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**OH-KY-IN REPEATERS**

146.670 (-) Clifton 146.625 (-) Withamsville 146.925 (-) St Elizabeth Hosp, Edgewood KY  
 443.7625 (+5) - not yet on air, at Hughes HS, Clifton Hts  
 UHF PL tone of 123 Hz required for access. APRS: K8SCH-10 Edgewood WIDE, on 144.39

**Web Pages**

Club: <http://www.ohkyin.org> Section: <http://www.arrl-ohio.org>  
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 Club Website issues may be directed to [webgeezer@ohkyin.org](mailto:webgeezer@ohkyin.org)  
 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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[membership@ohkyin.org](mailto:membership@ohkyin.org). Dues are due Jan. 1 each year **last chance to renew is March 31**  
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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 your submissions for *THE Q-FIVER* (including notice of upgrades & callsign changes) to Ye Ed Susie N8CGM.  
 These may be: snail-mailed to or dropped off at 6351 Daleview Rd, Cinti OH 45247  
 telephoned to 513=385-5201 any time (answerer takes up to 4 min dictation)  
 e-mailed to [n8cgm@arrl.net](mailto:n8cgm@arrl.net) or to [sscott@iglou.com](mailto:sscott@iglou.com)



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**Welcome to August**, already! This year has certainly passed quick, as they always do. If you missed our July picnic event you missed a good time (we even dodged most of the rain!). A special thanks to Jerry for setting up the even and to Bobby & Francis for manning the grill. Hopefully we can make this an annual event again.

We have several summer events that will some help. First, we will again be participating in the Cincinnati Museum Center's 1940's weekend on August 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>. We will again be setting up amateur radio displays and passing out information about our club & hobby. It's a fun time so stop down and help us out. Also, if you have any 40's vintage equipment you would like to display, please let me know. We would love to borrow it for the weekend!

Two big events will be coming in September. First will be the Cystic Fibrosis bike ride. We will again be helping with communications for this event on Saturday September 13<sup>th</sup>. The ride will leave from Smith Park in Middletown and head north. Communicators will be needed. Watch your email for more information. Also in September, our first Hamfest in almost 10 years will be happening. Buy a ticket and join us!

One last item in closing. On behalf of OHKYIN, I want the thank Jim Weaver for all his assistance as Great Lakes Director and wish him a happy "retirement". Jim has been a great asset to amateur radio and to our Club for many years. Also, congratulation to Dale Williams who has stepped up to Director, and to Tom Delaney who has accepted the position of Vice Director. OHKYIN looks forward to working with both of these gentlemen!

Until next time, stay cool and talk with you on the air!

73 Gary KB8MYC

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## **June 3, 2014 Members' Meeting Minutes**

President Gary KB8MYC called the meeting to order at 6:57PM.

The Minutes of the May Meeting were considered. A motion was made to correct the May Minutes report about the UHF Repeater. The keyer will not be installed on the UHF repeater because a new controller will be installed. That motion was seconded & passed by voice

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vote. (Corrected Minutes were printed in the July *Q-Fiver*.)

There was report that membership reached 113.

The Treasurer gave a Preliminary report for June. The report was approved.

Things are progressing on relocating the 146.925 repeater.

Red White & Blue Ash planning has come together. Nine members have volunteered.

Technical Committee: It was reported that a new Arcom controller will be built for the 146.925 repeater. There was a report that a total of two new Arcom controllers will be built.

Gary KB8MYC reported that Russ WB8ZCC is on the road a great deal working with his partner.

The Hamfest is falling into place. Many volunteers will be needed.

The club meeting for July will be a picnic in Ross Park, St. Bernard. Plans were completed.

A motion was made to advance \$100 for food for the picnic. The motion was seconded & passed.

Future programs: August: WinLink; September: Programming Radios; October: ARRL Night; November: Log Book of the World; & December: Annual Club Party & renewal of Awards.

