fun things happening in Pigeon Forge, please make your hotel reservations asap by calling 865-428-2700. When you call, be sure to tell them you are with W4DXCC by SEDCO for our special room rate. You cannot make reservations online.

**See you soon,**  
**Dave Anderson, K4SV**  
**Convention leader**  
[Dave@w4dxcc.com](mailto:Dave@w4dxcc.com)

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## ***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](mailto: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.

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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.

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## 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](http://www.arrl.org/arrl-sanctioned-events).

To apply for ARRL sanctioned status for your event, go to [www.arrl.org/hamfest-convention-application](http://www.arrl.org/hamfest-convention-application).

The ARRL Hamfests and Conventions Calendar can be found online at [www.arrl.org/hamfests](http://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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto:tgolden@fuse.net) or Ron Spaulding, N8QF, (513) 617-6181 or [n8qf@roadrunner.com](mailto: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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:exams.w8bi@gmail.com)

### **Dial Radio Club, Middleton, OH**

Will offer Amateur Radio License Examinations at 6:00PM on Wednesday March 1<sup>st</sup> at St. John XXIII Elementary School, 3806 Manchester Rd., Middletown, OH 45042. Pre-Registration is required, go to: [www.qsl.net/w8blv](http://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](mailto:kd8w@ARRL.net) or Ron Spaulding, N8QF, (513) 617-6181 or [n8qf@roadrunner.com](mailto: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 15<sup>th</sup>, March 19<sup>th</sup>, May 21<sup>st</sup>, July 9<sup>th</sup>, September 10<sup>th</sup>, and November 12<sup>th</sup>.

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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:ve_testing@k8qik.org) to register.

### **Lisbon Area Amateur Radio Association**

Beginning Feb 11, 2023 Testing on the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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](http://www.K8GQB.com) or contact NN8B at [nn8b.oh@gmail.com](mailto:nn8b.oh@gmail.com)

**NO VE SESSION IN JULY**

### **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](http://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](mailto:ewilkinson1951@gmail.com). There will be a VE session held March 12<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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](http://www.portcars.org) .

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me at [KB8UUZ@gmail.com](mailto: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](http://www.w8zx.net/exam) or email [VETEAM@N8BAG.NET](mailto: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/>

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## **Cleveland Marathon May 20-21**

For any of you who are not going to Hamvention, or plan to return Saturday night, the Cleveland Marathon can still use more help. We require about 40 operators and currently only have 17 signed up. If you can help please sign up here if you haven't already.

There are a 10k and 5k on Saturday, May 20 and the marathon and half marathon are on Sunday, May 21.

The link to sign up

is <https://n8esg.org/events/?civiwp=CiviCRM&q=civicrm%2Fevent%2Finfo&id=417>

And for those not familiar with the event, yes, I know it's Hamvention weekend, yes it pretty much always has been, no they will not change the weekend just for a single group of volunteers. :-)

Mat KC8NZJ DEC D10

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## **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](mailto: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](http://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**

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## **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](mailto:WB8LCD@ARRL.ORG)

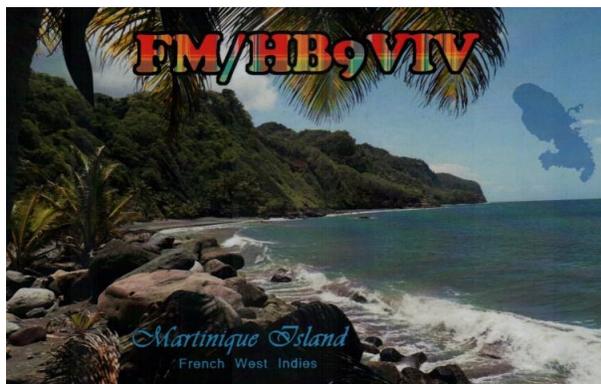
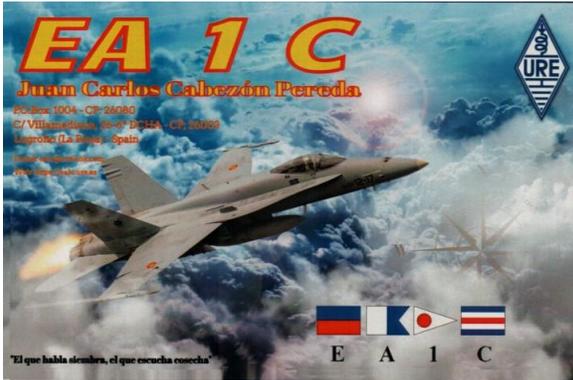
## DX This Week – JA8ISU Interview

