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I'd like to start out by saying how much I enjoy going to Hamfests! Ohio has a lot of really nice Fests in all corners of the state and everywhere in between. And, it's exciting to see that they're booked all the way up to early December – pretty Bold for OHIO. I've noticed that while the attendance may still be down a bit, there's more of an attitude of “get in, look around, and get out.” In all fairness, I see that in lots of areas in our social activities – not just hamfests. Hopefully that changes as we get past the Pandemic fears that are still real for lots of folks. One of the things this affects is our sense of “community” as Amateur Radio Operators. Please, take the time, and the initiative to socialize with your fellow hams. We need to maintain / regain that sense of fraternalism that comes from being a part of something larger than just ourselves.

This past week was our monthly Section Managers Teams meetings, and I want to report on just a few things. First off, the committees working on the Club Grants are working hard to get the decisions made and the Grants awarded. The program started due to a \$500,000 donation to the ARRL Foundation. There were to be two cycles where grants would be awarded, this first one which is in process now, and another one later in the year, with \$250K to be awarded with each round. As it turns out, this first round ended up with 128 Grant applications, totalling \$1.74 MILLION in requests! As you can see, it's going to take just a little more time to get this sorted out and the grants awarded – it's going to be interesting to see who gets what. Regardless of the awards, somebody is going to be disappointed, but nobody should be surprised since they cannot pass out more than they have to give. Good luck to all of you that made requests.

****** Late Breaking UPDATE******

Formal announcements will be released soon, but for now in this first round, approximately \$270,000 in grants will be awarded. I'll let you know when I know.

On the ARRL website, the “NEW HAMPS” listing is now reported as up and running again. If you're interested in inviting newly licensed hams to participate in your club programs, you can get their information sorted to give you a list pertinent to your geographic location. If you need help with that send me an email or give me a call and I'll try to help you get what you need.

I've tried to make you all aware of the new ARRL Club Commission program. All the new forms are online under the Affiliated Club Benefits at www.arrl.org/affiliated-club-benefits. Your club gets \$15 for a new ARRL membership and \$5 for a renewal. It's a WIN/WIN! Let me know if you have any questions on making this work for your club.

Speaking of clubs, there's an initiative under foot to get more clubs qualified as Special Service Clubs (SSC). This is another WIN/WIN proposition. If your club is doing all the requisite activities to qualify as an SSC, then you're also doing the things necessary to be a successful club! I recently received a listing of all SSC clubs in the ARRL totaling 98 clubs. OHIO Section clubs totaled 16 out of that total – Way Above the Average! But let me put that into perspective

for you – If I need some heart surgery done, I’m going “shop” for the surgeon who will be doing the work. I’ll want to know where he went to Med School. I’ll want to know that he’s Board Certified in the appropriate field. And if he tells me he graduated right in the middle of his graduating class – I won’t be impressed. I choose my dentist, my attorney and my accountant the same way. I want to work with and be surrounded by “Exceptional” people doing exceptional things. (One of the reasons I really don’t like flying all that much is I don’t get the chance to review the qualifications of my flight crew) The OHIO Section is full of exceptional people who are also Hams, and exceptional clubs who are doing way above average in their club activities.

There are approximately 125 clubs in the OHIO Section, and I’m pretty sure that outnumbers any other ARRL Section. On a percentage of possibilities basis, we may not be the top Section (I’ll do some more data mining in my spare time and get back to you on that) but we should be. First off, we’ve got approximately 58 clubs who have been listed as SSC’s at one point or another. Remember the current number is only 16. I’m asking all club officers and/or members to check the status of your club! If you were an SSC, but don’t show up as an “active” – get busy and get it done! If you’ve never been qualified as an SSC, talk to your officers and members and review the SSC requirements. It could be that you qualify but just haven’t confirmed your qualifications to the ARRL. [Affiliated Club Resources \(arrl.org\)](http://arrl.org) If you find that you don’t qualify, get busy! You’ll become a better club along the way and bring more enjoyment of the hobby to yourself and others as you do the activities required.



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.

Our next net comes up on September 11th.

My next Hamfest trip will be on Sunday September 11th to Findlay and after that Sunday September 25th to the Cleveland Hamfest. Hope to see you there!

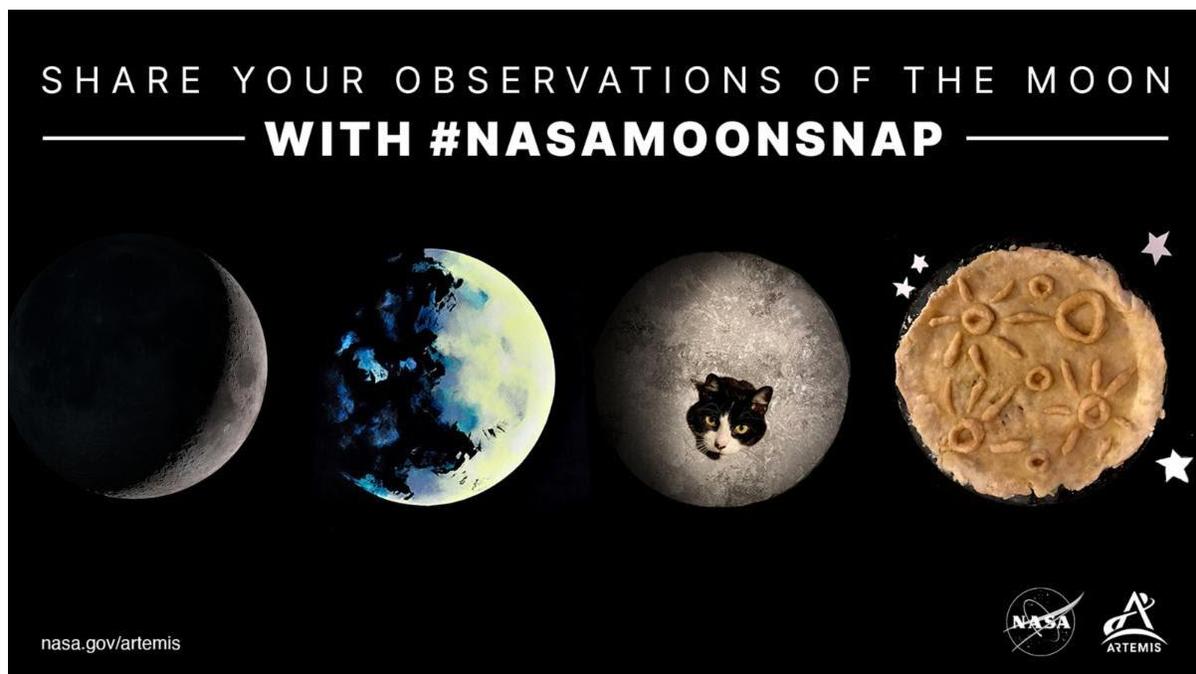
On September 16th – 18th I'll be at the ARRL in Hartford (Newington) CT. for Section Manager Training and also some time at W1AW. I'm hoping to bring back a lot of good news from that trip!

73,

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National News

(from ARRL and other sources)



Inspired by Artemis I? Share a #NASAMoonSnap!

Does the Moon inspire you to think creatively or wonder about the mysteries of the universe?

NASA will soon be launching [Artemis I](#), the first flight test of the integrated Orion spacecraft and the Space Launch System (SLS) rocket. Artemis I will fly 40,000 miles beyond the Moon and back, demonstrating our capability to send humans to lunar orbit on the second flight test, [Artemis II](#).

During the Artemis I mission, the Orion spacecraft's internal and external cameras will capture some incredible views of Earth and the Moon. Are you excited to see some of these Moon Snaps? How about sharing some of your own Moon-inspired art?



In anticipation of this monumental milestone, NASA wants to see, hear, and experience all of your Moon-inspired content — your Moon photographs, your Moon music, your Moon recipes, your Moon nail art, your Moon makeup tutorials. The sky is not the limit!

[Share Your #NASAMoonSnap](#)

ARRL and TAPR Digital Communications Conference Returns in September 2022

The 41st ARRL and TAPR Digital Communications Conference (DCC) will be held this September 16 - 18, 2022, in Charlotte, North Carolina. Last year's conference was held virtually due to COVID-19 concerns, but this year's 3-day event will be held at the Hilton Charlotte Airport Hotel.

