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June Handbook Giveaway Winner - KB8DNA – Clay Benner! There were 70 entries into the giveaway. Those are some pretty good odds for you!

June 1 question questionnaire – Are you planning to participate in Field Day?? Out of 42 responses, 22 said “yes” and 20 said “no”.

The July One Question Questionnaire question is: Are you planning to participate in the OHIO QSO Party? Go to the website to enter!

From the Technical Coordinator

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Hey gang,

The “last version of Windows” is going end-of-support and needs an upgrade really soon. Yes, Microsoft did indeed state Windows 10 would be [the last version of Windows](#). Pretty definitive statement but things have changed in ten years. A bunch of the people whom were

at Microsoft and in the Windows division have left. There was [growth in the PC market](#). These factors contributed to the next release of Windows.

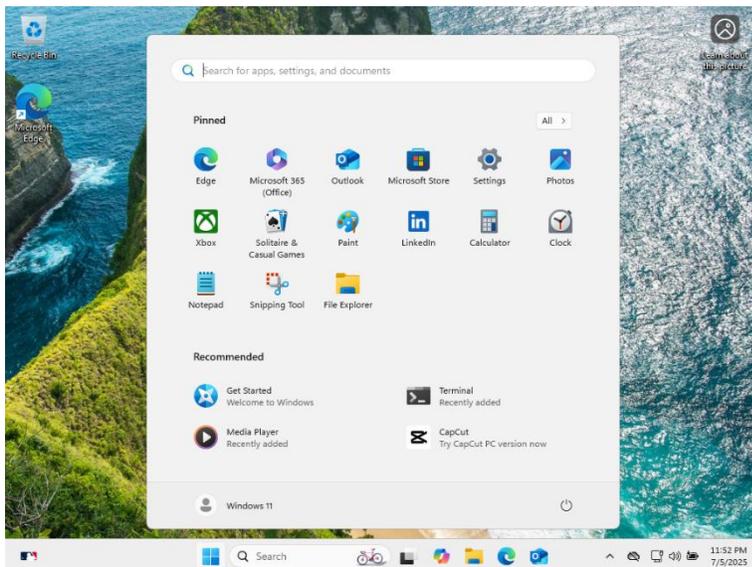
Something that hasn’t changed is Microsoft’s commitment to [Windows as a service](#) (WaaS).

This is their way of: delivering annual feature updates. Quality of updates including security and



non-security fixes, though that's [debatable](#). Through the criticism of update failures, the advantage is once a fix is available it can be rolled out through normal update channels. Different builds can be delivered for those who want new features quicker, such as developers and hardware vendors. They update different service channels at different times. Typical computing devices (desktops, laptops, tablets) receive feature updates annually and specialized devices (medical equipment, display boards, ATMs) receive new features every 2-3 years. The "X as a service" is a business model, brought on by the prevalence of the cloud, by which a product is offered as a subscription rather than something owned and maintained by the customer. There's a Wiki page listing many of [these types of services](#). Common phrases often used are Software as a service (SaaS) where the vendor manages software and updates. The customer manages physical resources, devices running the software. Platform as a service (PaaS) is another way to say cloud computing – where the customer provisions, creates, runs, and manages resources of a computing platform for their needs. Infrastructure as a service (IaaS) similar to PaaS where the user can provision servers, virtualization (emulation of hardware), storage, and network resources for their needs - but the customer maintains the operating system and software.

The end-of-support (EOS) designation means no more free software updates, technical support, or security fixes. Consumer editions of Windows are deployed on new PCs purchased at box stores or online retailers. Also, PCs upgraded from previous versions of Windows. Consumer editions have shorter support life cycles. Long term support (LTS) and Internet of Things (IoT) versions of Windows have longer support life cycles because these devices are not expected to be replaced as often. These devices are in environments where long-term support is critical, expected to be stable, and compatible with the largest number of devices. These versions are available through commercial



Junk on Windows 11 Home Start Menu

channels or Value-Added Resellers (VAR). Another designation is end-of-life (EOL) which means all updates, including extended options, cease and the software is no longer actively supported by the manufacturer/developer.

The endoflife.date website lists all [versions of Windows](#), when support ends and when extended support ends. Most versions of Windows 10 enter end-of-support on **October 14, 2025**. This means no more updates or fixes are available for free after that date. That's just three months away and it will be here before everyone realizes. Quite the shortened time frame to get everyone off the most popular version of Windows ([according to browsing stats](#)). Currently with 48.89% of market share (as of this writing), though it has dropped 4% in the last few weeks.

If you're not quite ready to move to Windows 11, there are a couple options:

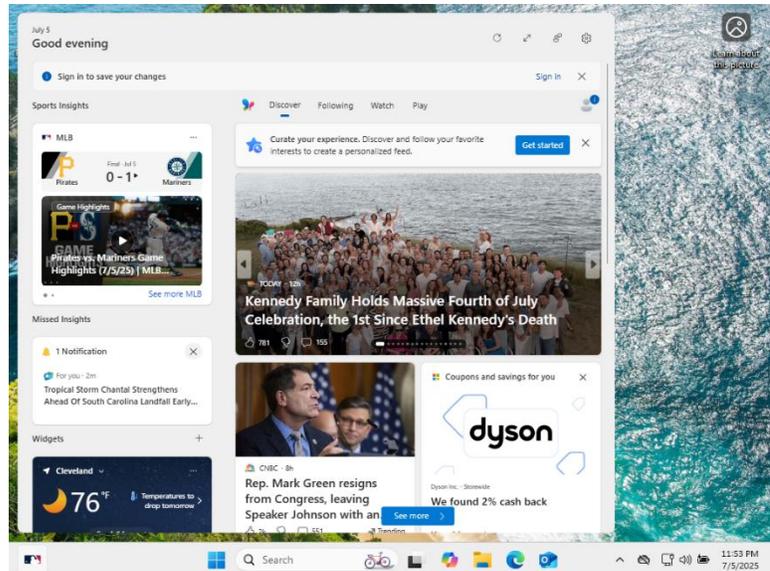
Enroll in [Microsoft's Extended Security Program](#) (ESU) program.

For roughly \$30/PC users will receive updates for one year (consumer). \$61/PC for a commercial subscription for up to three years, with cost increasing every year. "ESU coverage for personal devices runs from Oct. 15, 2025, through Oct. 13, 2026,"

Microsoft's Yusuf Mehdi explains.

If you don't want to upgrade to Windows 11 due to hardware compatibility, hardware not supported, or just don't like Windows 11, one option is to move from the General Availability Channel (GAC. Home, Pro, Enterprise) to a Long-Term Service Channel (LTSC. Enterprise LTSC, IoT Enterprise LTSC). For example, [Windows 10 Enterprise LTSC 2021](#) will reach end of support on Jan 12, 2027. [Windows 10 IoT Enterprise LTSC 2021](#) will reach end of support on Jan 13, 2032. They can be cleanly installed or there are guides to change the version of Windows to IoT Enterprise LTSC on the massgrave [dot] dev site.

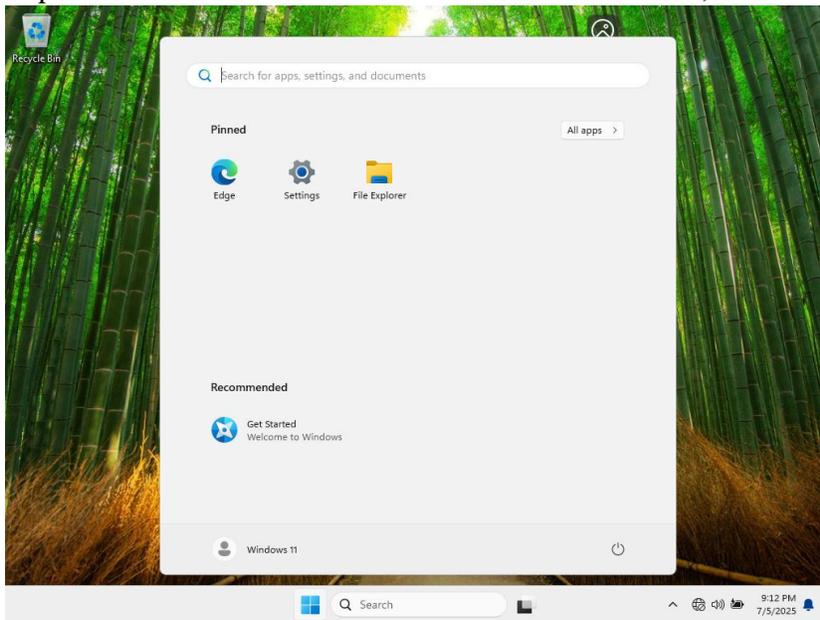
An LTSC version of Windows isn't for everyone. With LTSC, you don't get annual feature updates, it doesn't come with many pre-installed crap apps like the Store and advertising, and longer update support.



Windows 11 Home - Widgets (more junk)

Downsides include: (legitimate) license is quite a bit more expensive and not sold through the same channels as the consumer versions. I bought my Windows 10 LTSC license through CDW. Even though an LTSC version of Windows is supported for a longer time frame, software doesn't always recognize this. As an example, my favorite graphics program, Paint.Net, won't update past v5.0.13 unless I update to a later version of Windows. Even though my LTSC version is current through Jan 9, 2029. Some games and Xbox games won't work out-of-the-box or won't work without the Store app. New hardware or new features might not be supported or available in a 2–3-year-old Windows build. Telemetry still exists. There are [guides to disable telemetry](#) or use a network blacklisting tool, such as [Pi-Hole](#), with privacy lists and/or Windows telemetry blocking lists.