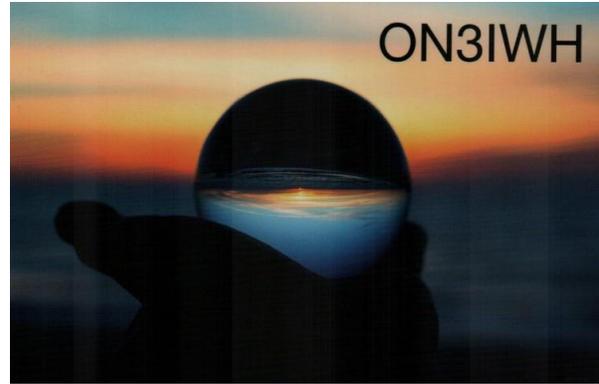
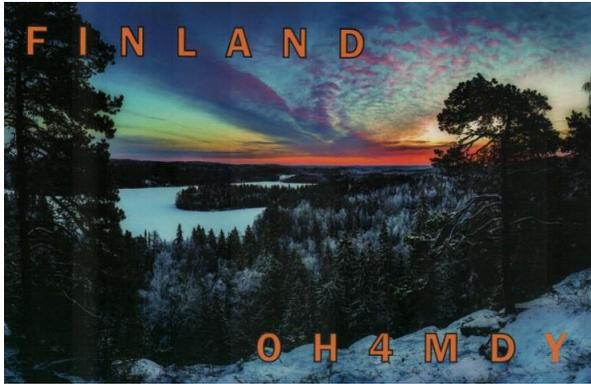
Bill AJ8B (aj8b@arrl.net, @AJ8B, or www.aj8b.com)  
CWOPs Member #1567



This week I have reprinted an interview that I held with JA8ISU – Kazuo in Hokkaido, Japan. He is an excellent operator and the only JA that I have worked on 160!

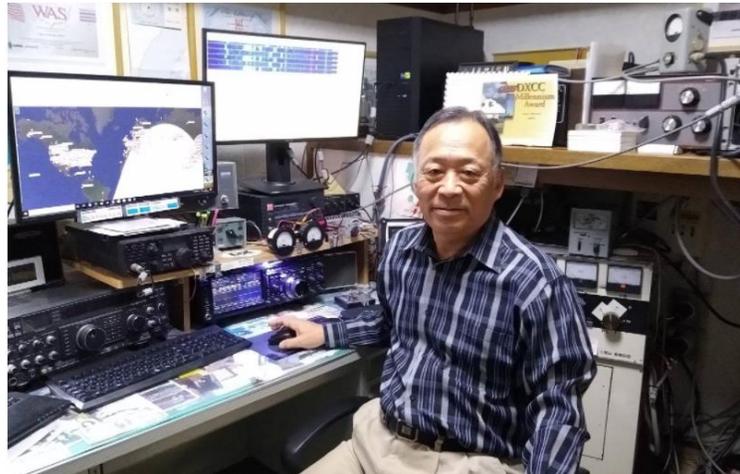
I received several nice cards this week including EA1C – Juan Carlos in La Rioja, Spain, FM/HB9VIV – Stephane in Martinique, JH5FTY – Tera in Ehime, Japan, OH4MDY – Reijo in Finland, and ON3IWH – Stefaan in Belgium. Let me know what you received.





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## Interview with JA8ISU, Kazuo



*I had worked Kaz on 160M and 80M and had to contact him to see what he was running. He was kind enough to agree to answer questions for us.*

**AJ8B:** How did you first get interested in amateur radio?

**JA8ISU:** I started wireless in 1968. For the first 25 years, I enjoyed the high band of HF and then the low band. Currently I am enjoying 160m and 6m and sometimes 80m. My child is CW, but I've been enjoying FT8 for the past few years.

