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Regular monthly meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM local time at Salem Presbyterian Church (corner Mozart & Higbee) behind the Harrison-Boudinot White Castle, in Westwood-Cheviot. Visitors are ALWAYS welcome!

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(kyoo fye ver) Q: A scale of amateur radio signal readability progressing from 1 (unreadable) to 5 (perfectly readable). "You're Q5" = "Your signal is perfectly readable." (*ARRL Handbook*, 52d ed. 1975)

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From the President...

Hey everybody.

I hope to see you at the upcoming club meeting. Jim Weaver K8JE & Joe Phillips K8QOE will there for ARRL Night. Come out and enjoy a club meeting!

Also, Phil KG8AP and Eric N8YC have agreed to be the Nominating Committee this year. If you are interested in being on the board please let them know. Nominations from the floor will happen at the November meeting.

Wow... Fall already?

See you at the club meeting!

73, *Dale KC8H2S*

Next meeting

The next club meeting of the OH-KY-IN Amateur Radio Society will take place **Tuesday, October 2, 2007** (starting at 7:30 PM) at the Salem Presbyterian Church, located at the corner of Mozart and Higbee in Westwood. The program will be The ARRL, presented by District Director Jim Weaver K8JE and Section Manager Joe Phillips K8QOE.

To get to the meeting from downtown Cincinnati, go north west on Glenway Ave. to Boudinot Ave. (approximately 4 miles; at Walt Sweeney Ford on right). Turn slight right on to Boudinot. After approximately 1 1/2 miles turn left on to Mozart (before the White Castle). The church is on the right. Please enter the building through the doors beneath the front steps.

More info can be found at: <http://www.ohkyin.org>.

Visitors always welcome!

73, *Tom N88A*

Minutes for the General Membership meeting of Oh-Ky-In Amateur Radio Society September 4, 2007

Dale KC8HQS called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. 27 members in attendance.

Guests – KO8MX – welcome back

Upgrades - none

Health and Welfare – Carol WA8YL is getting better – thank goodness.

The brag session heard that Brian K4BRI put up a 7 element tri-band monster – thanks to those who helped.

Meeting program started at 7:38, heard from Jay Slough K4ZLE about using vector network analysis

Break from 8:30 to 8:45

Dale thanked Tom NG8A for running the hospitality table.

A motion was made to accept the printed minutes from July by Jim W8IOA, seconded by John W9JRB – motion passed.

Membership – Nathan KA3MTT not present - we currently have 108 members

Treasurer – Rick KD4PYR not present, reports passed around

Bruce N8BV reported nothing new for the silent key committee.

Technical committee - Brian K4BRI reported that all the repeaters are working. Last meeting at 146.67 and next will be as well – working on filters for audio hum

Equipment managers – Mike KC8YTJ and David KC8YOM not here

Classes – The dates for the fall classes are Sept 27 thru Nov 15, with an exam on Nov 17.

ARDF & Foxhunting – USA champs in Lake Tahoe, nothing new.

Library – Jim KC8PRY was not present.

Tech Talk - please check in, we need questions

Historian – Dale KC8HQS reported that the presidents' plaque has been updated.

Web site - Dale KC8HQS, nothing new for the web site.

Liaison – Pete KC8BZM not here.

Old business –

We have sweepstakes mugs from 2006 – anyone who worked and wants one, see Brian K4BRI.

New business - none.

The random member drawing, currently at \$20, was Tom KI4OZU, who was not present

Split the pot of \$19 was won by John W9JRB.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Gene NU8U- seconded by Jim W8IOA.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted - *Brian K4BRI, Recording Secretary*

New PIC, Severson winner, newsletter winners highlight Section Conference

By Section Manager *Joe Phillips K820E*

An Ohio Section cabinet position changed hands, a Severson award winner was named, three newsletters were honored for excellence in 2007, and everyone had a great time during PIZZA LUNCH.

It all happened at the Ohio Section Conference Saturday September 15 at the Ohio Fire Academy in Reynoldsburg.