To make matters worse, Microsoft wants users to buy new PC hardware. Windows 11 system requirements include TPM – Trusted Platform Module, a secure crypto-processor for verifying



Much cleaner Windows 11 IoT Enterprise LTSC edition

the operating system is trusted (Secure Boot) and disk encryption. UEFI – replacement for BIOS and only 64-bit CPU support requiring more than 4 GB of RAM. Previous versions of Windows were offered in both 32-bit (older) and 64-bit versions depending on CPU architecture. While most hardware and PCs made in the last 10-15 years support these requirements, not everyone has the desire to purchase new hardware with no obvious benefit or would rather move to a different platform. The Sandy Bridge era PC (about

10 years old now) I built and use for my desktop doesn't include a TPM chip, though one can be purchased and added separately.

[Windows 11 Forum](#) has tutorials to bypass many imposed Windows restrictions. Another way to run Windows 11 on unsupported hardware is to use the [Windows 11 IoT Enterprise LTSC](#) edition. The IoT Enterprise edition will run Windows 11 on machines without TPM, Secure boot, UEFI, or 4GB RAM. In contrast to regular consumer editions of Windows 11 and Windows 11 LTSC, the IoT Enterprise LTSC version does not have the same [system requirements](#), is fully supported and nearly identical to non-IoT editions.

When my ham shack was operational, ham apps were a reason I have a physical Windows machine. I have a Windows virtual machine for Office apps and useful Windows programs. Of course, there are Linux distributions aimed at users looking to leave this Windows craziness. Do I need to remind anyone of the advertising platform that Windows has become? [Linux Mint](#), [Ubuntu](#), and [Zorin OS](#) are targeted at existing Windows users and new Linux users. These have

the best chance for success with users who perform most activities through a web browser and their apps (or equivalents) are available on Linux. Some of you noticed I was K8JTK/7 last month. No, I'm not moving and have no plans to (yet, lol). Though the humidity there is like 10%. I was in Las Vegas last month for a vendor/work conference and I took some time off for tourist-y things. It was my first time that far west and in dry heat. I literally got off the plane and received my reminder that an article for the OSJ was due. It was time to remind everyone of the Technical Specialists talents and still got an article published last month. I was outta there a day before the [Bellagio shooting](#), though I stopped by the fountains twice during my trip. As a reminder, if you're a DMR user and have not yet [verified your DMR ID is compliant](#), you have until the end of the year to avoid interruption.

Thanks for reading and 73... de Jeff – K8JTK/7

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Field Day 2025



WOW! What a great day it was for me. I had the chance to get out and visit several locations and had a blast visiting with everyone that I knew and meeting those of you that I did not know at first and it was great to have met you all and have a chance to talk with you. One of the first sites I visited was at the Knox Co. FD Site. They had a great set up and was up on a hill at Apple Valley. It was nice to be able to sit and visit with everyone, thank goodness for a light breeze. Thank you for the tour of your site and set up.

One of the other sites I was able to visit was the Coshocton Co. It was great to see and to speak to most everyone and had a chance to be given a tour of their site and set up, Thanks Steve AA8BN. I had a chance to see a message go out on the packet system that District 9 uses a lot within the district. Packet is something that I am going to look farther into. Their site was located on a single lane road (in my opinion) up on a hill in the middle of nowhere at a farm with a shelter house.

From there, I was able to head out and visit the Tuscarawas Co. FD site as well and had a chance to visit with Cindy KE8JNN, it was great to see her face to face and spend some time with her and the team. Their site was at the Tuscarawas Co. fairgrounds. Thank you for inviting me to stay for dinner!

On the way back to my QTH, I was able to stop the Licking Co. site and was able to visit with them for a while as well. I did receive several radio grams from FD sites, Thank you!!

As I said earlier, I had a great time and hope everyone else did also and the teams were able to rack up and break last year's points. Thank you to all the sites I was able to visit for their hospitality. I would also like to thank everyone for the invitations to visit their sites, they were greatly appreciated. The weather was so so with rain in some of the areas that I visited, thankfully I did not have any rain while I was at the FD sites. I did go through some heavy rain while I was driving from one site to another. I was told by several sites that the band conditions were not that great.

Hopefully next year I will be able to visit your FD site.

The next event we need to plan for is the annual Simulated Emergency Test in October and it will be the first Saturday as it has been in the past and the event type will be up to the individual county.

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Did you know FEMA offers a [Public Information Officer \(PIO\) Program](#)?

A PIO is a vital function in disaster operations that contributes greatly to saving lives and protecting property. PIOs get the right message, to the right people, at the right time.



The National Disaster & Emergency Management University (NDEMU) Public Information Officer (PIO) training program is designed to provide PIOs with the essential knowledge, skills, and abilities to support proper decision-making by delivering the right message, to the right people, at the right time.

Public information is a vital function in disaster operations that contributes greatly to saving lives and protecting property. Public information entails the processes and systems that enable effective communications with various target audiences. The NDEMU training program provides PIOs with the opportunity to learn and practice the tasks of gathering, verifying, coordinating, and disseminating public information at all levels of government.

The PIO program series moves progressively through public information awareness & basics to advanced PIO concepts, and culminates in a master public information officer course series. The courses in this series thematically focus on the 95/5 concept and whole community strategic communications planning.

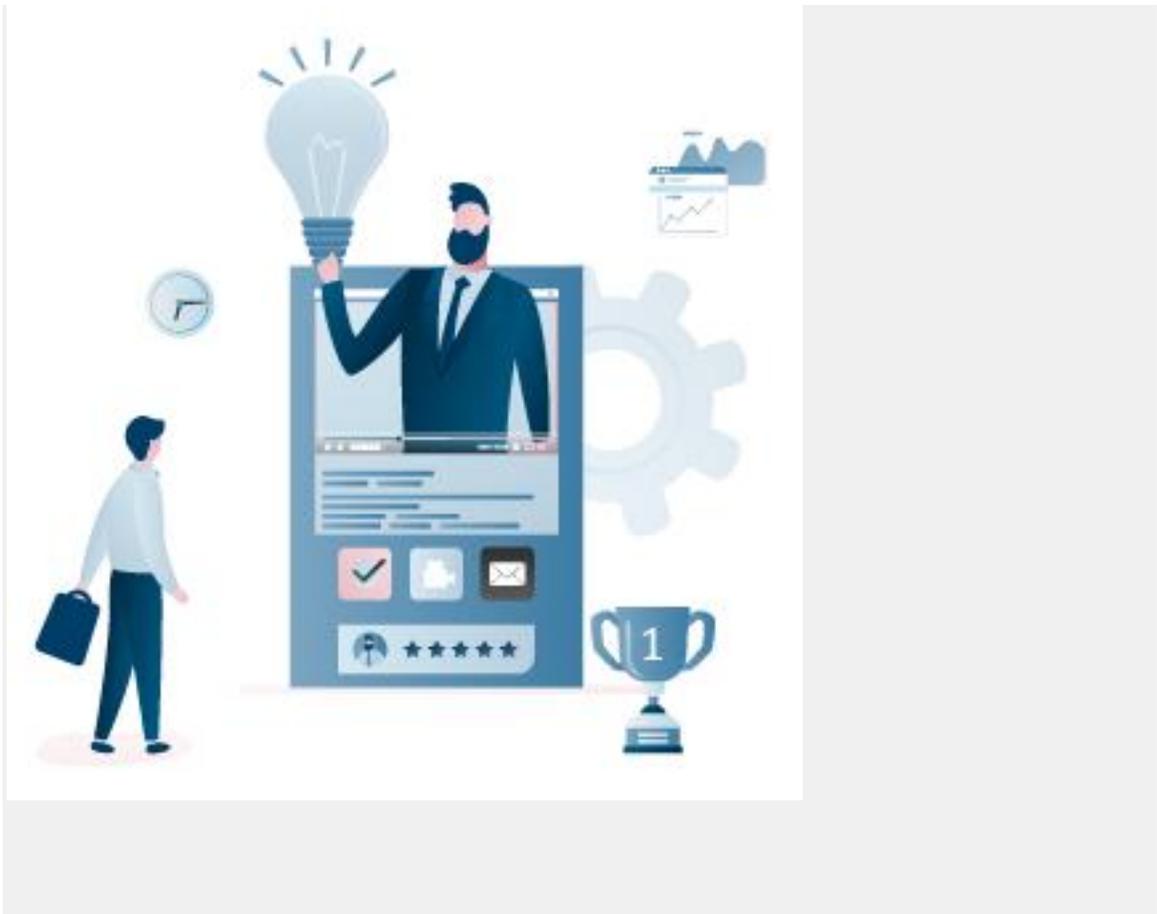
The 95/5 Concept

Like most emergency management professionals, a dedicated public information officer will often undertake a variety of activities while in a non-emergency posture. The 95/5 concept directly correlates to the non-emergency and emergency ratio of PIO activities. Inevitably, about 95% of the work PIOs perform will be completed in non-emergency times, while typically about 5% directly related to incident response or recovery.

The activities a PIO engages in during a non-emergency posture (95%) has a significant impact on how successful they will be in the 5% spent in emergency response and recovery. The PIO program series focuses on both parts of the 95/5 ratio to ensure that a successful PIO can implement communications strategies to the whole community to deliver the right message to the right people, at the right time. And to help people before, during and after emergencies.

