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Doreen Bogdan-Martin, KD2JTX, Elected as ITU Telecommunication Development Director



ARRL member Doreen Bogdan-Martin, KD2JTX, has been elected as Director of the International Telecommunication Union ([ITU](#)) Telecommunication Development Bureau ([BDT](#)). Her election, on the first ballot in a three-way race, came on November 1 at the ITU’s Plenipotentiary 2018 Conference in Dubai.

Bogdan-Martin becomes the first woman on the ITU executive team. Running on a campaign theme of “Sustainable Digital Development for All,” Bogdan-Martin said she would work toward a Telecommunication Development Bureau that helps its members benefit from the drivers of innovation and economic development.

“We must help governments integrate ICTs into their national development frameworks, actively support[ing] their ministries to ensure digital development strategies emphasize human capacity, digital skills, and empowering people,” she said. “I envisage the BDT redoubling its efforts on digital inclusion, working to bring online the remaining 3.9 billion people still offline.”

Her candidacy had strong support from US officials, including Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross, and FCC Chairman Ajit Pai.

“Ms. Bogdan-Martin is a true leader and professional who has dedicated more than 25 years to ensuring that all people can benefit from information and communication technologies,” Pompeo wrote in endorsing her candidacy. “I have no doubt that Ms. Bogdan-Martin will be a driving force to ensure connectivity for all.” FCC Chairman Pai extended congratulations to Bogdan-Martin, who, he said, “has deep expertise in development issues and will play a pivotal role in accelerating the spread of digital communications throughout the globe.”

Bogdan-Martin has more than 20 years of experience at the ITU. During the past decade she has headed the ITU General Secretariat Strategic Planning and Membership Department for the Secretary-General. Her responsibilities have included developing the ITU’s strategic and operational plans in the context of ICT trends and the global information economy, representing the ITU in engagement with other bodies, and directing and managing all ITU global conferences.

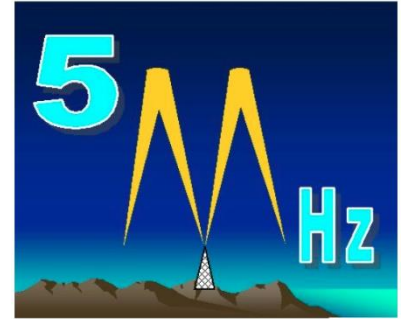
She launched [Equals Global Partnership](#), a multi-stakeholder evidence-based network bringing women to technology, and technology to women. She also directed the first ITU global youth summit that featured 700 participants and 3,000 remote participants, and she established the ITU office to the United Nations where she has been serving as ITU Representative to the UN High-Level Committee on Programmes ([HLCP](#)).

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India Gains Three New Bands, Sweden Gets Permanent 60-Meter Access

Radio amateurs in India now have access to three new bands. India's Ministry of Communications' Department of Telecommunications has published an updated [National Frequency Allocation Plan](#), effective October 25, which lists the new bands at 5 MHz (60 meters), 472 kHz (630 meters), and 136 kHz (2300 meters). All allocations are on a secondary basis.

On 60 meters, hams now have access to 5,351.5 – 5,366.5 kHz at 15 W EIRP; on 630 meters, 472 – 479 kHz at 1 W EIRP, and on 2300 meters, 135.7 – 137.8 kHz at 1 W EIRP.



Sweden's IARU member-society SSA reports that radio amateurs there gained routine secondary access to 5,351.5 – 5,366.5 kHz at 15 W EIRP on November 1. Temporary permission has been available since 2016, by application. SSA recommends following IARU Region 1 guidelines for using the band; a [Swedish version](#) is available. — Thanks to Paul Gaskell, G4MWO, Editor, The 5 MHz Newsletter; SSA

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NOAA's Climate Prediction Center: A late El Niño could influence the winter season

Get Ready Ohio! Winter Safety Awareness Week is Nov. 11-17



COLUMBUS, OH — According to the annual National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Winter Outlook, there is a 70-75 percent chance of El Niño forming over the next couple of months and lasting through this winter. What does that mean? The winter season will start off mild for most of the region before colder weather hits in January and February.

According to NOAA, El Niño is an ocean-atmosphere climate interaction that is linked to periodic warming in sea surface temperatures in central and eastern Pacific equator.

Ohio experienced winter like weather last month, with freezing temperatures, frost, and in the northern counties, snow. Ohioans are encouraged to prepare early for the upcoming winter season.

In a coordinated effort, Gov. John R. Kasich and the Ohio Committee for Severe Weather Awareness (OCSWA) recognize November 11-17 as Winter Safety Awareness Week. During this week, Gov. Kasich encourages individuals to update their safety plans, replenish supplies in their emergency kits, and prepare themselves, their vehicles and property for winter-related incidents.

“Winter Safety Awareness Week is the perfect time for all of us to check our supplies and start preparing our homes and vehicles for winter,” said Ohio EMA Executive Director Sima Merick. “Remember – winter safety isn't just being prepared for cold, snow and ice. In February of this year, 22 counties received a federal disaster declaration for flooding. So, during this week, check your homeowners or renters insurance. Consider purchasing flood insurance. Prepare for severe weather now, before winter officially begins.”

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OCSWA recommends the following winter preparedness tips:

[Practice fire safety and prevention.](#) With winter months and the holiday season, people are indoors more, and cook, decorate and entertain more – which unfortunately, can lead to more home fires. The best protection is to have working smoke detectors in the home.

Test your smoke detectors monthly. Conduct fire drills. Change the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors twice a year – when you change your clocks, change your batteries. Have auxiliary heaters, furnaces and fireplaces checked or serviced before using. Cooking-related fires are the number one cause of home fires. Never leave cooking food unattended. Keep towels, potholders, and paper products away from the stove’s heat sources.

[Prepare your home for winter.](#) Remove and cut away low-hanging and dead tree branches. Strong winds, ice and snow can cause tree limbs to break and could cause damage to your home. Have your gutters cleaned. Snow and ice can build up quickly if clogged with debris.