Old Business: Field Day is coming together well. Awards Committee; two members volunteered, one more is needed. Union Terminal/Cincinnati Museum Center will hold a 1950's weekend August 16 – 17. Members & suitable equipment to show & demonstrate are needed. Pink Gorilla Event: On September 6, DARA & others are providing communications for an event along the scenic trail that begins in Milford & goes to Xenia & on to Dayton; volunteers are needed to provide communication. The event will end in Riverside Park in Dayton, Ohio.

The meeting adjourned at 7:56 PM.

Respectfully submitted, *Fred Schneider K9O9E* Secretary

#### **Report on Club Picnic**

Members of OH-KY-IN gathered in Ross Park on Tuesday evening July 1, 2014, for a Club Picnic. The food was great & the fellowship just as great. A good time was had by all.

There was no regular meeting. President Gary KB8MYC thanks Bobby KD8TPU & Francis fN8PEE for cooking, & members for the food they contributed. The program for the August meeting will be Win Link. Those present scrambled to leave before an approaching storm hit. There was heavy rain and frequent lightning approaching as the last members left the park. *Fred Schneider K9O9E* Secretary



July 12 Brunch Bunch took place at **Cabana on the River** in Saylor Park at 7445 Forbes Road, 45233, just off US 50/River Road. The Brunch Bunch has visited this restaurant several times in the past & everyone seems to really like this place.

The next Brunch Bunch will be held **Saturday, August 9 at 1PM at Pirates Cove** *The Q-Fiver, OhKyIn ARS, Aug 2014 pg 4*

**Tropical Bar & Grill** near the Columbia Tusculum area of Cincinnati, on the east side. The Pirates Cove is located at the Four Seasons Marina at 4609 Kellogg Avenue, 45226.

For a look at the menu, go to [www.piratescovecincy.com](http://www.piratescovecincy.com)

Remember that the Brunch Bunch always meets the second Saturday of every month at 1PM at a location announced each month. If you can't join us this month, maybe you'll be available to join us in the months ahead.

I'm always looking for suggestions on what restaurant you think might be a good place for the Brunch Bunch to visit soon. 73, ..... Bruce N8BV

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**Radio's Plus Joe Davidson KB8BSN**  
**11641 Colthar Drive Bethel OH 45106-9669**  
**513=752-9570**

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### **Red White & Blue Ash - Another Success!**

The 2014 Red White & Blue Ash is in the books. The weather for the event was rather different than usual; that proved to pay off in the cashbox & tip jars. We usually have extremely hot & humid &/or rain but this year was not such. We could not have asked for better weather.

Cheap Trick & Midnight Special provided the entertainment & there was a great crowd. We sold well over \$10,000 in beer & were just one of ten or more beer booths at the event this year.

The workers we had this year must have done something right. In 2010, the entertainment was Yes & Peter Frampton, We had well over \$17,000 in beer sales at our booth & netted \$287 in tips. This year, with quite a bit less in sales compared to 2010, we managed a whopping \$306 in tips.

A deposit of \$1058.03 in commission & \$306 in tips has already been made to the club's checking account. That's a total of \$1364.03 to the OH-KY-IN treasury for our Red White & Blue Ash efforts for 2014. Not to mention what a fun event it was!

A very big THANK YOU goes to the following (in box) for helping out this year. I'll be in touch with each of you for help with the event again next year. 73, ..... Bruce N8BV

Dale KC8HQS *
Jerry W1SCR *
Cindy KB8WEI
Lynn WD8JAW *
Ted NC8V
Bruce N8BV
& Kelli *
* in photo