The DCC is for everyone, beginners and experts alike, with an interest in all forms of digital communication.

The official call for technical papers has been issued and general topic areas include, but are not limited to:

- Software-defined radio (SDR)
- Digital voice
- Digital satellite communications
- Digital signal processing (DSP)
- HF digital modes
- Adapting IEEE802.11 systems for amateur radio
- Global Positioning System (GPS)
- Automatic Position Reporting System (APRS)
- Linux in amateur radio
- AX.25 updates
- Internet operability with amateur radio networks
- TCP/IP networking over amateur radio
- MESH and peer-to-peer wireless networking
- Emergency and homeland defense digital communications in amateur radio

Authors can submit their papers for this year's conference, by email, to ARRL Production Coordinator Maty Weinberg, KB1EIB, at mweinberg@arrl.org. The deadline is September 1, 2022. The conference papers will be published exactly as submitted. The authors will retain all rights and do not need to be present at the conference, and all papers will be distributed to DCC attendees. Printed copies will be available for sale at Lulu www.lulu.com.

More information about [TAPR - Tomorrow's Ham Radio Technology Today](http://www.arrl.org/tapr) can be found at their website.



Call for Papers for the 40th AMSAT Space Symposium

The first call for proposals for symposium presentations are invited for the 40th Annual AMSAT Space Symposium and General Meeting, which will held on October 21 - 22, 2022, in Bloomington, Minnesota.

Presentations can cover any topic of interest to the amateur satellite community. AMSAT is requesting a tentative title for each submission, which should be sent as soon as possible. A final copy must be submitted by October 14, 2022, to be included in the proceedings. Abstracts and papers should be sent to Dan Schultz, N8FGV, at n8fgv@amsat.org.



According to the July 17 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins, the annual AMSAT Space Symposium will feature:

- Space symposium with amateur satellite presentations
- Operating techniques, news, and plans from the amateur satellite world
- Board of Directors meeting open to AMSAT members
- Opportunities to meet Board members and officers
- AMSAT Annual General Membership Meeting
- Auction, annual banquet, keynote speaker, and door prizes

More information about the 2022 AMSAT Symposium will be posted on the [AMSAT website](#) as it becomes available.

International Space Station Upgrades Amateur Radio Operations

ARISS, Amateur Radio on the International Space Station, announced that simultaneous operations of the ARISS voice repeater and digital APRS (Automatic Packet Reporting System) communications on the Space Station are now a reality.

Current ARISS operations include voice repeater transmissions with the JVC Kenwood TM-D710GA in the Columbus module and APRS operation from an identical radio in the Zvezda module. Packet operations are on 145.825 MHz.

The Columbus module radio uses the call sign NA1SS and the new radio in Zvezda uses RS0ISS. Aside from the call signs, the radios are identical, and packet operations are the same as before. You can use RS0ISS, ARISS, or APRSAT as the packet path. Both radios are expected to be running full time, except during educational contacts, extra vehicular activities (EVAs), and docking maneuvers. Final checkouts and equipment activation occurred on August 11.

ARISS International Chair Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, said, "Simultaneous operation of APRS and the voice repeater on ISS is transformative for ARISS. It represents a key element of our ARISS 2.0 initiative, providing interactive capabilities 24/7 that inspire, engage, and educate youth and lifelong learners -- especially lifelong learning in ham radio operations. Our heartfelt thanks to Sergey Samburov, RV3DR, for making this crucial ARISS 2.0 initiative become a reality."

Rosalie White, K1STO, one of two US delegates to ARISS, said the ham radio community will be very happy with the new radio operations from the ISS. "Hams really love doing ARISS packet, cross-band repeater, and Slow-Scan Television (SSTV) operations. Besides the thousands who download ARISS SSTV images downlinked from the ISS, we discovered that in a year's time, hams did 80,000 ARISS packet messages," she said. "We are not sure how many have been enjoying the ARISS cross band repeater, but we know it is a lot. This simultaneous operation capability is going to make many hams happy -- and we know that keeping hams on the air is good for ARRL and good for amateur radio," White added.

Operational status and expected downtimes of the ISS radios can be found at www.ariss.org/current-status-of-iss-stations.

ARISS is a cooperative venture of international amateur radio societies and space agencies that support the ISS. In the US, sponsors are the Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation (AMSAT), [ARRL](http://www.arrrl.org) The National Association for Amateur Radio®, and NASA's Space Communications and Navigation (SCaN) program. The primary goal of ARISS is to promote exploration of science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics



NASA Astronaut Kjell Lindgren, KO5MOS, tweeted this photo of the ham radio station in the Columbus module, just before ARRL Field Day in June. <https://tinyurl.com/2p9cr53f>



topics. ARISS does this by organizing scheduled contacts via amateur radio between crew members aboard the ISS and students. Before and during these radio contacts, students, educators, parents, and communities take part in hands-on learning activities tied to space, space technologies, and amateur radio. For more information, see www.ariss.org and www.arrl.org/amateur-radio-on-the-international-space-station.

Amateur radio operators are needed for the Marine Corps Marathon on October 30, 2022, in Washington, DC, and Arlington, Virginia.

The call is for 150 amateur radio operators to provide "eyes on the course" using the 144 and 420 MHz bands, with FM and Digital Smart Technologies for Amateur Radio (D-STAR), and a Medical Data Network using Amateur Radio Emergency Data Network (AREDN). Amateur radio will also be used as back-up communications in case all else fails. Operators will prepare themselves, supplies, and equipment to function in a large-scale, multi-jurisdictional, mass casualty-type event under real-world conditions. Training will be provided, and each operator will receive a commemorative T-shirt. Amateurs can sign up by following the link www.mcmham.org. To learn more about the 2022 Marine Corps Marathon, visit their website at Marine Corps Marathon.

Young Amateurs Radio Club to Host Inaugural Special Event

The Young Amateurs Radio Club (YARC) will host their first annual youth-organized special event from September 1 - 15, 2022. Using their call sign, WY4RC, the event is known as "Worked All YARC Zones (WAYZ)." Operators will be activating WY4RC stations from all 10 US call zones. Different awards are available for youth operators who activate a station, and for those who contact at least six WY4RC stations.

Any young amateur or club interested in operating during the event can find the rules and additional information at the Young Amateurs Radio Club website.

YARC, founded in 2017, is an international amateur radio club with a focus on promoting adoption and innovation in amateur radio among young people. In 2018 the club was officially recognized by the FCC as an official amateur radio club under the call sign WY4RC.



YARC has over 1,000 members on their Discord server as of 2022, and has been changing its structure to bring back community events and increase engagement.

ARRL Welcomes Director of Information Technology

[ARRL](#) The National Association for Amateur Radio® has announced the hiring of Steve Berry, N1EZ, into the new position of Director of Information Technology. He's from Bedford, New Hampshire, and has been a radio amateur for 45 years.

Berry began his 35-year IT career in software development within a wide range of environments, from firmware to Unix device drivers and application development. While working for AT&T Bell Labs (now known as Nokia Bell Labs) as a network consultant, he built his first consulting firm focused on Unix networking and electronic publishing.

After the acquisition of that firm, he worked in senior-level management positions within systems integration and consulting organizations before founding Strafford Technology in 1995.

Strafford offered Business Intelligence consulting services and eventually focused on delivering Enterprise Performance Management solutions to Fortune 500 organizations based on Oracle/Hyperion technology.

In 2012, Berry and his team built the first Oracle Hyperion-managed application hosting service on the Amazon Web Services platform. Strafford was acquired by Apps Associates in 2020.



ARRL Director of Information Technology
Steve Berry, N1EZ.

"I'm pleased to welcome Steve into this new role at ARRL Headquarters," said CEO David Minster, NA2AA. "The position and its responsibilities are key to helping us achieve ARRL's ongoing digital transformation for the benefit of our members."

As Director of Information Technology, Berry is responsible for the overall strategic and operational IT functions, including continuous evaluation and execution of processes, systems, applications, and infrastructure. Berry manages a team of professional IT contributors, including a development team and project leaders. Together, they fulfill a variety of technology services for the organization, such as corporate databases and

systems, websites and web services, server support, and coordinating outside suppliers of technology services and contracted resources.