[Prepare winter emergency supplies kits for the home and vehicle.](#) Check the expiration dates on nonperishable food items, bottled water/beverages and medications. Winter emergency kits should include flashlights, extra batteries, blankets, coats, hats, gloves, a battery-operated radio/weather radio, first aid kit, cell phone and charger, and enough nonperishable food and water (one gallon per person, per day) to sustain every household member for several days. Store food, bottled water and supplies for your pets, as well.

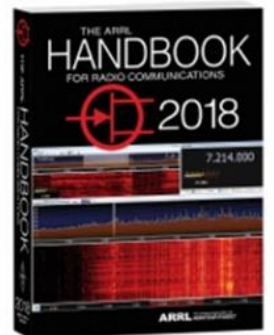
[Check on your neighbors.](#) Comprehensive preparedness requires communities to participate in a “[Neighbors Helping Neighbors](#)” approach. If severe weather is forecast or has just occurred, or if your neighborhood has an extended power outage, check on your neighbors and family members – especially those who are older or have functional needs – to ensure that they are okay and that they have the resources to stay safe and warm. Your communication plan might include exchanging phone numbers to call during times of need.

The Handbook Give Away

Hey Gang,

Have you registered for the “Handbook Giveaway” drawing for this month yet? If you haven’t, go to: <http://arrl-ohio.org/handbook.html> and get registered.

What’s the catch? I want to get everyone checking in to the Ohio Section website as often as possible, and in order to register each month, you have to visit the website often! There’s nothing else to it. I pay all expenses, and from time to time, I Give Away more than just a Handbook. And, you’ll never know just what months will be those special times that I will have more than just a Handbook to Give Away!!



Many of you ask me just how do I know when the drawing is on? Well, that’s easy all you need to do is check in on the Ohio Section Website on a regular basis and watch for the big **RED** Arrow that will appear on the left side of the page. This is the sign that the drawing is on and you need to get registered. So, keep a sharp eye out on the website and check in often! <http://arrl-ohio.org>

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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:
n8sy@n8sy.com



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The **Stark County ARES** in conjunction with the **Stark County EMA Office** will again be sponsoring FEMA ICS Training. The training will be on **December 19th** and we'll start at **5:30 PM** and hopefully finish by **7:30**.

Training this month will be for the ICS-700 certification, "An Introduction to the National Incident Management System". There are no prerequisites. The location is at the County EMA office on Route 62 lower level. There is no cost for the training. Bring your FEMA student ID number so you can take the exam at completion. Laptops will be available, or you may use a smartphone to take the test.

Please reply to this notice if you are planning to attend the December 19 ICS-700 class, or email dlaamm@whbc.com Steve would like a headcount beforehand.

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NEW HAMS SEMINAR "I GOT MY LICENSE, NOW WHAT?"

Congratulations, you have studied and passed your element and received your first Amateur Radio License. NOW WHAT?



What Radio should I buy? Should I buy new or used Equipment? What Aspects of Ham Radio should I get involved in? What Activities should I get involved in? What Club should I join, or should I join one at all? And many other Questions.

Welcome to The HUGE world of Ham Radio, this hobby has so many aspects that the new Ham can explore. This 4-hour Seminar is designed to help you gain clarity and hopefully answer some of the questions new Hams have.

We hold this Seminar two times a year, within a few weeks of the completion of our Spring and Fall Tech Class. Everyone is welcome to attend.

This is a **FREE** Seminar. There will be Equipment and experienced Hams on-site. Come on out and meet the Club Members and get a look at some of the radios and bring your questions. We will get them answered and help get you on the road to the world of Amateur Radio.

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The Fall New Ham Seminar - **Saturday November 17th** from 0800 till 1200. It may go past 12:00 if there's a lot of questions or if there's a good discussion going on a certain topic. We will meet at the Maumee Fire Station 2 - 450 west Dussel Drive, Maumee. Look for the Big Blue Water Tower, parking in the rear

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Help Needed

Once again, the Mound Amateur Radio Association will be providing race course radio communications for the 40th Annual Turkey Trot in Miamisburg on **Thanksgiving** morning. It is anticipated that there will be in excess of 10,000 runners for this 5k run/1k walk.



MARA wants to have hams within sight of each other over the entire course. It is anticipated that volunteers will need to be in Miamisburg, and on the course, from approximately 0700 until no later than noon.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Jack KM8N at triton48@woh.rr.com. This is a fun event and the organizers really appreciate amateur radio help in its success and safety.

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Help Needed



Jim Rowe N8TVO, Southern Ohio Amateur Radio Association President reports, that this year's Ironton Lions Christmas Parade will take place on **November 26**. Amateur Radio operators are requested to meet by the car wash at 4th and Center Streets at 5:00 PM. We will be using the Ironton downtown repeater, 444.625 tone 103.5. The parade will start at 6:00 PM. Everyone's safety is critical, therefore please wear your ARES reflective vest and hat. Jim also said, "the parade theme is Peace On Earth."

Yes, Santa will be there, however we not sure at this time if he will be giving out ham radio goodies.

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Incident Command System (ICS) Training Schedule

All current trainings are listed on the Ohio EMA training calendar located at:
<https://webeoctraining.dps.ohio.gov/TrainingAndExercise/courselist.aspx>

I've been asked to also include a link to the Kentucky EMA training calendar as well..

<https://kyem.ky.gov/training/Pages/default.aspx>
<https://sites.google.com/site/ccoemtraining/home>



Please pay particular attention to these courses listed above, as that there's a lot of ICS 300 & 400 classes listed that are very useful for all Amateurs to have under their belts. I will also state that G775 is also a very good course to take as well. These 3 courses are multiple day in class courses, so please be prepared to spend some time taking them.

I would like to remind any of you that are going to take any of the in-class training sessions that you dress appropriately.

Please don't go into these classes with attire that doesn't represent you, and Amateur Radio in the best of light.

