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CQCQCQ de WB8LCD

Quigley Down Under was a pretty good movie in my opinion. One of the things I liked about it is that it is supposedly one of the more accurate portrayals of how the firearms of the time functioned. Nobody rips off 100 shots from their six-shooter without a reload! This photo is just before his famous line: “Said I never had much use for one. Never said I didn’t know how to use one.”



Ham Radio is kind of like that! I’ve always said that Ham Radio is lots of different hobbies all wrapped up in one big hobby. All the things we can do with Ham Radio is truly amazing. Yet we have folks who go to all the bother to get their license, give it a try, and drop out in a short time. Too bad for them, but too bad for us too. I’m pretty much convinced that they just hadn’t found their niche in the hobby yet. And there’s only one way to find it – be involved and get

active! You'll find something that intrigues you if you look for it. Shame on you for dropping out too soon, but shame on US for not inviting you and motivating you to be involved.

If you're a new (or newer) Ham, and you just don't really get it yet, or you haven't found the right group to hang out with or don't have room for a big antenna farm, make the most of what you've got! Even if it's just a handi-talkie. First off, get yourself just a little bit better antenna for it – even if it's just a “coat-hanger” ground plane – and you'll increase your signal substantially. And it should only cost you a couple of bucks. Don't forget some decent coax – enough that you can get it 10 to 20 feet up (higher is always better). It's *amazing* how much you handi-talkie will work on a better antenna! And, it'll only set you back a couple of bucks if you do it yourself.

Now that you've got something that works a little better, find out when the nets are in your area (which repeater they're on) and check into them. Be a regular. You'll get to know who the local hams are. You'll learn a lot about local ham radio activities. You'll learn the protocols for the different nets. And in the process you'll become adept at programming your HT – something that will make you much better operator, especially if you get involved in EmComm or Public Service where you need to be able to make changes on the fly. Finally, volunteer to be a net control operator for some of those nets. It's a skill every operator should have, and you only learn it by doing it!

Pretty soon you'll be interested in chasing DX, working satellites and moonbounce, digital modes and CW, POTA activations and DXpeditioning, building your own gear, EmComm – like I said, there's literally hundreds of different activities to be involved in! But first you need to learn about them, then you need to actually DO the activity to really learn it and be proficient. Then something else you can do as a Ham catches your attention. You learn lots of things along the way. One day you'll find a younger Ham asks you about something you might have been interested in but no longer play with. You used to do that, you were proficient at it, but you don't participate in that area of the hobby right now. But, you are the best guy in the world to help that new Ham because you've been there, done that. Kinda like a Ham Radio Quigley! (OK, I know. That's a stretch.)

I know folks who claim to have 10, 20, even 50 years of experience as a Ham. In reality some of them only have 1 year of experience, but they've repeated it 10, 20, even 50 years in a row. There's a lot of different things you can do as a Ham – that one of the things that make Amateur Radio the Greatest Hobby In the World! Make 2025 the year *you* expand your horizons as a Ham. You'll be glad you did.

Hamfest season is just getting started here in Ohio – This weekend is NOARS fest (Elyria) , and next weekend is TMRA (Toledo). I intend to be at both. I want to encourage you all to come out to the OH Section Hamfests. For some clubs, this is their biggest source of funds to run the club on for the year. Just showing up is one way to help the local clubs be a better resource for their members. AND, just by showing up, your bound to see some folks you've missed over the

years since COVID and your bound to see some things that will be of interest to you. Even if you don't part with the cash for that boat anchor, just seeing it can reinforce memories of some good times, or maybe even spark that interest to try something new!

I'll finish with this thought: over the last few years (maybe even the past decade!) there has been a lot of "negativity" in our hobby. Maybe that's part of the reason we are losing members and can't attract new folks. They see that negativity, bickering, maybe even despair and they have to wonder – Why would I want to be a part of that? That's one thing every one of us has the capability to change for the better! And we can do it today.

I had heard once that the word "enthusiasm" had at it's root a Greek word which could be translated as "God Within". Let's ditch the negative attitude and be enthusiastic about our Hobby. I believe it could be one of the first steps to Making Ham Radio Great Again!

Share the Magic of Radio.

73,

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National News

(from ARRL and other sources)



NASA Newsletter

In this week's newsletter, discover the [NASA science and technology delivered to the lunar surface](#) on Firefly Aerospace's Blue Ghost Mission 1; find out the best way

to [observe March's Lunar Eclipse](#); and accept the challenge to [design the zero-gravity indicator that will fly around the Moon](#) during the Artemis II mission! Plus, more stories you might have missed.

COMMERCIAL SPACE

Touchdown! Blue Ghost Lands on the Moon



Carrying NASA science and technology, Firefly Aerospace's Blue Ghost Mission 1 successfully landed on the lunar surface at 3:34 a.m. EST on Sunday, March 2, near a volcanic feature called Mons Latreille within Mare Crisium, a more than 300-mile-wide basin located in the northeast quadrant of the Moon's near side.

“This incredible achievement demonstrates how NASA and American companies are leading the way in space exploration for the benefit of all,” said NASA acting Administrator Janet Petro. “We have already learned many lessons—and the technological and science demonstrations onboard Firefly’s Blue Ghost Mission 1 will improve our ability to not only discover more science but also to ensure the safety of our spacecraft instruments for future human exploration—both in the short term and long term.”

During surface operations, the NASA instruments will test and demonstrate lunar subsurface drilling technology, regolith sample collection capabilities, global navigation satellite system abilities, radiation-tolerant computing, and lunar dust mitigation methods. The data captured will benefit humanity by providing insights into how space weather and other cosmic forces impact Earth.