Public Information Officer Programs

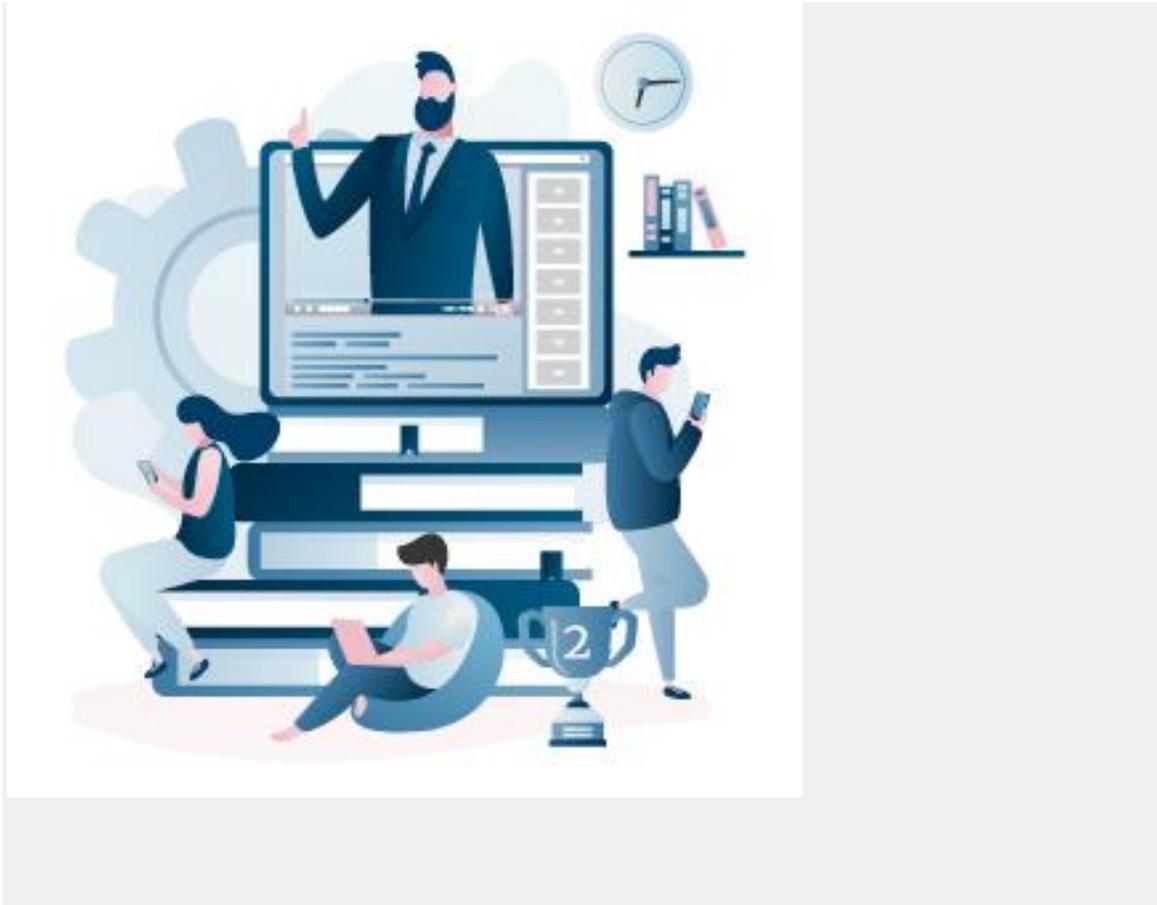
- Public Information Awareness and Basics



Underlying concepts, and the basic skills needed for full or part time PIOs

Basic PIO

- Advanced Public Information Officer



Apply Advanced Public Information Skills in a Multi-Day Functional Exercise

[Advanced PIO](#)

- Executive Public Information Officer Program



Expanded Role in Delivering Strategic Public Information and Warning

[Executive PIO](#)

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Greetings!

This is from the NTS Letter

Traffic Tips: Handling Instructions

Handling Instructions, abbreviated HX, are found in one of two fields of the radiogram preamble, or header, that are optional. They contain instructions given by the originator of the message to the station who will be delivering that message. This HX field, if used, will contain an additional letter, generally A through G.

Most commonly used handling instructions include:

- *HXG - Delivery by mail or landline toll call not required.* If toll or other expense involved, cancel message and service originating station.

Note, *not required* does not rule out mailing via USPS if you are inclined. What is required, however is *servicing station of origin if message is not delivered*. This can be done using one of several ARRL numbered radiograms as appropriate:

- ARL Sixty Seven - Your message number _____ undeliverable because of _____. Please advise.
- ARL Forty Eight - Reference your message number _____ to _____ not delivered. Telephone _____ (insert number as received) inoperative. Please give better address.
- ARL Forty Nine - Reference your message number _____ to _____. Unable to contact addressee or receive confirmation of delivery.
- *HXC - Report date and time of delivery (TOD) to originating station.* A response to this could include: ARL Forty Seven - Reference your message number _____ to _____

delivered on _____ at _____ UTC. Note the UTC at the end. This means: Use UTC time and not local time

- No need to write Z following the time, as the UTC in the text already has it covered.
- *HXE - Delivering station get reply from addressee, originate message back.* Of course, the recipient may or may not wish to send a radiogram back and may wish to call or send an email instead, but at least you conveyed the request and an appropriate response should then be conveyed to the originator.
- *HXF - Hold delivery until _____ (date).* This one is always followed by a number corresponding to the date requested for delivery.
- *HXD - Report to originating station the identity of station from which received, plus date and time. Report identity of station to which relayed, plus date and time, or if delivered report date, time and method of delivery.* While this is rarely seen, it is useful in tracing a message. It requires any station handling that message to report back to the station of origin.

These and other handling instructions including new ones, HXI, HXR, and HXT, can be found at nts2.arrl.org/hx-handling-instructions.

Use of handling instructions are at the discretion of the message originator, who put them there for a reason. The traffic handler's obligation is to observe and follow the instructions. Unfortunately, we often forget.

There is a new NTS Training Program from ARRL NTS Virtual NTS Traffic Net

Many Technician class amateurs miss out on fun and skills learning of traffic handling because they reside in areas of the country where local traffic nets on VHF repeaters don't exist. The Virtual NTS Training Net (VNTN) seeks to address this problem with the creation of a Zoom-based local traffic net that can be accessed by anyone with an internet connection.

VNTN will accept check-ins and radiogram traffic utilizing standard phonetics and pro-signs; in short, participants will enjoy the same experiences as those who check into conventional "RF" traffic nets. The net will incorporate a "hands-on" training approach in traffic procedures, radiogram creation, and relay.

"It is our hope that new amateurs who participate in VNTN will be motivated to join section and region nets on HF after upgrading to a higher license class," says Phil Temples, K9HI, who chairs EC-FSC's NTS Subcommittee.

The Net meets on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM ET. In future, it is hoped that a west coast version will be established at around 7 PM PT.

The latest VNTN URL can be found at <https://nts2.arrl.org/virtual-nts-training-net/>.

Send a Radiogram

What's a Radiogram?

You've probably heard of amateur radio ("ham") operators, and you might know a friend, family member, or neighbor who loves to build radio equipment and talk to thousands of other ham operators around the world!

But, you might **not** know that amateur radio operators are primed and ready to step in and provide valuable communications to the general public, when all else fails. Even if Internet service, power lines, and phone lines are all down, amateur radio still can get the message through. To be ready for this, many amateurs have joined a network called the National Traffic System (NTS), which is like a telegraph office over radio. NTS volunteers spend their free time relaying messages, called **Radiograms**, entirely by amateur radio, completely free of charge. This is great practice to be sure they can serve the public during a true emergency!

Send a Radiogram Now — It's Free!

Now, there's a way that YOU can try Amateur Radio messaging! Think of a friend or family member you'd like to contact by Radiogram. You can send any short message, as long as it's not business-related, urgent or critical, or too private or personal. Your message will be picked up by an Amateur Radio volunteer operator and relayed across the country near its destination; finally, the recipient will get a local phone call from a nearby ham, or the message might even be delivered in person. Along the way, ham operators will be relaying your message by voice, digital, or even Morse code, and getting valuable practice in emergency public service.

Go to this website to send a message today:

<https://nts2.arrl.org/radiogram/>



National Traffic System
Traffic and Message Handling
For Skill, Service, and Fun!

The ARRL got its start to organize message delivery to get messages delivered efficiently, accurately to its destination by different radio stations.

This tradition continues today using CW, voice, and digital.

- Why practice traffic handling?
- It teaches operator good skills.
- It gives you valuable skills in times of emergency passing health and welfare messages.
- You learn how to operate under adverse conditions without power.
- You create friendships and camaraderie.



Any license class can handle traffic even with a basic HT. Ask a mentor, club, or go to nts2.arrl.org for more information. There are nets you can join to learn and practice this skill. Consider Traffic Handling as part of your Ham Radio experience!

Ohio Section Nets

If you have traffic you need to move, take it to a VHF net or HF via the OSSBN. Here is WHERE TO FIND AN HF OR VHF TRAFFIC NET IN OHIO.

OHIO SINGLE SIDEBAND NET

Morning Session	10:30 AM	3972.5 kHz	Every Day
Afternoon Session	4:15 PM	3972.5 kHz	Every Day
Evening Session	6:45 PM	3972.5 kHz	Every Day

OHIO HF CW TRAFFIC NETS

HF CW NETS	NET TIMES	FREQUENCY	NET MANAGERS
Buckeye Early	6:45 PM	3.580 MHz	N2LC
Buckeye Late	10:00 PM	3.590 MHz	WB9LBI
Ohio Slow Net	6:00 PM	3.53535 MHz	N2LC

All CW net frequencies plus or minus QRM

OHIO LOCAL VHF TRAFFIC NETS

VHF NETS	NET TIMES	FREQUENCY	NET MANAGERS
BRTN	Monday, Thursday Saturday 9:30 PM	145.230 MHz PL 110.9	KD8GXL
COTN	7:15 PM DAILY	146.970 MHz PL 123.0	KV8Z
TCTTN	9 PM Sun, Tues, Fri	147.015 MHz PL 110.9	WB8YYS
TATN	8:00 PM DAILY	146.670 MHz PL 123.0	WG8Z
NWOA	Mon, Tue, Thu, Sat at 07:30 PM	147.375 MHz PL 103.5	KE8VJP

- BRTN – Burning River Traffic Net (serving the Cleveland area)
- COTN – Central Ohio Traffic Net (serving Columbus and Central Ohio)
- TCTTN – Tri-County Traffic and Training Net (serving Northeast Ohio)
- TATN – Tri-State Amateur Traffic Net (serving Southwest Ohio)
- NWOA – Northwest Ohio ARES Traffic and Training Net (serving Northwest Ohio)

If you have a net in Ohio, you would like to list here please send me the information. ac8np@ac8np.com.

