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Regular monthly meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM local time at the St. Bernard Recreation Hall, 120 Washington Ave. (corner Washington & Tower Aves) in St. Bernard, just east of Vine St. Please come in the doors at street level, facing the high school. Visitors ALWAYS welcome!

#### For membership information, please contact

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The Q-FIVER is **now** mailed and e-mailed, it's hoped, **7 days before the club meeting**. Normal copy deadline is the weekend before that. Please send submissions for *The Q-FIVER* (including notice of upgrades & call sign changes) to **Ye Ed** Susie N8CGM. These may be:

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## THE Q-FIVER

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from www.arrl.org of course!

#### Dayton in the rearview, Field Day straight ahead!

As I sit and write this, it's a beautiful Memorial Day weekend. The weather could not be better. As we think about the meaning of the holiday, let's take a moment to thank **all** of our veterans. We have a large number of our members who have served our country. Because of you, we enjoy our freedoms.

Dayton 2013 is now history. It was good to see a great number of members there. A big thanks to Harry Davis W8LOJ for securing a flea market space for the club. This is something we have not done in several years. It was great to have a spot to sell a few things and just sit for a while. Thanks to all who help by hauling equipment and staffing the booth.

Our next event is Field Day. I know there will be plenty of details both here and at the next meeting, so I won't waste space here. All I can say is come on out and join us; great food, friends and radio.

We have an important event coming up in August. We're invited back to the Cincinnati Museum Center to participate in their 1940s weekend. If you have any equipment of that vintage we need your help. Please send me an email. We will send out more information in the near future.

In closing, please remember: our repeaters are among the best in the region, USE THEM!!! Hope to talk with you soon.

73, Gazy KB8MYC

Please visit our fundraising link to Café Press for club apparel, see mast page at left or previous page!

#### **Next meeting**

June is FIELD DAY month, so the topic of our meeting, oddly enough, is Field Day. Field Day Manager Eric N8YC will hold an organizational meeting before the general meeting at 6PM. If you miss this planning meeting, we'll discuss some of those topics at the general meeting. And in case you can't attend the club Field Day effort, we'll discuss how you can participate in Field Day from your home QTH.

OH-KY-IN meets at the St. Bernard Municipal Building (Rec. Hall) at 120 Washington Ave. in St. Bernard (corner of Washington & Tower), on the first Tuesday of every month at 7:30pm. Go in through the doors that face the high school on Washington. For more information, click <u>HERE</u>.

Visitors are ALWAYS welcome! WE'LL SEE YOU THERE!

73, Russ WB82CC

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#### Minutes of Members' Meeting Tuesday, May 7, 2013

The President called the meeting to order at 7:37 PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. One visitor was in attendance.

There were no new licenses or license upgrades. Attendees gave self introductions.

Health and Welfare: Ev Giglio KC8JR passed away and his funeral was earlier this day. He was remembered for his many contributions to OHKYIN.

During the Brag Session, it was reported that one of the Scouts in the Troop with which Jerry Shipp W1SCR is working had built, from scratch, a working AM crystal set radio, using old plans. A question was asked about Wouxun HTs imported from China. Several provided their experiences with these HTs.

The program was presented by Dave Nutini, an Emergency Response Planner for the Hamilton County Health Department. The program was well received and there were a number of good questions at its end. A handout of the power point presentation was handed out to all attendees.

There was a break in the meeting from 8:35 PM to 8:46 PM.

Minutes of the April Meeting: Corrections were made: Red, White and Blue Ash is on July 4 and the UHF repeater operated by QCEN is on 442.70 MHz. The secretary's name should have been on the *Q-Fiver* printing of the Minutes. It was moved and seconded to approve the Minutes as corrected. The motion passed. Membership is at 94 paid members.

The Treasurer presented the April Treasurer's Report. Nothing was out of the ordinary. It was announced that henceforth, split-the-pot will continue, and that the club's proceeds will be directed equally between the Repeater Fund and the Christmas Fund (to pay for prizes awarded at the December club meeting).

The members were provided with four options for the attendance prize proceeds. Option 1 - leave as is, \$5 per month, cumulating month by month when the honored attendee is not in attendance. Option 2 - a \$20 amount to the honored attendee, the balance to the club treasury. Option 3 - do away with the award entirely. Option 4 - do away with the award and put \$5 into the Repeater Fund each month. By show of hands, Option 4 received a significant majority of votes.

Silent Key: Reference was made to the announcement about Ev KC8JR (SK) made at the beginning of the meeting. Technical Committee: The 146.670 repeater was used with success for the Flying Pig Marathon events. The repeater performed very well.

Five weeks ago, a letter was sent to OARC concerning the UHF repeater. A letter was received referring to the old frequecy. The Trustee has the letter. The repeater will be place on the air: 448.7625 transmit and 443.7625 receive. Education: Classes began last week. There were 4 for the Tech Class (with more expected) and 6 for the General Class. VEs are needed for the exams the first Saturday in June.

Fox Hunt: Brian K4BRI won the April fox hunt. There were some tag alongs. The May hunt will be on May 11 at 10 AM, beginning in Mt. Storm Park. There is room and some equipment for people to try out fox hunting. Tech Talk Net: K4BRI will be net control Wednesday May 9.

Education addendum: Robert Gulley AK3Q is heading up the classes this spring and doing a "bang up" job. He wants to start a new net to provide help for beginners and others, beginning Sunday June 7 at 7 PM, and on Sunday evenings thereafter.

Web Site: It is still up and running.

QCEN: The 2 meter repeater is back on the air. A weekly net is Tuesdays at 9 PM. They were busy in the last month: preparing a booth at Hamvention, a drill in Warren County, and many members in the Flying Pig communications.

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Old Business: Brunch Bunch will be at Chili Time in St. Bernard at 1 PM, followed by setting up a station in the Vine Street Park for the St. Bernard Block Party.

Dale KC8HQS made it to the event in Hamilton, as did 4 or 5 other club members. The movie can be found on UTube at TV Hamilton.