Terry Russ N8ATZ, of Massillon, called it a great conference adding that “Section Conference is a good balance of section news, general updates and technical presentations.”

The high point of each Section Conference, sponsored by the Ohio Section of the ARRL, is PIZZA LUNCH which is the social event of the year in our state.

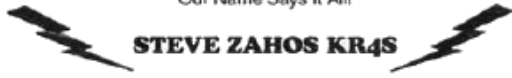
The Ohio Section Conference gives an annual report of ARRL programs in Ohio and is conducted by the Section Manager.

"Do everything. One thing may turn out right." --Humphrey Bogart

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Emily Wells KC8RAL new PIC for Ohio

Public Information Coordinator, Scott Yonally N8SY of Mansfield, has resigned after eight years of service. Scott is now developing youth groups projects for his church and is a candidate for a seat on the Lexington City Council. He said in his resignation letter to SM Phillips that he needed more time for these new projects.

So SM Joe Phillips K8QOE introduced Emily Wells KC8RAL of Warren as the new Ohio PIC. Her term officially begins October 1. Emily is secretary of the Warren Amateur Radio Association and its newsletter editor --awarded third place in the newsletter contest two years ago. She grew up in North Jackson and is an officer in the WARN network in Trumbull County.

"The Ohio Section owes Scott a great note of gratitude -- during his hard working eight years, our Newsletter Contest expanded to recognizing the work of electronic newsletters and the Ohio Section Web Site was developed on his watch," said SM Phillips. "I looking forward to working with Emily as the PIC and our new Newsletter Contest manager."

Bill Carpenter AA8EY newest Severson winner

The 14th member of the Allen Severson AB8P Memorial Award group is William Carpenter AA8EY of Westerville. Bill, who is well known in ham radio's DX community, is former award winning Emergency Coordinator of Franklin County (Columbus). It was his work as EC of Central Ohio ARES that was recognized. His Severson certificate read, "For his ground breaking role in organizing emergency communications in Central Ohio and establishing a model for a county EC position."

Bill, originally from Coshocton, was first licensed in 1962 and served as EC of COARES for eight

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years. In that time, Bill developed the Franklin County structure to the point it worked on more projects in a month than each of the other 87 Ohio counties did in a year. He is currently Assistant Section Manager for central Ohio. Bill holds the #1 DXCC badge which means he has worked all the current DX list of countries. His total is 360 countries which includes the deletes.

The Severson award, granted from time to time to the Ohio ham of the year, is named for the late Allan Severson AB8P (SK) of Lakewood. The award honors the work of Allen with a single sentence which is on every award certificate - 'Allan's devotion to serve Amateur Radio inspired a whole generation of Ohio leadership.'

VOA Club's newsletter is Ohio's best for 2007

HF CHRONICLES, newsletter of the West Chester Amateur Radio Association (Butler County), is the 2007 winner of the 16th annual Ohio Ham Radio Newsletter Contest. It had won second place in a previous contest.

Editor Mike Ashley N8XW was not present to accept the award. He and the Voice of America club were represented by Kenneth Lowrey W8ND.

Second place went to *News Unwired* of the Grant Amateur Radio Club (Brown County). It is edited by Carolyn Donner N8ST of Georgetown. Club president, Gordon Duncan KC8ZJY represented Carolyn in accepting the award. Third place went to *MARC & MARES* of the Marion Amateur Radio Club, Ken Barter WB8YNL, editor. Member Richard Carey KB8OTZ of Marion, accepted the award.

The newsletter contest winners, awarded annually since 1992, was managed by PIC Scott Yonally N8SY, who was unable to be at the Conference this year. The certificates were presented by Section Manager Phillips. Ohio's contest recognizes excellence in newsletters which serve its local members and is organized to encourage all newsletters to improve from year to year.

Other Section Conference highlights

* State Government Liaison, Nick Pittner WB8TMF of West Jefferson, gave a progress report on our efforts to pass an Ohio PRB-1 type bill for the Ohio Revised Code. His report was assisted by Assistant Section Manager Bob Winston W2THU of Cleveland.

