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OH-KY-IN Cafe Press page! <http://www.ohkyin.org/fundraising/php>

Regular monthly meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30PM local time at the St Bernard Recreation Hall, 120 Washington Avenue (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 are ALWAYS welcome!

For membership information, please contact

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THE Q-FIVER is now mailed & e-mailed, it's hoped, **a week 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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- telephoned to 513=385-5201 any time (answerer takes up to 4 min dictation)
- e-mailed to n8cgm@arrrl.net or to sscott@iglou.com

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US flag formation, IssaquahHSMiddleSch Bands, Issaquah WA – photo from The Veterans Site, Greater Good Network member reprint permission requested

Another busy month! Things at OHKYIN have heated up , just like the weather. August brought us some busy and fun events. We had a great weekend at the Museum Center. We introduced a lot of people to amateur radio. It was a privilege to be invited back again this year. The Ohio QSO Party was also a big success. It was not the highest scoring event, but we had a great time experimenting with antennas and various equipment. It was as much a learning process as it was a contest. Thanks to W1SCR for getting us our usual space at Ross Park.

In addition to the above two events, the regular fox hunt and Brunch Bunch were held. Both events are a great asset to the club. Photos of all events are on the club webpage!

Our late summer Technician class is in full swing. Robert AK3Q has done a tremendous job of setting things up. The class has begun with 10 students. Also, a huge thanks to Ed Frambes K8EAF for allowing us use of classroom space at the Hamilton County EOC. A full slate of fall classes will be announced soon.

Public service is the backbone of amateur radio. OHKYIN has the opportunity to work a major public service event in September. We have not done an event like this in some time. More details will be elsewhere in this issue. The bottom line is, LOTS of help will be needed! Please consider volunteering to help out.

In closing this month, things have been busy and will continue to be. Please come out and join us. You will build your communication skills, make new friends in the hobby, and build your communicator skills. Also, be sure to use the club repeaters, they are among the best in the region!

73 Gary KB8MYC

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Next Meeting

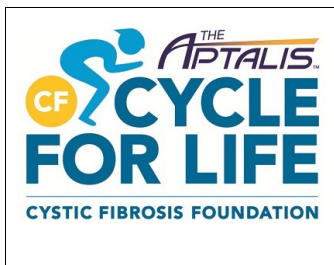
Presenter for the September meeting program will be **Fred K9OHE**, with another go at showing us how to build an easy antenna (& recording meeting minutes afterward, hi). This re-scheduled from the snowed-out March meeting. For those who desire, parts will be available for you to build one for yourself.

We would like to get a count of those who want to build one so we can have enough materials available. Please let me know if you want to build an antenna! We look forward to a great meeting again this month.

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 7:30 PM. Please enter through the doors that face the high school on Washington. For more information, please click [HERE](#). (in PDF copies only pls). We hope to see **everyone** there!

73 Russ WB82CC

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Help Needed!!

OHKYIN has been asked to provide communications for the 2013 Cystic Fibrosis Bike Ride at Caesar's Creek. This event will be held Saturday September 21 & begins at 8 AM. The 4 courses range between 25 & 100 miles. We need 15 to 20 communicators for this. It's **very important** for us to make a good showing at this event. It doesn't matter if you're an experienced communicator or a rookie, we have a place for **you**.

More e-mails will follow in coming days. Please do consider helping out and supporting OHKYIN. 73, Gazy KB8MYC



Brunch Bunch on Saturday August 9, halfway through Day 1 of 1940s weekend at neighbouring Museum Ctr/Union Terminal. Waitress took this picture.

For the month of September, on Saturday the 14th, the Brunch Bunch will visit Bob Evans Restaurant located in Monfort Heights at 5245 North Bend Road, 45247. This location is just off I-74 at the North Bend Road exit. As usual we'll eat at 1 PM.

For a look at the menu as well as a map, please check out: www.bobevans.com

We'll look forward to seeing you down on the farm at 1pm September 14th.

73, Bruce NB8V



Found in historical Seek that *The Q-Fiver* appears to have been 2d in 2005 also. *The Buckeye Burr* won in 2006, Contest #15; Seek continues for 2006 scores. -*Ye Ed*

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RLB020 & ARRL Letter 8-22-13 **Vanity Call Sign Fee to Rise August 23!** updated by *Ye Ed*

The new FCC regulatory fee of \$16.10 to apply for an Amateur Radio vanity call sign went into effect Friday, August 23, when the new regulatory fee schedule appeared in the *Federal Register*.