I'm not setting a dress code, but if you wouldn't take your wife out to a nice restaurant in these clothes, you may want to reconsider what you are wearing. Remember, you will be in class with fire / police chiefs, mayors, township trustees and a whole host of other government and civil officials that will remember how you represented Amateur Radio while you were in these classes together.

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We do recognize that IS-300/400 requires multiple days of actual classroom training that is not easily obtained. So, if you just can't find the time to fit these class room courses in, we do have an alternative method for getting you to Level 3. Completing the following **"FREE"** and **"ONLINE"** courses will act as substitute for you FEMA Leadership Development Course requirements. You absolutely will need to complete all **7** of these courses to get your ICS 300/400 credit. Here are the courses that you need to take: **IS-120, 230, 240, 241, 242, 244 & 288.**

[Upcoming Hamfests](#)

12/01/2018 | FCARC WinterFest
Location: Delta, OH
Sponsor: Fulton County Amateur Radio Club
Website: <http://k8bxq.org/hamfest>



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01/20/2019 | S.C.A.R.F. Hamfest
Location: Nelsonville, OH
Sponsor: Sunday Creek Amateur Radio Federation
Website: <http://www.qrz.com/db/kc8aav>

01/27/2019 | TUSCO ARC Hamfest, Electronics & Computer Show
Location: Strasburg, OH
Sponsor: Tusco Amateur Radio Club
Website: <http://tuscoarc.org>

02/17/2019 | InterCity ARC Hamfest
Location: Mansfield, OH
Sponsor: InterCity Amateur Radio Club
Website: <http://www.w8we.org>

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V.E. Test Sessions

(from arrl)

11/13/2018 | [Lancaster OH 43130-3014](#)
Sponsor: Lancaster & Fairfield Cnty ARC
Location: American Red Cross
Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
[Learn More](#)

11/14/2018 | [Middletown OH 45042](#)
Sponsor: Dial Radio Club
Location: Miami University-Middletown
Time: 6:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
[Learn More](#)

11/17/2018 | [Greenville OH 45331-1038](#)
Sponsor: Treaty City ARA
Location: Beehive One Room School
Time: 10:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
[Learn More](#)

11/17/2018 | [Lisbon OH 44432-1233](#)
Sponsor: Lisbon Area Amt Radio Assoc
Location: Columbiana County Emergency
Management
Time: 1:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
[Learn More](#)

11/18/2018 | [Elyria OH 44035-1343](#)
Sponsor: American Red Cross
Location: American Red Cross
Time: 12:50 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
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11/20/2018 | [Sandusky OH 44870-1926](#)
Sponsor: Sandusky, Ohio VE Team
Location: Sandusky Radio Club
Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
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11/25/2018 | [Cortland OH 44410-1473](#)
Sponsor: NE Ohio ARC
Location: Ohio State Extension Office
Time: 6:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
[Learn More](#)

12/01/2018 | [Kirtland OH 44094-8500](#)
Sponsor: Lake County ARA
Location: Kirtland Library
Time: 12:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
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12/01/2018 | [Ravenna OH 44266-2191](#)
Sponsor: Portage County ARS Inc.
Location: PCARS Club Site (Rear of complex, under
BIG tower)
Time: 10:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
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12/01/2018 | [Reynoldsburg OH 43068-3015](#)
Sponsor: CRES Laurel VE Team
Location: Parkview Presbyterian Church
Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
[Learn More](#)

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Special Events

- **12/08/2018 | 105th Anniversary of Founding of Cambridge Amateur Radio Association**
Dec 8, 1600Z-2200Z, W8VP, Cambridge, OH. Cambridge Amateur Radio Association. 14.245 7.235. QSL.
CARA, P.O. Box 1804, Cambridge, OH 43725. www.w8vp.org

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ARRL Contest Corner



Want to know about ARRL contests? >> [Click Here](#) << for the latest information from ARRL about contests. A generic ARRL contest calendar is also provided there that gives the weekends for all our events, to assist with long-term planning of your contest operations. The Contest Corral files include non-ARRL events.

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ARRL November Sweepstakes

Objective: For stations in the United States and Canada (including territories and possessions) to exchange QSO information with as many other US and Canadian stations as possible on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter bands.



[2018 Operating Guide \(PDF\) - Including Full Rules](#)

[For Contest Club Updates Go Here](#)

Reminder: the Candian province of Ontario now consists four RAC sections: Ontario North (ONN), Ontario South (ONS), Ontario East (ONE) and the Greater Toronto Area (GTA). Make sure your contest logging software and "country" (CTY) files have been updated so that those abbreviations are recognized and credited properly. View a [map of the VE3 sections](#).

Operating Guideline: You **must** include your call sign in the exchange information you transmit to the other station. This is generally done between your precedence (A/B/Q/M/S/U) and your check (year of first license) as follows:

- CQing Station: CQ Sweepstakes from W9JJ
- Answering Station: W1AW
- CQer: W1AW 123 A W9JJ 79 CT
- Ans: 43 M W1AW 31 CT
- CQer: Thanks, CQ Sweepstakes from W9JJ



As the answering station, it is not necessary to send the CQing station's call unless you feel there might be some confusion about what station you are responding to.

Logs are due within SEVEN (7) days after the event is over. Paper logs are still accepted, but electronic Cabrillo logs are preferred. Contest clubs are encouraged to help their club members submit their log electronically.

Logs that have been *submitted electronically* are listed on the [Log Received](#) page. Click the year and contest to see a list of submitted logs sorted by call sign.

- **Phone:** Third full weekend in November (**November 17-19, 2018**).
- **Contest Period:** Begins 2100 UTC Saturday and runs through 0259 UTC Monday.

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Bands- 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters. No contest QSOs may be made on 12, 17, 30 or 60 meters.

All stations may operate no more than 24 of the 30 hours.