MISSION UPDATES



COMMERCIAL SPACE

Lunar Navigation

NASA and the Italian Space Agency made history on Monday, March 3, when the Lunar GNSS Receiver Experiment, or LuGRE, became the first technology demonstration to acquire and track Earth-based navigation signals on the Moon’s surface. LuGRE’s success indicates that signals from the Global Navigation Satellite System can be received and tracked on the Moon.

[GPS ON THE MOON](#)

YLRL Scholarships Available for Students

The Young Ladies Radio League (YLRL) has announced its Memorial Scholarship program for 2025. The scholarship program is aimed at female amateur radio operators studying radio, communications, electronics or amateur radio related arts and sciences.



There are three Memorial Scholarship award categories:

- **The Ethel Smith, K4LMB, Memorial Scholarship — \$2,500 award**
- **The Mary Lou Brown, NM7N, Memorial Scholarship — \$2,500 award**
- **The Martha “Marte” Wessel, KØEPE, Memorial Scholarship — \$1,500 award**

“YLRL is committed to investing in women in amateur radio, and we believe that every act of volunteerism through amateur radio, even a small one, helps turn the world into a better place,” said Vicki Zumwalt, N6KLS, President of YLRL. “We hope that our scholarships will not only encourage students to learn more about science, technology, and engineering but also inspire them to take pride in being an amateur radio operator and to encourage others to do so as well.”

The YLRL believes that education in the fields of radio, communications, electronics, and amateur-related arts and sciences will play an important role in shaping the world’s future. Through these memorial scholarships, YLRL hopes to encourage female students to learn more about amateur radio.

To qualify, students must be female, have an amateur radio license, meet the requirements listed on the [YLRL website](#) and apply using the [online application](#). Applications are due by April 30, 2025. Winners will be announced in July 2025.

The Young Ladies Radio League (YLRL) is an international non-profit organization of female amateur radio enthusiasts. It was founded in 1939 and is the longest-running YL club in the world.

[“Highland Amateur Radio Association to hold 'Introduction to Ham Radio' March 16”](#)

The Highland County Press (Ohio) March 3, 2025 -- *The Highland Amateur Radio Association is an ARRL Special Service Club.*

Clubs are Gearing Up for ARRL Ham Radio Open House — Yours Can, Too!



Momentum is building for ARRL’s Ham Radio Open House — an amateur radio event for clubs to put their most technological foot forward and show the public the true modern state of amateur radio. The events are to be held in April across the United States, on or close to World Amateur Radio Day (WARD) on April 18. This year’s WARD commemorates 100 years of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU).

The goal for participation is 50 clubs in 50 states – but the more the merrier. ARRL is working with Ham Radio Science Citizen Investigation (HamSCI and SciStarter) to promote the event as part of April being Citizen Science Month.

“We’ve had a lot of clubs express interest and commitment to be a part of Ham Radio Open House,” said ARRL Public Relations and Outreach Manager Sierra Harrop, W5DX. “Thanks to some great volunteer outreach efforts, clubs are seeing the value of showing off the true current state of amateur radio,” she said.

Many other clubs in overlapping hobbies are being engaged. Several astronomy clubs have agreed to partner with local ham clubs to co-host the event.

A public information training workshop will be held for ARRL Public Information Coordinators, Public Information Officers, Section Managers, club leaders, and others with an interest in hosting and promoting an ARRL Ham Radio Open House. The live, interactive, webinar is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, March 19, 2025, at 8:30 PM Eastern / 5:30 PM Pacific. Look for a registration link next week.

Plan your Ham Radio Open House in April using the resources and tips at www.arrl.org/world-amateur-radio-day.

ARRL Student Membership

ARRL Student Membership was established to increase youth participation and long-term involvement in amateur radio. Student members can access ARRL membership benefits including the digital versions of ARRL magazines, and the extensive courses and training materials available through the ARRL Learning Center.

Please note: ARRL requires age verification for all student members. Parental/Guardian consent is required for applicants under 18 years of age. Student memberships are not eligible for add-on printed membership magazine subscriptions. Student membership benefits are subject to other restrictions and exclusions.

Student Membership options:

- **Option 1: Full Student Membership.** Dues rate \$30 per year. This low-cost membership option is available to US Amateur Radio licensees under the age of 26 years. Applicant must be a resident of the US, its possessions, or Puerto Rico. A full member may vote in ARRL elections for Division Director, Vice Director, and Section Manager. Other restrictions and exclusions may apply.
- **Option 2: Free Student Membership.** This no-cost, Associate membership option is available to full-time students aged 21 years or younger. Applicant must be a resident of the US, its possessions, or Puerto Rico. Free Student Membership excludes access to the ARRL E-mail Forwarding Service, and Associate members may not vote in ARRL elections. Other restrictions and exclusions may apply.

Become an ARRL student member today!

To JOIN with a Student Membership - <https://form.jotform.com/241074273604047> **or**
To RENEW a Student Membership - <https://home.arrl.org/action/My-Account/Pay-Balances>

Registration is open for the next interactive session of ARRL’s “On the Air Live,” which is scheduled for Tuesday, March 25, 2025, at 8 PM Eastern / 5 PM Pacific in the ARRL Learning Center.

It will focus on advanced functions of handheld radios, including getting them on digital modes. “On the Air Live” is accessed through the ARRL Learning Center at learn.arrl.org. It is a benefit of ARRL membership, and members must be logged into the website to access it for live or archived sessions.

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@arrrl-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.

VE Sessions

The following information is for ALL exam sessions:

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

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

AE8FP Amateur Radio Test Team administers ARRL-VEC testing in the Central Ohio area. Our test dates for 2025 are as follows: January 18, April 12, July 19, and October 18. Time and location for these dates are 10:00am at the Westerville Fire Station #111, 400 W. Main St in Westerville, Ohio. The listed dates are co-sponsored by the Central Ohio Radio Club (CORC).