New Business: The Club has reserved 4 spaces at Hamvention (3125, 3126, 3127 and 3128). You can sell equipment there; the Club expects a 10% cut of sale proceeds. Hamvention attendees can contact each other on 146.670 simplex. If you have difficulty using PayPal on the website, Russ can demonstrate it for you.

The Cincinnati Museum Center is having a 1940s Days event August 10 and 11. We can set up and demonstrate equipment from the 1940s. Lunch for us will be free. They may give us 2 free tickets.

A D-Star repeater is being built and will be donated to the club when it is up and running. Volunteers are needed for Paddlefest on June 22.

Split the Pot was \$38.50 to Paul Jordan KD8JDF. A door prize went to KD8PTU, a small power supply. The meeting adjourned. Respectfully submitted, Fred Schneider K9OHE Secretary



Club location in Vine Street Park at May 11 St Bernard Community Day Block Party

Front: (backs turned, operating) Lynn WD8JAW, Brian KC8FJN. Back: Bob WD8TPU, Jerry W1SCR, Cindy KB8WEI, Bruce N8BV. Photo by Ted NC8V.





May **Brunch Bunch** was at Chili Time on Vine St in St Bernard, just south of the city complex where the club meets and Vine Street Park, where the club location for the May 11 Block Party was. Waitress took all 4 photos it took to show all present.

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You're invited to join us at the next **Brunch Bunch** which will be held Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup> in Western Hills. This month we'll be at TGIFriday's located at 6330 Glenway Avenue. Friday's is next to the Glenway Avenue entrance to Home Depot. As usual, we meet at 1PM.

For a look at the menu as well as a map showing the location, go to: www.tgifridays.com Looking ahead to July, we'll meet at the Cabana on the River, located in Sayler Park.

The Brunch Bunch is always held the second Saturday of each month at 1pm and we always look forward to seeing you. Why not come out and join us this month at TGI Friday's?

73, ..... Bruce N8BV



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# Radio's Plus Joe Davidson KB8SBN 11641 Colthar Drive Bethel OH 45106-9669 513=752-9570

Brad WD9HDZ still sings, Bob W8JSO has retired from chorus. That's **67<sup>th</sup> Annual** left--

**DX Spots** come from *ARLD020 & 021 DX News* this time, Nathan KA3MTT wasn't able to submit one for truly valid reasons.

**E7 Bosnia-Herzegovina**: Special event station **E720SRRS** QRV til end of 2013 to celebrate 20 years of Savez Radio-amatera Republike Srpske. OSL via bureau.

VP5 Turks&Caicos Islands: Dave W5CW QRV

as VP5/W5CW from Caicos Island until. June 11, activity on 160 to 6 meters on CW & SSB. QSL to home call.

**VP8 Falkland Islands**: Andy M0HLT QRV as **VP8DOH** while on work assignment for next 2 years, to be active on higher bands on SSB in spare time. QSL via operator instructions.

**OL Czech Republic:** Special event station **OL2013DIG** QRV until June 6 during intl DIG meeting. QSL via OK1AR.

**SV Greece**: Laci HA0HQW QRV as **SW8WW** from Thassos Island IOTA NA-145 until June 5. Activity on all HF bands & 6 meters using CW, SSB & RTTY. QSL to home call.

**VE Canada**: Ron VA3RVK QRV as **XL3T** until June 23 to commemorate Canadian Arctic Expedition 1913-16. OSL via VE3AT.

**Operations approved for DXCC credit**: Ghana 9G5EMR, 20123 operation; Cocos Island TI9CCC, Feb 15-28 1984; North Cook Island E51WL.

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#### Contests

- 1-2 10-10 Open Season, digital; SEANET Contest, all modes; IARU Region I Field Day, CW; AL QSO Party; Maritime QSO Party, SSB & CW; DLZ Open 20 meter Contest, CW; Digifest; Six Meter World Wide Club Contest, all modes; UKSMG Sporadic E contest, all modes
- 3 OK1WC Memorial Contest, SSB & CW
- 4 ARS Spartan Sprint, CW
- 7-8 NS weekly Sprint, CW & Digital; ARRL June VHF Contest; GACW WWSA CW DX Contest; Portugal Day, SSB & CW; DRCG Long Distance Contest, Digital; WFF Green Days, all modes; Australian Shires Contest, SSB & CW; REF DDSM 6m Contest, SSB & CW; Asia-Pacific Sprint, SSB
- 12 NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint, CW; CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test, CW!
- 15-16 Kids' Day; All-Asian DX Contest, CW; SMIRK QSO Party; WAB 50 MHz Phone Contest; WV QSO Party; Feld-Hell Field Day Sprint; Stew Perry Warmup Contest; QRP ARCI QRP Shootout, SSB & CW; WW EME Contest
- 17 Run for the Bacon, CW
- 20 NAQCC Milliwatt Sprint, Digital; SARL Top Band QSO Party
- 22-23 \*\*\*\*\*\* **ARRL Field Day**\*\*\*\*\*\*; His Majesty, the King of Spain, Contest, Phone; Marconi Memorial HF Contest

29 WW EME contest; Full Day of Hell, digital

See you at Field Day. I'll be in the CW tent. Go OH-KY-IN! For more information see *QST*, *CQ*, or <u>www.arrl.org</u> 73, *Dan K74AV* 

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**Logbook of The World Reaches 500 Million QSOs!** this on May 21. pls see *ARRL Ltr* 5-23-13 for details Release of TOSL 1.14 for LoTW Delayed

Last week, the ARRL <u>announced</u> that the introduction of the new TQSL 1.14 software for Logbook of The World (<u>LoTW</u>) would be available on May 20. Upon further testing, three defects -- now corrected -- were reported

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after that announcement. Before publicly releasing a corrected version of TQSL 1.14, the software must be thoroughly retested by the Trusted QSL Software Development Team. LoTW users should expect a public release of TQSL 1.14 by the end of the month. *ARRL Ltr* 5-23-13

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#### Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting, Tuesday, April 23, 2013

The Meeting was called to order by the President at 7:03 PM in the basement of the St. Bernard, Ohio, City Building. The Minutes of the March meeting were corrected - the LCD projector cost \$349.99. It was moved and seconded to approve the Minutes as corrected. The motion passed.