"I feel truly honored to give back to ARRL and the hobby. Both have done so much for me, especially with the many friends I have made over the years and the ham mentors who gave me a start in my career," said Berry.

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.



Your Help is Needed!

Western Reserve ARC is gearing up for the annual Panerathon Public Service Event here in Youngstown. We are seeking volunteers. Thanks!

Western Reserve Amateur Radio Club is seeking operators who would like to volunteer for the 2022 Panerathon Race. The race will take place on Sunday, August 28th in Youngstown, OH. The meeting time and location are still TBD, however you can expect it to be very early morning in the area of Mill Creek Park. If you are interested in helping out or have any questions, please contact the club President, Chris Monske WF8U, via email (kd8ely@gmail.com) or phone (330.509.1086).

Thanks again!
Amanda Farone KC3GFU
WRARC Secretary



K4MIA / 8

On September 10 thru the 18th of 2022 We will honor and support our Veterans with a Special Event on the air as K4MIA/8. Linda N8LRS and Metro W8MET will be the sister-station from Ohio for our 7th year. This event originated from K4MIA, Mike from Florida with other sister-stations involved. Special Event Station K4MIA is put on the air every year to ensure that America remembers its responsibility to stand behind those who serve and have served our nation - and do everything possible to account for those who do not return. Thanks for being part of this event.

Details can be found on the ARRL website under “ON-THE-AIR” under SPECIAL EVENT under the call-letters of K4MIA. Also, this Special Event will be in the September QST. Please

take part in this Special Event for our Veterans. QSL is available with SASE. We will be operating on 40 meter's SSB.
GOD BLESS AMERICA 73, Linda and Metro

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.

Go Fully Electronic in 2022!

By Maria Somma, AB1FM, ARRL VEC Manager

Online Examinations and Remote Testing

Your club's VE team can become part of the fun and excitement of remotely administered Online Examinations.



The remote exam sessions are conducted using an online video conferencing platform and a web-based examination system with on-screen tests. ARRL VE teams have had the option to be completely electronic since June 2020 by using online exams. The online exams can also be utilized at in-person sessions automating most of the process, for a fully electronic in-person session experience.

VE teams have been using the [Exam.Tools](#) Online Examination system for remote video and in-person sessions. Over 25,000 applicants have been tested through the Online Examinations system in the past two years. The system works well for online or printed examinations and includes registering and tracking candidates throughout the session, on screen exams and grading, online signing of CSCE and 605 forms by the candidate and examiners, logging and compiling session stats and VE participation list (test report summary), and output files for upload to the coordinating VEC. The program manages and handles almost everything needed to conduct a test session. Time and experience with in-person exam sessions is invaluable when transitioning to remote video-supervised online exam sessions.

Interested ARRL VE teams must contact the [VEC department](#) to receive the online exams instructions and remote video session procedures.

Not a VE? Become one today!

Visit <http://www.arrl.org/become-an-arrl-ve>

Electronically File Exam Session Documents for Quicker Service

After the session has concluded, VE teams can upload in-person documents or remote video session files via ARRL VEC's secure web page (program service option since 2018).

New and upgraded licenses are issued within 1 to 2 business days for weekend sessions and are usually issued on the same day for weekday sessions.

Please contact the [VEC department](#) for the information and instructions on electronically filing exam session documents through our upload page. Authorized VEs will be sent the upload page URL which, is hidden from the public.

Resources for ARRL VEs

The [ARRL VEC VE Resources](#) page offers the information you will need to help conduct exam session business. Our support page offers easy access to session forms and information, online examinations, remote video session instructions, VE Manual supplemental information, FCC rules, basic qualification question procedures, and much more. There is also some helpful information for the community, such as preparation resources for candidates, in-person and remote video exam session search, vanity call sign information, and more.

The ARRL VE Newsletter relays important updates relating to FCC rule or policy changes, exam session document or procedural changes, video sessions, and other topics. VEs can sign up for the newsletter at <https://reflector.arrl.org/mailman/listinfo/ve-list>

ARRL invites you to be part of “[Club Station](#),” the newest column in *QST*. This column, written by clubs, for clubs, is a designated space to share specific and practical ideas about what has contributed to successful clubs to help others grow and thrive.

In each issue, a different club will share how they undertook a specific activity or project, how and why it was successful, and any challenges they may have had to overcome throughout the process. Some examples include successful community club projects, creative ways to attract new members, or getting youth involved with ham radio. Additionally, many clubs across the country are being creative in meeting the challenges of COVID-19 to figure out how to keep club members active and enthusiastic.

If your club has developed a creative way to get around common challenges, we want to hear from you! In order to help you tell your story, we have published a new version of the ARRL

Author's Guide that is geared toward "Club Station," and includes a [club profile form](#). Both of these documents can be found [here](#). You don't have to have writing experience to be published in *QST*, and if your submission is accepted, our editorial staff will work with you to get your story ready for publication.

All ARRL Affiliated Clubs are welcome to participate. If you have any questions, contact us at clubs@arrl.org.

We look forward to hearing from you and hearing your story!

VE 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.

Athens County Amateur Radio Assn. (ACARA)

Athens County Amateur Radio Association has an ARRL VE session scheduled for Monday, August 15, 7 PM at the Athens Red Cross Chapter, 100 South May, Avenue, Athens, Ohio 45701.

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

Cambridge Area Maker Group

Amateur Radio Exam Testing all Levels

Date: Saturday August 20, 2022

Time: 01:00 PM (No Walk-ins / Call or Email to Register)

ARRL-VEC Exam Fee \$15

Please Register Contact: Kathleen Frederico KB3RDR Phone: 484-459-3309

Email: kb3rdr@arrl.net

Location: St. John's Episcopal Church

1025 Steubenville Ave Cambridge, OH 43725, USA

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

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 once again holding its **2022** Amateur Radio license exams at the **Kirtland Library**, 9267 Chillicothe Road, on the following dates:

Saturday, October 1, and December 3.

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

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.

The Milford Amateur Radio Club (MARC) is now doing VE testing on 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 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.

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

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

OHIO SECTION TRAFFIC REPORT – JULY 2022

OHIO SECTION NETS – JULY 2022

NET	QNI	QTC	QTR	SESSIONS	N/M
BNE	142	36	375	31	N2LC
BNL	40	18	142	28	WB9LBI
OSN	81	18	364	21	N2LC
OSSBN	1475	326	1896	93	KC8WH

OHIO SECTION PSHR REPORTS – JULY 2022

WA3EZN	40	40	30	405	0	20	TOTAL	535
KD8UUB	40	31	10	185	5	0	TOTAL	271
N2LC	40	40	30	120	0	30	TOTAL	260
AD8CM	32	21	10	195	0	0	TOTAL	258
N8SY	40	7	30	10	35	60	TOTAL	182
KV8Z	40	40	10	65	10	10	TOTAL	175
WB8YYS	40	34	20	20	50	10	TOTAL	174
KM8V	10	18	30	0	10	80	TOTAL	148
W8DJG	40	40	20	20	0	20	TOTAL	140
KC8PBU	40	40	20	0	40	0	TOTAL	140
AC8NP	33	32	10	25	5	20	TOTAL	125
KC8WH	40	40	30	0	0	0	TOTAL	110
KE4RS	40	32	10	20	0	0	TOTAL	102
KL7RF	40	40	10	0	10	0	TOTAL	100

WB8SIQ	40	40	10	10	0	0	TOTAL	100
AC8RV	40	40	10	10	0	0	TOTAL	100
KB8GUN	40	40	10	0	0	10	TOTAL	100
K8MDA	40	31	20	0	0	0	TOTAL	91
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
W8GSR	40	40	0	5	0	0	TOTAL	85
KE8ANW	40	4	0	30	0	0	TOTAL	74
KA1G	40	23	10	0	0	0	TOTAL	73
NC8V	23	8	0	0	0	0	TOTAL	31