Pre-Registration is required, and open the 1st of each testing month. All information is available at www.ae8fp.net <<http://www.ae8fp.net/>>

Alliance Amateur Radio Club

The Alliance Amateur Radio Club holds quarterly VE testing, at the Christ United Methodist Church in Alliance.

Upcoming Exam Dates are: Saturday, March 15th, 2025, Saturday, June 21st, 2025, Saturday, August 16th, 2025 and Saturday, October 25th, 2025.

The address is 470 E. Broadway St, Alliance, OH (<https://maps.app.goo.gl/prDyEPp6siJun2ibA>).

Registration begins at 8 AM, and testing at 9am.

More information can be found at www.w8lky.org/licensing/ve-exams/.

All Things Amateur Radio Association (ATARA) hosts testing sessions every second Tuesday of the month in Lancaster. Our testing sessions use Examtools, a digital testing platform, and administers the exams on tablets. Simply sign up for a free account at <https://hamstudy.org/register> and then search for our session and register through the Hamstudy website. Reach out with any questions to Jarrod – KE8MBL at hamexams@atara-w8atr.fun.

CARS

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

Clark County Amateur Radio Association (CLARA)

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

When: On every second Saturday of each even numbered month starting at 10:00 AM Feb 8th; Apr 12th; Jun 14th; Aug 9th; Oct 11th; and Dec 13th, 2025.

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

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

Cuyahoga Falls Amateur Radio Club VE Testing

Exam sessions are held on monthly. For a complete list of upcoming sessions, locations and registration, visit <https://cfarc-edu.org/registration>.

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

The Findlay Radio Club

The Findlay Radio Club sponsors an Exam Session the second Saturday of every month except September when we have our Hamfest. The Exam Session takes place at the Findlay Radio Club, 1333 West Sandusky St., Findlay Ohio 45839. The session begins at 9 AM. Pre-registration is recommended, but not required. You can pre-register at hamstudy.org. We can also give Exams remotely on-line on your schedule if you can't make to a session.

The club has meetings on the first and third Thursdays at the clubhouse at 7:30 PM. The meetings are also available on Zoom. Contact N8ET if you would like to log in. All are welcome.

We also meet at the club on Sunday afternoon from 2 until 5 (or later!) to talk about anything Ham Radio. The sessions are geared toward new Hams. Everyone brings their questions and equipment they would like to show off or learn how to use. This Sunday we are going to install and learn to use Flgigi, Flmsg, and Flamp. In past sessions we have built antennas, fired up new rigs, and generally had a good time!

The next meeting (Feb 15) will cover the same topic. Bring your laptop!

Geauga Amateur Radio Association (GARA)

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

The GARA schedule of exams are these Sundays at 2pm. Dates for 2024 are Jan 12, March 09, May18, July 13, Sept 21, and Nov 16, 2025. All sessions are at 2:00PM each month



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

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

Additional info may be obtained from Jackie Clay, N8JMW by email n8jmw2@gmail.com or calling at 440-228-2716. More information is available from the Geauga Amateur Radio Association website <https://geaugaara.org>

Huber Heights Amateur Radio Club

Huber heights amateur radio club does ARRL VE testing the second Saturday of each even numbered month. Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct, Dec. 10:00AM til Noon. For more information contact Jim Storms – AB8YK at ab8yk@hotmail.com

The Lake County Amateur Radio Association

The Lake County Amateur Radio Association is holding its **2025** Amateur Radio license exams at the **Kirtland Library**, 9267 Chillicothe Road, on the following dates:

Saturday, February 1	Saturday, August 2
Saturday, April 5	Saturday, October 4
Saturday, June 7	Saturday, December 6

This bi-monthly schedule is the first Saturday of every even-numbered month (e.g., February being the second month, etc.). They are held at the Kirtland Library, 9267 Chillicothe Road. It is 1.7 miles south of I-90 on Route 306 (Chillicothe Rd). The library is on the left, just beyond the Marathon gas station. The tests will start at **12 noon**. Please arrive a few minutes earlier.

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

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

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

The Lancaster and Fairfield County Amateur Radio Club (LFCARC)

The Lancaster and Fairfield County Amateur Radio Club (LFCARC) hosts exam sessions on the first Saturday each month at 10:00 am in Lancaster Ohio at the Fairfield County EMA, 240 Baldwin Dr., Lancaster Ohio.

To register for an exam, [Click Here.](#)

Questions: Contact me at ve_testing@k8qik.org.

Lisbon Area Amateur Radio Association

LISBON AREA AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION (LAARA) 2025 SCHEDULE.

VE TESTING IS At the Columbiana County EMA at 215 South Market St, Lisbon, OH 44432. Check in at 1 PM, testing at 1:30 PM.

VE TESTING DATES FOR 2025:

FEB 8; MAR 8; APR 12; MAY 10;
JUN 14; AUG 9; SEP 13; OCT 11; NOV 8; DEC 13.

Make sure you have your FRN number from the FCC.

Contact NN8B at nn8b.oh@gmail.com for any further information.

Our Meetings are the 3rd Thursday of each month. WE HAVE ACTIVITY MEETINGS ON THE ODD MONTHS AND BUSINESS MEETINGS ON THE EVEN MONTHS.

MEETING TIME IS 6:30 PM.

Madison County

The Madison County Amateur Radio Club Laurel testing group offers testing on the first Thursday of January, March, May, July, September and November. Tests are held at 7:00PM at

the Madison County EMA located at 271 Elm St. London, OH. There is no Fee for testing. Pre-Registration is not required but preferred. Walk-ins are welcome. You are required to have an email address and a copy of your FRN or current ham radio license. For more information or to get pre-registered send email to Exams@mcacoh.org .