Earlier this year the FCC proposed upping the vanity call sign fee from its current \$15 to \$15.20, but in the *Re-port and Order* in MD Docket 13-140, released August 12, the Commission offered no explanation for the higher fee. In another change, starting in FY 2014, the FCC will require that all regulatory fee payments be made electronically. The *R&O* ordered a broad schedule of new fees and waived the usual 30-day waiting period following *Federal Register* publication, because it feared there would not be time for FY 2013 fees to become effective before the start of the new federal fiscal year on October 1.

The FCC says it expects \$230,230 in revenue to cover the costs of administering the vanity call sign program. It anticipates 14,300 vanity call sign applications.

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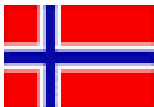
Operations Approved for DXCC Credit in ARRL Letter Aug 1, 2013

4S7NZG -- Sri Lanka (renewal), 2013 operation; XW4XR -- Laos, current operation; Z8ØID -- South Sudan, special July 9, 2013, operation for Independence Day celebration; 9M4SLL -- Spratly Islands, 2012-2013 operations; 9Q6CC -- Democratic People's Republic of the Congo, 2010-2011 operation; XWØYJY -- Laos, 2013 operation; 9XØEME -- Rwanda, 2013 operation; 6OØLA -- Somalia, 2013 operation; T6JM -- Afghanistan, 2012 operation.

If a request for DXCC credit for any of these operations has been rejected in a prior application, contact ARRL Awards Branch Manager Bill Moore NC1L, to be placed on the list for an update to your record. Please note the submission date and/or reference number of your application in order to expedite the search for any rejected contacts.

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DX Spots – September 2013 de Nathan KA3MTT

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
1 3B9EME - Rodrigues Is thru 9-9 	2 TK9ZM - Corsica thru 9-8 	3	4	5 XW - Laos thru 9-10 	6 T8GM - Palau thru 9-7 - - - YS1 - El Salvador thru 9-12	7 P29VNX - Papua New Guinea thru 9-14 - - - V5SV - Namibia thru 9-15	
8 V6G - Micronesia thru 9-15 	9	10 FP – St Pierre & Miquelon thru 9-21 	11	12 YN2PX – Nicaragua thru 9-23 	13 JW5E – Svalbard thru 9-16 - - - PJ4M – Bonaire thru 9-26	14	
15 T8GM – Palau thru 9-19	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> More operations approved for DXCC credit: T5TC – Somalia, 2013 operation; XW2CW – Laos, 2012 operation in <i>ARLD032DXNews</i> 8-8-13. Z81X – Republic of South Sudan, 2013 operation in <i>ARLD033DXNews</i> 8-15-13. D2CT – Angola, 2013 operation in <i>ARLD034DXNews</i> 8-22-13 </div>			18	19	20 A43MI – Oman thru 9-24 - - - 3D2GC – Fiji thru 9-26	21 OJ0W – Market Reef thru 9-27 
22 VK9LL – Lord Howe I thru 9-29 	23	24	25 JW8DW – Svalbard thru 10-3 	26	27 3D2GC/p – Rotuma thru 10-11	28	
29	30 This month's bulletins made possible with info provided by NC1L, <i>QRZ DX</i> , <i>OPDX Bulletin</i> , <i>425 DX News</i> , <i>The Daily DX</i> , DXNL, "Contest Corral" from QST & ARRL Contest Calendar & WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all, especially to ARRL for weekly <i>DXNews</i> & reprint permission						

Turning 30 Adventurously by Becky Haltermon KG4BDO (Rick KD4PYR & Jo KD4PYS's daughter). Pls Go Read! <http://news.cincinnati.com/article/20130814/NEWS0103/308140100/Blogger-tries-30-new-experiences-before-her-30th-birthday>

Contests

September 2013

Aug 31-1 CO QSO Party; TN QSO Party; CWOps CW Open
2 Labor Day Sprint, CW
3 ARS Spartan Sprint, CW
6-7 Russian RTTY WW; IARU Region 1 Field Day, SSB; All Asia Contest, SSB; Club KA3X Memorial Sprint, Digital; DARC 10 m Digital Corona Contest; Straight Key Party, CW; NS Weekly Sprints, CW; Ohio State Parks on the Air, all modes; QCWA Fall QSO Party, all modes; NA Sprint, CW; QRP ARCI Two Sidebands Sprint, SSB
9 OK1WC Memorial Contest
11 CWops Monthly Mini-CW Test
14-15 AR QSO Party; WAE DX Contest, SSB; ARRL September VHF QSO Party, all modes; Straight Key Weekend Sprint; NA Sprint, SSB; Classic Exchange, CW
16 Run for the Bacon, CW
19 NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint, CW
21-22 ARRL 10 GHz Cumulative Contest, all modes; WA State Salmon Run, all modes; SC QSO Party, all modes; Feld-Hell Hell on Wheels Sprint, digital; CIS DX PSK Contest; Classic Exchange, Phone; BARTG Sprint 75, Digital
23 Fall VHF Sprint, 144 MHz all modes
25 SKCC Straight Key Sprint
26 ARRL EME Contest
28-29 CQ WW RTTY Contests; TX QSO Party, all modes; ME QSO Party
Fall contest season is here! For more information see *QST* (which unfortunately got OH State Parks on the Air date wrong, OH Section repaired in *Section Notes – Ye Ed*), *CQ*, or <http://www.arrl.org/contests/73>, *Dan KJ4AV*