## DX Spots – August 2014 de Nathan KA3MTT

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat				
Weekly bulletins made possible with info provided by the <i>Weekly DX</i> , the <i>OPDX Bulletin</i> , <i>425 DX News</i> , <i>The Daily DX</i> , <i>DXNL</i> , "Contest Corral" from <i>QST</i> & the ARRL Contest Calendar & WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all, especially to ARRL for posting weekly bulletins. W1AW ARRL Centennial stations abound as well.					1 C6 – Bahamas thru 8-4 - - - SV9 – Crete thru 8-10 	2 <a href="#">XROYNTT-</a> <a href="#">Easter Isl</a> <a href="#">thru 8-4</a> - - - <a href="#">VK9EX –</a> <a href="#">Christmas</a> <a href="#">Isl thru 8-8</a>				
3	4	5	6 VP9 – Bermuda thru 8-11 	7	8	9				
10 NH0J – Mariana Isl thru 8-15 - - - <a href="#">VP2MPX -</a> <a href="#">Montserrat</a> <a href="#">thru 8-28</a>	11	12	13	14	15	16				
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24	25	26 3D2 – Fiji thru 9-2 - - - <a href="#">KH0 –</a> <a href="#">Mariana Isl</a> <a href="#">thru 9-2</a> 	27	28	29	30				
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## Contests

August 2014

- 1 NS Weekly Sprint, CW
- 2-3 EU HF Championship, SSB & CW; South Africa DX Contest, SSB; NA QSO Party, CW; Ten-ten Summer Phone QSO Party; TARA Grid Dip Shindig, Digital modes; ARRL UHF Contest, 432MHz & up; International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend, all modes; OK1WC Memorial Contest, SSB & CW
- 6 CWops Weekly Mini-CWT Test
- 9-10 Straight Key Weekend Sprintathon, CW; Worked All Europe, CW; MD-DC QSO Party; Fall VHF Sprints; NJQRP Skeeter Hunt, CW
- 13 NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint, SSB
- 16-17 ARRL 10 GHz & up Contest; Dominican Republic Contest, SSB; Japan Key-men's Club Contest, CW; NA QSO Party, SSB; SARTG WW RTTY Contest; Russian District Award Contest, SSB & CW; Feld-Hell Gridloc Sprint, Digital; SARL Digital Contest; ARRL Rookie Roundup, digital modes
- 18 Run for the Bacon, CW
- 23-24 **OH QSO Party**; HI QSO Party, all modes, plenty of laughs; KS QSO Party; ALARA Contest; SCC RTTY Championship; South Africa DX Contest, CW
- 30 Full Day of Hell; YO DX contest, SSB & CW; CO QSO Party

Beat the heat in the A/C-ed shack For more information see *QST*, *CQ*, or [www.arrl.org](http://www.arrl.org)  
*73, Dan KJ4AV*

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from *ARRL Contest Update* July 16, 2014, reprint by ARRL permission, WORD TO THE WISE

**SPG** - Single-point ground is a lightning protection practice that physically binds all of the entry wiring into a house/shack to a single ground -- e.g., RF, AC power, water pipes, telephone. (From the Contest University [Contest Glossary](#) by N9RV)

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## Field Day 2014- SUCCESS!

To all,

As we head into the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday weekend, I want to report that that Oh-Ky-In ARS' Field Day 2014 was an astounding SUCCESS! Even though the weather barked at us a few times, it never bit & I really feel that this is one of the best Field Days EVER!

What made it so successful is that we had a fantastic bunch of people who showed up from the very beginning of setup on Friday & stayed until we had about 85% put together by about 8PM! I have to say that the setup team was one of the largest we have ever had! 6 of 7 dipoles raised; SSB1 beam & mast set up & ready to raise; SSB2, GOTA, CW, & VHF shelters set up & ready for equipment; main picnic tables arranged & sheltered for the picnic ready; & thanks to Bobby Revis KD8TPU, we even had ample lighting around the picnic area so we all could finally relax & have some great camaraderie after setup & throughout the weekend! While most went to Wild Mike's for a well deserved dinner, a few of us elected to stay & wait

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for some to bring back our wings. We enjoyed sitting around the tables chatting & enjoyed the great feeling of hav-ing a GREAT start to our Field Day. I cannot convey enough thanks for all those who came out to help Friday afternoon/evening!