Thanks For All You Do!
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From the Affiliated Clubs Coordinator

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Happy July to everyone and wishing you a great ham active summer! I stated last month I wanted to visit a couple of Field Day club sites, and I made it to four on Saturday. I started with a visit to the Mount Vernon ARC location in Apple Valley (Howard, OH) and stayed a couple of hours beginning just as Field Day started. The club members were set up as 3A using call sign K8EEN and just beginning to make contacts when I left to go to the next location.

My second visit was a short drive to TJ Evans Family Park in Newark, OH. Newark ARC operating as N8ARA was going through some severe thunderstorms and was getting their antennas and radios set up waiting for better weather. Again, I stayed about 2 hours, enjoyed their family potluck picnic, and operated their FT8 station for a couple of contacts while the proper operator ate.

Next, I traveled to and enjoyed meeting the CRES ARC club members at Infirmary Mound Park in Granville, OH. I got there just in time to partake of an excellent strawberry shortcake and then tour both of their operating stations. Their call sign was W8ZPF, and they too had severe weather issues at the start of Field Day.

Finally, I ended my tour in Mount Gilead, OH visiting the Morrow County Amateur Radio Service location at Headwaters Outdoor Education Center in Mount Gilead. They were operating as W8NL in a nice location, and I tried making some SSB contacts – however, I struck out. I again stayed about two hours and departed to go home.

I did not visit any sites on Sunday, as I had prior commitments and Field Day ended before they were completed.

Each of the locations I visited I was welcomed, introduced to everyone (wish I was better at remembering names) and shown their site and set ups. Quite a wide variety of operating styles, antennas, and radio configurations. However, everyone seemed happy to be participating in getting

together and trying to make contacts and enjoying Field Day. Thanks to all who made me feel like a welcome visitor at their locations! Little did I know when I left home how long I would stay at each location and how many places I would end up visiting. I saw that Scott Yonally, N8SY made it to 11 locations, I believe that is not something I can do as time just seemed to fly by.

I am planning to attend the [NOARSfest](#) in Elyria on the 19th and hope to meet more fellow Ohio hams. This will be my first time attending this hamfest and I see it is about an hour and a half from my home. Hoping the weather is nice so I can also plan this as a motorcycle trip. Nothing like combining two passions in one event.

Since I am new to this position, I contacted several Affiliated Club Coordinators in other states/ARRL sections to get their insight as to what they do to be useful in their areas. What I have received from most of them is the need to keep on getting the Annual Reports completed. Based on that I downloaded the Ohio Section ARRL affiliated clubs listing and sorted it by report dates and have begun trying to contact what appear to be active clubs with many members whose reports are more than 3 years old.

Since I have started trying to contact clubs and their officers to ask them to update their ARRL Annual Report. One of the issues I have had, trying to contact club personnel, is some outdated annual reports have incorrect information, and email addresses that are no longer valid. If in your next club meeting a member would ask the current Secretary or point of contact to check on and update the Annual Report, it would be greatly appreciated. If they are unable to access the ARRL listing to make the updates, then send me an email and I would be happy to assist. NOTE, you must be logged into the ARRL website to access and update your club's report.

Here is a link to the ARRL web page with the current Affiliated Club listing: [ARRL Affiliated Clubs](#)

Another link to an instructional overview of how to use the editing system: [Updating Your Club Record](#)

Lastly for this month I wanted to point out that all affiliated clubs can take advantage of the ARRL Club Commission Program. Using this benefit your club receives a commission payment directly from the ARRL. The amount of the commission depends on whether this is a new ARRL membership application or a renewal. A new member application results in your club receiving \$20.00 and a member renewal is \$5.00. This link takes you to the page with a description of the [Commission program](#) and the [Club Commission Reconciliation Form](#). I have submitted reconciliation forms several times this year for Mount Vernon's ARC and we have received the commission in a timely form.

I am still looking forward to attending some club meetings and welcome an email with the time and location.

So, for July, stay radio active and Ham It Up!

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Welcome to July! Is anyone as happy as me that Field Day is over? Things here are still moving at a lightning pace. Here's some stats for the month of June on the section website. First, thanks to all who are visiting.

During the month of May, the top 5 pages at arrl-ohio.org were:

- 1) Arrl-ohio Home Page (arrl-ohio.org/) 462 Views
- 2) Hamfests (arrl-ohio.org/hamfests/) 279 Views
- 3) Section Swap & Shop (arrl-ohio.org/section-swap-shop/) 261 Views
- 4) Ohio Section Newsletter (arrl-ohio.org/ohio-section-newsletter/) 108 Views
- 5) Ohio ARES HF Digital Net (arrl-ohio.org/ohden/) 85 Views

This month let's also look at the "Page not found" errors on the site. Yes, I keep tabs on site traffic to ensure that you are finding what you're looking for. Last month, I asked for your help on a broken link, and that one is now fixed; thank you! This month, we have some more problems to share. Some of you are still using the URLs bookmarked from the old section website, while others are applying literary license to the URLs typing in.

Let me share the top "page not found" errors from the month of June.

Top "Page not found" errors June 2025

- 1) **arrl-ohio.org/forwarder/forwarding.html** – This is the old sign-up page for the newsletters. That has changed. If you would like to sign up to receive the Ohio Section Journal on the 7th, and the Postscript on the 22nd, just fill out the form at <https://arrl-ohio.org/ohio-section-newsletter/>
- 2) **arrl-ohio.org/SEC/district_map.htm** – The correct URL for the district map is now <https://arrl-ohio.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/oh-sections.jpg>
- 3) **arrl-ohio.org/news/** - The correct URL for this is <https://arrl-ohio.org/ohio-section-newsletter/>. The wrong link has snuck into a couple of the Section newsletters; I try to catch that before sending it out to the distribution list, but some may have snuck through.
- 4) **arrl-ohio.org/hamfests.html** – Close, but not quite. The correct URL for almost all wordpress pages do not end in html. This is due to the nature of the beast. The correct

URL for the Hamfest Page is <https://arrl-ohio.org/hamfests/>

5) arrl-ohio.org/SEC/ohden/ - The correct URL for this is <https://arrl-ohio.org/ohden/>

6) Here's a bonus – If you've bookmarked arrl-ohio.org/sm/s-s.html, please update it to <https://arrl-ohio.org/section-swap-shop/>

And that's about it for this month. Have a great month. 73 DE WG8X

National News

(from ARRL and other sources)

2025 ARRL Field Day a Success

Tens of thousands of hams are celebrating a successful [2025 ARRL Field Day](#)! The largest annual amateur radio event is also one of the most beloved, as shown by countless social media posts. Activity was high, with 1536 sites in the ARRL Field Day Site Locator, and that doesn't even count home stations, portable operations, or other participants.



Hundreds of photos were posted from ARRL Field Day sites. See an [album of some of them on the ARRL Facebook page](#).

“There’s a reason that hams look forward to ARRL Field Day,” said ARRL Public Relations and Outreach Manager Sierra Harrop, W5DX. “It is easy to see how much fun people have during the event. Across the country, people come together in town squares, public parks, green spaces, and other locations – all to celebrate the joy of amateur radio and to share it with others,” she said.

On the town green in West Brookfield, Massachusetts, between Springfield and Worcester, the [Quaboag Valley Amateur Radio Club](#) held its activation front and center in the postcard town. There was a steady line of onlookers visiting the setup that stretched out for several hundred yards. Many of them sat down to try their hand at the GOTA (Get On the Air) station. Nestled across from an antique church with a white steeple, and on green grass that surrounds a fountain, the hams brought a steady call of “CQ Field Day” to the quiet hamlet.

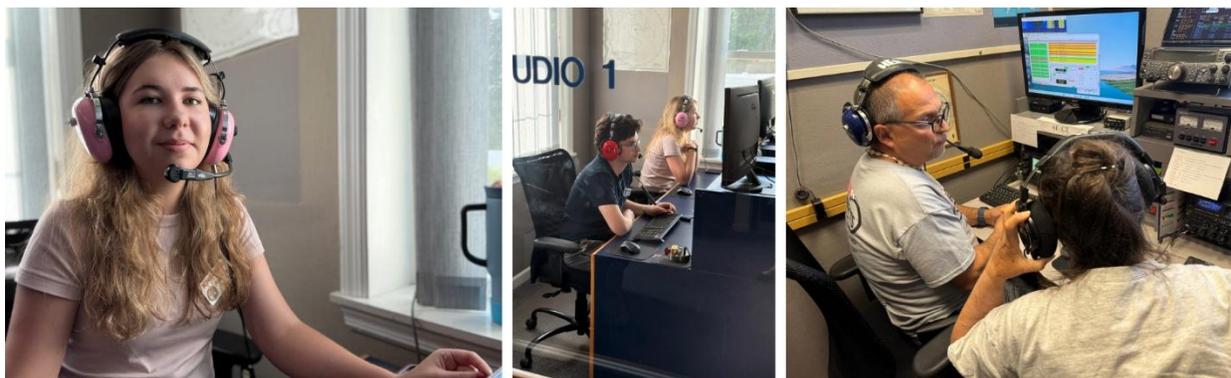


The town green in West Brookfield, Massachusetts, was filled with amateur radio stations for ARRL Field Day. Members of the public were greeted by an information booth, and many of them got on the air for the first time.