Scores will be calculated from contacts logged during the first 24 hours of operation. *Clarification: the intent of this rule is to limit operating time (listening or transmitting) to 24 hours. Contacts logged after 24 hours of operation will not be counted toward the final score, there is no penalty for including those contacts in a submitted log, and the station contacted is eligible to receive credit for the contact.*

Off-times must consist of a minimum of 30 consecutive minutes without operating. Listening time counts as operating time.

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December is Youngsters on the Air (YOTA) Month



December is Youngsters on the Air Month (**YOTA Month**). Listen for stations on the air with YOTA as the call sign suffix.

“The idea for this is to show the Amateur Radio hobby to young people and to encourage youngsters to be active on the amateur bands,” said Tomi Varro, HA9T. “This is a great moment to show Amateur Radio to the world and to invite newcomers.”

YOTA is primarily an International Amateur Radio Union (**IARU**) Region 1 (Europe and Africa) activity, but youngsters from the US in Region 2 (the Americas) have attended YOTA summer camps, which are held in a different country each year. Varro said both licensed and unlicensed youth will be making contacts. “Be helpful on the bands — maybe these young operators are just making their first ever contacts,” he advised.

YOTA stations are, in general, operated by individuals 25 or younger. The operating event takes place for the entire month of December UTC.

As part of YOTA month, Bob Johnson, W9XY, and Ken Claerbout, K4ZW, will travel to Ethiopia to team up with the club at the Addis Ababa University, Institute of Technology and club station ET3AA. For more updates, visit YOTA’s **Facebook page**.

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Field Day Results..

As it has been a tradition of mine for many years to list the results from our Field Day exercise. The listing shows the Top 10 from Ohio in each of the categories. And YES, Ohio does shine very brightly in these results. Everyone should be very proud, no matter where your group fell in the listings.

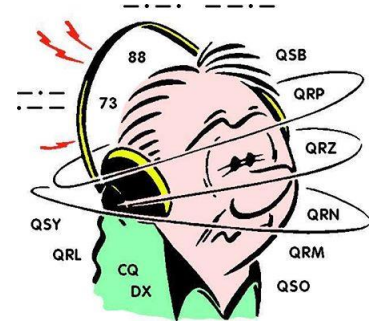
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1A 3 or more person club / non club - Portable			1B - 1 Operator - Battery	
Not Case ARA - W3USA	2nd		NR8Z	3rd
1A Commercial			1B - 1 Operator - Commercial	
NE Ohio ARC - N8NEW	10th		W4DHT	5th
2A			1B - 2 Operator	
Northern Ohio DX Association - W8DXA	6th		KA8GFB	9th
3A Battery			1B - 2 Operator - Battery	
Ohio Valley Experimenters Club - KD8LBS	5th		N8PW	1st
3A Commercial			1B - 2 Operator - Commercial	
Coshocton County ARA - W8CCA	5th		N3JJT	4th
Ashtabula County ARC - K8CY	8th			
			2B - 2 Operators	
4A			K8BTU	1st
Portage County Amateur Radio Service - K8BF	4th			
			2B - 2 Operators - Battery	
4A Commercial			N8M (K8BCI & KC8BPE)	5th
Drake ARC - K8UU	5th			
			2D	
5A			K8CGE	10th
Lorain County Wrls Ops - NW8S	6th			
			1E - B (home stations emergency power - battery)	
Lake County ARA - N8BC	7th		KW8N	1st
5A Battery				
North Coast ARC - N8NC	2nd		4F	
			Delaware ARA - K8ES	1st
6A			Van Wert ARC - W8FY	3rd
Cuyahoga ARS - W8BM	4th			
Mahoning Valley ARA - W8QLY	6th			
1B - 1 Operator (one or two person club/non club)				
K1LT	2nd			
K8RYU	5th			

DX This Week – DX CW

Bill AJ8B (aj8b@arrl.net, @AJ8B, www.aj8b.com or www.swodxa.org)



Over the weekend I attended the Grant ARC Hamfest and met some DXers and those with questions about DX. It was an extremely well attended event with lots of friendly hams. Probably the best \$2 admission I have ever spent! I was able to chat with a couple of hams who were interested in chasing DX and with investigating Morse Code.

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We talked about the CWOPs group (<https://cwops.org/>) as well as the CW Academy (<https://cwops.org/cw-academy-2/>) that the CWOPs run three times a year. I found the conversation especially interesting since the CW Academy class that I am instructing is almost over and I will have 5 hams graduate from Level 1 this week.

The thing that the hams at the Hamfest and my graduates have in common is that they have trouble “visualizing” what a DX CW QSO might be like.

Below is a transcript from a recent QSO that I had to give you a flavor of what a CW QSO might be like. It is not any different from an SSB QSO. The style and preferences of CW operators varies as much as the operator themselves. However, if you are interested in what a typical CW QSO might be like, just read below. The only thing that might seem foreign is the word “pro-sign” that is used in the explanation section. A pro-sign is two characters sent without a space between them. For instance, the pro-sign BT should be sent as “-...-“ instead “-... -“. The pro-sign has a special meaning and can be thought of as an abbreviation.

The best advice I was given with regards to a CW QSO was to “just talk”. For instance, you will hear hams that have been told their signal is being received perfectly (599) , but they will then send their name and QTH 2 or 3 times. If you signal is really that strong, just send it once. Many hams add the word HR (Here) to their sentence. For instance, they might send “The Name here is”, instead of “My name is “. The second phrase is just more comfortable and closer to being normally conversant. However, like anything else, it comes down to practice and familiarity.

The most important rule that I can pass along is to send at the speed you can copy, but no more! For instance, some of my students quickly develop their sending skills and can send at 18 to 20 WPM but can copy at 12 WPM. If they send at 20, the other station will reply at 20 and now you have a problem!

As always, if you are having DX success just drop me a line and let me know what you are doing! If you have questions or recommendations for a topic, please send that along as well.