The Milford Amateur Radio Club (MARC)

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

Please pre-register at www.milfordhamradio.org

Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society (NOARS)

Six VE testing sessions in 2025. Register at hamstudy.org. Contact Elaine, KC8FOS for more information. Ewilkinson1951@gmail.com or 216-337-4235.

January 4, March 1, May 3, July 5, Sept 6, November 1.

Sessions are held at the Fairview Park Library, 21255 Lorain Rd., Fairview Park 44126.

Portage County Amateur Radio Service (PCARS)

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

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

Tusco Amateur Radio Club W8ZX

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

Silvercreek ARA (SARA)

Holds six exam sessions per year for all license classes. Pre-registration requested but not required.

Exam sessions for 2024:

Saturday, December 7th - Sharon Center UM Church (Wadsworth/Medina Co.)

Exam sessions for 2025:

Saturday, February 1st - Smithville Brethren Church (Smithville/Wayne Co.)
Saturday, April 5th - Sharon Center UM Church (Wadsworth/Medina Co.)
Saturday, June 7th - Sharon Center UM Church (Wadsworth/Medina Co.)
Saturday, August 2nd - Smithville Brethren Church (Smithville/Wayne Co.)
Saturday, October 4th - Sharon Center UM Church (Wadsworth/Medina Co.)
Saturday, December 6th - Sharon Center UM Church (Wadsworth/Medina Co.)

All sessions begin at 10:00am. For directions and test information visit <https://w8wky.org/license-exams/>. Pre-Registration to expedite paperwork is requested, but not required at <https://w8wky.org/sara-ve-registration-form/>. Sign up and if you aren't ready or can't make it, just notify the VE team lead.

West Chester Amateur Radio Association (WC8VOA) Exam sessions are held one Saturday each month at 10:00 AM-Noon at the VOA Bethany Relay Museum located at *8070 Tylersville Rd, West Chester, Ohio 45069*. For more information and links to register, please see our website: <https://wc8voa.org/licensing/>

Ham Radio License Classes Start March 1 and March 3

The OH-KY-IN Amateur Radio Society and the Queen City Emergency Net will again present training for all classes of ham radio licenses. The sessions for **Technician** and **Amateur Extra** will take place on Saturday mornings starting March 1st and continuing through Saturday April 5th. Tech sessions will run from 9:00 AM until 11:00 AM and the Extra sessions will run from 9:00 AM until noon. For those wishing to upgrade to **General** Class the sessions will take place on Monday evenings from 7:00 until 9:00 PM starting on March 3rd and continuing until April 7th.

An exam session will be held on Saturday April 12th. All of these sessions will be held in the Red Cross building, 2111 Dana Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45207

Additional details:

<http://ohkyin.org/wp/club-activities/classes/>

Mark Landis
KD8ZLD

DARA University Classes

Is it time to upgrade your license? DARA has scheduled classes for all three amateur licenses. The Technician classes will begin on Saturday March 22nd from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the DARA clubhouse, 6619 Bellefontaine Rd, and run for four Saturdays. The textbook will be the ARRL License Manual which can be purchased locally or you can get a copy at the DARA meeting or during the first class meeting.

What about General? The General class will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday April 19th at the DARA clubhouse and will run for four Saturdays. The testing for these classes will be conducted on either Friday or Saturday at Hamvention.

What about Extra? The Amateur Extra classes (called Extreme Boot Camp) will held at Hamvention on Friday and Saturday morning. Registration instructions are found on the Hamvention Web site. The cost is \$100 and includes a copy of the ARRL License manual, a syllabus, and a study schedule. Can you pass the exam with only two days of instruction? Definitely yes, because you'll be following the study assignments prior to the Hamvention classes. The testing will be on Saturday afternoon at Hamvention.

Do you already have your license but would like to expand your knowledge of general radio theory? Plan to attend one or more of the license classes. It's a great way to learn or re-learn some new radio concepts.

73,

Bob Neben/K9BL

Medina County Amateur Radio Club

Upgrade to Amateur Radio General Class License:

PREREQUISITE: FCC TECHNICIAN LICENSE

Pass on to Technician licensed friends...

Amateur Radio FCC General Class Licensing Instruction offered by the Medina County Amateur Radio Club.:

Will prepare you for the FCC Element 3, **General Class License** exam, 35 multiple choice questions to get your upgrade!

March 5, 2025 begins *nine* Wednesday classes, 7:00-9:00 pm

No charge for classes. Last class is exam session – walk away with an FCC General Class License.

Required purchase of current *ARRL General Class License Manual, Tenth Edition*, available on Amazon...

MUST READ CHAPTERS 1-3 BEFORE FIRST CLASS

Jane@K8JGR.radio for more info, or <https://www.W8EOC.org>

Location:

Medina County Career Center (JVS),

Room 246,

1101 West Liberty St, Medina, Ohio 44256

From the Geauga Amateur Radio Association

Future “Elmer” sessions will be held at the Geauga County EOC, 12518 Merritt Rd. Chardon, Ohio on 4/13/25, 10/12/25, and 12/14/25 Starting at 2 PM. There will also be 2 Outdoor sessions held at the Chrystal Lake Picnic Shelter in Headwaters Park, 12265 Old State Rd. in Claridon and Huntsburg townships on 9/8/25 and 8/10/25 also starting at 2 PM.

Everyone is welcome regardless of your radio experience so please join us in sharing the knowledge.

For any questions please contact Dale Byers K8DOB at k8dob@outlook.com

GARA will also be offering a 7 week Tech class beginning April 4th. All classes are Fridays from 6:30 to 9:00PM. Contact Jackie Clay for more info n8jmw2@gmail.com

ARLD010 DX news

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

BARBADOS, 8P. Chris, WA7RAR is QRV as 8P9CB until March 16. Activity is on 20 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. This includes some activity from various POTA sites. QSL direct to home call.