* Division Vice Director Gary Johnston KI4LA of Edgewood, Ky, described the September 22 Great Lakes Division Convention in Cleveland.

* Assistant Section Manager Connie Hamilton N8IO of Marietta described Ohio Single Side Band Net traffic handling. She is OSSBN Net Manager. State Traffic Manager John Tipka W8UL assisted.

* Official Observer Coordinator, Rich Swain KK8O of Galion, gave an update on the Section's OO activities.

* Technical Coordinator, Tom Holmes N8ZM of Tipp City, gave the technical portion of the agenda on digital communications basics.

* Section Emergency Coordinator Frank Piper, KI8GW, of Pickerington, introduced the latest updated version of the Ohio Section Emergency Response Plan (OSERP).



* Eighth District QSL Bureau head, Jay Slough K4ZLE of Lebanon, gave an update on the Bureau which is located at the Voice of America radio museum in West Chester

"On the Road Again", premiere show of Cincinnati Sound Chorus (2007 Region 4 chorus champions), Sat Nov 3 at 8 PM, Princeton HS Auditorium. Features Interstate Rivals, 1987 BHS (aka SPEBSQSA) quartet champions, chapter quartets. \$15, seniors & students \$10. Also drawing for \$2000 cash, \$10 donation per chance. Susie N8CGM has tickets for both (see mast page for phone #).

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DX SPOTS FOR OCTOBER

By Nathan Ciuffo, KA3MTT

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Nosy Ise, AF-057 5R8RJ thru 10-26 ----- Burundi, 9U0A Thru 10-9	1 Willis Island, VK9WMI Thru 10-5. QSL via HA7RY	2	3 Liberia, 5L2MS www.liberia2007.com thru 10-24 QSL via buro or PA3AWW	4 Equatorial Guinea 3C7Y thru 10-14 QSL EA5BYP ----- Chatham Islands ZL7/ OC-038 thru 10-18 *	5	6 Papua New Guinea P29 thru 10-9
7	8 South Cook Islands E51NOU Thru 11-3 QSL via N7OU	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 Gambia C52C om0c.com/Gambia thru 10-30 ** ----- Chatham Island ZL7 thru 10-30 ***	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Lord Howe Island VK9JLX thru 10-22 **** ----- Grenada J3/ Thru 10-30 QSL via home call	26 Central Kiribati T31XX Thru 11-4	27 CQWW DX SSB Contest Thru 10-28
28 	29	30	31	* QSL via home call ----- ** QSL via OM2FY ----- *** QSL via Buro or DL2AH - SAE +1 IRC	**** QSL-JJA1XGI or W8XGI	

Contests

October 2007

- 6-7 RSGB 21 & 28 MHz Contest, SSB & CW; Classic Exchange , CW; EU Autumn Sprint, SSB; CA QSO Party , CW & SSB; Oceania DX Contest; VHF Fall Sprints , CW, Phone & Digital; YLRL Anniversary Party , CW; PSK Rumble (The Fall Classic); 10-10 Day Sprint, Phone, CW & Digital
- 10-14 Worked All Britain HF Contest , Phone; VHF Fall Sprints, CW, Phone & Digital, Microwave (902 MHz and higher); Straight Key Sprint; PA QSO Party , CW, Phone, PSK31, RTTY; NA RTTY Sprint; YLRL Anniversary Party , SSB; EU Autumn Sprint , CW; Oceania DX Contest , CW; FISTS Fall Sprint, CW; Bill Windle QSO Party, CW; PRO CW Contest
- 20-21 IL QSO Party , CW & Phone; W & VE Islands QSO Party , CW, SSB & Digital; VHF Fall Sprints , CW, Phone & Digital; QRP ARCI Fall QSO Party , CW; Worked All Germany, CW & SSB; Asia-Pacific Sprint, CW; JARTS WW RTTY Contest
- 27-28 ARRL International EME Contest; *CQ* World Wide DX Contest , SSB; 10-10 International CW & Digital Contest; Straight Key Weekend Sprint