That was only the beginning. Throughout the rest of Field Day weekend, we had great participation from the start of the annual ARRL operating event through to the end. All stations were aptly manned almost the entire time with plenty of operating time for new & seasoned hams alike as well as many non hams. Everyone had a fantastic time! We had a great turnout for the picnic, & the late night bunch enjoyed another OhKyIn Field Day Steak Out & bonfire! There is nothing like the aroma of steaks on the grill, the sound of QSOs in one ear & crickets in the other. What a great time!

I want to thank our Webgeezzer Russ WB8ZCC for posting many of the pics taken during the event. We also have an aerial video of the Field Day site, courtesy of Ron Ciminero & his quad copter, soon to be posted on our website (Ye Ed thought surely it'd be up by time this issue goes out). Ron is a retired electrical engineer & past ham, interested in regaining his license. There were a few VEs out there to give him the best advice on renewing his license; he is ready!

Pretty much everything worked as planned, with no operational changes from last year. We think we did very well! Most key to the OhKyIn Field Day is retained interest & focus on our CW station & its operators. Thanks to all who helped bring those contacts in. I will get our submission package for the ARRL together for scoring within the next few weeks (done by now one'd hope?) & will have a final report soon.

There are so many thanks to so many people that I'd like to name, but I must make special mention of Bobby KD8TPU who had the toughest job of anyone at Field Day. He was our Chef, main creature comfort manager, & jack of all trades who did a selfless job, determined to keep up the standard of Chef John N8JTP to great success. Through the limits of human exhaustion, he got the job done! I speak for the entire membership & from the bottom of my heart ... **Bobby, Thank You!**

*Please reply to this message with more stories of your 2014 Field Day. Every Field Day is great, but there is nothing like doing it every year, & then every year we add to many of the great memories, year after year. At least 4 members did so via the club e-mail reflector. Ye Ed was sure she saved them, but now is unable to locate.*

Thanks to all for a great OhKyIn 2014 Field Day!

73, Eric N8YC

**K8SCH Field Day ARRL Submission** Sent: Sunday, July 27, 2014 5:55 PM

Here we go, the results of this year's Field Day. Thanks to all!!!

All supporting information has been emailed to the ARRL.

73, Eric N8YC

ARRL Field Day Entry Form

Confirmation:

Call Used: K8SCH GOTA Station Call: W1SCR ARRL/RAC Section: OH Class: 3A

Participants: 30 Club/Group Name: Oh-Ky-In Amateur Radio Society

Power Source(s): Generator, Battery, Solar Power Multiplier: 2X

Bonus Points: Total Bonus Points 1,490



Score Summary:

	CW	Digital	Phone	Total	
Total QSOs	576	0	1144		
Total Points	1152	0	1144	2296	Claimed Score = 4,592

GOTA Bonus: GOTA Coach - Double Bonus Points GOTA worked by 5 youth (3 girls, 2 boys)  
 Comments following K8SCH Field Day ARRL Submission:  
 Eric, Thank you for all you did to make this possible. &thank you for all the help with setup  
 & takedown -- & most especially all the operators. & a special thanks to our cook!  
 73 Fred K9OHE

Eric, Thanks. FD was a great time! 73 Dan KJ4AV  
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**1940s Museum Event**

Hi Folks!

It's that time of year again when we seek volunteers to help with the annual 1940s Cincinnati Museum event on August. 9-10. We have been fortunate enough to participate in this great event for several years now, & it really is a lot of fun.

We are looking for people to talk with museum visitors to tell them about amateur radio, as well as have demonstrations/examples/radio memorabilia from the 1940s (& 50s - we can cheat a bit!) as well as an HF station & VHF capability for the children & their parents to see in operation.