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AC8NP-32	KB8GUN-129	KE4RS-32	N8SY-7
AC8RV-100	KB8HJJ- 59	KL7RF-70	N8TNV-95
AD8CM-21	KC8IDM-28	KM8V-18	NC8V-8
KA1G-23	KC8PBU-84	KV8Z-41	W8DJG-112
K3RC- 39	KC8WH-63	N2LC-66	W8GSR-100
K8KRA-77	KC8YTV-24	N8BV- 44	WA3EZN-121
K8MDA-31	KD8GYI-45	N8GBU- 33	WB8SIQ-58
K8MWF-10	KD8HB-48	N8MRS-93	WB8YYS-34
KA8BJA-43	KD8UUB-31	N8OD-22	WB9LBI-78
			WD8SDH-32
	TOTALS	37/1951	

OHIO SECTION LOCAL NETS – JULY 2022

NET	QNI	QTC	QTR	SESSIONS	N/M
BRTN	126	67	331	25	W8DJG
COTN	226	62	383	31	KV8Z
NWOH ARES	302	123	610	31	N8TNV
TATN	348	79	385	31	WG8Z
TCTTN	136	25	420	14	WB8YYS

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
MVTN Miami Valley Traffic Net serving the Dayton area
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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DX This Week – Ohio QSO Party

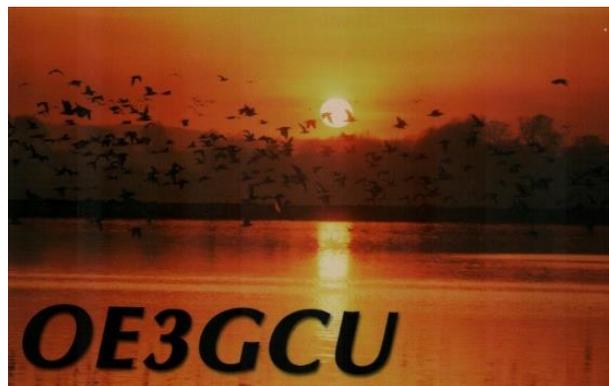
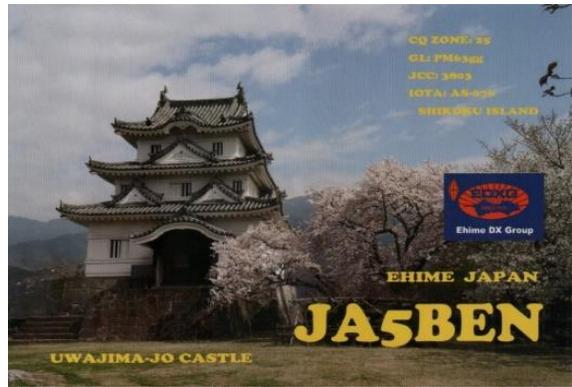
Bill AJ8B (aj8b@arrl.net, @AJ8B, or www.aj8b.com)
CWOPs Member #1567

The Cincinnati Hamfest was a real hit. I thoroughly enjoyed myself and had many DXers stop by our table. Below is a picture of our editor, Tom, WB8LCD, chatting with the esteemed John Levo, W8KIW.



This was really a fun day, great weather, great prizes, and good food. Put it on your calendar for next year as a “must attend” event. The date is Saturday, August 12th, 2023.

I received 4 nice QSL cards this week; OE4KSF - Knut in Austria, JA5BEN - Ben in Japan, IK2UVR - Pier in Italy, and OE3GCU - Guenther also in Austria. What did you receive?



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The end of August is fast approaching. Can You believe it? I try to participate in as many contests as I can during the year. I consider the contest season running from the fourth Saturday in August to Memorial Day weekend of the next year. The significance of August to May is that the Ohio QSO party (OQP) is held on the fourth weekend in August and the CQWW WPX CW contest is held during the last weekend in May. Although I do participate in as many state QSO parties (and other contests) as I can, my focus is on the Ohio QSO Party. The majority of the information presented here is from the Ohio QSO Party website and is used here courtesy of the Mad River Radio Club.

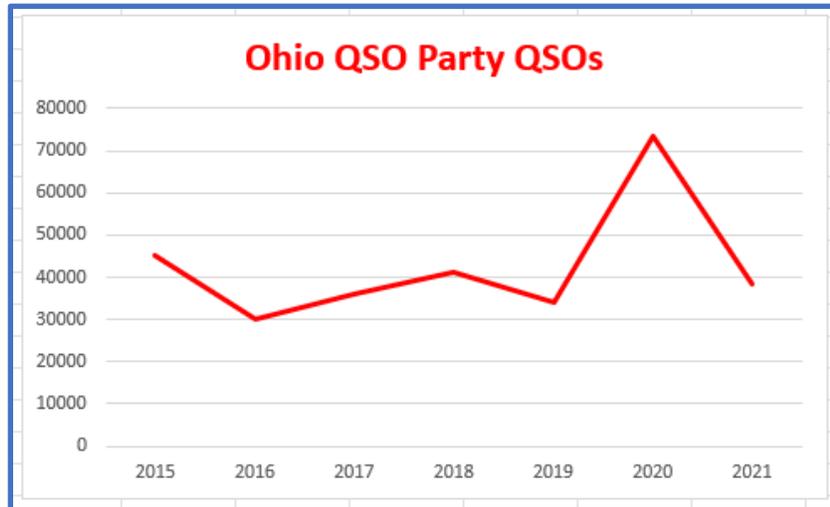
Why the Ohio QSO Party? The objective of the contest is for Amateurs inside the state of Ohio to contact as many Amateurs as possible both inside and outside of Ohio. For

Amateurs outside the state of Ohio to contact as many Ohio stations as possible. Non-Ohio stations may work only Ohio stations, while Ohio stations may contact anyone.

The Ohio QSO Party is an opportunity for amateur radio operators around the world to celebrate the great state of Ohio.

What does this have to do with DX?

Well, chasing DX requires operating skill, patience, and a solid knowledge of your equipment. Contests require all of this for an extended period. In the case of the OQP, this is a 12-hour long contest where one of the biggest



factors is BITS. (Butt in the Seat – Thanks Dave, K8DV) In addition, it is really a lot of fun!

If you have any interest at all, please visit <https://www.ohqp.org/> and browse the links on the left-hand side and explore the site. You'll find the rules, past scores, planned operations for this year's event, scoring records and more. Even if you don't want to spend any time in the contest, tune the band and give me a call. I can use the QSO from Warren County!

If you review the graph above, you will see that there is a lot of activity during this contest. In fact, the 2020 results showed twice as many QSOs as average. 2021 was a return to more normal activity. I hope that it is even busier this year.

How can you get up to the minute info on OhQP, post questions or tell everyone about your OhQP experience...?

OhQP has a mail list (reflector). You can subscribe (allowing you to post messages or to view the archives. This is the only place on the web to get "official" information on the Ohio QSO Party. We are not on Facebook, Twitter or anywhere else. Since 1999 the Mad River Radio Club has brought you the Ohio QSO Party.

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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:

JD1/M - Minami Torishima - QSL Manager JA8CJY, Sin, reports JG8NQJ, Take, is heading back to the weather station on Minami Torishima. Take is expected to be there starting around September 15th and staying for about 3 months. In his spare time, he will be QRV and JG8NQJ/JD1. He runs an IC-706 with about 50 watts to an HB9CV for 17 and 15 meters and a vertical dipole for 12 meters. Take will be active mostly on 17 and 15 meters as well as 40 and 30 meters. During this trip he also plans to operate on Topband. He operates almost exclusively on CW. It should be noted Minami Torishima currently ranks number 26 on Club Log's Most Wanted DXCC list. QSL via direct to JA8CJY and via the bureau to JG8NQJ. "QSL will upload after he returns to JA-Land", says Sin.

XZ – Myanmar - "Although some might suggest that voluntarily relocating to a civil war zone is perhaps not the wisest of moves, I am happy to announce that I will shortly be returning to Myanmar to take up full-time teaching employment again, and to engage in the educational charity work for orphanages that I did previously", says XW0LP (aka HS0ZIB, G6JFY, and XZ2A), Simon Luttrell. "The relevant authorities" have already reassured Simon will be able to reapply for his XZ2A call and import an IC-7300. He will be using Par Endfedz vertical wire antennas. Authorization is only for 20 MHz and above. He is hopeful to be QRV on 6 meters. He also hopes to have a rental location that will allow him to install a beam. Normally he operates on digital modes and notes he will have his CW key. Simon departed XZ in late 2019 moving to XW Laos. Since then, he has been to several other locations but currently in Thailand.