GUYANA, 8R. Aldir, PY1SAD will be QRV as 8R1TM from Georgetown from March 11 to April 26. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB, and various digital modes. This includes being active on various Satellites as well. QSL direct to home call.

COMOROS, D6. Elvira, IV3FSG is QRV as D68Z from Moroni until March 18. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, FT8, and FT4. QSL via IK2DUW.

FRENCH POLYNESIA, FO. Olafur, TF1OL is QRV as FO/TF1OL from Tahiti. Activity is on the HF bands. He has been active on 17 meters using FT8 around 0830z. His length of stay is unknown. QSL to home call.

SAN ANDRES AND PROVIDENCIA, HK0. Ray, K3ARC will be QRV as HK0A from San Andres Island, IOTA NA-033, from March 9 to 19. Activity will be on 20 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL direct to home call.

REPUBLIC OF KOREA, HL. Special event station HL100IARU is QRV until April to mark the 100th anniversary of the International Amateur Radio Union. QSL via HL1IWD.

NETHERLANDS, PA. Special event station PA40MARAC is QRV until December 31 to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Dutch Marine Radio Amateur Club. QSL via PA3CNI.

SINT MAARTEN, PJ7. Tom, AA9A will be QRV as PJ7AA from March 9 to April 5. Activity will be on 40 to 6 meters using CW, FT8, and FT4. QSL direct to home call.

BRAZIL, PY. Special event station PR2L will be QRV from Ilha Comprida, IOTA SA-024, on March 8 and 9 to celebrate International Women's Day. QSL via bureau.

ST. KITTS AND NEVIS, V4. Fred, G4XWM will be QRV as V4/G4XWM from St. Kitts, IOTA NA-104, from March 8 to 29. Activity is on the HF bands. QSL via LoTW.

COCOS (KEELING) ISLAND, VK9C. A group of operators are QRV as VK9CU until March 11. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, and other digital modes with three stations active around the clock. QSL via DL2AWG.

TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS, VP5. Rockwell, WW1X will be QRV as VP5/WW1X from Providenciales, IOTA NA-002, from March 8 to 15. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands using SSB with QRP power, and possibly FT8. QSL via LoTW.

FALKLAND ISLANDS, VP8. Nigel, G3TXF, and Ian, G3WVG are QRV as VP8TXF and VP8CIW, respectively, until March 10. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW. This includes being entries in the RSGB Commonwealth contest. QSL via LoTW.

ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLAND, VU4. A large group of operators will be QRV as VU4AX from South Andaman Island, IOTA AS-001, from March 10 to 25. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters, including 60 meters, using CW, SSB, and various digital modes with six stations active. QSL via M0URX.

CAYMAN ISLANDS, ZF. Colin, G4CWH is QRV as ZF2CA from Savannah, Grand Cayman until March 11. Activity is on 30 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, and PSK. This includes being an entry in the RSGB Commonwealth contest. QSL via LoTW.

Upcoming *Hamfests*



Ohio Hamfests

2025

<p>03/09/2025 - Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society Winter Hamfest Location: Elyria, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society Website: https://www.noars.net/hamfests/winter-hamfest/ Learn More</p>	<p>03/16/2025 - Toledo Mobile Radio Association Hamfest and Computer Fair Location: Perrysburg, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Toledo Mobile Radio Association Website: http://www.w8hhf.org Learn More</p>
<p>04/05/2025 - Cuyahoga Falls Amateur Radio Club 69th Hamfest Location: Cuyahoga Falls , OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Cuyahoga Falls Amateur Radio Club, Inc. Website: https://www.cfarc-hamfest.org Learn More</p>	<p>04/26/2025 - Tusco Amateur Radio Club's 2025 Hamfest, Computer & Electronics Show Location: Dover, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Tusco Amateur Radio Club Website: http://www.w8zx.net/hamfest Learn More</p>
<p>04/27/2025 - Athens Hamfest Location: Athens, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Athens County Amateur Radio Association Website: https://www.ac-ara.org/ Learn More</p>	<p>05/10/2025 - 05/15/2025 RV Radio Network Rally Location: Navarre, OH Type: ARRL Convention Sponsor: RV Radio Network Learn More</p>
<p>05/15/2025 -05/18/2025 - Four Days In May Location: Fairborn, OH Type: ARRL Convention Sponsor: QRP Amateur Radio Club International Website: http://qrparci.org/fdim Learn More</p>	<p>005/16/2025 - 05/18/2025 Dayton Hamvention Location: Xenia, OH Type: Sponsor: Dayton Amateur Radio Association Website: http://Hamvention.org Learn More</p>
<p>06/07/2025 - FCARC Summer Hamfest Location: Delta, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Fulton County Amateur Radio Club Website: https://k8bxq.org/hamfest Learn More</p>	<p>07/20/2025 - Van Wert Hamfest Location: Van Wert, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Van Wert Amateur Radio Club Website: http://w8fy.org Learn More</p>

<p>08/02/2025 - Columbus Hamfest Location: Grove City, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Aladdin Shrine Audio Unit Website: http://columbushamfest.com Learn More</p>	<p>08/09/2025 - Cincinnati HamfestSM Location: Owensville, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Milford Amateur Radio Club Website: https://CincinnatiHamfest.org Learn More</p>
<p>08/16/2025 - Portsmouth Radio Club 2025 Hamfest Location: New Boston, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: ARRL, Jett Fire Equipment, Shawnee Computer and More Website: http://www.portsmouthradioclub.com Learn More</p>	<p>08/17/2025 - Warren Hamfest Location: Cortland, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Warren Amateur Radio Association Website: http://w8vtd.com/hamfest Learn More</p>
<p>09/07/2025 - Findlay Hamfest Location: Findlay, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Findlay Radio Club Website: http://w8ft.org Learn More</p>	<p>09/28/2025 - Cleveland Hamfest Location: Berea, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Hamfest Association of Cleveland Website: https://www.hac.org Learn More</p>
<p>10/04/2025 - Northwest Ohio Amateur Radio Club (NWOARC) Hamfest Location: Lima, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Northwest Ohio Amateur Radio Club Website: http://www.nwoarc.com Learn More</p>	<p>08/16/2026 - Warren Hamfest Location: Cortland, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Warren Amateur Radio Association Website: http://w8vtd.com/hamfest Learn More</p>

If you have information for your 2025 hamfest get it into the ARRL! As soon as I see them approved and added to the ARRL site, I'll get them listed here. Note: the last Fest listed is in 2026!