For more info see *QST*, *CQ*, or <http://www.arrl.org/contests/>
73, *Dan K744U*

VE exam opportunities

Wed Oct 3: DIAL ARC at Verity Lodge, Miami University-Middletown, Middletown, OH. Registration begins at 6 PM, must be completed by 7 PM; exams scheduled to start at 6:30. All licence classes, walk-ins OK as space permits. More info from David Williamson KD8W, 513=424-5819, or Carl Morgan K8CM, 513=727-3456. Electronic map and/or NCVFC Form 605 from [k8cm@arrl.net]. Talk-in available on 146.61 (-600), 77Hz PL.

1st Saturday each month: Cincinnati (Hartwell), CRA, at Hartwell Presbyterian Church. Registration 8:30 AM; walk-in only please! All licence classes. Contact: Dale Pritchett KC8HJL, 513=769-0789

2d Monday each month: Kentucky (Edgewood), NKARA, at Turkeyfoot Middle School, 3230 Turkey foot Rd. Registration 6 PM. Follow the signs. Pre-registration preferred, walk-ins accepted. Contact: Lyle Hamilton AB8SH, 513=315-4032. Talk-in 147.255

2d Saturday odd months except July: Hamilton (Butler Co), Butler Co VHF Assn at Joint Vocational School Communications Ctr, 3603 Hamilton-Middletown Rd (Rt 4). Registration 8:30 AM; walk-ins OK. All licence classes. Contact: Ted Wilson K8TCR, 513=868-7012. Talk-in 146.97

See also: Hamfests

In all cases, tests require 2 IDs (preferably one with photo), social security number or Licensee ID number (FRN). Bring with you the original, as well as photocopy of current licence and CSCEs. \$14 is current ARRL/VEC exam fee, exact currency appreciated.

Oh-Ky-In cash raffle tickets will be available for sale and for distribution for others to sell at the October 2 club meeting. Available at R&L Electronics and from N8WRZ, W9JRB, NG8A, W8IOA, KA3MTT, KG8AP, KC8VQU, KC8HQS and N8BV.

Donation: \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5

1st Prize \$200 2nd Prize \$75 3rd Prize \$25

(winner need not be present to be eligible)

Drawing Tuesday, December 4, 2007 at OH-KY-IN Christmas/Pizza Party

TICKET SELLER AWARDS: \$25 R&L Electronics Gift Certificates will go to both the seller of the 1st Prize winning ticket and also to the seller who sells the most tickets!!

For more information: 513=251-1555 or [n8bv@juno.com]

Bruce N8BV also has club hats and t-shirts. See at ohkyin.org. Adjustable hats are \$12, black with light blue logo. Shirts are light blue with black printing; M or Large \$10, Extra Large \$11, 2XLarge \$12, 3X-Large \$13. Call or e-mail if you can't get to a club meeting for yours.

Hamfests &c.

October 2007

- 7 46th Annual Bedford IN Hamfest, sponsored by Hoosier Hills Ham Club. Public 6 AM-2 PM. Lawrence Co Fairgrounds, US 50 W (3 hrs W of Cincinnati – *Ye Ed*). Indoor & outdoor spaces, vendors, VE sessions (registration starts 11 AM, exams at 12 noon), free parking. Breakfast & lunch available. \$8 gate, under 12 free. Talk-in: 146.73 (107.2 Hz). Info: Keith Harris N9KH, 812=275-3415 before 9 PM EST, [n9kh@insightbb.com], www.w9qyq.org/hamfest/
- 14 Crown Point IN, sponsored by Lake Co ARC. 8 AM-1 PM. Lake Co Fairgrounds, Industrial Arts Bldg, 889 S Court St. All indoors. VE sessions. \$5 door. Talk-in 147.0 (131.8 Hz), 146.52. Info: Rich Gilles KA9SVS, 219=662-0594, [paris156@yahoo.com], www.learsradio.com
- 28 47th Annual Massillon OH Hamfest, sponsored by Massillon ARC. Public 8 AM-2 PM. Massillon Boys & Girls Club Complex, 730 W Duncan St SW. All indoors & heated. VE exams 9 AM, auction 10 AM (15% commission charged on all items sold, no computer equipment pls), handicapped accessible, acres of free parking, lunch available on site. \$5 door, under 12 free. Talk-in 147.18 (110.9 Hz). Info: Terry Russ N8ATZ, 330=837-3091, [truss@sss.net] or [info@marcradio.org], www.marcradio.org