T8 – Palau - W7YAQ and K7AR from the Willamette Valley DX Club will be T8YA and T8AR from Choll, November 19-28. They will set up in the community center there, where previous operations have been. They will be in the CQWW CW weekend event with two Elecraft radios, 160-10M, and they will work hard on working Europe, the NA East Coast and South American countries on low bands. The antennas are a Butternut HF9V vertical, DX Commander Classic, 160M inverted L, and SteppIR CrankIR. QSL to each of their home QTHs and they will upload to Club Log also.

J5 - Guinea-Bissau - CT2GQA, Carlos, is back in Guinea-Bissau and began operating as J5GQA yesterday. There he is operating with 25 watts to a vertical and he can operate remotely from J5 into his CT2GQA station in Portugal. He was having problems at his J5GQA station and spent some of his free time operating CT2GQA via remote. Yesterday as J5GQA he was on 15 and 12 meters FT8. Earlier today he was again on 12 meters before disappearing. He will be in Guinea-Bissau for the next four weeks. He may also spend another six weeks in the Bijagos Archipelago (AF-020), specifically the islands of Bubaque and Rubanne. Carlos will typically be on the air around 1700Z using his Harris 138 manpack radio along with a portable PC and vertical. When mobile he can use J5JUA. He is uploading QSOs to QRZ.com.

XT - Burkina Faso - DF2WO, Harald, is heading back to Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso where he

plans to be QRV again as XT2AW. Listen for him on FT8, SSB, and CW on all bands between September 4 and 18. For 160 and 80 meters it will be by schedule only. For antennas he will have a vertical, dipole, Hexbeam and three elements on 6 meters. Harald will use a 100-watt FT-991A. He will also have an 80cm dish with 1 watt for QO-100. QSL via M00XO.

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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!

Aug. 27-28	ALARA Contest	www.alara.org.au/contests
Aug. 27-28	CVA DX Contest SSB	http://cvadx.org/regulamento.pdf
Aug. 27-28	Kansas QSO Party	www.ksqsoparty.org
Aug. 27-28	Ohio QSO Party	www.ohqp.org/index.php/rules
Aug. 27-28	YO DX HF Contest	www.yodx.ro/en
Aug. 27-28	World Wide Digi DX Contest	https://ww-digi.com
Aug 27-28	W/VE Island QSO Party	https://usislands.org/qso-party-rules
Aug. 27-29	Hawaii QSO Party	http://hawaiiqsoparty.org
Aug. 28	SARL HF CW Contest	http://bit.ly/H0lqQf
Sept. 3	AGCW Straight Key Party	https://bit.ly/3ngQSpB
Sept. 3-4	All Asian DX Phone Contest	https://bit.ly/3HVjkra
Sept. 3-4	Colorado QSO Party	http://ppraa.org/coqp
Sept. 3-4	RSGB SSB Field Day	https://bit.ly/31qpcJl
Sept. 3-4	SARL Field Day	http://bit.ly/H0lqQf
Sept. 3-4	PODXS 070 Club Jay Hudak Memorial 80M Sprint	http://bit.ly/2MkaaNt
Sept. 4-5	Tennessee QSO Party	https://tnqp.org/rules
Sept. 5	RSGB Autumn Series SSB	https://bit.ly/31qpcJl

Sept. 5-6	MI QRP Labor Day CW Sprint	www.miqrp.net/contest
Sept. 7	UKEICC 80m Contests SSB	https://ukeicc.com/80m-rules.php
Sept. 7	VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	www.ft8activity.eu/index.php/en
Sept. 10	FOC QSO Party	www.g4foc.org/qsoparty
Sept. 10	OSPOTA Contest	http://ospota.org
Sept. 10-11	Alabama QSO Party	www.alabamagsoparty.org
Sept. 10-11	Veron SLP Contest	http://bit.ly/2L9eT1L
Sept. 10-11	Worked All Europe SSB Contest	https://bit.ly/36ubggf
Sept. 10-12	ARRL September VHF QSO Party	www.arrl.org/september-vhf
Sept. 11	North American CW Sprint	http://ncjweb.com/Sprint-Rules.pdf
Sept. 14	VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	www.ft8activity.eu/index.php/en
Sept. 14	RSGB Autumn Series CW	https://bit.ly/31qpcJl
Sept. 15	Bavarian Contest Club QSO Party	https://bit.ly/2MDzviG
Sept. 16	AGB NEMIGA Contest	https://bit.ly/2AWBbRK
Sept. 17	Feld Hell Sprint	http://bit.ly/2JcbOwW
Sept. 17-18	ARRL 10 GHz and UP Contest	www.arrl.org/10-ghz-up
Sept. 17-18	ARRL EME Contest	www.arrl.org/eme-contest
Sept. 17-18	Iowa QSO Party	www.w0yl.com/IAQP
Sept. 17-18	New Hampshire QSO Party	www.w1wqm.org/nhqso
Sept. 17-18	New Jersey QSO Party	http://bit.ly/1nDlf8V
Sept. 17-18	QRP Afield	http://bit.ly/2QACxFu
Sept. 17-18	SARL VHF/UHF Digital Contest	http://bit.ly/H0lqQf
Sept. 17-18	Scandinavian CW Activity Contest	www.sactest.net/blog
Sept. 17-18	Texas QSO Party	http://txqp.net
Sept. 17-18	Washington State Salmon Run	http://salmonrun.wwdxc.org/rules
Sept. 18	BARTG Sprint PSK63	http://bartg.org.uk/wp/contests
Sept. 18	North American RTTY Sprint	http://ncjweb.com/Sprint-Rules.pdf
Sept. 19	144 MHz Fall Sprint	https://svhfs.org/2022VHFSprintRules.pdf
Sept. 21	VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	www.ft8activity.eu/index.php/en
Sept. 22	RSGB Autumn Series Data	https://bit.ly/31qpcJl
Sept. 24	AGCW UHF/VHF Contest	https://bit.ly/3lw91PK
Sept. 24-25	W4DXCC Convention	www.w4dxcc.com
Sept. 24-25	CQWW RTTY DX Contest	www.cqwwrtty.com
Sept. 24-25	AWA Amplitude Modulation QSO Party	bit.ly/3Qkdp4w
Sept. 24-25	Maine QSO Party	www.ws1sm.com/MEQP.html
Sept. 26	RSGB FT4 Contest Series	https://bit.ly/31qpcJl
Sept. 27	222 MHz Fall Sprint	https://svhfs.org/2022VHFSprintRules.pdf
Sept. 28	UKEICC 80m Contests CW	https://ukeicc.com/80m-rules.php

ARLD033 DX news

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

TIMOR-LESTE, 4W. Satoshi, JH2EUV is QRV as 4W/JH2EUV. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using mostly FT8. His length of stay is unknown. QSL to home call.

MAYOTTE, FH. Marek, F4VVJ will be QRV as FH4VVK from Petite-Terre, IOTA AF-027, from August 20 to April 1, 2024. Activity will be in his spare time. QSL direct to home call.

THAILAND, HS. Brad, VK2FY is QRV as HS0ZNR until September 2. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters. QSL direct to home call.

DJIBOUTI, J2. J28RC is a new club station located in a US Army military camp. QSL via EA5GL.

JORDAN, JY. Nart, JY5IB is QRV from Amman and is active on 60 to 12 meters using FT8. QSL direct to home call.

LITHUANIA, LY. Special call sign LY770CT is QRV until October 14 to commemorate the 770th anniversary since the founding of the Lithuanian city of Klaipeda. Activity is on all bands and modes. QSL via LY1CT and LoTW.

FINLAND, OH. Members of the Scandinavian Young Lady Radio Amateurs, and DL3KWF and DL3KWR, will be QRV as OH1SYL from Katanpaa Island, IOTA EU-096, from August 21 to 23. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via OH5KIZ.