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Minutes of Members' Meeting, Tuesday, August 6, 2013

The meeting was called to order by the President at 7:35 PM and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Three guests were present. Two new callsigns were announced: Ryan Williamson KD8VCL is now W1RYN. John Phelps KC8VQU is now N8JTP. Scott Henninger W8GS became SK recently. Self-introductions were made. 35 people were present, plus W1RYN's quite young daughter.

For the program, **Andrew Rohne KE8P** showed those present what can be done with an **Arduino** (are-do-WE-know) microprocessor, until 8:50 PM.

There was a 15-minute break before the business meeting, which began at 9:05 PM.

Motion to approve minutes of last meeting as printed in *The Q-Fiver* was made by Brian K4BRI, second by John N8JTP, motion carried.

Nathan KA3MTT was not present but sent a report that Oh-Ky-In now has 103 members.

Bruce N8BV reported on RedWhite&BlueAsh, thanked Russ WB8ZCC for the EZ-up tent, as it did rain all day.

Sales of \$384 + tips of \$142 = \$526.

Treasurer's report copies were distributed by Brian K4BRI. RedWhite&BlueAsh was noted; Russ WB8ZCC said we own the EZ-up, repeater fund paid for it.

Russ continued with the Technical Committee report. Successful meeting was held in July with plans brain-

stormed. All 4 repeaters operate at full capacity. The pre-amp for .67 gives it better ears & cures the UHF desense that had deafened it. Thanks Dennis KD8ILY. Maybe next month's tech meeting could be at St Elizabeth, so Dick WB4SUV & others can fix the APRS digipeater & various other items.

Technician class begins August 22 at the Emergency Management Agency. Robert AK3Q says 8 have signed up already. VEs are needed for class-ending exams on Sept 14 at 9 AM, Centennial Hall, St Bernard.

Brian K4BRI announced the next Fox Hunt will be an ARDF-style on-foot hunt at Sharon Woods, at 9 AM Saturday, August 9.

Bruce N8BV reported for nets that Tech Talk has had 18-19 check-ins the past few weeks. The Sunday evening Newcomers & Elmers net is doing well, averaging 15-20 check-ins. One week there were 30!. Nets are also heard on scanners by those who aren't yet licensed, he's heard. The Sunday night traffic net control begins to get nervous around 7:55 if Newcomers & Elmers hasn't yet concluded. Topics for N&E net are on the website.

Pat KD8PAT reported for QCEN, which didn't meet last month but had a picnic. The MS bike ride is Aug 24-25, along with the OH QSO Party & a disaster fair from 10-2 on the Saturday,. Fliers for the disaster fair were available.

Old Business: Museum Center this coming weekend., 4-5 have promised, more are needed. Ted NC8V will bring his exhibit.

OH QSO Party will be at usual place in Ross Park, set-up will be 10:30 or 11AM, operate noon to midnight. This is a leisurely contest; grilling is likely for dinner.

New Business: Guest John N2DBG raised the possibility of operation from either North or Middle Bass Island in Lake Erie for next year. Only South Bass has ever been active, the R L Drake club set up there last year.

John KC9VZC mentioned the Batesville IN hamfest coming Aug 17. Only a few vendors so far, but there's much to do at the site, the Romweber Marketplace from 8 AM-2 PM. Brian Smith WW9A, President of S Central IN Communications Support Group, will conduct a forum, *Ham Radio on a Shoestring*, from 9 AM. Flier was available.

Russ WB8ZCC said notes from the N&E net (pls see above) should be up the next day.

There will be a Cystic Fibrosis Foundation event at Caesars Creek on Sep 21 that OhKyIn should really work (get back into public service! Gary KB8MYC). GCARA Hamfest is off this year, wasn't profitable. A steering committee from the TriState Amateur clubs group (2 members per club) now considers a joint area Fest in late 2014. This is can be good to look at.

At the Sep 3 meeting, Fred K9OHE will try once more to present the antenna project snowed out in March.

The door prize, a Midland 6m radio with auxiliary speaker, went to guest John N2DBG.