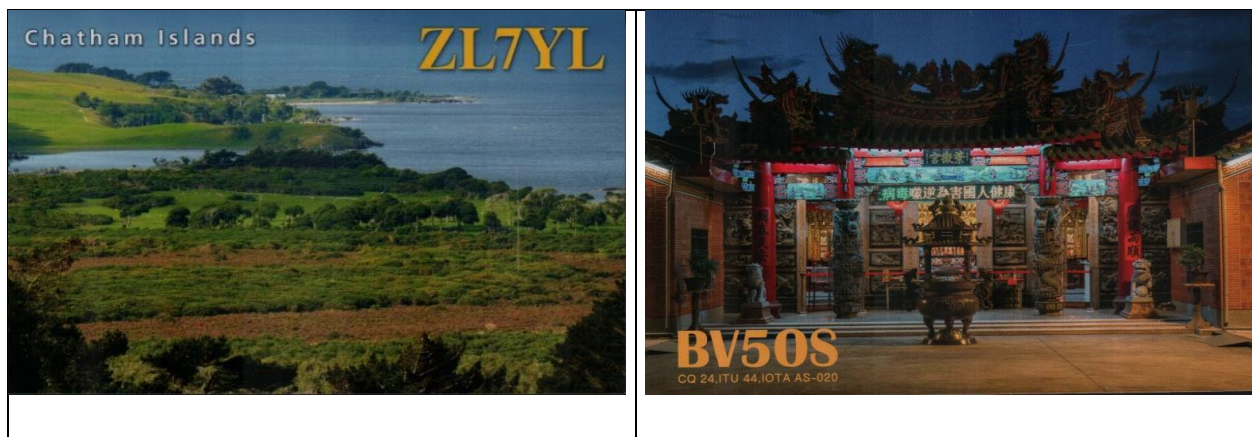
DX This Week – #323

Bill - AJ8B (thedxmentor@gmail.com / www.aj8b.com)



Great week of DX! I want you to look into the future about 4 years – not that long from now. This kind of DX will start to become less frequent. We are either at the top of the sunspot cycle or starting to slide down towards the minimum a few years from now. There is quite a bit of rare DX coming on in the next few years including Bouvet and Peter I Island. Even if you are only mildly interested in DX, you may want to consider getting these in the log. Bouvet has only been on a few times in my 50 years of radio and Pete I is even rarer. Let me know if I can help!

I did receive 2 great cards this past week. Here they are: ZL7YL from the Chatham Islands and BV5OS from Taiwan.



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This section of DX News comes from Bernie, W3UR, editor of the DailyDX, the WeeklyDX, and the How's DX column in QST. If you would like a free 2-week trial of the DailyDX, your only source of real-time DX information, just drop me a note at thedxmentor@gmail.com.

Inveterate DXpeditioner IV3FSG, Elvira, will operate D68Z from March 3 until at least March 18. Elvira is currently QRV. She will be operating on 160-6M CW, SSB, RTTY, FT8, and FT4. Elvira will use three ICOM IC-7300 radios, with one dedicated to 6M (grid locator LH18og) operational around the clock. The antenna setup will include a 6M delta loop, a DX Commander vertical for 30-10M, and an IWØRGN multiband vertical for 160-10M.

To minimize duplicate QSOs, please verify [Club Log online](#) and [Club Log LiveStream](#). For digital QSOs, monitor D68Z on [PSK Reporter](#). [IKØXBX, Francesco](#), will be the pilot station for this DXpedition. QSL cards are available via OQRS and LoTW.

Friedrich Merz, Leader of Germany's Christian Democratic Union (CDU) since 2022, is widely expected to become the country's next chancellor following certification of the February 23 election results. Merz holds the amateur radio callsign DK7DQ but is not known to be active.

V73WW - DXpedition Update: Homeward Bound After Majuro Activation

The V73WW team has officially wrapped up operations in Majuro, departing on February 26th. In an interesting twist, we crossed the International Date Line enroute to Hawaii, meaning we had the experience of living through February 26th twice!

We're currently spending some well-earned downtime on Oahu, Hawaii, before continuing our journey back to Europe. Meanwhile, Braco E77DX is still on the air, actively participating in the ARRL SSB Contest under the callsign KH6J. Some of the team will be active as /KH6 as well.

For those awaiting confirmation, OQRS direct requests are now open via Club Log: Click here (<https://clublog.org/charts/?c=V73WW>) to request. Bureau cards will be available later through OQRS.

We'll be arriving back in Europe on March 5th, at which point we'll continue processing log requests and responding to emails. We sincerely appreciate your patience if you don't receive an immediate response before then.

A heartfelt thank you to all our supporters—your encouragement and contributions made this activation possible.

Here is update #1 from VK9/X - Christmas Island received last weekend.

The VK9XU team reported yesterday that one of their three amplifiers "blew up." They said they would run the FT8 station barefoot the last 20 hours. They had been active all nights on the low bands, either CW or FT8, 80 or 160, with a strong demand. The high bands were yielding busy pileups most of the time too. A storm broke their 17/12 rhombic but they fixed it. By that point all the ops were tired with about 55,000 QSOs. Here is update #2.