ALAND ISLAND, OH0. A group of operators will be QRV as OG0C from August 22 to 28. Activity will be on 160 to 2 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, and FT8, with a focus on 30, 17, 12, and 6 meters. QSL via OH5C.

POLAND, SP. Members of the Dobrzycki Amateur Radio Club are QRV with special call signs SO550MK, SP550MK and SQ550MK to commemorate 550 years since the birth of astronomer and mathematician Nicolaus Copernicus. QSL via SP3PDO.

AUSTRALIA, VK. Operators Fred, VK2FM, Steve, VK2SPF and Russel, VK4NGN will be QRV as VK2FM from South Solitary Island, IOTA OC-194, from August 19 to 22. This include being active from the Solitary Lighthouse, ILLW AU0054, during the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend. QSL via VK2FM.

ALBANIA, ZA. Vladimir, Z35M will be QRV as ZA/Z35M on August 23. Activity will be on 40 to 15 meters using CW and SSB with 5 watts. QSL to home call.

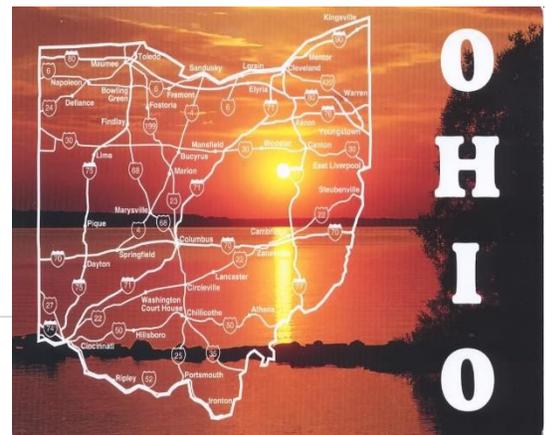
CAYMAN ISLANDS, ZF. Station ZF1PB/9 is QRV from Cayman Brac, IOTA NA-016, until August 22. Activity is holiday style on the HF bands using SSB. QSL direct to home call.

The Run for the Bacon QRP CW Contest, K1USN Slow Speed Test, ICWC Medium Speed CW Test, OK1WC CW Memorial, Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest, RTTYOPS Weeksprint, SKCC CW Sprint, Phone Weekly Test, A1Club AWT, CWops Test, Mini-Test 40 and Mini-Test 80 are all on tap from August 22 to 24.

Please see August 2022 QST, page 70 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest websites for details.

Upcoming *Hamfests*

We **DO** have some hamfests scheduled for 2022!! Yes, take a good look at the list.



2022

	08/21/2022 - Warren ARA Tailgate Swap Meet Location: Cortland, OH Sponsor: Warren ARA Website: http://facebook.com/w8vtd Learn More
09/10/2022 - Ashtabula County Hamfest Location: Pierpont, OH Sponsor: Amigos Radio Club Ashtabula and Ashtabula County Amateur Radio Club Learn More	09/11/2022 - Findlay Hamfest Location: Findlay, OH Sponsor: Findlay Radio Club Website: https://www.findlayradioclub.org/ Learn More
09/17/2022 - Mound Amateur Radio Assoc. Swap Meet Location: Miamisburg, OH Sponsor: MARA Website: http://W8DYY.ORG Learn More	09/25/2022 - Cleveland Hamfest Location: Berea, OH Sponsor: Hamfest Association of Cleveland Website: http://www.hac.org Learn More
10/15/2022 - Portsmouth Radio Club Hamfest Location: New Boston, OH Sponsor: Portsmouth Radio Club, Jett Fire, Shawnee Website: http://www.portsmouthradioclub.org Learn More	10/30/2022 - Massillon Hamfest (OH) Location: Green, OH Sponsor: Massillon Amateur Radio Club Website: http://w8np.org Learn More
12/03/2022 - FCARC WinterFest Location: Archbold, OH Sponsor: Fulton County Amateur Radio Club Website: https://k8bxq.org/hamfest Learn More	

FINDLAY HAMFEST is less than 5 weeks away!

Based on feedback from our guests and vendors, we're implementing a few changes and additions (and keeping several popular features) to make the **2022 FINDLAY HAMFEST**, on Sunday, September 11, an even bigger success than last years amazing event!

PRIZES: Yes - we'll still offering the chance to win a popular HF rig (Yaesu FT DX-10) or a "handy" HT (FT-60R) - but we'll also have prize drawings every half hour with hundreds of dollars in gift certificates to be given away so that you can pick up some nice "finds" at the Hamfest!



ONSITE HAM LICENSE TESTING: For the first time (at least in a very long time) we're adding onsite, online, license testing. Pass your test on Saturday and have your license by Tuesday (typically). Find out more at www.FindlayRadioClub.org (There's a \$14 fee for license testing, but we'll throw in free admission to the Hamfest.) So upgrade your license and/or bring along your yet-to-be licensed friends.

SPECIAL EVENT STATION: Come work our special event station. If you hold a Technician license, here's your chance to make some HF contacts! Or bring along your unlicensed friends (or grandkids) and get them on the air for their first time. (And take home a nice certificate.)

ADDITIONAL FOOD VENDOR: We're doubling our food vendors, and adding breakfast, to provide greater variety and faster service (and additional seating).

SAME ADMISSION PRICE AS LAST YEAR: We're all faced with higher gasoline and diesel prices, but admission to the FINDLAY HAMFEST is still only \$10 - with no additional parking fee. Admission for kids and youth under 18 years old is FREE! Likewise for Scout leaders in uniform. Bring along your kids, your grandkids, your neighbors, your Scout troop, your 4H club... Buy your tickets online at www.FindlayRadioClub.org or at the gate on the day of the event.

PERFECT WEATHER: Just kidding... but we had great weather in 2021! We'll keep our fingers crossed.

Hancock County Fairground: 8AM – 2PM SUNDAY 11 Sept 2022

1017 East Sandusky, Street, Findlay, Ohio 45840

Massillon Hamfest

This beautifully restored B-26 is just one of the many planes you will see at this year's Massillon Amateur Radio Club's Hamfest at MAPS air museum in Green, Ohio.

October 30th is the date. MAPS is located at the Canton-Akron Airport and is easily accessible from I-77.

The \$5 admission covers both the Hamfest and a tour of this great WW2-era museum.

Tables are on sale now (\$15) at:

<https://www.w8np.net/index.php/current-area-hamfests/marc-2022-hamfest-vendor-tables>.

For Info- Gerry Sorensen

club@w8np.net



OHIO'S



I had not anticipated a column this week as N8ZNR and I will be attending the Huntsville Hamfest in Alabama. Although nothing compares to Hamvention or even Hamcation, the Huntsville Hamfest is in a league of it's own with many of the national commercial vendors you see at those shows, but also a flea market with over 400 tables. And all of this is in an climate controlled convention facility in downtown Huntsville. It's well worth a trip next year.

As mentioned, I did not anticipate a column this week. However there does appear to be a number of things to share with our column readers that should not be delayed for a couple of weeks. So, here goes.....

Hat's off to the **Milford ARC** for sponsoring a good hamfest and keeping the tradition of a Cincinnati area hamfest alive. Although some report the attendance may have been down from last year, I think the great weather, many other events taking place and perhaps the economy may have been a factor. However there were some great bargains and a lot of socializing happening. The **Highland ARA** VE team assisted the MARC by conducting the on-premise test session. KD8LDS, Tom Mongold, Jr., reported 11 individuals took 12 test elements. Three people earned new licenses, three upgraded to General and 2 advanced to Extra. So congratulations to those new licensees and those with the upgrades.

Last week we chatted about one of the better attended Ohio hamfests being the annual End of Summer Hamfest sponsored by the **Findlay ARC**. It occurs on Sunday, September 11 at the Hancock County Fairgrounds in Findlay. This year they will give license tests for the first time in several years. Because they charge a \$15 fee for taking a test, those taking a test will not be charged an admission fee. They also will have a station set up where new hams and those without HF licenses can get on the air and experience the enjoyment of HF. For additional information check out hamfest@findlayradioclub.org website.