The Treasurer presented the Preliminary April Treasurer's Report.

The Technical Committee Chair had sent a letter to OARC regarding frequencies for the proposed UHF repeater. There was no Technical Committee meeting in April. There was some progress on getting approval to move the 146.925 MHz repeater to a new site, yet there remain some issues to be resolved.

There were 5 students signed on for the General Class classes and 4 students expected for the Technician Class classes, both to be held in May.

Programs: In May there will be a presentation on the County Health Department's radio communication needs. (We are to staff the St. Bernard emergency site.) June will be the annual Field Day program. Tentatively, there will be an antenna building project on Saturday afternoon of Field Day.

Old Business:

Brunch Bunch will be on May 11, followed by setting up a station in Vine Street Park, St. Bernard, for demonstration purposes for the neighborhood block party that day.

As of the time of the meeting, there had been no response from the Red, White and Blue Ash program on July 4. There was discussion of web site buttons for ARRL memberships on the Club's web site, including alternate methods to encourage members to join the ARRL or renew memberships through the club. Use of the web site was preferred. New Business:

Use of proceeds of the split-the-pot ticket purchases was raised. After discussion, it was decided that \$50 should be kept in the box; beyond that, 50% of the monthly proceeds should go to the Repeater Fund and the other 50% of the proceeds should go to the Christmas Fund to pay for things awarded as prizes at the annual December meetings. The membership will be asked how to handle the monthly attendance prize. The President was given several options to present.

The President announced that Robert Gulley AK3Q would lead the club's participation in the Cincinnati Museum Center's 1940s program on August 10 and 11.

The meeting adjourned at 8:01 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Fred Schneider K90HE Secretary

**Last Man Standing** - **Mandy getting licensed** in *ARRL prDgstV28Is20* 5-24-13, shared on reflector by N8BV For those who worried that Mandy in *Last Man Standing* operated without a license last season - well, looks like she enjoyed it so much that she is getting licensed! So we'll have the fun of a young, female ham on national television. It makes my day!

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Allen wlagp
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From: John Amodeo NN6JA jamodeo@sbcglobal.net, sent 5-21-13

A few people in Dayton got a surprise-- 1000 preview copies of Mandy Baxter's QSL card were given out

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in various locations on the Hamvention floor. KF0XIE will emerge as Mandy's call sign in a future episode of *Last Man Standing* which has been renewed for 22 episodes next season. (Now airs at 8PM EDT Fridays on ABC stations – **Ye Ed**) The card was designed by *LMS* Staffer Billy KJ6RVA with creative assistance from ARRL staffer S. Khrystyne Keane K1SFA. The cards will not be available to the public until the show goes back into production sometime in September.

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#### Ohio Section News for May 21, 2013

too long for all to go in printed as always, pls visit <a href="http://www.arrl-ohio.org">http://www.arrl-ohio.org</a> for complete sending In this issue:

Scott Hixon KC8ITN Appointed ASM for Scouting Ohio Section Emergency Coordinator's Notes

Notes from Section Traffic Manager (not all printed) Educational Outreach Notes

Affiliated Club News

Public Information Coordinator Notes – 2013 Ohio Section Newsletter Contest

News from Technical Coordinator (not printed)

Out & About in Southeast Ohio

Special Event Stations in Ohio Ohio Hamfest Calendar replaced by *Hamfests &c* 

From Desk of Section Manager

#### Scott Hixon KC8ITN Appointed ASM for Scouting

Please welcome Scott Hixon KC8ITN of Stoutsville OH as Assistant Section Manager (ASM), Scouting. Scott will be working with ASM Anthony Luscre K8ZT & Affiliated Club Coordinator E. Mike McCardel KC8YLD for the newly formed Educational & Youth Outreach program for the ARRL Ohio Section.

Scott is a licensed Amateur Radio operator with 15 years of experience, is a lifelong resident of Pickaway County. Scott is a member of large family of Amateur Radio operators, including his Wife & two out of three of his children (his youngest is soon to test for his ticket). Two Uncles, a Brother, Sister, & Brother-In-Law are all licensed as well. Scott is currently ARES District Emergency Coordinator for Ohio ARES District 7 (Central Ohio). Previously he held the position of Emergency Coordinator for Pickaway County. Scott's promotion to ASM will leave an opening for a DEC for District 7. SEC Matt Welch will have more on this opening at a later date.

Scott's Amateur Radio operating interests over the years include phone, CW, traffic handling, emergency communications, ARES, ATV & the promotion of Amateur Radio to the public.

Scott is involved in Scouting, starting when his two sons started in Cub Scouts 8 years ago. His Scouting positions include Wolf Den leader, Bear Den Leader, Webelo Den Leader, & Boy Scout Troop Committee Chair for his local Troop.

Scott's promotion of Amateur Radio is primarily through the Boy Scouts. Over the years Scott has worked with local ARES groups to participate in the annual Jamboree-on-the-Air (JOTA) operating activity.

Scott has many connections within the Ohio Boy Scouts organization, which will allow him to network with Troops & Councils within the Ohio Section.

Please join me in welcoming Scott to his new position.

73, Frank J. Piper K98GW ARRL Section Manager - Ohio ki8gw@arrl.org

#### **Ohio Section Emergency Coordinator's Notes**

Greetings & salutations from the Northeast corner of the Buckeye State. This month, I focus on an often forgotten, yet critical, part of public service. I hope I have your attention because these next few para-graphs will explain what I mean.

I've said it many times & continue to proclaim, Preparedness Leads to Readiness (PL2R). We could have the best transceivers, antennas, & coax money could buy. We could have a countless number of communications

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trailers, power generators, batteries, & solar panels at our disposal. Let's say we now have an arsenal of communications. **Some**one has to maintain its state of readiness.

What happens without preventative maintenance? What happens if broken parts are not repaired or replaced? It's logical to assume the equipment becomes unusable & no good to our communities, served agencies, or our volunteers. Tracking with me so far? Here is what I'm getting to...