I have the following **for sale:**

Heathkit HW-8 w/manual and QRP SWR bridge \$135.00
Heathkit HD-1410 Electronic Keyer w/manual \$35.00
Heathkit SA-1480 Remote Coax Switch \$140.00
Heathkit IM-5228 Vacuum Tube Voltmeter \$35.00
6 meter halo "Saturn 6" manufactured by \$40.00
Hi-Par Products Co., Fitchburg, Ma.

Reasonable offers entertained.

Henry Bussey W870G, [w8tog@arrl.net] or 937=657-0464
(cell phone)



Division Convention had secret success ingredient: It was not just the high officials who made Cleveland 2007 go so well

The success of the 2007 Great Lakes Division Convention last Saturday (Sep 22) in Cleveland was due more to a secret behind-the-scenes manager than the high-powered talent in charge.

And the excellent work of this official was evident to all those more than 150 members and vendors who attended and participated in the day-long event which concluded with an evening banquet

The success of Cleveland 2007 was more than the work of Division Director Jim Weaver K8JE, who organized the event; more than Division Vice-Director Gary Johnston KI4LA, who was general chairman; more than Bob Check W8GC, who was Cleveland chairman; and more than Ohio Section Manager Joe Phillips K8QOE, who was Wouff Hong director.

Even more than the hit of the evening banquet, Main Speaker Joel Harrison W5ZN, the President of the American Radio Relay League.

No, the biggest reason for the success of the Convention was the daily work of **Tina Check W8HBI**, of Independence, OH. For the past several months, Tina, the Convention office manager, operated the Convention office full time:

- * taking ticket reservations.
- * working with vendors
- * developing the schedule with all the convention big wigs
- * addressing daily the literally hundred of details to be attended to in any successful operation this size.
- * filling out all the required forms

It was her work with vendors which received special attention. Many vendors and corporate sponsors commented on the excellent staff work the Cleveland Division convention received. Even while the participants were enjoying the evening banquet at the Sheraton Independence Hotel, Tina was busy filling out over 120 Wouff Hong certificates. The unsung heroine working behind the scenes!

(And besides all that, Tina is a Buckeye Belle! --*Ye Ed*)

Joe Phillips K820E

Ohio Section Manager

WHO: OH-KY-IN Amateur Radio Society

WHAT: **Radio classes -- Beginner through Extra Class**

WHERE: Salem Presbyterian Church in Westwood, west side of Cincinnati

WHEN: Start this Thursday evening, September 27, at 7 PM, continues for 8 weeks on Thursdays

WHY: We need more Hams!!! and Advancement of the hobby!!!

MORE INFO: Call Gary KB8MYC at 513=382-3979 or send email to [classes@ohkyin.org]

EXAM SESSION follows 8 weeks of classes at the same location on Saturday, November 17, 12 noon.

Fall 2007-2008 Ham Radio Class in Middletown

If you missed the start of Oh-Ky-In classes, you have another chance! Beginning October 10, the DIAL RADIO CLUB will offer a seven-week class to prepare a candidate for examination in General Class Amateur Radio operator license. Meeting in Verity Lodge, on the Middletown Campus of Miami University, this class will meet Wednesday evenings, 6-9 PM.

General theory instruction will begin October 10 and conclude November 28 (class will not meet the evening of November 21). An ARRL/VEC examination session will be held at the conclusion of the class on the evening of December 5. (Morse code proficiency is no longer a requirement for any amateur

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radio operator's license).