The VK9XU team ended their Christmas Island operation on Tuesday at 0257Z with around 58,000 QSOs, surpassing expectations. They thanked everyone for their discipline in the pileups. The team is now heading to Cocos (Keeling) Island. Arriving after sunset, they will start limited activity the first night and set up antennas the next day. They look forward to working everyone as VK9CU on Cocos.

We have an update on QSL cards from ST2M. Over the past few months, Magdi and I have been working together to address his backlog of unanswered QSL requests. A major challenge was that all his QSL cards were left behind in Khartoum when he and his family were evacuated in September 2024 due to the conflict.

Thanks to the support of the VERON Foundation (the national Dutch radio association), 2,000 new QSL cards were sponsored and shipped to his then-current residence in Cairo, Egypt.

Meanwhile, Magdi has strengthened ties with ERASD, the National Egyptian Radio Association, in his role as a representative of SARU, the National Sudanese Radio Association.

Magdi and his wife, Hala (ST2HA), have since returned to Sudan and are currently residing with family in Dongola City, in the Northern State province.

On February 26th, I received a parcel containing just over 300 written QSL cards from Magdi. I'm now reaching out to recipients to coordinate the best way to send their cards. More than 100 have already been shipped over the weekend. These cards cover the ST2M, ST0HQ, and ST2BSS callsigns. Please note that I do not have any blank cards available.

Best 73,
Florian PB8DX

The Dave Kalter Youth DX Adventure team is excited to announce two different events for 2025.

The first event team is for W3Y on June 13-15 and is being assembled. We are recruiting up to six youth operators for the event. Applicants must hold an Extra Class License. They will be operating from the K3LR Super Contest Station.

K3LR Station representatives are Amy Leggiero N8AMY, Teri Grizer K8MNJ and Tim Duffy K3LR.

Again, we thank Amy N8AMY, Teri K8MNJ, Tim K3LR and the K3LR Contest Group for hosting the W3Y team again for this year's event. Additional thanks to DXEngineering and Dayton Amateur Radio Association (DARA) for their financial and other support for this effort.

The second event team is for PJ2Y (call pending) on July 17-22 at the PJ2T Curacao location. We prefer applicants hold an Extra Class License but can accept General Class Licensees. Since this is an international trip a current valid (not to expire prior to 6 months following the trip end date) is required and supplied to the team for consideration.

We thank Uli DL8OBQ, the Caribbean Contesting Consortium and Dayton Amateur Radio Association (DARA) for their financial and other support for the PJ2Y effort.

See the Dave Kalter Youth DX Adventure website at <https://youthdxa.org/> for an application and more information. Both trips require a parent or guardian attending the event with the youth.

Many corporations, clubs and individuals support our efforts on each trip with contributions and they will be listed on our QSL card. See us at the Dayton Hamvention® YDXA Booth in Building 4.

The DX-Adventure team is embarking on a DXpedition to the Andaman Islands (AS-001) as VU4AX from March 10th to March 20th, 2025. The team, consisting of 12 experienced operators, will be active around the clock on multiple bands from 10m to 160m, including WARC + 60m, using CW, SSB, and DIGI modes. They will operate six stations, transporting 1,150kg of meticulously prepared equipment to ensure the best possible experience. The DXpedition aims to provide a rare opportunity for QSOs, especially for USA operators, as VU4 ranks #28 for the USA and #53 worldwide. The team is supported by three experienced Pilot Stations: W2IRT Peter J. Dougherty, E21EIC Champ, and

ON9CFG Bjorn. They will closely monitor propagation conditions to maximize the chances of contacts with stations across the United States. Updates and contact details for the Pilot Stations can be found on the DX-Adventure website - <https://www.dx-adventure.com>

The DX-Adventure team looks forward to making a QSO with you from VU4 South Andaman.

The DX Mentor podcast recently interview the DX-Adventure team. When that is available, I will let you know, or you can subscribe to the DX Mentor podcast and YouTube Channel to be updated.

Speaking of the DX Mentor, a new YouTube episode dropped this weekend. It was a great conversation with Michael Walker, VA3MW, all about his ham radio journey. He will also talk about what's new from FLEX radio! Of course, Joe, W8GEX, will be with us also! You don't want to miss this!

If you want to make sure you won't miss an episode, join TheDXMentor facebook group or follow us on "X".

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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!

Contest	Start Date	End Date
Virginia QSOP	3/15/2025	3/16/2025
CQ WW WPX Contest, SSB	3/29/2025	3/30/2025
SP DX Contest	4/5/2025	4/6/2025
Louisiana QSOP	4/5/2025	4/6/2025
Georgia QSOP	4/12/2025	4/13/2025
New Mexico QSOP	4/12/2025	4/13/2025
Holyland DX Contest	4/18/2025	4/19/2025
Michigan QSOP	4/19/2025	4/20/2025
Ontario QSOP	4/19/2025	4/20/2025
SP DX RTTY	4/26/2025	4/27/20256
10-10 Intl. Spring Contest, Digital	4/26/2025	4/27/20256
Florida QSOP	4/26/2025	4/27/20256

OHIO'S



Grandpa used to comment that March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb. Boy this year he would have been so right. As this column began on Wednesday as the winds were howling with a light rain in the air turning to snow flurries at dusk. Although the Thursday winds were not that strong, the snow remains. It will be interesting to see if Mary's Little Lamb makes its appearance at month end.