Jerry W1SCR received the pot split of \$52.

Move to adjourn at 9:30 PM by Brian K4BRI, second by John N8JTP, carried.

Minutes by *Susie Scott N8CGM* in absence of Secretary

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Minutes, OHKYIN Board of Directors Meeting, Tuesday July 23, 2013

Meeting was called to order at 7:10 by the President.

Present were: President Gary Coffey KB8MYC, Vice President Russ Hines WB8ZCC, Director Bruce Vanselow N8BV, Jerry Shipp W1SCR, Paul Jordan KD8JDF & Treasurer Brian DeYoung K4BRI. Club member Brian Fulmer KC8FJN was also present

No minutes from previous meeting since there was no quorum.

Membership report – 101 members as of this time

Treasurer – Monthly report was distributed. Balance of 1,431.08 in checking and 11,131.15 in savings for a combined total of 12,562.23.

Brian reported sales tax reporting for the first half of 2013 has been filed.

Technical Committee – Committee met in July. Planning for future projects was discussed.

Preamp is replaced at .670 site. Russ requested to be reimbursed for \$65.45 for purchase of the amp.

Negotiations continue for the move of the .925 machine. Also, discussion of possible moves for the .625 machine.

Education – Late summer tech class will be held for 4 weeks beginning August 22nd. Class will be held at the Hamilton County EOC. Exams in St. Bernard on September 14th.

August Club Program – Andrew KE8P will give a presentation on the Arduino processors.

Frank Piper K18GW, Ohio Section Manager, is confirmed for the October meeting.

November meeting will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month to due meeting space not being available.

Old Business – Wrap up of RedWhite&BlueAsh activities was discussed.

Museum Center event coming in August.

Ohio QSO Party on 8/24 in Ross Park

Club's SB200 amp will be disposed of due to cost to repair. K4BRI will make a \$50 donation to the club for it.

Follow up discussion on Laurel VEC for testing. Decision was made not to switch and remain with ARRL.

New Business – Discussion joint club hamfest in 2014. Will ask for 2 club volunteers to serve on the committee.

Admin email reflector was discussed, add committee chairs at the mailing list.

Possible club participation in Cystic Fibrosis bike ride on Sept. 21st. President will meet with the organization later in the month.

Upcoming Ohio QSO party was discussed. WCVOA is inviting clubs to set up at their location as a joint venture.

Matter will be taken to the membership.

No other discussion, meeting adjourned at 8:40pm. Motion by WB8ZCC, second by K4BRI.

Minutes by *Gazy Coffey KB8MYC* in absence of Secretary.

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“If you didn't sign the attendance list, were you really at the meeting?” or words to that effect in a recent Western Reserve ARC *Wave Bender* (*Ye Ed* forgot to put this into hard copies)

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Ohio Section News for August 23, 2013, edited; read it all at <http://www.arrl.ohio-org>

In this issue: *tho mayhap reshuffled a trifle* – *Ye Ed*

- OH St Parks On The Air, Correct Date
- Around the Web (removed for space)
- From Sec Traffic Mgr (edited)
- New Asst Sec Mgr for SW OH Named
- From Sec Emergency Coord (replaced by him)
- From Public Info Coord (edited)
- Special Event Stations in OH
- OH Hamfest Calendar replaced by Hamfests&c Sep-Oct 2013

OH St Parks On The Air, Correct Date

Portage Co Amateur Radio Service, will host their annual event Ohio State Parks On The Air on Saturday, September 7, 2013. The date listed in the recent issue of *QST* is incorrect.

For rules and other important documentation, visit their official website at:

<http://www.ospota.org>



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Free x3 for the taking, highly edited

ICOM has an online Amateur Radio Tool Kit – you can download free digital copies. The Tool Kit consists of US bandplan, grid square map, ham terms, CQ DX zones of world.

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Check out the ICOM website to download the kit. Here is the link:

<http://icomamerica.com/en/amateur/amateurtools/default.aspx> - ©2013 Icom America Inc. All Rights Reserved.

Ohio HF net activity reports: pls go to <http://www.arrl.ohio-org>

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If you would like to see your net's traffic report here. please send your monthly report to WA3EZN by radiogram before the 6th of each next month.

More next month and 73, *David WA3EZN* Ohio Section Traffic Manager

New Asst Sec Mgr for SW OH Named

It is my pleasure to announce that Katherine "Kitty" Hevener W8TDA has been appointed Assistant Section Manager (ASM) for Southwest Ohio. Kitty replaces former ASM Fred Stone W8LLY, who resigned from the appointment several months ago. In this role, Kitty will be the regional contact in the Southwest region of the Ohio Section. For a detailed map of Kitty's area of coverage, please see the Ohio Section website (<http://www.arrl-ohio.org/sm/sec-info.html>). Kitty is available to speak at club functions and Hamfests in the region.