We have also had a Morse Code practice station where kids (& adults!) can tap out their name in CW.

You don't have to be an expert to be there--just a friendly face & warm manner toward the folks who come by our area. Lunch & parking are provided for participants, & it is a good time of fellowship with other club members.

The event runs on Saturday from 10AM until mid-late afternoon as long as people are there to work & from 11AM until mid-afternoon on Sunday. You can sign up for both days or for one individual day. If you are available for either Sat. or Sun, please let me know that as well so we can accommodate the schedules of the various participants, while also making sure we have the time slots covered. Stay for a couple of hours or stay the whole day! We will be happy to have you join us! We will begin setup at around 9AM on Sat. and 10AM on Sun. Please contact me at your earliest convenience with your available times, days, & what you might be able to bring. Any authentic period gear is of course welcome, as are QSL cards, books, pictures etc from the time period.

Thanks! We look forward to another great year at the museum center with your help!

73, Robett AK3Q

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**VE Exam Opportunities** pls see also **Hamfests &c.** following

**What's New?** (Very First under *Licensing, Education & Training* at [www.arrl.org](http://www.arrl.org), reprint by permission & thanks for *VE exams list*)

FCC has revised the Amateur Service Part 97 rules to grant partial written examination element credit to holders of expired General, Advanced & Extra licenses. New rules became

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effective 30 days after their publication in *The Federal Register*, which was Monday July 21, 2014.

Sat Aug 2 - 8:30AM sponsored by Cinti Repeater Assn at Hartwell Presbyterian Church, 210 Parkway Ave 45216. Walk-ins OK. ARRL exam \$15, info Dale Pritchett KC8HJL 513=769 —0789 [dwpritchett@fuse.net](mailto:dwpritchett@fuse.net)

Mon Aug 11 – 6PM sponsored by NKARC at Taylor Mill Church of Christ, 5300 Taylor Mill Rd 41015. Walk-ins OK. Laurel exam, free, info James Stephens KK4JSJ, 513=313-0801 [kk4jsj@arrl.net](mailto:kk4jsj@arrl.net)

Wed Aug 13 - 6PM sponsored by DIAL ARC at Verity Lodge, Miami U Middletown 45042. Walk-ins OK. Laurel exam, free, info David Williamson KD8W, 513=424-5819, [dwilli43@cinci.rr.com](mailto:dwilli43@cinci.rr.com)

Thu Aug 14 - 6PM sponsored by Milford ARC at Faith Church, 5300 Price Rd 45150. Walk-ins OK. Laurel exam free, info Barb Steward KA8AXY, 513=300-2172, [blzsteward@yahoo.com](mailto:blzsteward@yahoo.com)

Wed Sep 10 – 6:30PM sponsored by GCARA at Blue Ash Rec Ctr, 4433 Cooper Rd 45242. Walk-ins OK. ARRL exam, \$15, info Gary Osborne W8XS, 513=474-0287, [w8xs@fuse.net](mailto:w8xs@fuse.net)

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#### Hamfests &c.

#### August 2014 & beyond a bit

Sat Aug 2 – Columbus OH Hamfest/OH Section Convention sponsored by Voice of Aladdin ARC (W8FEZ) at Aladdin Shrine Ctr, 3850 Stelzer Rd 43085. Talk-in 146.97. Info Jim Leonard W8MRT 614=264-8566 [w8mrt@arrl.net](mailto:w8mrt@arrl.net) Also in *OH Section News* almost next

Thu Aug 7-Sun Aug 10 YLRL 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Convention, Vancouver WA. Info: Marilyn AF7BI [lamAF7BI@gmail.com](mailto:lamAF7BI@gmail.com) or [www.ylrl.org](http://www.ylrl.org)