March restarts the monthly rounds of club meetings, breakfasts and other events not only in the South 40 Region, but throughout the State and Nation. The monthly second Saturday coffee/breakfast gatherings of the **Bainbridge Area Hams**, **All Things Amateur Radio Assn.**, the **Highland ARA** and the **OH-KY-IN ARS** were held on the 8th. Bill Salyers, AB8J, lets us know the **Southwest Ohio DX Association** is returning to a previous location. Their next meeting will be March 13 at Marion's Pizza in Mason. Those folks at the **Bellbrook ARA** like to eat and do it twice a month. This month finds them gathering on the 11th at the Rooster's Wings and again on the 25th at the Golden Corral. They also meet once a month at their club house for a movie and desert. We also note the **Cambridge ARA** does not turn down multiple opportunities to share a meal with their fellow hams as they meet each Thursday at noon at a local establishment. Their next gathering will be March 13 at the Deep Cut. The 15th finds the **Fayette ARA** breakfast gathering at Our Place in Washington CH and the **Lancaster Fairfield County ARA** breakfast at the Lancaster Scramblers. Well-known for their food Amish and country cooking, the Der Dutchman in Plain City is the site for the March 22 **Madison County ARC**'s breakfast at 8:30. On the 29 the **Clinton County ARA** Last Saturday Breakfast will gather at Sam's Meats in Wilmington.

Since we've kind of devoted this week's column to the ham's love of food and social events where food is involved, we would be amiss if we overlooked an upcoming club Christmas dinner this month. For many years March has been the month of choice for the **Grant RC** to held their annual Christmas dinner as it gets away from all the holiday happenings and falls in a time when people are ready to get out to break cabin fever. March 20 at 6PM marks the date and time for the upcoming event at the Country Inn in Mount Orab. It's an enjoyable time with great friends and good food. They often have some neat door prizes too.

It's getting the time of the year when the three National Weather Service offices serving parts of the South 40 Region begin holding weather spotter training. There will be virtual sessions on March 18 and May 13. Then on March 19 the Wilmington Office will hold the first in-person training in Wilmington. A session in Hamilton County's Springfield Township happens on April 9 and then on the 15th a session takes place in Logan. To date the Charleston Office has not posted any Ohio location dates and the Pittsburgh Office has posted only one for New Philadelphia.

On March 10 the **Lancaster Fairfield County ARC** begins a Technician License class that will run nightly from 6 until around 9 through the 14th at the Fairfield County EMA Training Facility, 240 Baldwin in Lancaster. Although there is no charge to take the course, there will be some processing fees. You must register to participate by contacting Tim Lentz, KD8QCA at 740-684-2787.

The **Athens County ARA** will conduct an ARRL License Test on March 17 at the Red Cross Building in Athens. All license elements will be available. Contact Jeff Slattery to register for the test.

The recent number of new licenses being issued to people living in Highland County, along with long time hams moving into the area, has caused the **Highland ARA** to consider establishing a formal license study group to assist those interested learning more about the hobby/service. HARA will present their popular “Introduction to Ham Radio” program at the Hillsboro Methodist Church at 2 pm on Sunday, March 16. The schedule will consist of four weekly Sunday afternoon study sessions covering topics in the Technician and General elements with a VE session at the conclusion of the final session. See their Facebook page for info.

Our friend Ted Jacobson, W8KVK, advises that a couple more South 40 Region residents have been granted amateur radio licenses. The number of hams in the Loveland area keeps growing as Richard McKenzie has been issued a Technician license and the KF8DOJ call sign. As mentioned above, a Highland County resident was just issued the county’s fourth new license in the past several weeks. Gary Rockwell of Hillsboro is now KF8DNJ. The county ham population also grew with David Sharp, WE8M, moving to the County from Cincinnati.

If Mother Nature is kind with her forecast and with all the time and effort the **Athens County ARA** is putting into the planning of their annual hamfest pans out, it should be another top notch affair. That hamfest will be at the Athens Community Center on April 27. As in past years, the admission will remain at \$5. All of this crappy weather has given the **Portsmouth RC** the opportunity to prepare the flyer promoting their August 16 hamfest in New Boston. It’s always an enjoyable event. So get the date posted on your calendar.



At Thursday evening’s **Clinton County ARA** meeting, the Club’s WIOH-LPFM station board of trustees received a \$2,500 donation from the Wilmington Eagles Lodge. Station Manager Paul Jellison, K8IO, reported the station recently added local weather and news reports as well as obituaries to their programming. The station is receiving rave reviews of its musical play list. Jellison reported its listenership has increased greatly because of live programming. WIOH is heard over the air on 95.9 and worldwide at www.wioh.org. Nationwide WIOH is one of few radio stations owned and operated by an amateur radio club. Tune them in and let them know what you think.

The **Hocking Valley ARA** will hold a Simplex Exercise on Saturday, March 29. More information will be available as the event draws nearer.

John, W8KIW

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Print an Official or Unofficial Copy of Your Amateur Radio License

(By Anthony Luscre, K8ZT) As of February 17, 2015, the FCC no longer routinely issues paper license documents to Amateur Radio applicants and licensees. The Commission has maintained for some time now that the official Amateur Radio license authorization is the electronic record that exists in its Universal Licensing System (ULS). The FCC will continue to provide paper license documents to all licensees who notify the Commission that they prefer to receive one. Licensees also will be able to print out an official authorization — as well as an unofficial “reference copy” — from the ULS License Manager. I’ve created a set of instructions on how you can request an “official” printed copy of your license*



[Click here to download the instructions](#)

https://arrl-ohio.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/print_your_license.pdf

Ohio Section Cabinet

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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... <https://arrl-ohio.org/section-swap-shop/>

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

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

Now, I still want to remind you that it won't be listed in this newsletter because it would take up way too much space, so your ad will only appear on the website. It is there for any individual to post equipment Wanted / For Sale or Give-Away as well as for Club Fund Raisers. You might want to list your location so that prospective buyers know where you're at. 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:

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