Example CW QSO Between AJ8B and F6ARS	
AJ8B in Blue & F6ARS in Red	Explanation
CQ DX CQ DX CQ DX CQ DX CQ DX CQ DX DE AJ8B AJ8B AJ8B KN	The CQ becomes a matter of style. If the band is noisy or seems “empty”, I usually send a longer call.
AJ8B AJ8B DE F6ARS F6ARS PSE KN	F6ARS is calling me and telling me to “go ahead” with the KN pro-sign (-.-.) at the end.

F6ARS DE AJ8B <BT> TNX FER CALL THIS MORNING <BT> UR SIGS R 599 599 <BT> MY NAME IS BILL BILL ES THE QTH IS WAYNESVILLE, OH WAYNESVILLE, OH IN WARREN CTY <BT> SO HW CPY MY FRIEND? F6ARS DE AJ8B <KN>	I acknowledge that F6ARS is my choice for a QSO. The pro-sign BT (-...-) is used for a new thought or paragraph. I also use it as a pause. My part of this is terminated with F6ARS DE (from) AJ8B and the KN pro-sign
AJ8B DE F6ARS <BT> SOLID CPY ON U BILL. GOOD EVENING TO U <BT> UR SIG IS A FB 599 ALSO <BT> MY NAME IS GERARD GERARD ES THE QTH IS MORIN MORIN IN NORTH CENTRAL FRANCE <BT> I KNOW WE HAVE WKD B4 SO NICE TO CUAGN <BT> HW CPY IN WARREN CTY? AJ8B DE F6ARS <KN>	F6ARS is now passing along his information: My Signal – 599, His Name – Gerard, His QTH is Morin in North Central France. He says we have had a QSO before and then turns it back to me.
F6ARS DE AJ8B <BT> SOLID ON ALL GERARD <BT> WHAT ANT R U USING THERE? <BK>	I tell him that I have easy (solid) copy on his signal. I am also curious about his antenna system. Instead of sending him the full “His Call DE My Call” sequence again, I can just ask my question and then send the pro-sign <BK> (-...-) (break)
<BK> DE F6ARS <BT> BILL, I AM STILL USING THE G5RV ON ALL BANDS WITH THE APEX AT 15 MTRS <BK>	He acknowledges the <BK> with his call and then answers the question. He ends his answer with <BK>
<BK> DE AJ8B <BT> I HAD A NOTE IN MY LOG ABT UR SIG THE LAST TIME WE HAD A QSO ES IT U HVE A VY FB SIG NOW, SO, I WAS CURIOUS. HATE TO DO THIS, BUT, I MUST QRT FOR THE EVENING. HPE TO WK U AGN SOON. BEST OF HEALTH TO U AND UR FAMILY, GUD HUNTING AND GOD BLESS. 73 F6ARS DE AJ8B <KN>	I acknowledge his <BK> and then go on with the rest of my thought. Finally, I have to terminate the QSO so I send some typically good wishes and a 73.
AJ8B DE F6ARS <BT> FB ON ALL BILL. HVE BN WKING SOME FT8 ALSO ES MAYBE WE CAN WK THERE. I SHOULD ALSO BE SHUTTING DWN AS WE ARE 6 HRS AHEAD OF U. TAKE CARE ES BEST OF HEALTH. C U DWN THE LOG. 73 AND QSL VIA LOTW AJ8B DE F6ARS <SK>	He acknowledges that he received all, sends some good wishes and his desired QSL path. The final pro-sign <SK> (...-.) terminates the QSO.

From our friend at the DailyDX and the WeeklyDX, (<http://www.dailydx.com/>) Bernie has this to report:

- ET – Ethiopia - K4ZW, Ken, reports "December is Youngsters On The Air (YOTA) month. The idea is to show the amateur radio hobby to young people and to encourage youngsters to be active on the amateur bands. <https://www.ham-yota.com/december-yota-month-application-is-open/>. As part of YOTA month, Bob Johnson, W9XY, and Ken Claerbout, K4ZW, will travel to Ethiopia to team up with the club at the Addis Ababa University, Institute of Technology and club station ET3AA. More details will be forthcoming. But in the meantime, let us know what bands and modes you need ET on. You can take the survey at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/982K53W>"

- **T31 - Central Kiribati** - T31EU will be DL2AWG, Guenter; DL6JGN, Hans; DJ9RR, Heye; DM2AUJ, Wolf; DK5WL, Joe; and PA3EWP, Ronald; are planning a DXpedition to Kanton Island starting February 16 and going to March 5 next year. Look for them on 160-10 CW, SSB, RTTY and "some FT8." PA3EWP says the license is confirmed, with permission to operate from the protected area at Pipa, Phoenix Island. QSL via DL2AWG. <http://www.kanton2019.de>
- **9L - Sierra Leone** - The previously announced Provins (F6KOP) 9L DXpedition to Banana Island (AF-037), originally for January-February 2019, now has the call - 9LY1JM. Yes, that is the correct call. The dates for this one was also announced, as January 9-21. They will be operating on CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK and FT8 on 1.8 through 28 MHz. Plans call for 12 operators on 4 rigs. Their official website is <http://www.f6kop.com>.

More info can be found at www.swodxa.org or www.aj8b.com

ARLD046 DX news

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SRI LANKA, 4S. Peter, DC0KK is QRV as 4S7KKG from Moragalla, IOTA AS-003, until April 1, 2019. Activity is on the HF bands using mainly CW and various digital modes. QSL via LoTW.

MADAGASCAR, 5R. Andy, OE7AJH and Thomas, OE7KUT are QRV as 5R8UP from Antananarivo, IOTA AF-013, until November 13. Activity is holiday style on 40 to 10 meters, and possibly 80 meters, using CW and SSB, and mainly during their morning and evening hours. QSL via OE7AJH. In addition, Eric, F6ICX is QRV as 5R8IC from Saint Marie Island, IOTA AF-090, until mid February 2019. Activity is holiday style on 40 to 10 meters using mainly CW, with some SSB, RTTY, and PSK63. QSL to home call.