Kitty was first licensed in WV in 1974 as WB8TDA. She credits High School peer pressure for bringing her into our ranks. She lives in Cincinnati, and is a member of the Queen City Emergency Net (QCEN) and life member of ARRL and Courage Handihams. While working at ARRL, (1984-86) Kitty authored QST's "Washington Mailbox" column, contributed to the *FCC Rule Book*, and updated the ARRL Program for the Disabled resource compendium. She enjoys working public service events, operating CW, team teaching tech licensing classes, public speaking, reading, and participating in a variety of water activities.

Kitty is recognized by Toastmasters International as a distinguished toastmaster. She is also a certified World Class Speaking Coach and an advocate for people with disabilities. Her advocacy work includes serving on Ohio's Trauma committee and the Governors council on People with Disabilities.

In recognition of her accomplishments and contributions, Kitty was selected as a torch bearer for the 2002 Winter Olympics.

She looks forward to working with hams and ham clubs in southwest Ohio.

Kitty can be e-mailed at w8tda@arrl.net

Please join me in welcoming Kitty to her new role in the Ohio Section!

73, *Frank Pipez KJ8GW* Ohio Section Manager

Ye Ed meant to insert photo of Kitty W8TDA & faithful black Lab guide dog Portia, not that big for a Lab, taken after Aug Brunch Bunch, but not locating it now –

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Ham Radio Deluxe version 5 will no longer be available for download from <http://www.hrdsoftwarellc.com/> after **September 1, 2013**. Ham Radio Deluxe was a free program until the new owners took over the company that makes it. The new owners came out with version 6 and began charging \$99 for it. However, version 5 was still available for free even after version 6 came out...

So if you have thought about trying the digital modes or using rig control, Ham Radio Deluxe will do it but after September 1, you must pay at least \$99 for a license or bum a copy of version 5 from someone.

Direct link to version 5 archives is: <http://www.hrdsoftwarellc.com/downloads/archives.html> If you have any questions with HRD or are interested in how to get on the digital modes or use rig control, let me know.

73, *Dale KC8HQ5* kc8hqs@fuse.net

From Sec Traffic Mgr

I had a blast at the Warren Hamfest last weekend. One of the many highlights at the Warren Hamfest this year was Boy Scout Troop 8 from Leavittsburg OH. They were the food vendor and they have a top-notch menu. Danish, donuts, and coffee for breakfast. Loaded baked potatoes, hot dogs, cheese dogs, and chili-cheese dogs for lunch. Add chips and drink to make it a combo. Oh my goodness, their loaded baked potatoes were heavenly. I had a loaded baked potato with sauerkraut and I cannot stand sauerkraut. But this loaded baked potato was so darn good, I couldn't even tell there was sauerkraut on the potato. They had a fresh squeezed lemonade stand! The food was fantastic and the prices were right. Oh by the way, I heard Boy Scout Troop 8 has already been asked to come back next year. Let me throw in a little testimony. Roughly 5 years ago, I attended the Warren Hamfest for my very first time. It was held at the Trumbull Co Fairgrounds. After walking the whole hamfest in about 10 minutes, I told myself at that time I would never come back. I didn't think it was worth the drive. But since that time, I have seen this quaint little hamfest grow into a great place to buy, sell, and trade. It's a wonderful place to meet up with hams, make new friends, enjoy the friendship and fellowship, and share the camaraderie. Not to mention, they have cool prizes. I can honestly tell you if you didn't attend this year, you missed out on a great time. Warren Hamfest is already marked on my calendar for August 17, 2014. Always the third Sunday in August. It might not be the largest hamfest in Ohio, but in my eyes, it's the fastest growing. Many thanks to everyone who came out and supported the Warren Hamfest and Boy Scout Troop 8.

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Ohio State Parks on the Air comes up Saturday, September 7 from 12N to 8PM. Not only is this a fun event, it's also a great training opportunity for ARES volunteers. "Visit a beautiful Ohio state park and have some amateur radio fun at the same time." Help put all 74 state parks on the air!

The **Statewide Simulated Emergency Test** will be on Saturday, October 12. The SET Planning Team is working hard on great objectives for this awesome training event. Stay tuned for details.

~~Hot~~ Great News!! The All Ohio ARES Conference has been approved by the ARRL Board of Directors and is now an ARRL Convention! It's now listed amongst all the other hamfests and conventions on the www.arrl.org website! Many thanks to those who helped make this happen. Online registration is OPEN for the All Ohio ARES Conference on Saturday, November 9 at the Ohio Fire

Academy in Reynoldsburg OH. We have a great lineup of presenters so far but there's room for more. This conference is the perfect venue to teach us something you know about public service communications, digital communications, emergency/disaster communications, or even show us something you made, constructed, built, or bought!