One of the things I have seen over the years is volunteers have a tendency to put themselves last. That in itself is not bad. Quite frankly, I put myself last all the time. But this concern can turn out to be a problem with one's health. Poor eating habits & poor sleeping habits can have serious effects on the human body. Your thinking or reasoning can be impaired which could lead to poor judgment. Forgetting to take your medication can also be of serious consequence. Look, I understand that in the heat of the moment you may not have time to eat something or grab a bottle of water. Or things are happening so fast that you forget about lunch. Sometimes stress is so high that you think about everything but yourself. It happens.

So here are some things you can do...

- 1) Amateur radio team leaders should try to incorporate scheduled breaks or a time for volunteers to eat lunch.
- 2) Volunteers should take the opportunity given for a break. Meaning, if a break is offered, do not refuse. You're given free time to recuperate. Take advantage of it.
- 3) If there are enough volunteers, double them up at assignments. Meaning, place more than one volunteer at an assignment. This way one can get a break & switch if need be.
- 4) Another alternative to doubling up volunteers is to send a rover or SAG vehicle to temporarily cover that station while the volunteer takes her/his break.
- 5) Volunteers should not be afraid to ask for a legitimate break. Breaks should not be abused. Malingering will not be tolerated!

Keep in mind each event or incident is different. While efforts should be made to allow breaks, don't be shocked if at some point you may not be afforded a break.

With the hot summer months coming, volunteers should be aware of a medical condition called hyper-thermia. According to Wikipedia, *Hyperthermia is elevated body temperature due to failed thermoregulation that occurs when a body produces or absorbs more heat than it dissipates. Extreme temperature elevation then becomes a medical emergency requiring immediate treatment to prevent disability or death.* Here are the common signs & symptoms of hyperthermia:

Hot, dry, skin is typical as blood vessels dilate in an attempt to increase heat loss. An inability to cool the body through perspiration may cause the skin to feel dry. Other signs & symptoms vary.

Accompanying dehydration can produce nausea, vomiting, headaches, & low blood pressure; the latter can lead to fainting or dizziness, especially if the standing position is assumed quickly. In severe heat stroke, there may be confused, hostile, or seemingly intoxicated behavior. Heart rate and respiration rate will increase (tachycardia & tachypnea) as blood pressure drops & the heart attempts to maintain adequate circulation. The decrease in blood pressure can then cause blood vessels to contract reflexly, resulting in a pale or bluish skin color in advanced cases. Young children, in particular, may have seizures. Eventually, organ failure, unconsciousness & death will result. Let me see if I can put all this together. Our equipment requires routine preventative maintenance. Routine check-ups & tests will help maintain its state of readiness. Maintaining our equipment will maximize its life & usefulness. Human beings need preventative maintenance too. Taking good care of ourselves will prolong our life, our usefulness, & help maintain our state of readiness.

That's all from me this month, ladies & gentlemen. As always, I thank you for everything you do for Amateur Radio. 73, Matthew Welch W8DEC Ohio Section Emergency Coordinator w8dec@arrl.net
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#### **Notes from Section Traffic Manager**

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Traffic Net of the Month

In an effort to support the local VHF nets I'd like to feature a different net each month. I'll first pick on the COTN net as it is my local VHF net & the one that I'm most familiar with. Let me know the particulars of your net if you'd like to be included in this new feature.

>From the Central Ohio Traffic Net website www.cotn.us:

During emergencies/disasters (local or otherwise), the Central Ohio Traffic Net (COTN) is intended to help fulfill 97.1 (a). COTN is a local net of the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) National Traffic System (NTS) & specializes in handling 3rd-party radiogram traffic into, out of, & throughout central Ohio, including the counties of Delaware, Fairfield, Franklin, Licking, Madison, Pickaway, Union, & others. COTN is part of the ARRL Ohio Section field organization.

Cooperation with other services: As a National Traffic System net, COTN is organized & intended to assist the ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) county organizations in central Ohio who in turn work closely with & serve emergency and relief agencies, *e.g.* Emergency Management Agency, public safety agencies, American Red Cross, etc. Most COTN stations are also ARES stations.

COTN regularly assists MARS (U.S. Military Affiliated Radio System), particularly to initiate delivery of traffic from overseas military personnel.

COTN has maintained daily 7:15 PM operation since 1985 (year of net formation). Currently on the Central Ohio Radio Club 146.97MHz PL123.0 repeater system located in & surrounding Columbus, Ohio. The emergency back-up frequencies for COTN are 146.76 MHz PL123.0, 147.33 MHz PL123.0, & SIMPLEX 147.510 or other repeaters out of an array of options.

COTN participates annually in the ARRL nation-wide Simulated Emergency Test (SET), held in October of each year. In recent years, COTN has been the local NTS net national scoring leader in this test.

The net welcomes all newcomers. Written training materials are available to amateurs who are new to traffic handling. Check out the Central Ohio Traffic Net website at <a href="https://www.cotn.us">www.cotn.us</a>: We're a training net of the National Traffic System. All licensed amateurs are welcome to check-in.

# 73, David Maynazd WA3E2N Ohio Section Traffic Manager wa3ezn@arrl.net Educational Outreach Notes

I'm very excited to begin serving in my new position. Thanks to those who emailed me with congratulations! It was also great to meet many of you at the Dayton Hamvention last week.