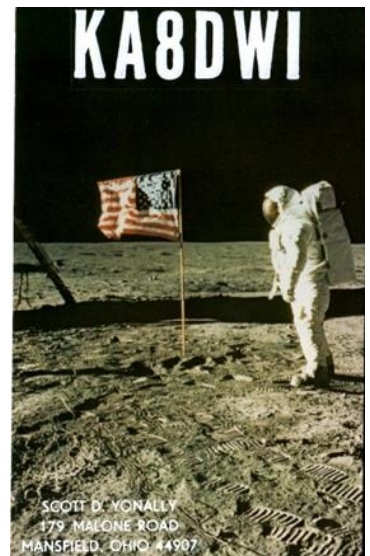
UGANDA, 5X. Alan, G3XAQ will be QRV as 5X1XA from November 15 to 27. Activity will be on the HF bands. This includes being an entry in the upcoming CQ World Wide DX CW Contest as a Single Band/Unassisted on 20 meters entry. QSL to home call.

ALGERIA, 7X. Some members from the Algerian Radio Amateur Union are QRV with special event station 7V1N from Djelfa until November 20. QSL via operators' instructions.

MALDIVES, 8Q. Braco OE1EMS, will be QRV as 8Q7DX from South Male Atoll, IOTA AS-013, from November 10 to 25. Activity will be holiday style on 160 to 10 meters. This includes being an entry in the upcoming CQ World Wide DX CW contest. QSL to home call.

FRANCE, F. Special event station TM100ARM is QRV until November 12 in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I. QSL via F5IQG.

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ENGLAND, G. Members of the Royal Navy Amateur Radio Society are QRV with special event station GB100ARM until November 28 in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I. QSL via G0TOC.

ITALY, I. Members of the Amateur Radio Club at the United Nations Global Service Centre in Brindisi are QRV as 4U73B until November 23 to commemorate the 73rd anniversary of the founding of the United Nations. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters. QSL via 9A2AA.

US VIRGIN ISLANDS, KP2. John, KE4PLT and Ernesto, KN4PUD are QRV as KP2/home calls from St. John Island, IOTA NA-106, until November 16. Activity is on 40, 20, 17, 15 and 10 meters using mainly SSB with some FT8. QSL to home calls.

NETHERLANDS, PA. Bob, PA5V is QRV as PA1918PAX until the end of November to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I. QSL via operator's instructions.

EUROPEAN RUSSIA, UA. Special event stations R130ANT and R130TU are active until the end of November to celebrate the 130th birthday of pioneer aircraft designer Andrei Nikolayevich Tupolev. QSL via UA3IIZ.

MICRONESIA, V6. Toru, JH0CJH will be QRV as V63YAP from Yap Island, IOTA OC-012, from November 13 to 18. QSL to home call. In addition, Janusz, AK4JK is QRV as V6JBVS from Kolonia, Pohnpei Island, IOTA OC-010. Activity is on 20 meters using CW. His length of stay is unknown. QSL direct to home call.

CHRISTMAS ISLAND, VK9X. Michael, DF8AN is QRV as VK9XQ until November 17. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, RTTY, various digital modes, and FT8 in DXpedition mode. QSL to home call.

BERMUDA, VP9. Georg, DK7LX is QRV as VP9/DK7LX from St. David's Island until November 20. Activity is holiday style on 80 to 10 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

SOUTH AFRICA, ZS. Special event station ZS100WWI is QRV until November 30 in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I. QSL via operators' instructions.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The Worked All Europe RTTY DX Contest, Japan International DX Phone Contest, NCCC RTTY Sprint, QRP 80-Meter CW Fox Hunt, NCCC CW Sprint, PODXS 070 Club Triple Play Low Band Sprint, 10-10 International Fall Digital Contest, SARL VHF/UHF Analogue Contest, SKCC Weekend CW Sprintathon, OK/OM CW DX Contest, CQ-WE Contest and AWA Bruce Kelley 1929 CW QSO Party will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend.

The RSGB 80-Meter Autumn Data Series and 4 States QRP Group Second Sunday Sprint are scheduled for November 12.

The CWops Mini-CWT Test, Phone Fray and QRP 40-Meter CW Fox Hunt are scheduled for November 14.

The ARRL International Grid Chase runs during all of 2018.

Please see November QST, page 90, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest Web Sites for details.

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One Question Questionnaire



Hey Gang

Wow... Only around 35% of you have a master power cut off in your shack! I will admit, I don't either. But it is right on the way up the stairwell going outside.

OK... Here's the next question for you to answer. And it's a safety question as well.

“Do you checked your emergency flashlight on a regular basis to make sure it still works??”

You'll find the “One Question” questionnaire on the Ohio Section Website! <http://arrlohoio.org> It's all in fun and it's not a scientific survey in any way, but we are learning some things that we didn't know from these questions. I hope that you are enjoying answering these “ONE QUESTION” questionnaires.

N0GSG DMR Contact Manager

Hey Gang,

Did you know that there is a new DMR Contact Manager program out there? It's just been updated as of 11-04-2018. This new version is 2.61 and now supports the Dual Band MD-UV380. It also extended the DMR Database capabilities and has an expanded zone wizard functionality.

DMR Contact Manager is a custom-designed software package designed for use with Connect Systems CS700/CS701/CS750/CS800/CS801/CS800D radios, as well as the Tytera MD-380/390/390GPS, TYT MD2017/MD9600, AnyTone AT-D868UV and AT-D858, Retevis RT3, and similar radios that use the RDT/RDB file formats. These units are MOTOTRBO-compatible DMR mobile radios suitable for both commercial and amateur radio applications.



This latest edition supports channel editing (both individual and mass), importing, and exporting, as well as zone and scan list management for RDT and RDB files. It's now a snap to move channels and zones between Code Plugs - - and with Contact Manager's built-in IntelliPaste functionality, associated contact information is always imported right along with channels whenever it's needed. It also supports direct CSV contact data export to support radios that require a separate CSV file for contacts, such as the MD-9600, MD-2017, MD-UV380, and so forth.