Although there is no charge for the instructional portion of this class, students should be prepared to purchase a license training manual and supplies (approximately \$20-25) for use in class.

Class enrollment will be limited to twenty students. For registration and/or additional information, please call Carl Morgan K8CM at 513=727-3456.

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Names in the News: **KB2GSB may go to RLTV**

Retirement Living TV is trying to lure America's most trusted man, Walter Cronkite KB2GSB, back to television. This, as RLTV prepares to become a 24-hour-a-day, 7-day-a-week network, and the 89-year-old news icon might be perfect for the fast-growing 55+ demographic that Retirement Living TV serves.

Retirement Living TV President Brad Knight has confirmed that his Columbia MD based network is in talks with Cronkite. One scenario would have the former CBS news anchor presenting a weekly commentary about anything he wants to share.

And if KB2GSB came to RLTV it would make it a kind of a family affair. This is because his son Chip Cronkite is a segment producer on the network's *The Art of Living* program. But it is also possible that Chip would produce whatever projects his father were to do with Retirement Living TV. (NewsGate)

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The following is a closed circuit advisory. Ladies and gentlemen, Amateur Radio Newline Support Fund Administrator, Andy Jarema N6TCQ:

OK, you all know why I am here. It's almost fall and all the bills from summertime have been mounting up. And, as usual, there is really not very much left in the treasury to pay them.

It's always this way. During June, July and August, people are spending more time away from home. You are out camping or at a ball game. Maybe it's a concert or traveling on vacation. We all do it, but most of you also find a local repeater to listen to this weekly newscast no matter where you go.

Now think of this. Our expenses to bring you the news are the same no matter if you are listening on the road, on an HT or from your hamshack at home. Eventually the bills have got to get paid and that time has come.

Now that everyone's back at home and into their fall and winter life schedule, we ask that you take a few moments to send a donation to the Amateur Radio Newline support fund so that we can keep these newscasts coming your way. Making a contribution is only a mouse click away if you have Pay Pal. Just go to www.arnewline.org and click on the button at the top of the page marked "Make Donation." Or you can send in a donation to the Amateur Radio Newline Support Fund, Post Office Box 660937, Arcadia CA, 91066.

Whichever way you choose, the all volunteer crew at the Amateur Radio Newline will be eternally grateful.

Once again that's the Amateur Radio Newline Support Fund, Post Office Box 660937, Arcadia California, 91066. Or by Pay Pal at www.arnewline.org

As always, we thank you.

For the Support Fund, I'm Andy Jarema N6TCQ. *Amateur Radio Newline #1571, Sept 21, 2007*

BTW, Amateur Radio Newline is a 501(c)3 organisation. Ironically, it came in the mail on 9/11/2001.

de *Bill Pasternak WA6TTA*

So please give -- your contributions are tax deductible to the extent the law allows! -- *Ye Ed*

The 7th USA National ARDF Championships & 4th IARU Region 2 ARDF Championships
9/14-16/2007

From September 14 through 16, radio-orientees from around the country and visitors from abroad gathered for the USA and International Amateur Radio Union Region 2 ARDF Championships. This year's sponsors were the Santa Barbara Amateur Radio Club and the Los Angeles Orienteering Club. The site was just outside the village of South Lake Tahoe, in the Sierra Mountains near the border between California and Nevada.

General Chair for these Championships was Marvin Johnston KE6HTS, one of North America's ARDF pioneers. A member of USA's first team to the ARDF World Championships (Hungary, 1998), he has been to this event ever since as a competitor or juror. He won medals in competition at the USA ARDF Championships in 2002, 2003 and 2005. He was organizer of the USA ARDF Championships in 2004. The competition courses for this event were in the same forests where the United States Orienteering Federation held its 2003 national championships of classic orienteering with 350 competitors in attendance. The maps were excellent and the course-setter was Bob Cooley KF6VSE, a winner of medals in both classic and radio-orienteering. South Lake Tahoe is 35 miles from Carson City, Nevada, 64 miles from Reno, Nevada and 117 miles from Sacramento, California.