Aboard the International Space Station, Astronaut Jonny Kim, KJ5HKP, was active. Social media and YouTube show several clips of hams talking with Kim. James Walker, KC1UYZ, shared a [video of his contact with Kim](#) to Instagram and other platforms. “KC1UYZ, welcome to the International Space Station,” said Kim. A quick rest of the contact was followed by enthusiastic whoops from Walker, who was elated to have talked with an orbiting astronaut.

[W1AW, the Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Station](#) at ARRL Headquarters in Newington, Connecticut, was active for the event. The station's three operating studios were configured as a 6F-class station. On Saturday afternoon, and well into the overnight, ARRL Education and Learning Support Specialist Max Freedman, N4ML, was operating alongside Audrey McElroy, KM4BUN. "It is always great to help people get W1AW in their logs," he said. Freedman is an experienced contester, but this was his first operating event at the historic station. "It is such an honor to operate as W1AW," he said.

McElroy was honored as the Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, Memorial Amateur Radio Newsline [Young Ham of the Year in 2022](#). She's in Connecticut for an internship in support of her electrical engineering degree – a career that her ham radio background has inspired.



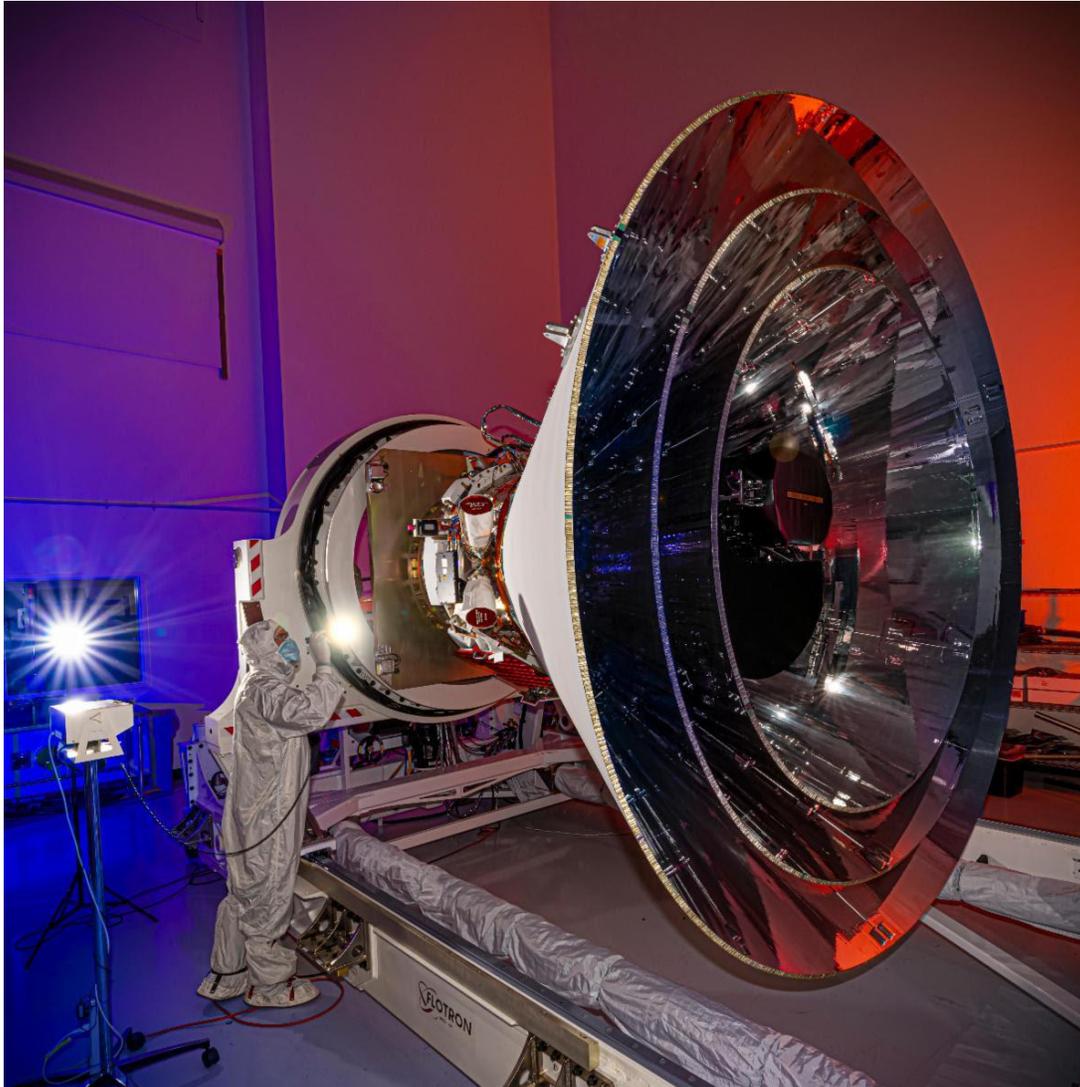
[L] Audrey McElroy, KM4BUN; [C] Max Freedman, N4ML; [R] W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q; and Liz Karpiej, KA1DTU, operating as W1AW for ARRL Field Day.

ARRL Contest Program Manager Paul Bourque, N1SFE, reports nearly 2500 entries have already been received via the online entry form at field-day.arrl.org/fdentry.php. "We are encouraged by the surge in early submissions, but there's still time to get entries in," he said. Bourque noted that Field Day participants should check that all the required supporting documentation related to their entries has been received by checking the Entries Received web page at field-day.arrl.org/fdentriescvd.php.

If the status of your entry is listed as Pending Documents, one or more of the required documents still needs to be submitted to complete your entry. Entrants may use the link provided in the confirmation email they received to upload additional documents or to modify their entries. Field Day entries must be received by Tuesday, July 29, 2025.

THE UNIVERSE

Sharing an All-Sky Map of the Universe



NASA's newest space telescope—SPHEREx (Spectro-Photometer for the History of the Universe, Epoch of Reionization, and Ices Explorer)—launched in March 2025 on a mission to create an all-sky map of the universe. Now settled into low-Earth orbit, SPHEREx has begun delivering data to a public archive on a weekly basis, allowing anyone to use the data to probe the secrets of the cosmos.

NASA is committed to the sharing of scientific data, promoting transparency and efficiency in scientific research. In line with this commitment, data from SPHEREx appears in the public archive within 60 days after the telescope collects each observation.

The SPHEREx mission contributes to NASA's key scientific goals to discover the secrets of the universe and search for life beyond Earth. Its all-sky map will help scientists answer major questions about why the large-scale structure of the universe

looks the way it does, how galaxies form and evolve, and the origins and abundance of water and other key ingredients for life in our galaxy.

SPHEREX SCIENCE

US Radio Orienteering Champs Crowned

The 24th USA Radio Orienteering Championships were held June 19 – 22, 2025. The event was hosted by the Backwoods Orienteering Klub (BOK) at Morrow Mountain State Park in Albemarle, North Carolina, and drew about 30 athletes from across the United States and Canada. Radio orienteering is also known as amateur radio direction-finding, or ARDF.

There were four World Championship-style races: Foxoring, Sprint, 2m Classic and 80m Classic.

The Elite results:

- Eduard Nasybulin (Massachusetts), unofficial overall crown, dominated the men's field, winning Sprint, 2m and 80m Classics, and adding silver in Foxoring.
- Gheorghe Fala (North Carolina/BOK) seized Foxoring gold and finished second to Nasybulin in 2m and 80m Classics.
- In W35 (women ages 35 and older), Lori Huberman (California Bay Area Orienteering Club) captured Foxoring and Sprint, while Erin Hammer (NC/BOK) sprinted to 2m and 80m Classics gold and added silver in the other formats.

Masters stand-outs:

- Nadia Scharlau, KO4ADV (North Carolina/BOK), extended her W55 (women ages 55 and older) legacy with victories in both 2m and 80m Classics.
- The M60 class (men ages 60 and older) became a two-way battle: Evgeny Danilov, KQ4QYZ, and Nicolai Mejevoi traded wins and podium spots across all four events, with Mejevoi topping the Sprint and 80m Classic races while Danilov took 2m Classic and Foxoring gold.

Senior competitors:

Every entrant in the M70 (men 70 and older) and W75 (women 75 and older) divisions completed at least three of the four demanding courses. Their steady performances — and obvious enjoyment — underscored the value of adding senior categories to future championships.

Youth sweep:

BOK junior Tiger Zhao claimed a perfect four-event sweep in M16 (men 16 and under) and teammates Anastasia Afonkin W16 (women 16 and under) and Adalia Schafrath-Craig W19 (women 19 and younger) also took golds — some with times that would have placed competitively in older divisions.

Team USA will go on to compete at the 2025 IARU World Championships, to be held in Lithuania in August. The complete results of these championships, available at the [BOK website](#), will be used for selecting the US team. Learn more about amateur radio direction finding on the [ARRL ARDF page](#).



Sprint champions at the awards ceremony (left to right): Ruth Bromer, WB4QZG, Joseph Huberman, K5JGH, Eduard Nasybulin, William Allen, Jonathan Kross, and Lori Huberman [Photo Courtesy of Gheorghe Fala]

NTS® Resources

The National Traffic System® (NTS®) is a network of amateur radio operators who move information during disasters and other emergencies. General messages offering well-wishes also move through the NTS® to help test the system and to help amateur radio operators build traffic handling skills. While the NTS® is primarily set up to serve the United States and Canada, it is possible to move traffic internationally through the NTS® via various local, regional, area, and international network connections.