**AJ8B:** Do you have a favorite band or mode?

**JA8ISU:** 160m is the winter low band season 0900z to 1300z; 6m is from 2100z to 0700z in the summer season.

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

**JA8ISU:** Different bands, different modes and long fun.

**AJ8B:** Any secrets to your success?

**JA8ISU:** It is to give a QSO to a station that wants to make friends with familiar people of various bands and communicate with JA.

**AJ8B:** You have a wide variety of antennas shown on the web page and a great space. What antennas are there? Are you planning on anymore?

**JA8ISU:** There are currently 4 towers. The three towers are 90m apart and 160m long with Half Square wires for W. I also use a 30m

tower drive. 80m is an IV with a height of 27m. 6m uses 9-element Yagi with a height of 20m and 7-element Yagi with a height of 30m.



**AJ8B:** Describe what you are currently using:

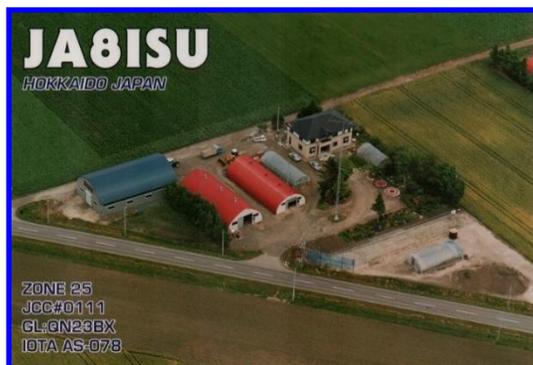
**JA8ISU:** The rig is FT1000 for Yaesu FTdx101D backup. He made his own 1kW amplifier and 50MHz is a TR amplifier 500W made by the manufacturer.

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

**JA8ISU:** You should focus more on the transmitting antenna than on the transmitting output.

**AJ8B:** What is your favorite contest?

**JA8ISU:** My favorite contest is CQWW160m ARRL160m test and 160mSP test.



**AJ8B:** Any QSLing hints?

**JA8ISU:** Gather the information you need and wait patiently for a long time.

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

**JA8ISU:** It is close to a national park and is blessed with nature. Then it is a place where you can see the drift ice in the winter season.

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

**JA8ISU:** This is an area where agriculture and fishing are thriving. There are many delicious foods.

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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, the operator of DX0NE, says there is no internet available where his operating location is, and where there is internet there is no good place for an antenna. The generator came on at 4AM local, 2000Z Sunday but had to shut down for a passing thunderstorm with nearby lightning strikes and heavy rain. Gil went to the place where he had the internet and uploaded the first 310 QSOs to Club Log. When he came back on the air he was on 14019 until lightning caused another shutdown. At that point, the generator was producing low voltage "causing the amplifier to complain."

**ST Sudan** - VK3TX, Oscar, reports that ST2NH ceased operation when he was evacuated from Sudan to the UK by the RAF due to violence in Khartoum and elsewhere in Sudan, a "very dangerous situation" there, he says.

**9Q - Democratic Republic of Congo** - Updating our April 25 report on a planned operation by the Italian DX Team for the first half of September this year, the callsign will be 9Q1AA on SSB, CW and RTTY; and 9Q1ZZ on FT8.

[http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=featured&Itemid=101](http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/index.php?option=com_content&view=featured&Itemid=101)

**VP6AKL** is not on Pitcairn Island, but rather somewhere in Europe. No need to waste your time on this one!

**5U - Niger - 5UA99WS**, Giorgio, began operations yesterday just after 120Z. He was reported on 10 meters SSB (28.490 MHz), listening up 5 KHz. Just before 1500Z he moved to 15 meters SSB (21.280 MHz), again listening up 5 KHz until after 1600Z. Today he started up around 0640Z on 17 meters SSB (18.150 MHz), as usual listening up 5 KHz.