Sat Aug 9 – Angola IN Hamfest sponsored by Land of Lakes ARC at Angola Community Church of the Nazarene, 255 N Gerald Lett Ave 46703. Camping available. Talk-in 147.18+ PL 131,8. Info : [KC9QDO@arrl.net](mailto:KC9QDO@arrl.net) or Sharon Brown WD9DSP, 260=475-5897

Sun Aug 10 – Central KY Hamfest sponsored by Bluegrass ARS at American Legion Post 34 & Anderson Co Fairgrounds, 725 W Broadway(US 62) adjacent to US 127 bypass, Lawrenceburg KY 40324. 8AM-4PM. \$6, under 12 free. Fleas, food, forums, MARS spl event station, VE exams at 11AM (ARRL @ \$15). Talk-in 146.76. Info: Jeanie Dalton KB8QLC [jeanied@twc.com](mailto:jeanied@twc.com) , Bill DeVore N4DIT [billdit@twc.com](mailto:billdit@twc.com), [www.bluegrassARS.org](http://www.bluegrassARS.org)

Sun Aug 17 - 44<sup>th</sup> Ann Lafayette IN Hamfest sponsored by Tippecanoe ARA at Cary Boy Scout Camp (new location) 6286 ST 26E 47905 (~1.5 mi E of I-65). 8AM-1PM EDT. Vendors, fleas, food, VE exams 9AM onsite, ARRL \$15. \$5 gate, under 12 free. Talk-in: 145.37 -, 131.8, walk-around 146,55 simplex. Info: Geo Bittles KB9GFB [kb9gfb@gmail.com](mailto:kb9gfb@gmail.com), [www.w9reg.org](http://www.w9reg.org)

Sun Aug 17 – Warren OH Hamfest/Computer Show sponsored by Warren ARA at Trumbull Co Fairgrounds, 899 Everett-Cortland Hull Rd, Cortland 44410. 8AM-2PM. \$5 gate. Vendors,, fleas, VE exams 10AM, etc. Talk-in: 146.97- PL 100.0, 443.000+. Info: Jacquie Williams N8JMW, 440=636-2806 [warrenhamfest@gmail.com](mailto:warrenhamfest@gmail.com) [www.w8vtd.com](http://www.w8vtd.com)

Sat Aug 23 – Owen-Monroe Hamfest co-sponsored by Owen Co ARA & Bloomington Radio Club at Owen Co Fairgrounds, 159 S East St, 47460. 7AM-2PM. Vendors, fleas, forums, food, crafts, tailgating, ARRL VE exams 1PM \$15. \$5 gate. Talk-in: 146.985 (136.5 PL). Info Katie Smith K9INU 812=829-2140 [k9inu@arrl.net](mailto:k9inu@arrl.net)

[www.owencountyara.org/2014Hamfest.php](http://www.owencountyara.org/2014Hamfest.php) *The Q-Fivet., OhKyIn ARS, August 2014 pg 10*

Sun Aug 24 - Cuyahoga Falls ARC 6<sup>th</sup> Ann Tailgate Hamfest at Robert Pinn Armory, 4630 Allen Rd, Stow OH. Ham radio, computers, electronics, food it's hoped. 9AM-1PM. \$5 per vehicle (car/truck/van). GPS N 41° 11.652 W 81° 28.362 Info: [tailfest2014@cfarc.org](mailto:tailfest2014@cfarc.org)