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Let us 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?

Send it to: webmaster@arrl-ohio.org



Local, County, and State Governments Proclaim Value of Amateur Radio

The Amateur Radio Service is of great value to communities around the nation. Through served agencies, the trained corps of technical and civic-minded operators provide a no-cost service to the public that has shown to be valuable before and When All Else Fails®.



Photo: Andy Smolenski, K15YLX and David Gilpin, K5GIL, receive a proclamation from city officials in

Carrollton, Texas where June 22 –25 was declared Amateur Radio Week. [Mike Brown, W5MDB, photo]

The 2025 hurricane season has been forecast to be above normal by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). As we saw just last year in the aftermath of Hurricane Helene, ham radio saves lives through volunteers who use their skills and equipment during emergencies by providing surface weather observations, relaying messages from shelters, and providing health and welfare information to concerned loved ones.

“While ARRL Field Day is a fun, social, occasion to get together and get on the air, it also serves as an opportunity to test equipment in a way that it would be needed in a time of crisis. The same people who come to visit your site under blue skies are the community members who would be served in an identical manner during and after an emergency,” said ARRL Public Relations and Outreach Manager Sierra Harrop, W5DX.

In recognition of the value of amateur radio, government officials at all levels have issued proclamations and citations across the country. On the [ARRL amateur radio proclamations page](#), you can see the many official documents that have been sent to us at ARRL Headquarters.

“We all know how great the ham community is, but seeing all the proclamations come in around Field Day gives perspective to the efforts of radio amateurs. To have a governor or a councilmember recognize June as Amateur Radio Month truly honors the impact hams have on their community,” said Harrop.



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 2024 are as follows: Januray 20, April 27, July 20, and October 19. 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, 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 Fligi, Flmsg, and Flamp. In past sessions we have built antennas, fired up new rigs, and generally had a good time!

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 14, March 10, May12, July 14, Sept 15, and Nov 17, 2024. 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 Welch, 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. 9:30-11:00 For more information contact Jim Storms – AB8YK at ab8yk@hotmail.com

The Lake County Amateur Radio Association

The Lake County Amateur Radio Association is holding its **2024** Amateur Radio license exams at the **Kirtland Library**, 9267 Chillicothe Road, on the following dates:

Saturday, February 3	Saturday, August 3
Saturday, April 6	Saturday, October 5
Saturday, June 1	Saturday, December 7

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

The Lisbon Area Amateur Radio Association VE schedule for 2025.

Feb 8th; Mar 8th; Apr 12th; May 10th; Jun 14th;
Aug 9th; Sep 13th; Oct 11th; Nov 8th; Dec 13th.

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

Make sure you have your FRN number from the FCC.
Contact NN8B at nn8b.oh@gmail.com for any further information.

WE CAN ALSO GIVE THE TEST AT OUR REGULAR MEETINGS
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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY AT THE SAME ADDRESS AS ABOVE. SEE
THE K8GQB.COM WEB SITE FOR UPDATES.
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BUSINESS MEETINGS ON THE EVEN MONTHS.

Madison County

The Madison County Amateur Radio Club Laurel testing group offers testing on the first Thursday of January, March, May, July 10, 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 proper ID, 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@mcarcho.org .

The Milford Amateur Radio Club (MARC)

No charge VE exams are normally given the third Thursday of each month at 6:00 PM. Miami Township Civic Center 6101 Meijer Drive, Milford, OH 45150 The facility is handicapped accessible. Map and further details are on our website. Pre-registration is required:
<https://milfordhamradio.org/license-exams>

Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society (NOARS)

Six VE testing sessions in 2025. Registration is appreciated but walk-ins are welcome. Contact Elaine, KC8FOS for more information or to register. 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.)

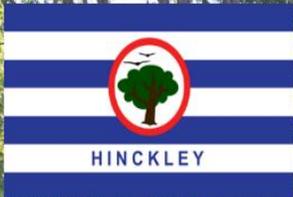
Saturday, December 6th - Sharon Center UM Church (Wadsworth/Medina Co.)

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 at <https://wc8voa.org/licensing/>



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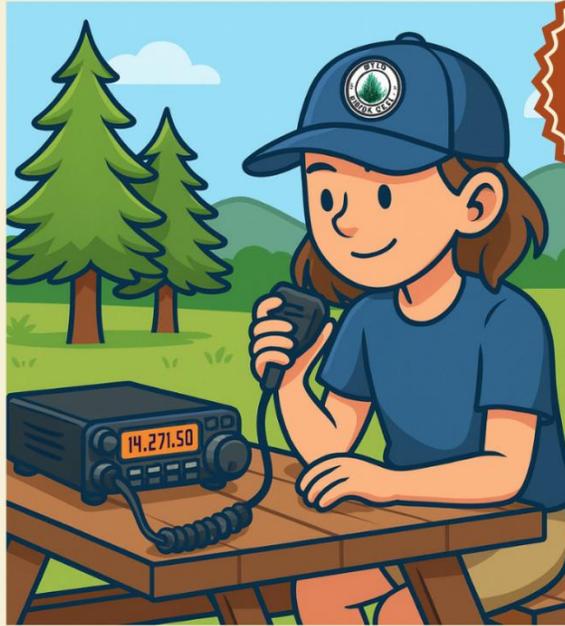
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DX This Week – #338

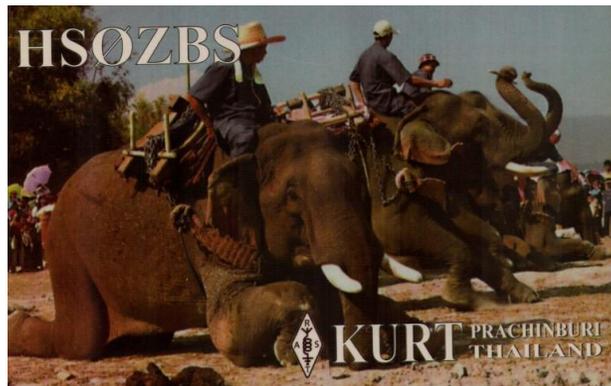
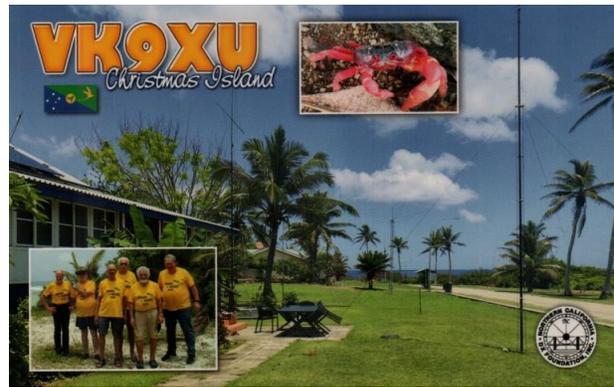
Bill - AJ8B (thedxmentor@gmail.com / www.aj8b.com)

Happy Fourth of July! I hope you are checking out the 13 Colonies Special Event and are working those guys. I really enjoy chasing them down each year.

Well, the conditions have not been good! This is typical for summertime. Last week, I spent some time flipping back through my paper logbooks. I love my DX Suite for logging, spotting, etc.. but the old logbooks were so much more personal. I included notes about the QSO, the operator, and band conditions. In my last two years of high school, I worked at a factory as a “clean up kid”. I cleaned up the messes that were made after the guys would strip down rolls with a rubber coating. I would work from 6 AM until 10 AM and then 3 PM to 7 PM. In the 5-hour gap, I would ride my bike home and just tune around. Those two summers found me working WAS each year on 10 meters! I went through the logbooks and I really brought back memories.



I did receive four cards the past week: IQ9MQ from Italy, VK9XU from Christmas Island, and HS0ZBX from Thailand. Let me know what you received.



Each week I try to focus on those entities that will be available in the next 7 days. There is so much data to sift through that I thought a focus on the next week might be helpful. Here is what you should find QRV when you tune the bands.

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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

Todd, AF4CZ is QRV from Guatemala as TG9/AF4CZ until July 9, 2025. Spare time activity on 40-10m; mainly FT8 & FT4; possibly some SSB. QSL via LoTW.

N0UI, Tim, is QRV as ZD7TIM from Saint Helena until July 13. He is operating on 40m to 10m, looking for 6m QSOs if conditions warrant. Modes of operation

are CW, SSB, and possibly RTTY. This operation features a Single Operator, Low Power, unassisted CW-only entry in the IARU HF World Championship. Outside of the contest, operations will follow holiday style, focusing on CW and SSB. RTTY capability will also be available for potential use. QSOs can be confirmed via LoTW or N0UI.

KV1J, Eric, is QRV from St. Miquelon until July 14. He is operating as FP/KV1J. He is emphasizing activity on "6 meters and the higher HF bands primarily SSB and FT8/4 with some CW". Eric also plans to be on for Canada Day, Marconi Memorial and the IARU contests. QSOs will be uploaded daily to LoTW and Club Log. QSL direct or via the bureau to KV1J as well as OQRS.

From the UK Sov. Base Areas on Cyprus, ZC4MK will be operated by G0KOM, Adrian. Adrian says that he will be QRV "sometime on the 8th of July and will break down the station in the evening of the 15th of July. He will be running 100 watts on a Hexbeam for 20-6 meters and an EFHW "which will give me 80 and 40." His QTH is in the village of Ypsonas in grid KM64LQ.