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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](http://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	<a href="http://bit.ly/3FyPiui">http://bit.ly/3FyPiui</a>
May 10	VHF-UHF FT8 Activity	<a href="http://www.ft8activity.eu/index.php/en/">http://www.ft8activity.eu/index.php/en/</a>
May 13-14	Canadian Prairies QSO Party	<a href="https://cpqp.ve6hams.ca/">https://cpqp.ve6hams.ca/</a>
May 13-14	CQ WW Foxhunting Weekend	<a href="http://www.homingin.com/joek0ov/nfw.html">http://www.homingin.com/joek0ov/nfw.html</a>
May 13-14	CQ-M International DX Contest	<a href="http://cqm.srr.ru/en/rules/">http://cqm.srr.ru/en/rules/</a>
May 13-14	Volta WW RTTY Contest	<a href="http://www.contestvolta.it/">http://www.contestvolta.it/</a>
May 13-14	50 MHz Spring Sprint	<a href="http://bit.ly/3XM4RpW">http://bit.ly/3XM4RpW</a>
May 17	RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data	<a href="http://bit.ly/3TxCrxl">http://bit.ly/3TxCrxl</a>
May 17	VHF-UHF FT8 Activity	<a href="http://www.ft8activity.eu/index.php/en/">http://www.ft8activity.eu/index.php/en/</a>
May 18	QRP Minimal Art Session	<a href="http://qrpc.de/contestrules/mas/index.html">http://qrpc.de/contestrules/mas/index.html</a>
May 20-21	Arkansas QSO Party	<a href="https://arkqp.com/arkansas-qso-party-rules/">https://arkqp.com/arkansas-qso-party-rules/</a>
May 20-21	Baltic Contest	<a href="http://www.lrsf.lt/en/">http://www.lrsf.lt/en/</a>
May 20-21	His Majesty King of Spain CW Contest	<a href="http://concursos.ure.es/en/">http://concursos.ure.es/en/</a>
May 20-21	NZART Sangster Shield Contest	<a href="http://bit.ly/3aviX6h">http://bit.ly/3aviX6h</a>
May 20-21	SARL VHF/UHF Digital Contest	<a href="http://bit.ly/H0IqQf">http://bit.ly/H0IqQf</a>
May 22	QRP ARCI Hoot Owl Sprint	<a href="http://www.qrpcontest.com/">http://www.qrpcontest.com/</a>
May 22	RSGB FT4 Contest Series	<a href="http://bit.ly/3TxCrxl">http://bit.ly/3TxCrxl</a>
May 25	RSGB 80m Club Championship, CW	<a href="http://bit.ly/3TxCrxl">http://bit.ly/3TxCrxl</a>
May 27-28	CQ WW WPX CW Contest	<a href="http://www.cqwp.com/">http://www.cqwp.com/</a>

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## ARLD018 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.

SPRATLY ISLANDS. Gil, 4F2KWT is QRV as DX0NE from Kalayaan, IOTA AS-051, until May 9. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, and FT8. QSL via IZ8CCW.

NIGER, 5U. Giorgio, IU5HWS is QRV as 5UA99WS from Niamey until May 15. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using SSB and FT8. QSL via EA5GL.

KENYA, 5Z. Mark, VK3XB is QRV as 5Z4XB from Nairobi until May 8. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using mainly FT8 and some SSB. QSL via VK3WIA.

RWANDA, 9X. Harald, DF2WO is QRV as 9X2AW until May 15. Activity is on 40 to 6 meters using CW and FT8. QSL via M0OXO.

PHILIPPINES, DU. Jairus, 4F1DY is QRV as 4F1DY/2 from Palawan Island, IOTA OC-128, until May 7, and from Jomalig Island, IOTA OC-091, from May 9 to 11. Activity is on 20 and 15 meters using SSB. QSL via EA5GL.

JERSEY, GJ. Special event station GB3KCJ will be QRV from May 6 to June 2 for the coronation of King Charles III. QSL via bureau.