**It's back for 2014!!!!**  
**OHKYIN AMATEUR**  
**RADIO SOCIETY**  
**HAMFEST**  
**Cincinnati OH 45224**

**When: Sunday September 21, 2014**

**Where: Aiken High School**

**5641 Belmont Ave. Cincinnati**

**[39°11'29"N 84°33'4"W](#)**

**Time: Doors Open at 8:00am, until 2:00pm**



**Indoor air conditioned venue, rain or shine!!**

**Outdoor vendor spaces available (limited number)**

**All flea market tables \$5.00 each – no limit**

**Amateur Radio Exams at 10:00am**

**Plenty of food and door prizes!**



**Admission is just \$5.00 in advance. \$6.00 at the door!**

**For advance ticket ordering visit the Hamfest page at [WWW.OHKYIN.ORG](http://WWW.OHKYIN.ORG)**

**Selected Out-Takes from OH Section News Jul 18 2014 issue** all at <http://www.arri-ohio.org>

AFFILIATED CLUBS COORDINATOR REPORT

By: John Myers KD8MQ – ACC kd8mq1@gmail.com

Hi everyone, I'm John KD8MQ, & welcome to my first column as Affiliated Club Coordinator. I'm a big believer in clubs, & the idea that we can accomplish so much more as a group than we can individually.

You likely read my bio in last month's *Ohio Section Journal*, so I won't bore you with it again. This appointment was a great honor, & definitely the last place I expected to be. I'll do my best to maintain the high standards of those who came before.

In the near future, my plans are to begin visiting some clubs here & there, to introduce myself. I love reading newsletters. That's where I get some of my best ideas. So if you're a newsletter editor, please add me to your mailing list.

Reading your club newsletters is one of the best ways for me to keep up with what a club is doing. As my predecessors have done, I'll continue posting highlights from your newsletters both here & on my Ohio Section Clubs Blog ( <http://kd8mq-acc.blogspot.com/> ).

I'd like to give some thanks to the previous Ohio ACCs. Being pretty active in my home club, I've met or exchanged e-mails with most of the folks on this list.

• JoAnne Solak KJ3O • Brenda Krukowski KB8IUP • JoAnne Solak KJ3O  
• Scott Yonally N8SY • E. Mike McCardel, KC8YLD • Sandy Mackey N8YS

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Congratulations..

Let's congratulate the following clubs on some milestones this month.

The Independent Radio Association Inc. (Springfield) Affiliated 25 Years

North Coast Contesters (Chesterland) Affiliated 25 Years

We also have a **new** affiliated club to welcome aboard. Let's give a big welcome to the West Central Ohio Amateur Radio Association. They are based in Dayton, & just became affiliated at the end of May. Snip >8

Final Word.. What do you do for club programs this time of year? I've heard of some clubs who don't even bother with meeting in July, much less programs. Here in Alliance, we usually forgo the club program, since attendance is down anyway. But, I like the way Massillon does their July meetings. July is the month for their Ice Cream Social. If anything will get club members out to a meeting in July, it's gotta be Ice cream!

I'm anxious to hear how your club is doing. How about dropping me an e-mail? Better yet, add me to your mailing list.

That's about it for this month. Remember to check out my blog, <http://kd8mq-acc.blogspot.com/>. I will post there regularly. I am also on Twitter, though I admit to being lower on the learning curve than I should be.

Till next time, 73 de KD8MQ

FROM THE SECTION EMERGENCY COORDINATOR

By Stan Broadway N8BHL [broadways@standi.com](mailto:broadways@standi.com)

ARES is Alive & Well.. Greetings, & thank you all for your encouragement as we change ARES leadership in Ohio. My first goal is to try to match the performance of the classy people we have in place! From my very first meeting as a rookie EC, I have been amazed at the excellent experienced people in ARES, & I plan on learning a lot from all of you.

I learned some time ago that it does no good to go running into a situation with all the 'answers' before anybody even asks a question. Asking is what I'll be doing a lot in the near future. pg 12

Snip >8 Schedule Changes.. We talked about the burden of time required of you by these important positions you hold. We need to reduce redundancy & pull back on amount of time we require. Our job will be to make meeting & training time very worth your while! I'd like to cancel fall meeting plans, both Newark & fall conference to drop back to one larger meeting per year. Our spring conference was so well attended & we got a lot of work done! I want next spring to be even better! For this initial rebuilding season, I'll be in contact with DEC's to set up convenient times to learn from all of you how we can make ARES better. Please email your ideas & comments any time! In the meantime, I sincerely thank you all for your time & effort! What we do is important!  
73, Stan N8B9LL

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SOUTHWEST OHIO HAPPENINGS (events that took place in July edited out)  
From: Kitty Hevener W8TDA - Assistant Section Manager (SW) w8tda@arrl.net  
CONGRATULATIONS..