Contests Contests

1. The Ohio QSO Party is sponsored by the Mad River Radio Club. The QSO party was on August 2 this year (edit & 8<snip – *Ye Ed*). on their website. New to the contest this year is the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Category. Please see the website for complete rules at this link <http://www.ohqp.org/>, mark this when you buy your 2014 calendar please.

2. Ohio also has a contest called Ohio State Parks on the Air. This activity is sponsored by the Portage Co Amateur Radio Service (PCARS) and will be on the air on September 7 of this year. A certificate is available for this contest. The rules, full details, a list of Ohio State Parks and a letter of explanation for park employees can be found on the event website <http://www.ospota.org/ospota/index.php>. They count on everyone scoring even better this year. Check this out and see if you can find a State Park to activate.

(Traffic Mgr's article ends top of pg 10 – Ye Ed credits/blames Matt W8DEC's "extra" Sep Preparedness column!)

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September is National Preparedness Month. It's a reminder that emergencies and disasters do not respect county or state boundaries. They do not respect our schedules or our daily lives. Think about this scenario...

An earthquake of significant magnitude hits, say, Hamilton and surrounding cities and towns. Homes and businesses will be destroyed. More than likely, there will be power outages. Therefore no power for refrigerators, freezers, and air conditioners, and oxygen machines. Not to mention no power for fuel pumps. It's kind of hard to run gasoline generators without gasoline. Water main breaks will also be likely. Therefore water will be contaminated to non-existent.

Therefore it's up to each and every one of us to be prepared. One of the best things you can do to prepare is have a disaster kit. Running around the house to gather supplies during an emergency is the wrong time. Driving to Home Depot or Lowes to buy supplies might be difficult with impaired roads or debris in the roadway. And even if you could get there, it might be destroyed. Even if it's not, you won't be able to buy anything because they won't have power. Same with Kroger or Meijer to buy food and water. This is why having the prepared disaster kit will not only save time but make life that much easier not only for you but also your family. So what's in a disaster kit? Generally speaking, you should have food, water, and supplies. FEMA's website www.ready.gov has a complete listing but I am going to touch on a few of the highlights in this article.

Food: There should be a three-day supply of non-perishable food items for your family. It's important to choose foods your family will eat. Avoid foods that will make you thirsty (for obvious reasons). Don't forget a manual can opener.

Water: There should be one gallon of water, per person, per day for drinking and sanitation. In addition, you should have a three day supply of water. This will help accommodate hot days and medical emergencies. What if you run out of drinking water? Where is a place in your home you can get safe drinking water? Hot water tank.

Supplies: Battery or hand-crank powered radio and a NOAA Weather radio are essential items in your kit. You need to know what's going on around you. The Emergency Broadcast System will be on the air and you need to listen for instructions. Might be to shelter in place. Might be to evacuate to a shelter. You need this info and the AM/FM Broadcast radio is an important means to get it. There must be at least one flashlight with extra batteries in the kit. Personally, I recommend more than one flashlight. Be sure you have a sufficient supply of batteries. First aid kit is another essential item. If you've never learned first aid, I highly recommend you take a class from the American Red Cross or American Heart Association. Knowing how to treat minor injuries will make a difference in an emergency.

Alright. Congratulations! You've visited www.ready.gov. You found the complete list and established a disaster kit. But wait, there's more. It's important for everyone in your family to know where it's located. If something happens to you or you're not home, they need to know where it is. Let's hope you never have to use this kit. What this means though, is you'll need to periodically inventory your kit. The purpose of the inventory is to ensure all the items are still in the kit. You never know when one of the kids hijacked the duct tape out of the disaster kit. It's also the time to replace expired food and water.

September is National Preparedness Month. Help spread the word and share this story with others. My name is Matt Welch and I approve this message. ;-)

73 de *Matt W8DEC* Ohio Section Emergency Coordinator w8dec@arrl.net

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I recommend that if you are a PIO, get together with your local Radio Club leadership and offer your assistance in creating publicity for autumn outdoor events. The most important thing is do not just start "firing off" releases. Make sure the club knows that you are doing the releases and you have the correct information on the event. The reason for this is it is important that there only be **one source for the information and that information must be correct**. If there are two local releases and they differ, this will force the editor to either call or possibly not run either release (I have seen this happen). It

is also vital the PIO get the correct information on the "Who, What, When, Where, and Why" of the event. This means the PIO must go over the information with the leadership of the event. This way the information is correct. I know I have mentioned this a few times today but I cannot stress the importance of getting the correct information, including the spelling of names correctly.