As summer begins, most school activity begins to wind down but I'm gearing up & could use your assistance:

- 1. If you are a teacher, administrator or other educator; please consider joining my new Edmodo group *Radio Technology in the Classroom*. Edmodo is a free online education website that allows teachers &/or students to collaborate & share resources. If you already have an account log in, then join using the Group Code- 6djb6r. If you don't already have an account, you can signup for a free account at www.edmodo.com.
- 2. If you know a teacher who's a ham (or isn't a ham but interested in using resources of Amateur Radio in the classroom), please pass this information on to them.
- 3. If you or your club are interested in more information or would like assistance in working with your local schools, please email me at mo luscre@mogadore.net or k8zt@arrl.net
- 4. If you know of a school radio club or a teacher already using amateur radio in the classroom, I've started developing a contact list so please email me with their information.
- 73, Anthony Luscze K827 Assistant Section Manager Educational Outreach k8zt@arrl.net

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#### Affiliated Club News

The Ohio ARRL welcomes our newest Affiliated Club, the Hamilton Amateur Radio Club. Welcome aboard HARC! Hamvention 2013 is history. I am sunburnt, exhausted, broke & have a huge smile on my face! What a trip! It's been my custom to point out what clubs around Ohio are doing each month. Please don't feel slighted; I'll continue this in the future. I am lagged from Hamvention & past deadline, so choose to highlight only one club's activity this month and deservingly so.

I haven't mentioned the Dayton ARA much in past newsletters. They aren't a group that toots their own horn. They quietly work in the background to the benefit of hams everywhere. ARRL Ohio appreciates all DARA does! I made sure that I joined during past weekend (only \$10 a year) & plan to visit every once in a while.

I want to thank Dayton ARA for sponsoring such an unbelievable event as Hamvention. Only a club as large as DARA (900 members & counting) can pull this off. But this isn't the only thing DARA does. They just added 4000 square feet to their clubhouse which will be dedicated to training, learning & education. Not all of these events will be confined to the local clubhouse. I have been told that they plan to stream & record their sessions for anyone to enjoy. DARA also funds the ARRL's Teachers Institute classes. They sponsor scholarships for young hams & honor hams for the fine work they do.

Thank you DARA!

A highlight of Hamvention is the ARRL Forum. It's good to be able to get up close & personal with the Ohio Cabinet members as well as the Great Lakes Directors, but it is really cool to hear from & talk one on one to the likes of Kay Craigie N3KN & Dave Sumner K1ZZ. Both of their talks were informative & inspiring. However I was most inspired by the words of First Vice President Richard Roderick K5UR. He is a great spokesman. Richard laid out 5 challenges for the ARRL membership.

- 1. If you haven't been attending, "Get ye to a club meeting." If you attend regularly, bring a friend. Involvement is what keeps us invigorated.
- 2. Help a fellow ham. Many of us end up on the sideline because we just can't fix that downed antenna ourselves, can't afford to replace old broken equipment or don't have transportation. Reach out to hams who are aging or down on their means; they have a lot to add to the hobby, are wonderful resources for knowledge & have the best stories ever!
- 3. (a) Help someone get her/his license. Part of evangelization is showing the way. There are a lot of people out there who have an interest but don't know how to get started or believe, mistakenly, that ham radio is dead. Think in terms of non-ham alliances. People who do similar things but don't have a ham license. Astronomers, Radio Control hobbyists, model train hobbyists, shortwave radio enthusiasts, scientists
- (especially college physics and engineering students), Space & Satellite enthusiasts. The list goes on. Of special note are people known as MAKERS look up Makers Movement or Makers Culture. These are do-it-yourselfers who build all sorts of things including, robots, kites, electronic devices of all kinds; they do balloon launches & play with 3D printers, arduinos & raspberry pis. They are the new tinkers, the new geeks. *Maker* magazine has subscription of over 5million. There are a lot of potential hams right there!
- 3. (b) Youth. Do you spend time introducing your children or grandkids to ham radio? Have you demon-strated the cool world of amateur radio to your school? Have you read a radio related book to your kids -

Look up *Radio Rescue* or *Blackbird* or *Mouse Code*. Also remember that most 40-50 year olds (young, on average, for people in our hobby) have kids & this is a great family oriented hobby. The rest of us have grandkids & nothing is as cool in their eyes as us.

Let them talk, let them play with your key, let them "text" on your packet radio. Build something with The QFivez, OhKyIn ARS, June 2013 page 10

them. Introduce them to your hobby. Work (play) with them & help them learn what they need to take the test. (They don't even have to know that that is what you are doing.) Then when they are ready, take them to a hamfest, have them take the exam & buy them (or give them) a radio when they pass.

- 4. Get a non ARRL member to join, even if you might have to pay the first year for them. \$39 a year isn't a bad price for a birthday present or Christmas present for a good friend who isn't a member. Also remember that you can include members in your household for only \$8 a year.
- 5. ARRL is initiating the Second Century Campaign to drive up their endowment by raising \$10 million. Our dues cover the cost of doing business. Everything else is paid for out of the endowment & other donations. A little over 24% of the 700,000 hams in the US are members of the ARRL. That's over 162,000, but I think we all should be members! Remember that the ARRL is the members. Speak up & participate. One person at the forum announced that we could meet the goal by each member donating \$64.50 above membership. Please chip in where you can. The ARRL is the ONLY entity actively fighting for our bandwidth. Until next month, get out of meeting mode!
- 73, E. Mike McCardel KC8YLD Ohio Section Affiliated Club Coordinator kc8yld@arrl.net

#### **Public Information Coordinator Notes – 2013 Ohio Section Newsletter Contest**

Well, the 2013 edition of Dayton Hamvention is in the can. I must say I had a really great time. I talked to a lot of friendly & dedicated people. This year I worked in 2 areas: first, the Ohio Section area, & as the new-est member of the ARRL Public Relations Committee, I spent time talking to PIOs from other areas of our country in the ARRL Public Relations area. One thing I am sure of, as Ohio PIOs you should be really proud of the work you all do in getting coverage for Amateur Radio. The newsletters you create are top of the line.

Speaking of Newsletters... It's time again for the Annual ARRL Ohio Section Amateur (Ham) Radio Newsletter Contest. This contest has become very popular & there have been obvious improvements to the newsletters over the years. This was the objective of then Ohio Section Public Information Coordinator (Joe Phillips K8QOE SK) when he created it back in 1992.

The first place winner of this year's contest will be submitted to the Great Lakes Convention Newsletter Contest, to represent the Ohio Section.