SAN ANDRES AND PROVIDENCIA, HK0. Operators PY8WW, PY7RP and PY7XC are QRV as HK0/home calls from San Andres, IOTA NA-033, until May 11. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, and FT8, with a focus on the higher bands and 6 meters. QSL to home calls.

GUINEA BISSAU, J5. Carlos, CT2GQA is QRV as J5JUA until the end of May. Activity is on 15 to 10 meters using mostly FT8. QSL to home call.

JAPAN, JA. Mitsuru, JE1HXZ/6 is QRV from the Kuroshima, Yaeyama Islands, IOTA AS-024, until May 8. Activity is on the HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, FT8, and FT4. QSL via bureau.

BELGIUM, ON. Members of UBA Mechelen are QRV with special event station OS23SOM until May 31 in celebration of the Special Olympics Belgium's annual National Games being

held this year in Mechelen. QSL via operators' instructions.

NETHERLANDS, PA. Special event call signs PA100K, PA100M, and PA100PCG are QRV until June 30 to commemorate the two-way telegraph service that started up from Radio Malabar to Radio Kootwijk. QSL via bureau.

CANADA, VE. In commemoration of the coronation of King Charles III, until July 2 radio amateurs here may change their call sign prefixes. VA may change to CJ, VE change to CK, VO to CY, and VY to CZ.

AUSTRALIA, VK. Members of the Wireless Institute of Australia are QRV with special event call sign VI2023HRH until May 31 to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III. QSL via operator's instructions.

LORD HOWE ISLAND, VK9L. Doug, VK9LF has been QRV on 10 meters using SSB around 0200z, and then on 20 meters using SSB after 0300z. QSL direct to home call.

FALKLAND ISLANDS, VP8. Special call sign VP8KCC will be QRV on May 6 to 8 to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III. QSL via VP8LP.

INDONESIA, YB. Special event station 8A100K is QRV until May 13 to commemorate the 100 years of long-range telegraph communications in the Netherlands. QSL via operators' instructions.

GIBRALTAR, ZB. Special event station ZQ2HRH is QRV until May 31 to commemorate the coronation of King Charles III. QSL via operators' instructions.

The K1USN Slow Speed Test, ICWC Medium Speed CW Test, OK1WC CW Memorial, RSGB 80-Meter Club SSB Championship, Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest, Phone Weekly Test, A1Club CW AWT, CWops Test, VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest, Mini-Test CW 40 and the Mini-Test CW 80 are all on tap for May 8 to 10.

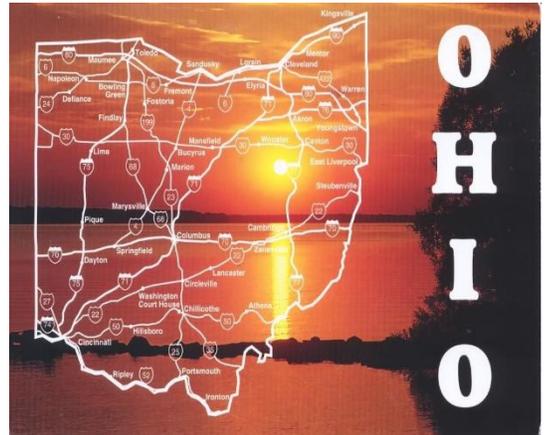
Please see May QST, page 73, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest web sites for details.

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## Upcoming *Hamfests*

We **DO** have some hamfests scheduled for 2023!!





## *Ohio Hamfests*

**2023**

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

**Location:** Berlin, Ohio, OH

**Type:** ARRL Operating Specialty Convention

**Sponsor:** RV Radio Network

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# Great Lakes Division Convention!!