AB1F, Abie is now in Armenia for his EK/AB1F operation. His home QTH is currently Greenbelt, Maryland, and he often operates at the WA3NAN NASA Goddard Space Flight Center ham club in the D.C. suburbs. In Armenia he is operating from a town called Stepanavan, grid LN21ea, the same location as his previous operations in Armenia.

As usual, there will be special callsigns during the big three- week-long Tour de France bicycle race.

The first is TM112TDF with op F8GGZ, until July 26. QSL through eQSL only. The second is TM25TDF from the "Radio Club Emettre," until July 26. QSL to F5KMY.

The third is TM59TDF from the "Radio Club de l'Agglomeration Dunkerquoise," until July 19. QSL TM59TDF to F8KGS and eQSL.

During the IARU HF World Championship, July 12-13, members of the 3V8SS, Radio Club Station of Tunisian Scouts, and 3V8LL, Giovanni, will be teaming up as the Association Des Radio Amateurs Tunisiens (ARAT) Headquarters station. They will use both callsigns during the contest.

Looks like T2 - Tuvalu will be becoming rarer in the distant future as "Residents of Tuvalu seek escape to Australia as island continues to sink"
<https://san.com/cc/residents-of-tu>

It looks like JX, Jan Mayen, will be activated for the first time since 2022. LB2OBG, Peter, is currently on a work assignment on Jan Mayen and expects to stay for some weeks with plans to get on the air in his spare time as JX/LB2OG. JX has not been on the air since 2022 and currently ranks Number 56 on Club Log's DXCC Most Wanted List. Peter has "no specific schedule for ham radio," but says that he is set up for 40M, 20M, and some higher bands on SSB and FT8. QSL via LB2OG.

NØUI, Tim Raymer, is QRV from St. Helena until July 13, including the IARU HF World Championship, which he will enter as single operator unassisted, low power, CW only. Outside the contest, he will be on 40-10M CW, SSB, and possibly RTTY holiday-style. Six meters is also possible. QSL direct to NØUI or via LoTW.

The special callsign SN92LOT, active until July 31, commemorates the 92nd anniversary of the ill-fated flight of Lithuanian pilots Steponas Darius and Stasys Girenas. On July 15, 1933, they attempted a nonstop flight from New York City to Kaunas in a small airplane named "Lituanica." After crossing the Atlantic Ocean, they crashed on July 17, just 650 kilometers (404 miles) short of their final destination. QSL via SP1PMY.

We are pleased to announce the Dave Kalter Memorial Youth DX Adventure plans to participate in a DX adventure to Curacao operating as PJ2Y on July 17-22, 2025. The Caribbean Contesting Consortium (PJ2T) super contest station is hosting us for the fourth time. We look forward to seeing our host, and friend, Uli Thielke, DL8OBQ. This time, we will be operating as the DX and are a special event station. Operations by the young ops are about four days and sometimes around the clock! We anticipate several thousand QSLs on most bands. This trip is sponsored by DARA, DX Engineering, QCWW Foundation, along with several other clubs and individuals.

The most recent DX Mentor YouTube episode is available this weekend. Tom, NY0V, is the guest. Tom is a great guest, a fantastic operator, a polished contester and a smooth DX Operator. However, none of these were the reasons we had Tom as our guest. It all has to do with the Pacific, missing airplanes, 19,000 feet of water, and m Check it out!

If you are interested in DX Podcasts and YouTube channels, you should check out the DX Mentor Facebook page and subscribe to be kept up to date on all of the DX activities.

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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!

Please send me an email if you need any details on this topic or anything else that was mentioned.

The next contest that you can use to work an all time new one or to fill band slots is the IARU HF World Championship. This runs from 1200Z on July 12th to 1200Z on July 13th. This is a very popular contest and a lot of fun. Check out the ARRL webpage and search on IARU contest for more details.

Until next week, this is Bill, AJ8B saying 73 and thanks to my XYL Karen for her love and support. I Hope to hear you in the pileups! Have a great DX week!

Contest	Start Date	End Date
13 Colonies Contest	7/1/2025	7/8/2025
IARU HF World Championship	7/12/2025	7/13/2025
North American QSO Party - RTTY	7/19/2025	7/20/2025
10-10 Intl. Summer Contest, SSB	8/2/2025	8/3/2025
WAE DX Contest - CW	8/9/2025	8/10/2025
Maryland-DC QSOP	8/9/2025	8/10/2025
North American QSO Party - SSB	8/16/2025	8/17/2025
Hawaii QSOP	8/23/2025	8/24/2025
Ohio QSOP	8/23/2025	8/24/2025
Kansas QSOP	8/30/2025	8/31/2025
Colorado QSOP	8/30/2025	8/31/2025
World Wide Digital DX Contest	8/30/2025	8/31/2025

OHIO'S



The body and mind tells me that Hamvention is just over. However the calendar says otherwise. It is hard to believe the 2025 version of Field Day is also over, the July 4 fireworks have cleared the skies and as this is prepared, the 13 Colonies Special Event operation is almost over. Before we are ready it will be time to give serious thought to the September Ohio State Parks on the Air operating event.

As mentioned, the 2025 version of the ARRL Field Day is in the books. And for many clubs and individuals it will be one remembered and talked about for years to come. The oppressive heat, the heavy rains and the less than desirable band conditions caused a number of clubs to change their initial plans or even in some cases abort their operating entirely. A couple clubs took the lemons given them and made lemonade by discovering things they need to address before they get called upon to assist in an actual emergency. For some reason natural disasters don't occur on nice sunshiny days. On the plus side, several clubs reported decent attendance at their events-especially those holding picnics or having food available. A good number of newly licensed amateurs visited sites to observe what Field Day is all about and several were reported having "seat time" and making their first HF contacts. Putting aside all the contacts, bonus points, erecting and tearing down stations, weather and other things veteran Field Dayers take for granted, a big plus for the event is the socialization between those attending and making new hams (and ham spouses) feel welcome.

As one ham posted "it's not the number of contacts or how you place that is important—it's the fact that you did it!" Regardless how they did, thanks to the over 20 clubs in the South 40 Region who tried.

Although we've just flipped the calendar to July, August will soon be here and with it a number of Saturday Hamfests in the Ohio's South 40 region. On the 2nd, the Columbus Hamfest will take place at the Columbus Shrine Center at Grove City and the **Tri-State ARA** will have their annual hamfest in Huntington. Then the annual Cincinnati Hamfest will be Saturday, August 9. **Milford ARC** President Ron Brooks invites all to attend the event to be held at the Clermont County Fairgrounds in Owensville. Ron says this year overnight camping with electric and water hookups will be available. Also the Blue Dog BBQ will attend this year with a breakfast and lunch menu. Ron further states the **Highland ARA** will assist MARC by conducting a VE test session at 10 that morning. Check the MARC Cincinnati Hamfest website (www.cincinnatihamfest.org) for more info. Then on the following Saturday, the **Portsmouth RC** will hold its annual hamfest at the New Boston Community Building.



Some future South 40 Region hamfests to place on your calendar to support and start planning to attend:

August 30—Athens Trunkfest—Athens, OH

September 20—Buffalo 10 Meter Net Hamfest—Belpre, OH

September 20—Jackson County Trunkfest—Jackson, OH

October 11—Vinton County W8VCO Hamfest—McArthur, OH

The picnic shelter on Dairy Lane in Athens was the site for the annual **Athens County ARA** family picnic on Tuesday, June 17. Over 20 members and guests were in attendance to enjoy the various member provided dishes along with ACARA provided burgers and brats. Several other clubs held carry-ins or had food available during their Field Day activations. Although the holiday may have cut the number of attendees, **Scioto Valley ARA** President Jesse Stanley, KD8CHP, reported a good turnout on the 3rd for their annual Portsmouth Ribber social gathering. He reports suggestions are to repeat it later in the year.

Four Southern Ohio individuals have recently received their first amateur radio license. Let's welcome the following into our ranks: Jody Thompson hails from Amelia and is now KF8ENG. Annabelle Tenney calls Dresden home and she is now KF8ENI. Also calling Dresden home is Oliver Seward who now bears the KF8ENH call sign. Washington County's Aaron Freeland from Vincent is KF8ELG.

On Kids Day (June 21) members of the **Cambridge ARA** VE team traveled to Dresden to conduct a VE session for the **Dresden Elementary ARS**. They were pleased with the successful passing of the test by Annabelle Tenney and Oliver Seward who are now KF8ENI and KF8ENH. According to CARA Information Officer Lyn Alfman, N8IMW, each was presented with a new radio to get them on the air and a HF radio will also be made available to them. Great going to the new hams as well as the CARA VE team for going the extra distance to get some more young people licensed.

Word has been received of the passing of Roger Smallwood, N8EKG, of Hamilton. Roger was the President of Operations for R & L Electronics at Hamilton. Roger was well known throughout the area through the business their family started and still operate today. He was very proud that R & L is one of few remaining family owned brick and mortar ham radio stores in existence. Services were July 8 in Hamilton.

Earlier I mentioned the annual "13 Colonies" event is in the final hours and I find myself lacking Rhode Island for the clean sweep. I've heard him, but my 100 watts and Carolina Windom probably could not break the pile ups. However more disturbing is that of the other events I follow this event each year seems to bring out those operators who think rules don't apply to them. For instance when monitoring the official New York station the other day he had such a pileup he started making contacts by call sign district. He called for "stations with 3 in the call" only and a "W5" responded. The operator again called for 3s and no other call district. The W5 came back

and said “but I’m in Maryland”. That just made me shake my head. Later the operator of the Rhode Island activation ran into a very similar situation. Dismissing these self centered individuals still makes it a fun operating activity.