Another important thing I have mentioned before in other articles is ...Check your media contact lists frequently for accuracy. Your contact may have taken on another assignment, or quit working and that info needs to be corrected.

Finally, send the release out early and follow up about 8-12 days before the event. If a publication you are sending to is a weekly, or even a monthly publication adjust your timing accordingly. Then follow-up 3-5 days before the event. I apologize for mentioning this again and again but I cannot express how important this is in creating a good press release.

Thank You for your time and please send me your successes and not so successes, I will love to hear from you.
73, *Jack Sovik KB8WP2* Public Information Coordinator

Special Event Stations in OH

09/01/2013 | **QCWA Chapter 212 10th Anniversary** Sep 1-Sep 30, 0001Z-2359Z, WQ8CWA, Newark, OH. QCWA Mid-Ohio Chapter 212. 21.365 14.262 7.244 3.810. QSL. Bob Cashdollar, 1319 Granville Rd, Newark OH 43055.

This is a month long celebration of the 10th anniversary of the Quarter Century Wireless Association (QCWA) MID-OHIO Chapter 212. Just like the old days a stamped QSL card will be sent to all stations. SASE is not required. www.qrz/db/wq8cwa

09/07/2013 | **125th Anniversary of Corwin OH Circus Train Wreck** Sep 7, 1600Z-2359Z, W8C, Corwin OH. West Chester Amateur Radio Association. 21.350 14.250 7.250. QSL. Mike Braun, PO Box 913, West Chester, OH 45071. Also working the OSPOTA event same day. wc8voa.org

09/07/2013 | **Ohio State Parks On the Air** Sep 7, 0800Z-1400Z, W8NCK, Fremont OH. Sandusky Valley Amateur Radio Club. 7.240. QSL. John B. Stahl, 1700 County Rd 157, Fremont, OH 43420. johnbstahl@gmail.com

09/07/2013 | **Williams Co Fair** Sep 7-Sep 13, 0900Z-2300Z, W8JDM, Montpelier OH. Williams Co Amateur Radio Club. 14.225. Certificate. Williams Co ARC, 3440 County Rd 9, Bryan OH 43506. Our club will have a booth at our local county fair with radios in operation to demonstrate Amateur Radio to the Public www.w8jdm.org

09/14/2013 | **National Road & "S" Bridge-185 years old** Sep 14, 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. Celebrating 185th anniversary of the Na-tional Road & "S" Bridges. 9th Special Event in CARA's year-long 100th Birthday Celebration. QSL. Certificate available for anyone who works ALL 12 of CARA's monthly Special Events of 2013 www.w8vp.org

09/21/2013 | **69th anniversary of the dedication of the Voice of America Bethany Relay Station** near Cincinnati, Ohio Sep 21, 1600Z-2359Z, WC8VOA, West Chester, OH. West Chester Amateur Radio Association. 21.350 14.250 7.250. Certificate & QSL. Mike Braun, PO Box 913, West Chester, OH 45071. wc8voa.org
 09/22/2013 | **MARA Annual Swap Meet** Sep 22, 1200Z-1700Z, W8DYY, Miamisburg OH. Mound Amateur Radio Association. 14.235. QSL. Mound ARA, PO Box 1262, Miamisburg OH 45342. www.w8dyy.org

OH Hamfest Calendar pls see **Hamfests&c Sep-Oct 2013** pg

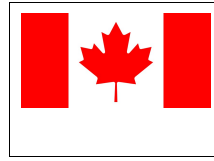
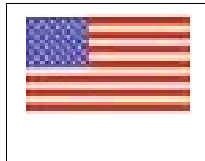
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What's coming in September 2013

Tue Aug 27 7:30 PM Board of Directors Meeting, Centennial Hall, St Bernard
 Sep Q-Fiver distribution begins
 Wed Aug 28 9:00PM Tech Talk on 146.67 repeater, NCS Rick KD4PYR
 Thu Aug 29 7-9 PM Technician Theory Class, Hamilton Co EMA, 2000 Radcliff Dr, 45204
 Sun Sep 1 7:00 PM Newcomers & Elmers Net:146.67; Local & DX Contacts