Contact Manager also allows Code Plug data to be easily moved between different radio types. Create one master Code Plug and easily distribute it across platforms. The *Structural Import* feature allows you to move data instantly between different Code Plug families - - for example, you can populate an AnyTone AT-868UV Code Plug from the contents of a Connect Systems CS800D Code Plug - - all zones, scan lists, channels, and contacts will be moved and will work identically in the target Code Plug.

If you are interested in learning how a Code Plug is written, or want to write your own Code Plug, this is the program that you need to do it. It makes everything really easy to see and configure. Here's a link...

<http://n0gsg.com/contact-manager/>

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Operation BBQ Deployment

This past Friday was the Last Day of Deployment in Florida and the 30th day serving hot meals out of a Parking lot. In the last 30 days we have served close to 800,000 Hot Meals.

In 2018 we have served 1,123,000 Hot meals. We are now at 2.9 Million since the start in 2011. Shout out to Salvation Army and their Canteens and the Partnership that has been formed with them picking up bulk hot meals and going out feeding that 1 person that needed that hot meal. The 1 Hot Meal 2.9 Million times.



We are a Volunteer Based organization.

www.operationbbqrelief.org

Roger Dietrich

Lead for Ohio for Operation BBQ Relief - Member of National and Ohio VOAD

Don't Always Believe What Your Elders Have Told You

Yes, that opening statement is pretty wild, to say the least. Over the years I've had a lot of folk's comment on my last name. Most have problems with pronouncing it, and you should see how some spell it! Yes, it is an unusual name for sure, but... I have a story that's right out of a fiction novel!

For all of our childhood my brother and my sisters and I were told that we were the only remaining Yonally's left to carry on the Yonally name. My dad and all of his family would always say that after all of us passed away there would be no more Yonally's to carry on the name. In fact, I was the last Yonally to have a child, and as most of you know, we had a daughter. So, that was supposed to be the end of the Yonally clan. At least that's what we were always told.

That is until one day some time back my brother was visited by a person named Nancy Yonally. Now, as you can imagine, her visit on that sunny Sunday afternoon brought a whole new aspect to what all of us, including my dad and his family had been led to believe for more than 75 years. This stranger with our last name opened up a whole new world of Yonally's that none of us had ever known about. We were told by Nancy that there's actually a very large clan of Yonally's living in the Kansas / Missouri area that had separated from the original clan. It seems that for some unknown reason a group of Yonally's decided to leave the Ohio clan and move west way back in the early 1800's. After her visit, my brother and I started researching this through various sources and we not only found that we have a bunch of relatives that we never knew about, but a few of them are even famous. Yes, I have a distant uncle that was a Kansas State Representative! There's also a distant cousin that has appeared in several movies! Wow.. From being the last of a clan, to now finding out that you have a bunch of relatives that you didn't even know about. That was really earth shattering for my Yonally family for sure. Especially since we had been told that I was the last hope to carry on the name.

A few years after this major discovery Janie and I by accident discovered that there is another Jane Yonally in existence.

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Now, as funny as this all sounds, we have RoadRunner email to thank for that find. It wasn't until the early 1990's that we obtained our RoadRunner emails and quickly discovered that we could not register Janie as jyonally since there was already a jyonally at RoadRunner. Now, since the Yonally name is not known around here for anyone else other than my immediate family, that got our curiosity up.

After doing some research through RoadRunner and the internet, we discovered that this other Jane lives around North Canton. YES, not 50 miles away from where I live, and she was the Postmistress in the North Canton area. Now if that isn't strange enough in itself, what you don't know is that my Janie was born in North Canton as well. No, she wasn't born a Yonally, she married into that name, but isn't really odd that she and the other Jane Yonally would be from the same town and we never knew that any other Yonally family even existed, let alone lives near me.

Now, that's not where this story ends. If finding all of this out weren't shocking enough, my maternal grandmother had told my brother, sisters and I for all of our lives that we had Native American blood in us. It seems that one of my distant relatives was supposed to have been a Shawnee Indian. She told us for years about how our blood line had evolved and that my great – great grandfather who was Scottish / Irish (Cameron) had come over on a ship in the later 1700's and landed in the Ohio Valley and married a Shawnee Indian. So, for all of my life I truly believed that I had Native American in me. That is... until just recently. I'm sure that most of you have seen all the commercials about finding your "roots" by having your DNA tested. Well, after a very famous Senator (who will remain nameless) had this done recently, I decided to also take the plunge and have my DNA tested as well. I felt that this would definitely prove that I was Native American and all of those hours of listening to my grandmother would be true... Well my friends... Here's the rest of this story.

It seems that I have NO Native American in me at all. All those stories of how my ancestor had married a Native American were just that, stories. Again, another family myth that seemed so real gone bust. What the DNA did show is that I'm 58% England, Whales, Northwestern Europe. Wow, what a surprise that was. I am also 19% Germanic Europe, 17% Scottish / Irish and 6% Swedish. No Native American in me at all!!

I get the fact of England / Whales / Scotland / Ireland from my maternal grandparents (Cameron). These were the folks that migrated from that area in the late 1700's and came to the Ohio Valley. But those stories about one of my ancestors from that group marrying a Native American? All those hours and hours of listening to my grandmother tell us kids that we had Native American blood in us just evaporated!!! Once again, the folklore doesn't live up to the scientific facts.

The one true fact that this DNA test does seem to answer is the question about my last name's origins. I am 6% Swedish. When my brother and I started our research about the Yonally Clan, we had discovered from the sketchy records kept by the Switzerland / Sweden governments that our name may have started out being spelled Jonaley. We found some burial records that seemed like it matched our Yonally clan migration to America pretty close, but with the records being what they were in the 1700's, it isn't proof positive like we would have today. Even though the name spelling doesn't look like it, the Swedish Consulate has told me that it is pronounced the same as we pronounce it now "YO NAL EY." How did it get changed so much from the original? Well, there's actually a good explanation for that. If you go to Ancestry dot com you'll find that when the folks came over from Europe way back then, the folks charged with immigration in American didn't have a great grasp on spelling. So, as a person would pronounce their name to the immigration officer, he would write it down as he heard it. So, since Jonaley sounds like Yo-nal-ey, that's how it got changed.