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

**Location:** Xenia, OH

**Sponsor:** Dayton Amateur Radio Association

**Website:** <http://Hamvention.org>

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**05/27/2023 - [Scioto Valley Amateur Radio Club Hamfest](#)**

**Location:** Piketon, OH

**Sponsor:** Scioto Valley Amateur Radio Club

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**06/03/2023 - [FCARC Summer Hamfest](#)**

**Location:** Wauseon, OH

**Sponsor:** Fulton County Amateur Radio Club

**Website:** <https://k8bxq.org/hamfest>

[Learn More](#)

**07/08/2023 - [Mansfield Trunkfest 2023](#)**

**Location:** Mansfield, OH

**Sponsor:** Intercity Amateur Radio Club

**Website:** <http://iarc.club>

[Learn More](#)

**07/15/2023 - [NOARSFEST](#)**

**Location:** Elyria, OH

**Sponsor:** Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society

[Learn More](#)

**07/16/2023 - [Van Wert Hamfest](#)**

**Location:** Van Wert, OH

**Sponsor:** Van Wert Amateur Radio Club

**Website:** <http://w8fy.org>

[Learn More](#)

**07/22/2023 - [Ashtabula County Hamfest 2023](#)**

**Location:** Pierpont, OH

**Sponsor:** Amigos Radio Club Ashtabula

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**Location:** Findlay, OH

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# OHIO'S



Last time out I commented that it's always good to start off the column on a positive note and try to carry it throughout the column. Thanks to a number of you readers I believe I have some interesting items originating from the clubs and individual hams calling the South 40 Region home. So let's get started.



I wish to extend a big "Well Done" to the officers and members of the **Athens County ARA** for conducting another terrific hamfest this past Sunday in Athens. Although the weather could have been a bit better, still a good number of those interested in amateur radio entered the gates. For Scioto County's Mike Bailey, N8MRB, the trip was worthwhile. Besides finding a novel quad antenna, he was the grand prize winner. (ed note: It's noted that shortly after taking this photograph, his wife Jennifer, N8JEN, was seen trying to snatch the grand prize from his hand!) The ACARA VE Team conducted a

successful test session with some new licenses and upgrades being granted. Again, congratulations on another job well done.

The next Elmer's Night for the **Scioto Valley ARA** will be on May 7 at the Scioto Trails Forest Clubhouse starting at 7 PM. Then on Thursday evening, May 18 they will meet at the

Pike County Airport for their monthly business meeting at 7:30 PM. And don't forget that on Saturday, May 27, they will hold a hamfest at the Pike County Fairgrounds in Piketon.

The next Foxhunt in the Athens/Hocking County area will be the morning of May 13. Information from the Club states the fox will be located in Hocking County and those participating in the hunt are asked to follow the **Hocking Valley ARA**'s Foxhunt Guidelines found at [www.k8lgn.com](http://www.k8lgn.com). The event will start at 10 AM and be concluded with a breaking of bread at a local Mexican restaurant.

On Saturday morning, May 13 the **Bainbridge Area Ham Group** and the **Highland ARA** will each have their monthly breakfast gatherings. The Bainbridge group will meet at the Dutch Restaurant south of Bainbridge on SR 41 at 8 AM while HARA's Brunch Bunch anticipates having its return for the year to the Harmony Lake picnic shelter at Hillsboro's Liberty Park with its 10 AM gathering. Also on the 13<sup>th</sup> the Cincinnati area **OH-KY-IN ARS** will meet at the 3005 Colerain Avenue Camp Washington Chili location for their monthly brunch gathering. It gets underway about 1 PM. For those Lancaster area hams choosing not to attend Hamvention, the **Lancaster Fairfield County ARA** will hold their monthly breakfast at the Lancaster Frisch's at 9 AM on the 20th. Because Hamvention falls on the normal Saturday of the **Fayette ARA**'s breakfast gathering, FARA has decided to forego the May gathering as not to interfere with their members making a trip to Xenia.

The **Cambridge ARA** has been asked to assist with directing parking at the annual Guernsey County Senior Citizens Picnic on May 31. The event is to be held at the Cambridge City Park from 10 until 1. If you are available to assist and would like a free meal in exchange, contact Sonny Alfman to volunteer.

A common comment overheard at the Athens show was "See you in Xenia". If the number of times that was heard is any indication, it will be a big event this year. It's said "Ham Radio Is A Contact Sport". So why not physically rub shoulders with a bunch of fellow hams and be a part of another record Hamvention by gracing it with your attendance? Try it. You might like it.