The **Mound ARA** was in attendance at the Cincinnati Hamfest to promote their upcoming September 17 swap meet at Miamisburg's Mound Park. The Saturday event gets underway at 8 AM and will conclude around Noon. There is no charge to attend or to set up in the flea market area. If you intend to set up, please furnish your own tables and chairs. There is a large shelter available for flea market vendors in the event of rain. Because this is a flea market in a public park, commercial vendors are not permitted. The park is located at 900 Mound Road in Miamisburg. cstonyp@gmail.com for info.

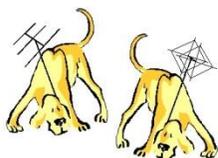
Kentucky and Tennessee will provide a couple additional out-of-Ohio events worthy of consideration and perhaps worthy of a weekend get-away into the Smoky Mountains and not far

from the Red Rock Gorge area of Kentucky. They each in their own ways are some beautiful parts of our nation.

Although a tad out of the South 40 coverage area, a hamfest seeing a growing number of Southern Ohio hams attending is the **Ky4ARC** hamfest in Paintsville, KY. It will be on Saturday, September 24 at the Rec Center in Paintsville. Contact Ron Grossl at 606-789-7767 or nt4w@arrl.net.

People new to ham radio and even the old timers talk about the outstanding Ham Radio Bootcamp on Friday, September 23 prior to the **W4DXCC Convention** on the 24th. This year the **Southwestern Ohio DX Association** newsletter editor and fellow OSJ columnist Bill Salyer, AJ8B, is a speaker during the event. Everything takes place at the LeConte Hotel in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. www.w4dxcc.org for information. Please note, although there are usually some commercial vendors exhibiting, this is not a hamfest or flea market. Another item of note is that some parts of the Smoky Mountains and the National Park are requiring remasking as there has been an uptick in COVID cases.

On Saturday morning, August 20, members of the **Lancaster Fairfield County ARA** will meet at the Lancaster Frisch's for their monthly club breakfast. It starts around 9 and wraps up about 11.



It's understood ham radio operators will be roaming the hills of Hocking County on August 27 when the **Hocking Valley ARA** will conduct a Foxhunt. Check-ins begin at 9:45 on the Logan 147.345 repeater with the actual hunt starting at 10 AM and the fox

transmitting on 147.495 simplex

Tom Holmes, N8ZM, lets us know the **Midwest UHF/VHF Society** will have its annual member picnic on Saturday, August 27 at the home of Dawn Yeagley, N8ASB, 1353 Gurneyville Road, Wilmington. The gathering starts around 11 with mostly a technical session where members will bring their equipment and projects to have measured and tested or troubleshot. Once they get tired of doing that then their thoughts turn to the furnished food and drink. Those wanting equipment tested should let Holmes know what they are bringing in order that the proper test equipment will be on hand. Let him know at tholmes@woh.rr.com. It's suggested you bring a lawn chair.

Also on the 27th the Ohio QSO Party gets under way at 1600 and concludes at 0400 on the 28th. It's a short laid back contest with the exchange between stations being a signal report and your county. Since several Southern Ohio counties do not have a large number of hams on HF (and you live in one) this could be your chance to be very popular and make a lot of contacts. Each time I have participated I find it interesting to see how many of Ohio's 88 counties I can work.

If you plan to operate, why not list your intent at www.ohqp.org. Not that many are currently listed for planned operations.

Several Southern Ohio clubs and individual operators are preparing for the upcoming September 10 Ohio State Parks on the Air operating event. As of the most recent email posting, John Myers, WG8X, indicates the planned activation list shows 40 parks to have some activity. Undoubtedly the list will continue to grow and show increased activations as we get closer to the date. But in the meantime why not check the www.ospota.org web site to see if there is a park near you that you can activate and can join in on all the fun. This year there are some new requirements regarding Rover contacts and the way they must be logged and reported. These changes affect both rovers and those making contacts with them.

Many amateurs in Athens County and throughout Southern Ohio knew the late Dr. Joseph Berman, W9AON, of Ohio University fame. Jeff Slattery, N8SUZ, tells us there will be a memorial service for Dr. Berman on August 27 outside of 35 Park Place in Athens. The memorial begins at 8 am to be followed by a reception with a light breakfast. Those interested in attending are asked to register with the Honors College by August 8 at 740-593-2723.

The **Cambridge ARA** will have their next business meeting on Saturday morning, August 27 at the Guernsey County Administration Building in Cambridge. The meeting starts at 10 AM. Mike Love reminds us the **Southern Ohio ARA** will have their monthly business meeting on Monday evening, August 8, at Coal Grove. There will be a test session at 6 pm with the meeting to begin at 7.

Some within our ham radio community who are veterans may find the following volunteer opportunity of particular interest. An email forwarded by Harley Maines, K8HO, calls for a team of radio volunteers to support the upcoming September 17 Air Force Marathon at Wright Patterson AFB. Approximately a minimum of 50 hams will be needed to handle the logistics, medical information, runner tracking and shadowing race officials during the day. If this is something you think you might be able to assist with go to the volunteer portal on the www.usafmarathon.com website for more information and to become involved. Specific questions can be sent to AFM.HAMS@gmail.com.

At the Cincinnati Hamfest I was told about a Greene County club that meets every other week for a "Lunch Bunch". Their next gathering this **Bellbrook ARK** activity will be on August 23 at the Yaffa Grill in Fairborn with a buffet beginning at 11. Because of the Labor Day holiday, the following gathering has been moved to September 13 at the City Barbeque in Beavercreek. Jim Totten, WA8HUB, coordinates the Lunch Bunch gatherings and can be contacted at wa8hub.jim@gmail.com for additional information or to be placed on the event's mailing list.

Ham volunteers are being asked for their assistance during the upcoming September 10 Young's Dairy Farm Charity Bike Tour. The near 100 mile course begins at 8 am from the Young's location just north of Yellow Springs and continues to Bellefontaine. Hams are needed at key

intersections along the course. The 145.31 Springfield repeater will be used to cover the Southern portion of the course and the Bellfountaine 147.00 will provide the coverage for the Northern part. Contact KC8GLE@earthlink.net to get more information or to offer your assistance.

In the opening of this column it was noted the Cincinnati Hamfest featured a VE test session where three individuals were successful candidates for their first licenses. Our FCC license guru Ted Jacobson, W8KVK, tells us two of those have already completed the FCC paperwork requirements and now have received their call signs. We would like to extend a hearty WELCOME to the world of amateur radio to KE8VLJ and KE8VLK. KE8VLJ has been assigned to Michael Klute of Batavia and Chad Marksberry of Owensville is now KE8VLJ. Again thanks to the **Milford ARC** for sponsoring and providing the test session and the **Highland ARA** for conducting it so the MARC VE team members could be free to assist with other hamfest duties.

As mentioned last week, Pike County's Doug Broyles, KE8ORQ, is getting a reputation of being the International Space Station repeater go to guy. Doug reports he has started hearing several familiar call signs from the Southern Ohio area through the space station's repeater. The spacecraft uses the NA1SS call sign. According to Doug the worldwide downlink is 145.80.

Doug's Bainbridge neighbor Sam Johnson, W8SKJ, also sends along some further information. He says the repeater uses a 145.99 uplink with a PL 67 tone and the downlink on 437.80.

Last time it was mentioned Sam Johnson, W8SKJ, reported Doug Broyles, KE8ORQ, using the Highland Amateur Radio's K8HO call sign, made a successful contact with Dr. Kjell Lindgren, KO5MOS, one of the astronauts on the International Space Station. I only wish mail delivery here on terra firma was as good as it apparently is between space and Southern Ohio! Sam also reports Dr. Lindgren is scheduled to return to earth in a few months and the amount of actual astronaut activity on ham radio is unknown at this time. So Sam's suggestion is to try to snag a contact while an active ham is still aboard the space station. A audio recording of the contact is available on HARA's Facebook page for all to enjoy.