The next **OH-KY-IN ARC** Brunch Bunch will be on Saturday July 12 at the Bridgetown Heights location of Wild Mike’s American Eatery, 7587 Bridgetown Road. They will start gathering at 1 pm. The **Highland ARA**’s Brunch Bunch version will also meet at the Hillsboro Liberty Park Harmony Lake shelter house at 10 AM. The **Bainbridge Area Hams** will meet at 8 AM at the Dutch Restaurant on SR 41 in Bainbridge’s Amish area. On the 19th the **Fayette ARA** will meet at Our Place in Washington CH for their monthly gathering at 10 AM. Also on the 19th the **Lancaster Fairfield County ARA** will have their monthly club breakfast at the Scrambler’s Restaurant in Lancaster starting at 9 AM. Don’t forget the **Vinton County ARA**’s weekly coffee gathering each Sunday morning at the Smoke-n-Beans in McArthur.

The **Bellbrook ARC** will hold its next Lunch Bunch on July 22 at the Cherry House Cafe, 1241 Meadowbridge Drive in Beavercreek. Things get hopping around 11:15 AM.

Although the **Athens County ARA** will not hold business meetings during July and August, most other clubs in the region will proceed with their usual schedules.

The July 4th holiday weekend saw a number of those interested in Parks on the Air activations head to various parks and preserves throughout the region. I happened to run into Mike Mullins, KN4COE, from the **Greater Mason County ARC** activating Ohio’s Caesar Creek State Park (USA 1940) on 40 meters.

Speaking of portable operations, to date I note the majority of State Parks in the South 40 Region do not show anyone planning to activate them during the September Ohio State Parks on the Air. With all the interest in POTA plus the OSPOTA event this event offers a great opportunity to put a lot of contacts in the log, make a lot of park chasers happy and spend some quality time in the great outdoors. So why not dig the map out and look for a park near you, or find one you have never been to, and plan on an activation. And let the world know by listing it on the www.ospota.org Planned Activations page.

The Logan Daily News had a nice July 1 article and photo regarding the **Hocking Valley ARC**’s recent participation in the ARRL Field Day exercise. According to the newspaper and President Bruce Underwood the article told about why Field Day is held. The article may be viewed at www.logandaily.com.



Our Ashland, KY neighbors with the **River Cities ARA** received a visit at their Armco Park Field Day site from the Boyd County Sheriff. Thank goodness Sheriff Jamie Reihns was making a friendly visit as he was wanting to learn more about amateur radio and how it could help his department in the case of a disaster or emergency. Those are the type of law enforcement visits we like. The **Warren County ARC** also had a Field Day visit from the County Sheriff Barry Riley who too was wishing to learn more about ham radio. The Warren County EMA Director was also among the approximate 70 visitors to the site. In Highland County, EMA Director Dave



Bushelman visited the **Highland ARA**'s site.

Is your club or group having a hamfest, test session or another type of activity that is not listed and you are wishing for some publicity? Or you have done something that is rather unique? If so please forward the information to the South 40 and we will be glad to share it with this newsletter's several thousand readers.

Until next time, let's stay safe, happy and radio active. Plus support your local club.

John, W8KIW

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ARLD027 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.

MOZAMBIQUE, C9. A group of operators from the Russian Robinson Club will be QRV as C94RRC from Inhacamba Island, IOTA AF-103, from July 5 to 11. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB, and FT8. QSL via ClubLog.

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, DA. Special event station DL0SOP is QRV until July 31 for the 67th edition of the Sea of Peace Award. QSL via LoTW.

ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON, FP. Eric, KV1J is QRV as FP/KV1J from Miquelon, IOTA NA-032, until July 14. Activity is on the higher bands and 6 meters using primarily SSB and FT8 and FT4, and some CW. This includes being an entry in upcoming contests. QSL to home call.

SWITZERLAND, HB. Eight special event stations will use the HB2025 prefix from various host cities until July 27 during the 2025 UEFA Women's Championship. QSL via LoTW.

HONDURAS, HR. Alex, K6VHF is QRV as K6VHF/HR9 from Roatan Island, IOTA NA-057, until July 10. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, FT8, and FT4. QSL via LoTW.

GRENADA, J3. Eric, GM5RDX and Graham, 2M0IJU will be QRV as J38DX and J38LD, respectively, from July 5 to 13. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters. QSL both calls via M0OXO.

JAN MAYEN, JX. Peter, LB2OG is QRV as JX/LB2OG while on work assignment. Activity is in his spare time and currently on 40 and 20 meters, and possibly other higher bands, using SSB and FT8. His length of stay is unknown. QSL to home call.

WEST KIRIBATI, T30. Members of the Rebel DX Group are QRV as T30TTT from North Tarawa until September 8. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, FT8, and FT4 with up to 10 stations active. QSL via LoTW.

ST. HELENA, ZD7. Tim, N0UI will be QRV as ZD7TIM from July 5 to 13. Activity will be on 40 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, and possibly RTTY. This includes being an entry in the upcoming IARU HF Championship. QSL via LoTW.

Please see July QST, page 77, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest websites for details.

Upcoming Hamfests

We **DO** have hamfests scheduled for 2025!!



Ohio Hamfests

2025

<p>07/19/2025 - <u>NOARSfest</u> Location: Elyria, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society Website: https://www.noars.net/hamfests/noarsfest/ Learn More</p>	<p>07/20/2025 - <u>Van Wert Hamfest</u> Location: Van Wert, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Van Wert Amateur Radio Club Website: http://w8fy.org Learn More</p>
<p>08/02/2025 - <u>Columbus Hamfest</u> Location: Grove City, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Aladdin Shrine Audio Unit Website: http://columbushamfest.com Learn More</p>	<p>08/09/2025 - <u>Cincinnati HamfestSM</u> Location: Owensville, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Milford Amateur Radio Club Website: https://CincinnatiHamfest.org Learn More</p>
<p>08/16/2025 - <u>Portsmouth Radio Club 2025 Hamfest</u> 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 - <u>Warren Hamfest</u> Location: Cortland, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Warren Amateur Radio Association Website: http://w8vtd.com/hamfest Learn More</p>
<p>08/30/2025 - <u>Athens Trunkfest</u> Location: Athens, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Athens County Amateur Radio Association Website: https://www.ac-ara.org/ Learn More</p>	<p>09/07/2025 - <u>Findlay Hamfest</u> Location: Findlay, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Findlay Radio Club Website: http://w8ft.org Learn More</p>
<p>09/13/2025 - <u>Swap Meet / Hamfest</u> Location: Toledo , OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Lucas County ARES Website: http://WWW.LUCASARES.ORG Learn More</p>	<p>09/28/2025 - <u>Cleveland Hamfest</u> 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>10/11/2025 - Williams County ARA Hamfest Location: Montpelier, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Williams County ARA Learn More</p>
<p>11/02/2025 - 2025 MARC Hamfest at MAPS Location: N. Canton, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Massillon ARC Website: http://www.w8np.net 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>

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***



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

Final... Final

It's getting pretty hard to keep up with everything going on this summer! Especially if you're a Ham. It's nice to see all the activities going on that you can participate in. And if you haven't found this one yet, let me introduce you to Ham Radio and Model Rocketry! You've seen in most of my newsletters an article regarding NASA and Space Exploration. I've always had an interest in Space. (After my first quarter in college my parents thought I was going to be an astronaut because they got a letter from the college that said I "mostly take up space" in the classroom.) Last month I read an article in "Q-Fiver" – the official newsletter of the OH-KY-IN Amateur Radio Society - about Radio & Model Rockets. So far, it's an article in two sections, one in the June and the other in the July issue of "Q-Fiver". The article is written by George Gardei – N3VQW. I found it very interesting and I hope you will too! You can find their back issues of "Q-Fiver" at [OH-KY-IN Amateur Radio Society Q-Fiver Newsletter](#) .

ODMR Net Report for June

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705 KD8SCL PATASKALA
706 N8SY LEXINGTON
707 WB8LCD KENT
708 AC8NP TIFFIN

OHIO DMR NET REPORT FOR JUNE

Check-Ins: 243
Net Time: 202
Sessions: 5

73 Gregg - WB8YYS - ODMR NM

I didn't get to as many Field Day sites as I would have liked to this year, but everyone I did visit was exactly what you would hope to see going on at a FD site. All stations were active and on the air! All sites had folks prepared to greet visitors and guide them through the activities going on. I want to "Shout out" to both ATARA (All Things Amateur Radio) of Lancaster, OH and WRARC (Western Reserve Amateur Radio Club) of Mahoning County Ohio. Both clubs had an outstanding public presence, and attracted many visitors. Well done to both of you!

Share the Magic of Radio!

73,
Tom WB8LCD

“Swap & Shop” on the website

Hey Gang,

Have you taken a look at the **Swap & Shop** page on the Ohio Section webpage yet?? Here’s a link that will take you there...

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



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. You might want to list your location so that prospective buyers know where you’re at.

If your club is doing a fund raiser and wants more exposure, please forward the information to me and I’ll advertise it on the Swap & Shop webpage for you. Now, I still want to remind you that it won’t be listed in this newsletter because it would take up way too much space, so your ad will only appear on the website. It is there for any individual to post equipment Wanted / For Sale or Give-Away as well as for Club Fund Raisers. No licensed vehicles/trailers or business advertising will be posted.

Postings are text only (no pictures or graphics) will be posted for a maximum of 1 month from date posting and require a contact phone number or email within the posting. Send your Wanted / For Sale or Give-Away post to: swap@arrl-ohio.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?



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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 to



The Ohio Section Journal (OSJ) is produced as a comprehensive look at all the programs within the Ohio Section. I sincerely hope that you have enjoyed this edition of the OSJ and will encourage your friends to join with you in receiving the latest news and information about the Ohio Section, and from around the world!