Speaking of hamfests and Xenia, most readers already realize the largest gathering of ham radio operators and those interested in the service gather annually in the South 40 Region. Yes, this year in excess of 30,000 of those enthusiasts will journey to Xenia, OH for Hamvention© and in less than a month from now it will be history. We understand presale admission tickets are at an all time high, only a handful of inside vendor spaces remain and a large tent has been ordered to take care of the additional commercial vendors. Plus the outdoor flea market is quickly filling up. It's been learned Kenwood and Tar Heal Antennas will return this year. Lodging in the area is now rather difficult to locate. So look for another big crowd to descend upon Xenia on May 19-21 for the World's Largest Amateur Radio Operator gathering. Here's urging you to be one of those in attendance.

A chat was had with **Southwest Ohio DX Association** DX Dinner prize chairman Dwight Kelly, K4YJ and his wife Eileen, K3YJ, at the Athens hamfest. Dwight says the tickets are going quickly with over 75% already sold. He said the raffle tickets for the DX trip to the Turks and Caicos Islands have exceeded the number expected to be sold. The dinner and the drawing for the trip will occur during the Friday, May 19 DX dinner at the Dayton Marriott. A cash bar starts the evening's activities at 5:30 PM with dinner served at 7. Adrian Ciuperca, KO8SCA, will be this year's keynote speaker. Check out the [www.swodxaevents.org](http://www.swodxaevents.org) website for more information and how to order your tickets for either or both events.



The June 30 expiration of the current General License question pool is quickly approaching. Starting July 1 a new pool of questions will be used for the next four years. Therefore if you are thinking of upgrading your current Technician Amateur Radio License to gain General privileges you need to take action in the coming weeks and find a testing location. Several South 40 clubs offer frequent testing sessions and some may even offer assistance classes as the June deadline draws nearer. Some of the clubs in the South 40 Region known to hold monthly exams are the **Portsmouth RC**, the **Milford ARC**, the **Southern Ohio ARC** and the **Lancaster Fairfield County ARC**. The **Scioto Valley ARA** will hold a test during their May 27 hamfest at the Pike County Fairgrounds in Piketon. Contact your local club to find a testing location in your area. And who can forget the two full days of testing during the upcoming Dayton Hamvention? Those May 19 and 20 tests will offer opportunities for one to gain their first license, or upgrade an existing one. Tests will be conducted from 10 AM until 2 PM each day at the church across the street from the Hamvention site. These tests are conducted under the Laurel VE guidelines and thus there is no fee charged to take a test(s). Although those earning their first license will still be subject to the FCC license fee. However that fee is not collected by the VE team at the time of testing. There is no pre-registration and walk-ins are welcome. For more information, visit the Hamvention's [www.hamvention.org](http://www.hamvention.org) website.

Last year the **West Chester ARC** had the Voice of America Museum near Mason open for daily tours during Hamvention. It was so well received they are doing it again for this year's event. So starting on Thursday, May 18 at 1 PM and continuing through Sunday at 5 PM the Museum will be open for those who wish to make the drive to Mason. While at the Museum one can not help but view the historic 747 foot Blaw-Knox broadcast tower belonging to WLW-700 and just a short distance away. Of special note at the Museum is the recent renovation of the original WLWO transmitter that in 1942 made the first VOA broadcast to Europe. An admission is charged.



Although not an official part of Hamvention activities, starting on Thursday, May 18, the World's Largest gathering of those interested in QRP and low power operations will begin at the Holiday Inn in Fairborn. The event is sponsored by the **QRP Amateur Radio Club International**. Many state this event's seminars, banquet and door prizes alone make a trip to Hamvention worthwhile. Find more information on [www.qrparci.org](http://www.qrparci.org).

On Saturday, May 27, the **Scioto Valley ARA** will hold a hamfest at the Pike County Fairgrounds in Piketon. The location is on US 23 in the village and on the east side of the railroad crossing. SVARA President Jesse Stanley, KC8CHP, states the Club is giving a free table to any club who displays a club banner. That table can be used to sell items or promote the club. Club VE Team Leader John Hartmus III, WB8GRX, says there will also be a free test session. Stay tuned for more information.