The championships got under way on Friday with practice and equipment testing sessions, followed by a meeting for orientation and rules review. The two-meter contest took place on Saturday, after which all gathered for a banquet in the evening. Sunday's schedule included the 80-meter contest and final awards ceremony, timed to end in mid-afternoon to accommodate those who had to hurry home.

Event headquarters were at Camp Concord in the El Dorado National Forest, near Mount Tallac. It is fully accredited by the American Camping Association. Most of the competitors ate and slept at the camp, to maximize their opportunities to interact with and learn from fellow ARDF enthusiasts. To provide even more learning opportunities, Bob Cooley led an ARDF training camp nearby on September 12 and 13.

National ARDF Championships are for individuals only. No teaming or assistance on the course is permitted. Participants are divided into five age categories for males and four age categories for females in accordance with standard IARU rules. Medals for first, second and third places were awarded in each category on each band.

Here are the results for Oh-Ky-In competitors:

2-METER COMPETITION (3:00:00 time limit)				80-METER COMPETITION (2:30:00 time limit)			
Name	Foxes	Time	Medal	Name	Foxes	Time	Medal
M40 (Males age 40 and over, 4 required foxes)				M40 (Males age 40 and over, 4 required foxes)			
Matthew Robbins AA9YH	4	1:28:52	USA Silver	Brian DeYoung K4BRI	4	1:45:12	USA Bronze
Brian DeYoung K4BRI	4	1:39:02	USA Bronze	Matthew Robbins AA9YH	4	1:59:50	4th
M50 (Males age 50 and over, 4 required foxes)				M50 (Males age 50 and over, 4 required foxes)			
Bob Frey WA6EZV	4	2:34:21	4th	Bob Frey WA6EZV	4	1:28:48	USA Bronze
M60 (Males age 60 and over, 3 required foxes)				M60 (Males age 60 and over, 3 required foxes)			
Dick Arnett WB4SUV	3	1:25:46	USA Silver	Dick Arnett WB4SUV	3	1:21:23	USA Silver
F19 (Females age 19 and under, 4 required foxes)				F19 (Females age 19 and under, 4 required foxes)			
Emily DeYoung K4MLE	4	2:35:28	USA Gold	Emily DeYoung K4MLE	2	1:20:41	USA Gold

Electronic scoring provided the exact time for each competitor to find each fox. On web page there are links to the split times for each competitor.

Go to article on web page and click [here](#) to see dozens of photos from these championships. Also a legacy page of detailed event information remains on this site, including the daily schedule, competition rules, plus transmitter and map details.

Joe Moell K8OV, USA ARDF Coordinator

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That final item: Close range invisibility possible

Call this one Star Trek come to life. Science Daily reports that a unique computer model designed by a mathematician at the University of Liverpool has shown that it is possible to make objects such as airplanes and submarines appear invisible at close range.

Until now, scientists could only make objects appear invisible from far away. Now, Liverpool mathematician Sébastien Guenneau, together with Dr Frédéric Zolla and Professor André Nicolet from the University of Marseille, using a specially designed computer model called GETDP have proven that objects can also be made to appear invisible from close range when light travels in waves rather than beams.

Scientists have already created an 'invisibility cloak' made out of something called metamaterial. Metamaterial is a creation that has the ability to bend electromagnetic radiation such as visible light, radar or microwaves around a spherical space. This makes an object within this region appear invisible. They also say predict that invisibility will be possible for objects of any shape and size within the next decade. (Science Daily)

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What's coming in October 2007