Now, the official rules:

- A.) An eligible newsletter must be regularly published at least four (4) times per year by an Ohio Amateur Radio organization. *The Ohio Section Journal* & the newsletter for any club that the current PIC is affiliated with are not eligible.
- B.) Each organization submitting a newsletter for the contest must enter at least two (2) issues starting with September 2012 for judging.
- All Amateur organizations that regularly send newsletters to the Ohio PIC (Jack Sovik KB8WPZ) are automatically entered (as long as these publications qualify under rule A, or C if applicable). Unless you are automatically entered, the deadline for entries is Sunday, June 30, 2013, & all entries must be in the hands of the Ohio PIC by that date.
- C.) Electronic (Web based) produced newsletters may also enter. However, they must represent their printed newsletter in all formats. For example, if photos or clipart appear in the printed material, they must also appear in the electronic version as well. Non-amateurs in the Public Relations industry will do the judging. They will judge on style (15%), content (35%), service to membership (35%), & clarity of presentation (15%). Style means newsletter design of all pages. Content means amount of useful information contained in the newsletter. Service to members means amount of information using individual members' names. Clarity of presentation means readability of the newsletter including accuracy of English grammar.

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D.) No entries can be returned, all decisions of the judges on content & eligibility are final. The Ohio PIC only serves to certify entries, to provide the judges with entries, & to announce their decisions.

E.) The decision of the judges is final.

Finally, here is a quick list of the entries qualified to be in the contest as of the writing of this article:

20/9 Resonator, Zero Beat, Darke County ARES, Buckeye Buzz, CARA, Q-Fiver, Feedback, PCARS,

Wave Bender, SARA, Greater Cincinnati ARA, DELARA

If you have submitted your newsletter but do not see your club listed, please contact me ASAP.

73, Jack Sovik KB8WP2 Ohio Section Public Information Coordinator kb8wpz@arrl.net big 8< snip ...

#### **Out & About in Southeast Ohio**

Two Hamfests last month, Jackson first & it was interesting. After, I got to see a nephew who took me to lunch. He knows at least half the people we saw. After lunch he took me to see his new house that's more like a palace for his handicapped son. The son's interested in getting his Radio License so I'm looking into that for him.

Athens was next. For a rainy day it wasn't too bad inside but the outside was almost non-existent. Made contact with a few of the YLs I'd met the week before.

I met a lady & her Husband at the Marietta ARC this evening who wants to become a Ham. She but not He. Thank goodness for the supplies I have in my trunk; I was able to help her to get started. One of the Club members had some study guides; he went home & got them for her. Even though slightly outdated, it was with the understanding that if she thinks Ham Radio is for her, then she can get the current study guides with the info I gave her. He doesn't have an interest at the present time.

73/88 and Teddy Bear Hugs, *Connie Hamilton N8JO* Assistant Section Manager – SE Ohio <u>n8io@arrl.net</u> Special Event Stations in Ohio

06/08/2013 | W8VP 25 Year Record Holder June VHF Contest in Great Lakes Division

Jun 8, 1400Z-2200Z, W8VP, Cambridge, OH. Cambridge Amateur Radio Association. 14.260 7.235. Certificate & QSL. Cambridge Amateur Radio Association, PO Box 1804, Cambridge OH 43725. W8VP holds Great Lakes

Division June VHF QSO Contest Record 25 Yrs. 6<sup>th</sup> Special Event in CARA's year-long 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration. QSL. Certificate available for anyone who works ALL 12 of CARA's monthly Special Events of 2013. www.w8vp.org

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#### From Desk of Section Manager

Two days have passed since getting home from the Dayton Hamvention. Every year, people ask "So, what was the "big ticket item" that you brought home?"

This year, what I brought home was too large to fit in a bag, too deep to fit in the back of my car, & too priceless to be left at UPS for shipping. This year, I came home with YOUR handshakes, several hugs, YOUR smiles, YOUR words of encouragement, & YOUR thanks for the job that I & the Ohio Section Cabinet do for every Ham in Ohio. Those many hours I spent around the Field Service Organization Booth & walking through Hara Arena, speaking with each of you who stopped me to say hello, will be forever kept in my mind. For those memories, I thank you! Sunday was extremely special, as it was the first Hamvention for my Daughter, Hanna. Although the day was short, Hanna learned about Cubesats, Public Service, & about the country of Qatar. She was also given encouragement to study & test for the license this summer. I could not have been a more proud Father than I

was on Sunday. It was truly a bonding experience.
Until next time, be safe my friends...73, Frank Pipez, KI8GW ARRL Ohio SM ki8gw@arrl.org
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Hamfests &c June 2013

Jun 1 Princeton KY Hamfest at Princeton Fire Training Ctr, 2001 Hwy 62 W. 8AM-1PM. Dealers, fleas, handicapped access, refreshments, tailgating, ARRL VE exams; register 8:30AM, exams all classes 9AM. \$5. Talk-in: 145.23 (179.9 Hz) Info: Mike Taylor N4MHT, 270=365-7777, <a href="mailto:n4mht@mchsi.com">n4mht@mchsi.com</a>, <a href="mailto:www.w4kbl.org">www.w4kbl.org</a> Pennington Folk Music Festival is said to be nearby

Tedrow OH Hamfest at Roth Family Park, 101 Hill Ave, sponsored by Fulton Co ARC. 8AM-1PM. Fleas, tailgating, VE exams. \$3. Talk-in: 147.195. Info: Lindsay Infante K8LI, 419=346-8261, <a href="mailto:lindsayinf@yahoo.com">lindsayinf@yahoo.com</a>, k8bxq.org

Jun 16 22d Annual Milford OH ARC Hamfest at Eastside Christian Church, 5874 Montclair Blvd. 8AM-2PM. Dealers, fleas, handicapped access, refreshments, tailgating \$1, VE exams 9AM (walk-ins welcome, no fee), hourly door prizes, grand prize drawing at end of Hamfest. \$5, children under 12 free. Talk-in: 147.345+. Info: Jim Linn WB8RRR, 513=831-6255, wb8rrr@arrl.net, www.w8mrc.com

For VE exams please bring original license & copy, any CSCEs & copy, 2 IDs (at least one with picture), both pen & pencil, \$15 cash or check/money order if ARRL exam

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#### VE exam opportunities

**1st Sat each month**: Cincinnati-Hartwell OH at Hartwell Presbyterian Church. Register 8:30 AM; walk-ins only! ARRL exam so \$15 fee. All license classes. Info: Dale Pritchett KC8HJL, 513=769-0789, <a href="kc8hjl@arrl.net">kc8hjl@arrl.net</a> **2d Thu each month except March & December:** Milford OH, sponsored by Milford ARC at Faith Church, 5910 Price Rd. Register 6 PM, walk-ins OK; precedes regular club meeting. No exam fee; Milford uses Laurel. Info: Barb Steward KA8AXY, 513=625-8651, <a href="mailto:blzsteward@yahoo.com">blzsteward@yahoo.com</a>

Please see also **Hamfests &c.** above for requirements for all.