A VE session was held at the recent **Athens County ARA's** hamfest. According to VE Team Leader Jeff Slattery, N8SUZ, three individuals passed their Technician License tests and two individuals were successful with license upgrades. Those earning their first licenses were: Steven Evans of Cheshire; Charles McClain, Jr. of New Marshfield and Alan Perry of Wilkesville. According to Ted Jacobson, W8KVK, Alan was the first to be issued a license and is now KE8YFR. On Thursday Steven appeared on the FCC database as KE8YDG. Thomas Supplee, KD8WGK from Zanesville, is now a General and Miles McFadden, KD8KNC of Athens, has made his parents proud by becoming an Extra. A tip of the hat to those successful candidates and the combined **Athens County ARA** and **Sunday Creek ARF** team for another most successful test session.

Ted also informs us that the Marietta/Washington County ham population has grown with one more license just issued to a resident. Let's welcome Brandi Kampmeier to our midst. Brandi is now KE8YFZ and holds a Technician ticket.

If you can image cars racing through the service roads in Southern Ohio's state forests at speeds approaching 100 MPH, then the Southern Ohio Forest Rally might be something you have an interest volunteering your amateur radio skills for. Bill French, KE8AAL, says amateurs are needed to man check points along the routes through a city park and two state forests on June 8, 9 and 10. The courses will be through Chillicothe's Yoctangee Park on Thursday evening and then through the Zaleski State Forest near McArthur and the Shawnee State Forest at Portsmouth on the following days. Contact [ke8aal@yahoo.com](mailto:ke8aal@yahoo.com) to learn how you can assist.



On April 29 the **Greater Mason County (KY) ARC** assisted the Limestone Cycle League and Maysville (KY) Rotary Club with communications assistance for the Limestone Cycle

Tour's fund raiser to raise funds to assist Eastern Kentucky communities efforts to rebuild after the region's 2022 devastating flooding.

Last time out we mentioned some South 40 Region clubs have their 2023 ARRL Field Day plans well underway. Since then some other clubs have responded with their plans. Unfortunately circumstances beyond their control will not allow the **Southern Ohio ARA** to field a station this year. Bill Hopsetter, W8LGX, tells us the **Hocking Valley ARA** lost its usual location near Laurelville, but they have a couple other locations identified and to be decided upon at the next club meeting. On Thursday evening the **Clinton County ARA** decided to operate from the K8IO between Wilmington and Lake Cowan. The **DeForest ARA** will operate the event from the Adams County Health Department in West Union according to the Club president Kim Paquette, N8YWX.

This week's "ARRL Letter" has a very interesting article about "**the Rooster Net**" and states it possibly could be the longest running daily amateur radio net. According to the article the Net was established on September 10, 1957 and on May 26 will observe its 24,000<sup>th</sup> session without a missed session. The Net meets daily at 6 AM on 3.990. The **Highland ARA's** Roy Hook, W8REH, holds the office of 'Chief Rooster'. The article describes the net and for you early risers it sounds like a neat way to kick off your day.

John Myers, WG8X, informs all the Planned Ohio State Parks on the Air Activation list is now open for listing your planned activation of a state park during the September 9 event. Email your planned activation to John at [plannedparks@ospota.org](mailto:plannedparks@ospota.org). Although the event is not until early September, now is the time to start giving some thought to taking part in this growing activity. Unfortunately last year saw a number of Southern Ohio State Parks absent from the airwaves. Check the [www.ospota.org](http://www.ospota.org) website for more information, past activations and this year's rules.

A couple interesting 'Show and Tells' concluded Thursday evening's **Clinton County ARA** meeting. Steve Lamb, W8SBL, showed a novel device for supporting vertical antennas and masts. The size and compactness of the device is ideal for POTA, SOTA and other portable operations. Mark Atwell, WX8A, then presented a power point of a Dutch designed antenna coil.

That's it for another column. Here's hoping everyone remains safe and healthy and radio active.

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## 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	

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## 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

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## **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\*



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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@arrlohio.org](mailto:swap@arrlohio.org)

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