We also found that the name spelling took another turn somewhere in the late 1800's as well. If you noticed, there's only one "L" in the way I spelled it above. That's not a mistake, that's actually the way it was spelled when they were allowed to come into this country.

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The immigration officer put it in the book that way, and I have a copy of the page showing how he spelled back then. Somewhere later, and we still haven't found exactly where or why, it got changed from "Yonaley" to "Yonally" that we have now. As it was explained to me by a researcher in Utah, this might have simply been a mistake when someone wrote it on a legal document. They may have stretched the "e" out to form an "l" and it stuck. Remember, records back then were handwritten in ink, and once they were logged into the records, they were not changed. The immigrant was expected to just accept it as whatever it got changed to.

So, now (as Paul Harvey would say) you have the rest of the story. You can't always believe your relatives to know the full truth of where your history actually started from. I was extremely disappointed to find out that all of these years I thought I had some Native American in me and now I know I don't. But.... There is an upside to this. I never knew that I had some Irish in me and that will be my saving grace on March 17th. I'll be the one waving the Irish flag, drinking the green beer and wearing green for sure!!!! No, I still can rout for the Irish.. I'm a Buckeye.. through and through.. Go Scarlet and Gray!!!!

Weather Underground and Ham Weather Stations



Have you visited the webpage to see all the Weather Underground stations yet? It's really fun to see just how much the weather varies across the state and this gives you access to each individual station very quickly and easily.

It seems that our list of stations is growing every week, and again this week is no exception. I've added another station to the list! Here's a link to it... <http://arrl-ohio.org/wus.html>

We're starting to get a really good collection of stations all over. I know that there is a lot more than what we have listed. How's about sharing your weather information with all of us! All that you need to do is send me your Weather Underground ID and your call sign and I'll take it from there. Sent it to: n8sy@n8sy.com

Final.. Final..



Hey Gang...

This past week just seems like a blur. There's been so much going on all over the Ohio Section. And for the folks in southern Ohio, YES, it has snowed already. Here in the big metropolis of Lexington we have around a 1/2 inch of snow on the ground right now. There's even more up in the northeastern section of Ohio as well. YUCK..

Now... Let's get down to some other business.... Have you gotten yourself registered on ARES Connect yet? I'm sure that all of you are sick and tired of hearing about it, but we still have more than 50% of you that

haven't taken the plunge yet and gotten registered!

ARES Connect

Instructions to Register

Enter ARES Connect

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What are you waiting for? No matter how much you resist, it's coming, and we need to make sure that no one is left behind. Don't forget, I'm giving away all sorts of goodies as an incentive to get all of you using this new system. I have a footlocker of really great items that I will be giving away as well!

Don't know where to get started? We have a set of instructions on how to get registered right above the button to enter ARES Connect. I would strongly suggest that if you haven't registered yet, that you read these instructions first. Here's a link to get you started... http://arrl-ohio.org/ares_connect_directions.pdf

Please, don't just hurry through the questions, read them carefully, if you don't understand something, please ask me, I'm here to answer your questions. We know that you mean well by answering that you do have the needed courses in, but I will let you know that we are verifying what you say you have with what is showing for you in our statewide database when we are completing your registration.

So, how can you find out if you are already listed in our statewide database? Easy, here's a link to it... <http://arrl-ohio.org/SEC/special/ICS%20Complete%20by%20County%20and%20Name.pdf>

We still need help finding some good E.C.'s in a number of counties... Please, help Stan and I out by really considering becoming an E.C.! Now I know that this may be too much for you to handle right now? I have a proposal for you. How's about becoming a person that can just input events and approve hours into the new ARES Connect system. You do not have to be an E.C. for this, although we'd prefer that they would be willing to step up to that challenge someday. If we could just have some folks willing to do the inputting of events and approve hours for now I'd be eternally grateful.

Counties where this is only a RACES program in place. Please.. this is a great opportunity for you as that we will not interfere with any of the programs that you already have in place. In fact, it will help you in getting those valuable volunteer hours recorded as they have never been before!!!

How's about it? Could you spend a little time just working with ARES Connect? Let me know!!! Again, you do not have to be E.C.'s to do this work in ARES Connect.

We can give you admin privileges so that you can help with logging events into the system, keeping track of hours or even making sure that certificates get to Jim or I for placement into the statewide database.

Here are the counties that we really need help with. Allen, Fulton, Henry, Mercer, Paulding, Putnam, Logan, Adams, Brown, Clermont, Carroll, Athens, Jackson, Meigs, Perry, Vinton, Belmont, Harrison, Monroe. This is a great opportunity for anyone that has a little time and is willing to volunteer.

That's going to do it for this time around. Stay safe, and most of all... have FUN!!

Scott, N8SY

This and That's

We salute all the veterans today!! It's because of you that we have the freedoms we have. I wouldn't want to live in any other country for sure!

BTW.. In celebration of Veterans Day, government offices and the post office will NOT be open. Go visit your mailbox tomorrow!

Back Issues of the PostScript and Ohio Section Journal (OSJ)

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

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



Chit – Chat, and All That!

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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://arrrl-ohio.org/news/>

Got questions, concerns or would just like to sit and chat awhile? Heck, I'll even buy the coffee!! Give me a call at (419) 512-4445 or email me at: n8sy@n8sy.com



The pictures on the front page are from various newsletters, Facebook posts and/or were sent directly to me in recent weeks. Take a good look at them, you just might be in one of the pictures! "SMILE... you're on the Ohio Section News!!"

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