Sat Jun 1: Centennial Hall in St Bernard OH City Bldg, 110 E Washington St, sponsored by Oh-Ky-In. 9 AM. ARRL exam so \$15 fee. Info: Brian deYoung K4BRI, 859=635-3095, <a href="mailto:k4bri@fuse.net/k4bri@arrlnet">k4bri@fuse.net/k4bri@arrlnet</a> Numerous Field Days will also offer VE exams.

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#### What is Field Day?

For those who have never been to Field Day, please use the following link to the *Field Day Primer* .... <a href="http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Field-Day/2013/2013%20FD%20Flier.pdf">http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Field-Day/2013/2013%20FD%20Flier.pdf</a>

73, Ezic N8YC

Greetings,

Several weeks ago we added OH-KY-IN ARS to the 2013 ARRL Field Day Locator. This ARRL website .page is intended to show Field Day sites that members of the public & media can visit. Once again, we're on the map! Please check out: http://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator

73, Ezic N84C

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Newcomers & Elmers Net Elmer graphic left courtesy of WRARC Wave Bender

Hi Folks! Some exciting things are in the works for new Amateur Radio operators, so please pass the word around to anyone who might be interested!

If you're new to Amateur Radio, or just feel you're inexperienced, this net is for you!

The Newcomers & Elmers weekly net is geared toward new people in the hobby, & is intended to be a comfortable place to learn about Amateur Radio. Our goal is not only to help you learn, but also to give you real-world experience talking on your radio.

Each week there will be a topic for discussion, but ALL questions are welcome whatever the area of the radio hobby. If we don't know the answer right away, we'll find out!

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From the Elmer side of things, we know getting on the air & learning about radios and antennas can be hard; we want to make this net an inviting place for new hams to gain knowledge & experience. Mistakes are WELCOME! ALL of us made & STILL MAKE mistakes; this is how we all learn.

We will discourage folks from checking in who are neither newcomers nor Elmers (Elmer: amateur radio-speak for someone who passes along helpful knowledge & experience to new Hams), as there are plenty of nets for experienced hams. But everyone who wants to learn or who is willing to help others learn in an encouraging way is definitely welcome!

Our first topic (June 2) will be: Learning How to Use Your Handheld Radio

June 9 topic: Things You Can Do With a Handheld Radio

June 16 topic: Repeater Etiquette (Dos and Donts!)

June 23 topic: Getting Involved on the Air

June 30 topic: Going Mobile!

Net Info: Starting Date: June 2, 2013; Net Time: Sunday evenings at 7PM weekly, OH-KY-IN repeater 146.670 -

(minus offset 600 kHz) PL Tone of 123 Hz for transmit

73, Robert Gulley AK3Q / AAR4IS

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#### What's coming in June 2013

Tue May 28 7:00 PM Board of Directors Meeting, Centennial Hall, St Bernard; June *Q-Fiver* distribution begins

Wed May 29 9:00PM Tech Talk on 146.67 repeater, Rick KD4PYR

Thu May 30 7-9PM Tech & General Theory Classes, St Bernard City Bldg, see pg 7

Sat Jun 1 9:00 AM VE exams, Centennial Hall, St Bernard City Bldg

Sun Jun 2 7:00 PM Newcomers & Elmers Net: Learning How To Use Your HT, 146.67 Tue Jun 4 7:30 PM Club meeting at St Bernard Recr Hall, 120 E Washington, StBernard

Program: Field Day!

Wed Jun 5 9:00PM Tech Talk on 146.67 repeater, NCS Robert AK3Q

Fri Jun 7 8:00PM Amateur Radio Public Svc Corps, Hamilton Co Communications Ofc

Conference Rm, 2377 Civic Ctr Dr – pls park in Bd of Educ lot

Sat Jun 8 10:00 AM Monthly Oh-Ky-In fox hunts hounds gather at Mt Storm Park; talk-in to start on 146.67

1:00PM Oh-Ky-In Brunch Bunch at TGIFriday's, 6330 Glenway Avenue

Sun Jun 9 7:00 PM Newcomers & Elmers Net: Things You Can Do With Your HT, 146.67

Wed Jun 12 9:00PM Tech Talk on 146.67 repeater, NCS Brian K4BRI

Fri Jun 14 Flag Day



8:00PM Queen City

Emergency Net, Red Cross HQ, 2111 Dana Av, Evanston

Sat Jun 15 2 & 8 PM A Very Civil War, Deer Park HS, pls see pg 6

Sun Jun 16 7:00 PM Newcomers & Elmers Net: Repeater Etiquette (Dos & Donts!), 146.67

Tue Jun 18 7:00PM Technical Committee meeting if needed, location TBD

Wed Jun 19 9:00PM Tech Talk on 146.67 repeater, Dennis KB8ROA

July *Q-Fiver* copy deadline

Fri Jun 21 Summer Solstice, Field Day setup at Mitchell Memorial Forest

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**OH-KY-IN 2013 Committee Appointments** 

Technical Committee Russ Hines WB8ZCC, Chair Volunteer Examiners Brian DeYoung K4BRI, Chair Membership Nathan Ciufo KA3MTT, Chair

