



THE SPARK

August, 2024

Home of the Cincinnati Repeater System

Cincinnati, Ohio

Antenna at Greenhills site is being replaced.



CFMC General Meeting Minutes

June 5, 2024

Attendance:

K8FR, Fred Ruzick

W8LTT, Ken Irwin

WA8FOZ, Bill Klykylo

KD8GHO, Clifton Powell

WA8VBP, Al Gerth

N8PES, Jon Banning

N2HTE, Michael Head

W8SCK, Bob Conrad

W8MRG, Bob Garfield

KD8JWN, Bob Shokler

W9OBQ, Don Thie

Call to order by KD8JWN, 7:33 PM

Minutes of April 2024 and May 2024 Meetings approved: VBP/LBQ

Treasurer's report approved: SCK/FOZ

Old Business: Bad antenna to be replaced

ARRL application continues

New Business:

Election of Officers:

Existing officer slate carried forward. Nominations by FOZ/LTT

Carried by unanimous voice vote.

Discussion:

Satellite receiver at Fairfield working well

Bob Garfield of QCEN invited our members to attend Field Day at QCEN

Various member comments.

Motion to adjourn: FOZ/SCK

Meeting adjourned 7:58 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Head, N2HTE, Secretary

Please submit your dues NOW
For your 2024 CFMC membership renewal!

CINCINNATI FM CLUB

2024 Membership Renewal/Application

Please support the CFMC. Call Fred Ruzick, Membership Chair, with questions. Contact info below

NAME _____ New Member
CALL _____ LICENSE CLASS _____ Membership Renewal
ADDRESS _____ Repeater Code Request
(number and street) (city, state and zip) PHONE NUMBER _____ Amount Enclosed \$ _____
EMAIL _____

OTHER HAMS IN HOUSEHOLD (at same address)

NAME _____ CALL _____ LICENSE CLASS _____

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I will follow the "CFMC Repeater Operation Practices" document dated 3/24/2009. It is available on the internet at http://cfmc.us/CFMC_Operating_Guide.pdf or by mail. By signing this form, I agree to abide by these practices and understand that adherence to these practices is a condition of continued membership in the CFMC and use of its repeaters.

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

Mail to: **Fred Ruzick, K8FR**
c/o Cincinnati FM Club
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Cincinnati, OH 45239-6130
(513-741-8873 email k8fr@arrl.net)

RENEWALS: \$20 **Memberships lapse after January 1st. SPARK mailings continue through June**

NEW MEMBERS: \$10 Initiation + \$10 Dues = \$20 Total

(Please make check payable to **Cincinnati FM Club**)



The SPARK is the official newsletter of the Cincinnati FM Club and is published bi-monthly in anticipation of the bi-monthly Club Meeting at its normal meeting place: Mobilcomm, 1211 Sharon Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45240-2998. The Editor is Ken Irwin, W8LTT. Articles, suggestions and digital photos may be submitted to Ken via email at W8LTT@arrl.net, or by USPS at 358 Oliver Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45215-2615.

The deadline for the October edition is Friday, September 20, 2024 for material submitted for publication or copied from other sources. Articles may be edited for clarity and length.

The on-the-air meeting on 146.28/146.88 MHz will be held at 9:00 PM, September 4, 2024.

The regular meeting at Mobilcomm is at 7:30 PM on Wednesday, August 7, 2024.

BE SURE TO MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Go to <http://cfmc.us> for the latest news and the most recent edition of SPARK!

The Cincinnati FM Club

Club Station Call: WB8CRS

Monthly Meeting: First Wednesday, Even Months, 7:30 PM

Cincinnati FM Club
 1211 Sharon Rd
 Cincinnati, OH 45240-2916

The Cincinnati Repeater System

"88" System All transmitters are simulcast.

Location	GREENHILLS	MT. REPOSE	TAYLOR MILL	ELIZABETHTOWN	GREEN HILLS
Frequency	146.88	146.88	146.88	146.88	443.40
Offset	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6	+5.0
Antenna Height	735 ft.	370 ft.	405 ft.	250 ft.	735 ft.
A.M.S.L.	1541 ft.	1243 ft.	1225 ft.	1170 ft.	1501 ft.
H.A.A.T.	825 ft.	558 ft.	496 ft.	177 ft.	725 ft.
Access Tone	PL 123.0 Hz	PL 123.0 Hz	PL 123.0 Hz	PL 123.0 Hz	DMR Color Code 1

EchoLink Node 809821

Our connection to the DMR bridge was lost and we reconfigured our DMR repeater to the Brandmeister server. Some of the talk groups use different TG numbers, so your code plug needs to be edited to get connectivity. The table below gives you the information needed for the change.

CFMC typical DMR user configuration using Brandmeister server. BM TG numbers: https://www.pistar.uk/dmr_bm_talkgroups.php				
TS	TG	NAME	CALL	COMMENTS
2	2	CIN-DAY	Group	CFMC, Hamilton, Middletown, Edge-wood CFMC Repeater only Static ID, on all the time
2	9	LOCAL	Group	
2	3139	OHIO	Group	
1	91	World-Wide	Group	
1	93	N America	Group	
1	3169	Mid West	Group	
1	310	TAC-310	Group	Not call channels. Move to here for long conversations
1	311	TAC-311	Group	
1	9990	Parrot	Private	Repeats your voice



Treasurer's Report

July 16, 2024

Beginning checking	\$5,326.20
Received Membership dues	\$20.00
Ending checking	\$5,346.20

Richard KA8HXR
Treasurer

CFMC On-the-Air Net

July 3, 2024, 2100 EDT

Acting net control: Bill WA8FOZ, Vice President

Check-ins:

KD8JWN, Bob, President

K8FR, Fred, Membership Chairman

W8SCK, Bob, Trustee

W8VW, John

Trustee Report:

All is well with the system

Awaiting antenna replacement at Greenhills site.

Net closed 2108 EDT

Respectfully submitted, Bill Klyklo, WA8FOZ



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