Amateur Radio on the International Space Station

The International Space Station (ISS) is sponsored by **Canada, Japan, Russia, the USA and many nations in Europe**. ISS crews hail from these and other nations. Major hardware elements are:

- Zarya, Zvezda, Pirs, research modules Poisk and MRM-1 Rassvet built by Russia
- Science lab Destiny, Unity, Quest, Harmony and Tranquility modules provided by the US
- Canadian Mobile Servicing System, a 55-foot mobile robotic arm used for assembly and maintenance
- Columbus module, a science laboratory provided by ESA
- Kibo module, a science laboratory provided by Japan
- ~~CREW~~ LINDGREN - KO5MOS

ISS crews and visitors often use their Amateur Radio station, first set up in Zarya and then Zvezda, to talk with school students to aid in their education, plus chat with fellow radio amateurs around the world. The AR1SS Team continually works to extend ISS Amateur Radio station capability with new operation modes and, more recently, equipment placement in the Columbus module.

To: K8140

From	Day	Month	Year	UTC	MHz
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NA1SS	29	7	2022	1930	ZLHQA
<input type="checkbox"/> RS0ISS					
<input type="checkbox"/> OR4ISS					

Mode: Voice Packet SSTV APRS Repeater SWL

THANKS FOR PARTICIPATING!

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Also mentioned last week and worthy of repeating is the *Cincinnati Enquirer's* report that if weather conditions are good the ISS will be viewed on passes over the Midwest in the predawn skies on August 23 through the 26th. On the 23rd the pass will start around 6:25 and move from the SW to NE for an about seven minute pass. On the 24th face southeast starting about 5:38 for the 5 minute pass. Then on the 25th you can face northwest for a 7 minute pass starting at 6:24. Finally on the 26th look due north at 5:38 for a short four minute pass. W8SKJ agrees it's a great feeling to listen to the ISS as you watch it pass through the sky. What's even better is making a contact with it!

Jeff Slattery, N8SUZ, thanks his fellow Athens County ARA members for their assistance at this past weekend's Bailey's Trail Run. He reminds members of the upcoming Club participation in the Ohio State Parks on the Air at Stroud's Run on September 10.

Southern Ohio ARA Information Officer Michael Love, WB8YKS, states things are coming together for the club's planned special event station at South Point looking over the point where Ohio, Kentucky and West Virginia meet. Tom Mongold, Jr., KD8LDS, says the **Highland ARA's** special event operation at Highland County's historic Gist Settlement is also ready to go. In fact the QSL cards are in hand! Both events are planned to take place in early October. Watch for the details as we get closer to the date for them.

That's it for another week. Until next time stay cool, healthy, safe and radio-active.

John Levo, W8KIW, jlevo@cinci.rr.com, 937-393-4951

I finally did get interested in amateur radio and got my first license in 1999. I have been trying to contact some of the older folks in the Lisbon & Salem, Ohio area who may have some information about his Ham days. I have been trying to find information about all of the QSL cards on the wall of the picture. It's a challenge. Dad had a close friend, that mother mentioned a couple of times, George W. Morrow. He lived in Washingtonville, OH. No info so far.

While searching on the web one day I came across a scan of one of his QSL cards on the "hamgallery.com". All I did was go to the Google search page and type in 'W8BVH' and click on google search. The first choice was "hamgallery.com". I looked on their web site and found the below listed QSL card. I wrote to Tom [K8CX] who owns the "hamgallery.com" and told him my story. He wrote back to me and told me that he got several old cards from a friend of his, John Tomko [W3CJF]. John passed away at the age of 99. After some discussion and a couple of nice e-mails, Tom [K8CX] sent me the original QSL card dated 1931. You can't believe how excited I was to finally have one of the original hand- made QSL cards from my dad.

I continued searching the google search engine and got a hit on the South Jersey Radio Association, [K2AA, www.sjra.org](http://www.sjra.org). The club had an article in their newsletter about a popular club member, Gordon Kressel [W2BQ] (SK), and his log books dating back to 1914. Mary Vonlintig [KV2M], the club's historian, provided me with a copy of Gordon Kressel's, [W2BQ](#) (SK), log book page. She was very cordial and I surely do appreciate her help with this information.

On one of the log pages was an entry where Gordon had contacted [W8BVH](#) ON 12-09-1930 @ 9:00PM on 3750kc. The log further shows the contact to be a 5/9 with good note, not ac or dc hollow. These would have been CW contacts, not phone. It is also apparent that sometime between 1928 and 1930 call signs changed from using call district prefix to adding a W to the front of call signs.

My search continues for more information. This is leading to so many people that are willing to help with bits and pieces. It's really fun and getting to meet a lot of nice hams. Right now, I have a letter off to George W. Morrow [W8WFB], the son of George Morrow [W8BKP] {SK} in Washingtonville, OH. Hoping he has some information about his dad and mine. Also found that George had a close ham friend, Frank Lucas [W3CRA] {SK}, in Pennsylvania. Looked up his call and it comes back to the Collins Radio Association now. I have a note off to Dave Knepper [W3ST], secretary of the CRA.

This is just another fun part of Amateur Radio. And, there is a lot more to search about. It's not mentioned much today but now that you know of it; try it, you may like it.

73,

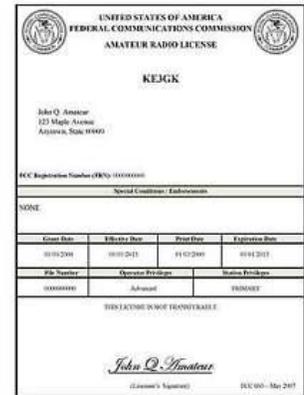
Ralph Howes, W8BVH

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 on this one. While I know what I think the answer is going to be, the bigger the sample, the more accurate a survey like this is likely to be.

How about going to <http://arrrl-ohio.org> and giving me a click? (It’s in the bottom left corner of the page) I’ll have more to say about this in the next OH Section Journal!



*If you had to pick one?
A) DX’ing or B) Contesting?*

From the last Poll:
*How many Hamfests have you been to so far this year?
B) 2 or less/ B) 3 or more?*

Out of 55 responses, 76% 2 or less and 24% 3 or more.

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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://arrl-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@arrlohio.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://arrl-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://arrl-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@arrl-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@arrl-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://arrl-ohio.org/news/>

Fifteenth Annual Ohio State Parks On The Air – Amateur Radio Contest

Make sure to mark your calendar for the 2022 Ohio State Parks On The Air (OSPOTA) contest – September 10, 2022. The contest is always held on the first Saturday following the Labor Day holiday. Each year this event has grown and we anticipate another year of growth with even more participating Amateur Radio Operators.

Let me remind you that the OSPOTA contest was conceived with three main goals in mind:

- To promote public awareness of amateur radio and Ohio’s beautiful state parks system;
- To contribute to the recognition that Ohio has a very diverse and wonderful ecology;
- To promote camaraderie within the ranks of Ohio’s Amateur Radio Operators

Your participation has allowed these goals to be achieved. We agree it is a lot of fun to get out in a natural setting with your radio and see how well you can do at working operators in the beautiful Ohio State Parks.

This will be the 15th annual OSPOTA – Make plans now to be active in OSPOTA 2022.

Don’t forget – we have an OSPOTA E-mail Group located at: <https://groups.io/g/OSPOTA>

The [OSPOTA IO Group page](#) is used for messaging and sharing of information about OSPOTA for all the fans and participants in the OSPOTA contest. The [E-mail Group](#) is where the action is.

Since we do allow spotting to encourage more contacts during OSPOTA, Facebook is being used before and during the contest for instant updates and to share stories and photos.

As the contest draws near, we’ll be posting on the OSPOTA E-mail Group page the anticipated ‘who’s going to be at what Ohio State Park’ or ‘Planned Park’ list as we have in past years. Send your planned park activation information to PlannedParks@ospota.org . Please, include the call sign that will be used and the Ohio State Park you plan to be at. If your plans change, just let us know and we’ll update

the list. Remember, more than one person or group can be at an Ohio State Park – there are no reserved State Parks.

Notes: Some Ohio State Parks are being managed by local park systems, but they are still listed and considered to be Ohio State Parks according to ODNR (Quail Hollow & Tinkers Creek).

So – pick a park and make your plans now for OSPOTA 2022 !!!!! Take care & 73 from the entire OSPOTA contest Committee, KB8UUZ, WG8X, W8PT, W8KNO, KB8UHN

Tom, KB8UUZ OSPOTA Chairman OSPOTA

Questions? Email: INFO@ospota.org

When the OSPOTA contest is over, send Logs and Summary Sheets to: Logs@ospota.org

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!