Mon Sep 2

**Labor Day,
 US & Canada**



Tue Sep 3 7:30PM Club meeting at St Bernard Recr Hall, 120 E Washington, St Bernard
 Program: Build an easy antenna! **Fred K9OHE** shows you how
 Wed Sep 4 9:00 PM Tech Talk on 146.67 repeater, NCS Robert AK3Q
 Rosh Hashanah begins at sundown
 Thu Sep 5 7-9 PM Technician Theory Class, Hamilton Co EMA, 2000 Radcliff Dr, 45204
 Fri Sep 6 8:00 PM Amateur Radio Public Svc Corps, Hamilton Co Communications Ofc
 Conference Rm, 2377 Civic Ctr Dr – pls park in Bd of Educ lot
 Sun Sep 8 7:00 PM Newcomers & Elmers Net:146.67; A Basic Ham Station
 Wed Sep 11 9:00 PM Tech Talk on 146.67 repeater, NCS Brian K4BRI
 Thu Sep 12 7-9 PM Technician Theory Class, Hamilton Co EMA, 2000 Radcliff Dr, 45204
 Fri Sep 13 Yom Kippur begins at sundown
 Sat Sep 14 9:00 AM VE exams, Centennial Hall, St Bernard
 10:00 AM Monthly foxhunt is **off this month**, due to VE exams starting at 9
 1:00 PM Oh-Ky-In Brunch Bunch at Monfort Hts Bob Evans, 5245 North Bend Road,
 45247 pls see pg 4
 Sun Sep 15 7:00 PM Newcomers & Elmers Net:146.67; Finding an Operating Niche
 Tue Sep 17 7:00 PM Technical Committee meeting if needed, location TBD
 Wed Sep 18 9:00 PM Tech Talk on 146.67 repeater, Dennis KB8ROA
 Oct Q-Fiver copy deadline
 Fri Sep 20 8:00 PM Queen City Emergency Net, Red Cross HQ, 2111 Dana Av, Evanston
 Sat Sep 21 8AM-5PM Cystic Fibrosis Bike Rides at Caesar's Creek, pg 4 – watch for e-mails!

OH-KY-IN 2013 Committee Appointments

Technical Committee Russ Hines WB8ZCC, Ch
Volunteer Examiners Brian DeYoung K4BRI, Ch
Membership Nathan Ciufio KA3MTT, Ch
Education Gary Coffey KB8MYC, Ch
PIO Jerry Shipp W1SCR
Q-Fiver Editor Susie Scott N8CGM
Historian Dale Vanselow KC8HQS
Fox Hunters Ch Dick Arnett WB4SUV
DXpedition Coordinator Eric Neiheisel N8YC
WebGeezer Russ Hines WB8ZCC
Tech Talk Net Mgr Bruce Vanselow N8BV
Fundraising Ch Bruce Vanselow N8BV

ARPSC Representative open
QCEN Representative Pat Maley KD8PAT
WARN Representative open
Rptr Control Ops Mgr Bruce Vanselow N8BV
Librarian open
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TVI/RFI Ch Dick Arnett WB4SUV
Kenneth E. Wolf N8WYC
Karl R Kaucher KJ4KWR

Life Members:

John W. Hughes AI4DA

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- Sun Sep 22 7:00 PM Newcomers & Elmers Net:146.67; Satellite Operation
- Tue Sep 24 7:30 PM Board of Directors Meeting, Centennial Hall, St Bernard
Oct Q-Fiver distribution begins
- Wed Sep 25 9:00 PM Tech Talk on 146.67 repeater, NCS Robert AK3Q
- Fri-Sat Sep 27-28 9th W4DXCC & Contest Convention. Mainstay Suites, Pigeon Forge TN
- Sun Sep 29 7:00 PM Newcomers & Elmers Net:146.67; Low Power Operation - QRP
- Tue Oct 1 7:30 PM Club meeting at St Bernard Recr Hall, 120 E Washington, St Bernard
Program: OH SM Frank Piper KI8GW tells us of recent ARRL developments;
re-awards 2d place 2013 newsletter contest certificate

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Former Member News -- Ev Giglio Festival Booth



As I attended the St. Ignatius church festival earlier this evening (Aug 25) in Monfort Heights, I was rather surprised but quite pleased to see this sign on the waffle cake booth: "this booth provided in memory of Ev Giglio". As I read that sign, I thought, thanks for the memories! You see, Ev was KC8JR who was quite active in the OH-KY-IN Amateur Radio Society, particularly in the education committee, years ago. And I began to remember that both Ev and Carol Hugentober WA8YL (previously K8DHK), were OH-KY-IN club members, good friends and fellow committee members as well as neighbors at the time. They both loved funnel cakes; that was the very first booth that either would visit at any festival. Made me feel so very much at home. As I stood there drinking a beverage looking at that sign, WOW, what memories. RIP Ev ! And you too Carol !

73, Bruce N8BV

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9th W4DXCC & Contest Convention coming Sept 27 & 28, Info at <http://www.w4dxcc.com/>

October QFiver copy deadline: Wed September 18 please!