Education Gary Coffey KB8MYC, Chair

PIO Jerry Shipp W1SCR

O-Fiver Editor Susie Scott N8CGM Historian Dale Vanselow KC8HOS

Fox Hunters Chair Dick Arnett WB4SUV DXpedition Coordinator Eric Neiheisel N8YC

WebGeezer Russ Hines WB8ZCC

Tech Talk Net Mgr Bruce Vanselow N8BV Fundraising Chair Bruce Vanselow N8BV Life Members Kenneth E. Wolf N8WYC

Karl R Kaucher KJ4KWR

Sat Jun 22

ARPSC Representative open

QCEN Representative Pat Maley KD8PAT

WARN Representative open

Repeater Control Ops Mgr Bruce Vanselow N8BV

Librarian open

Field Day Chair Eric Neiheisel N8YC

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Silent Key Chair Bruce Vanselow N8BV K8SCH QSL Mgr Gerry Weimer KD8ASL

TVI/RFI Chair Dick Arnett WB4SUV

John W. Hughes AI4DA

2:00 PM Oh-Ky-In Field Day at Mitchell Memorial Forest, until

(that's 1800 UTC Sat until 2059 UTC Sun, ARRL website said!) Sun Jun 23 4:59 PM

Sun Jun 23 7:00 PM Newcomers & Elmers Net: Getting Involved on the Air, 146.67

Tue Jun 25 7:00 PM Board of Directors Meeting, Centennial Hall, St Bernard; July *O-Fiver* distribution

Wed Jun 26 9:00PM Tech Talk on 146.67 repeater, Brian KC8FJN

Sun Jun 30 7:00 PM Newcomers & Elmers Net: Going Mobile! 146.67

Club meeting at St Bernard Recr Hall, 120 E Washington, St Bernard Tue Jul 2 7:30PM

Program: TBD



Increasing the ARRL Endowment will mean that the organization's financial position will be able to continue its services to members & to Amateur Radio.

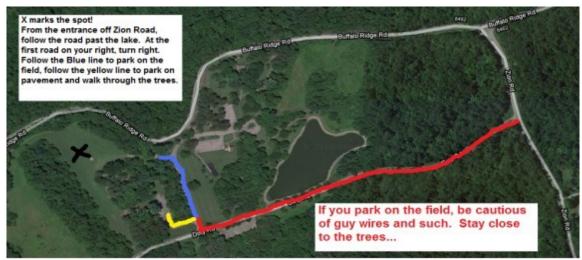
The ARRL Second Century Campaign will open a path to passionate involvement in Amateur Radio by new generations, providing opportunities for educational enrichment, community service & personal achievement through the exploration & use of the magic of radio communication.

To launch its second century, ARRL will secure significant financial resources to fund its permanent commitment to 5 major objectives. Those follow, along with source URL; reprint with ARRL's permission.

- Build upon its historic role as a responsive, flexible & progressive organization dedicated to the promotion & advancement of the art, science & enjoyment of Amateur Radio
- Organize, promote & manage a national program to offer a 21<sup>st</sup> century experience to young people as they build skills in scientific & technological discovery through Amateur Radio in a safe, competitive & collaborative environment for their curiosity & creativity
- Enhance Amateur Radio's capacity to serve local, national & global communities by applying & sharing our radio communication skills, technical knowledge & volunteer ethic in response to disaster & in public service communica-
- Increase Amateur Radio's capacity to serve local, national & global communities by sharing our radio communication skills & knowledge & by strengthening & expanding partnerships with organizations pursuing similar or comple-
- Commemorate the contributions & accomplishments of the Amateur Radio community since 1914. Funding the next 100 years -- http://www.arrl.org/arrl-second-century-campaign Copied from above URL with ARRL permission

### Copy deadline for July issue is Wednesday, June 19

#### Field Day Supplement Mitchell Memorial Forest 5402 Zion Rd Cleves OH 45002



#### Greetings!

The OH-KY-IN Amateur Radio Society will proudly conduct its annual **ARRL Field Day** event on Saturday and Sunday, 22 & 23 June 2013 at the usual Mitchell Memorial Forest location. Set-up will be on Friday, 21 Jun starting at 2 PM. Please come on down to the park for a weekend full of amateur radio at its best! Field Day is a yearly ARRL Contest that starts at 2 PM Saturday & concludes at 2 PM Sunday (**Ye Ed** not too sure about UTC times acquired from ARRL.) You need a HamCo Park Dist pass if you haven't one; daily is \$3, annual is \$10, can be bought at entrance to Mitchell Memorial.

We will likely operate 3A again this year, to afford us more flexibility on SSB.

SSB Station 1: 10,15,20M SSB Station 2: 40 & 80M CW Station, 20 & 40M

6 Meter/VHF/UHF Station GOTA (Get on the Air Station) which *doesn't* count as 1 of the 3

We will also have demonstrations for our bonus points in Solar, Satellite/Digital/APRS and National Traffic System operations among others. If there is any amateur radio technology you would like to bring out to demonstrate, this is the perfect place! Tentatively, there will be an antenna building project on Saturday afternoon

Field Day is a fantastic event geared to veteran & beginning operators alike, & of all ages. Anyone, regardless of skills, is free to sign up for any station, & there is always someone available to help you along. The GOTA station is a great place for those interested in amateur radio (but not yet licensed) to get introduced to the fun of what most often becomes a lifelong hobby!

Come out & join us for a great time of fun, food and & camaraderie. The annual Field Day Picnic will start at 6 PM Saturday with burgers and dogs cooked to perfection by Chef John or someone else. Please bring a side dish or a dessert to help build the feast. Most importantly, bring your family out to see what's going on. Everybody has a great time! Also, please feel free to pitch a tent & stay the whole weekend, if you like. A good number of us have done that for years. Nothing like the sound of QSOs & crickets!

I will have sign-up sheets available for all stations at the June 4 members' meeting. If you would like to sign up but can't make the meeting, just contact me (see committee appointments on last inside page \*\*) and I'll get you on the roster. For any comments, suggestions or information, please feel to contact me as well.

See you soon! 73, Ezic N8YC, Field Day chair

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