- Thu, Sep 27 7:00 PM Amateur Radio Classes begin at Salem Presbyterian Church, Mozart & Higbee in Westwood-Cheviot behind the Harrison-Boudinot White Castle
- Tue, Oct 2 7:30 PM Club meeting at Salem Presbyterian Church, Mozart & Higbee in Westwood-Cheviot behind the Harrison-Boudinot White Castle
Program: ARRL Night with Jim Weaver K8JE & Joe Phillips K8QOE
- Wed, Oct 3 9:00 PM Tech Talk, NCS Emily K4MLE, 146.925 until further notice
- Thu, Oct 4 7:00 PM Amateur Radio Classes at Salem Presbyterian Church, Mozart & Higbee in Westwood-Cheviot behind the Harrison-Boudinot White Castle
- Fri, Oct 5 8:00 PM Amateur Radio Public Svc Corps, Hamilton Co Communications
Ofc Conference Rm, 2377 Civic Ctr Dr – park in Bd of Educ lot
- Tue, Oct 9 7:30 PM Technical Committee meeting, location TBA
- Wed, Oct 10 9:00 PM Tech Talk, NCS Dale KC8HQS, 146.925 until further notice
- Thu, Oct 11 7:00 PM Amateur Radio Classes at Salem Presbyterian Church, Mozart & Higbee in Westwood-Cheviot behind the Harrison-Boudinot White Castle
- Sat, Oct 13 10:00 AM Oh-Ky-In monthly fox hunt, hounds start from Mt Storm Park
(talk-in to start on 146.67)
- Wed, Oct 17 9:00 PM Tech Talk, **NCS needed!** 146.925, Dennis KB8ROA unavailable
- Thu, Oct 18 7:00 PM Amateur Radio Classes at Salem Presbyterian Church, Mozart & Higbee in Westwood-Cheviot behind the Harrison-Boudinot White Castle
- Wed, Oct 24 9:00 PM Tech Talk, NCS Brian K4BRI, 146.925 until further notice
Also United Nations Day
- Sun, Oct 28 Daylight Savings Time ends, set clocks back
- Wed, Oct 31 9:00 PM Tech Talk, NCS Rick KD4PYR, 146.925 until further notice

News of members and students in recent classes

Our sincere condolences to Earl Carpenter KA8QLI, whose wife Flora died August 27. Earl's first wife Barb KA8QLH died in 1989.

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Update on Carol WA8YL

It has been a little while since I gave an update on Mom, but some of you have been in contact with us recently, so this might be old news.

A week ago (this dated Sep 16), Mom moved from B-North to Drake Hospital and she wasn't there for very long. Drake realized that she needed more care than they could offer and we decided to transport her to Middletown ICU on Wednesday because B-North didn't have any beds available. During transport, Mom's blood pressure became erratic and the drivers decided to take her to the nearest ER and that was University Hospital. She was stabilized and was admitted to their ICU and has been there ever since. Mel and I are very happy with the care that she is receiving and Mom is showing improvement daily. Keep in mind that she is still very sick, but for the first time in a few weeks, I am hopeful that she will pull through this.

They found that Mom was suffering from two types of Pneumonia bacteria and once properly identified, they are treating her with the specific antibiotics. She is now stable, but they found it necessary to re-intubate (insert ventilator tube) her to ensure that she was receiving full breaths of oxygen in order to get better. They are looking at extubating (taking it out) in the next few days and are trying to wean her off of the machine by lowering the settings. She was off of it completely for about 6 hours today. This is much quicker than they thought that it would take.

We are cautiously optimistic and are fully aware that she still has no kidney function and is now on continuous dialysis and has a weak heart, but she is showing some positive signs of recovery and we are clinging to that. Our goal is to get Mom to where she can (survive and) lead a decent quality of life. Just a sanity check in case any of you think that we are crazy (including myself) and may be putting Mom through a big ordeal to save her life... I had a chance to talk with Mom late last week and we are doing exactly what her wishes are, which is a sigh of relief for us. We have made a lot of tough decisions on her behalf in the past few weeks when she was unable and it is good to know that she would have made the same decisions for herself.

We are very impressed with the staff at University Hospital and have found them to be significantly better than any other hospital that we have experienced. At other hospitals, I felt like I had to be the communicator amongst doctors and lead the strategy for her care, but at University I am only a spectator and I am thankful for that. They have an aggressive treatment plan and they are executing against the plan. I hope that you continue to keep her in your prayers.

73, John Hugentober W8CSK

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(know it's early, but I was late this time!)

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