Unless you have been hiding under a rock, you probably know that southwest Ohio's own, Tom Delaney W8WTD, has been selected as the new Great Lakes Division Vice Director. We are so lucky to have Tom in this position as he is one who definitely goes above & beyond. During *The Q-Fivez, OhKyIn ARS, August 2014 pg 12* the 30+ years that I have known him, we have taught technician licensing classes & worked both public service events and disasters.

I have also seen him lend a helping hand to local hams, who, for physical reasons, are unable to put up the simplest antenna or make an adjustment to their radio gear to make operating easier & more enjoyable. Tom's concern for others goes beyond ham radio. He & his wife Helen helped me find my current house while I was still living in California.

TEACHER SEEKS GUIDANCE WITH BALLOON LAUNCH PROGRAM..

In June, the Dayton Amateur Radio Association hosted an ARRL Teacher's Institute-1 session at their clubhouse. One of the teachers who participated in this class wants to develop a balloon launch program for her 8<sup>th</sup> grade science class at Valley Farms junior high school, in Farmersville. She is in need of someone with experience or knowledge to provide some guidance on putting this program together. What a unique opportunity to potentially bring some youth into our hobby! If you can help, please contact Joe Brassard KA8C at jbrassard@woh.rr.com

LICENSING CLASSES AND EXAM OPPORTUNITIES..

DIAL RADIO CLUB will offer a 6-week technician licensing class beginning Aug 20. Each session will run from 6-9PM & be held at Verity Lodge on the Middletown Campus of Miami University. Classes end Sep 24 & are followed by an exam session on Wed Oct 1. For more information or to register, contact Beverley Taylor [n8gge@arrl.net](mailto:n8gge@arrl.net) 513=423-3165 or Carl Morgan [k8cm@arrl.net](mailto:k8cm@arrl.net) 513=422-9384. Snip >8

It's back for 2014! no, the "it" doesn't refer to the upcoming football season! To find out what I am talking about, visit <http://www.ohkyin.org/hamfest.php> or page 11 of this issue.

FIELD DAY MEMORIES..

I visited Hamilton County ARPSC, QCEN, & Oh-Ky-In Field Day sites. I arrived at HamCo ARPSC just in time to see the crew carbo loading in preparation for raising their antenna & setting up equipment. They were not alone! QCEN & Oh-Ky-In members, including yours truly, were known to have inhaled several "chef's delights" to keep them on their "A game" for the duration of the operation. W8NFM reports that QCEN (Queen City Emergency Net) ran as a 3F station from W8VVL. Operations were continuous with a total of 19 operators. Eric N8YC, Oh-Ky-In ARS' Field Day chair, reports that this year's Field Day was an astounding success. He said that the setup

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team was one of the largest the club has ever had. All stations were aptly manned almost the entire time, with plenty of operating time for new & seasoned hams alike as well as many non hams. The late night aroma of steaks on the grill & a bonfire along with QSOs in one ear & crickets in the other undoubtedly made memories that club members won't soon forget.

73, Kitty W8CDA

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LET'S TALK

From: Scott Yonally, N8SY - Section Manager [n8sy@arrl.org](mailto:n8sy@arrl.org)

Hi Everyone, Field Day is now in the books as well as all of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July festivities. Speaking of Field Day, did you have one of the Cabinet members pop in on your site? A number of us were out & about. I personally put over 700 miles on the car & visited 23 different locations. I'd 've loved to have hit more than I did, but ran out of time & energy. Connie N8IO put over 400 miles on her vehicle & I know that Bob K3RC & Jim W8ERW were also out & about.. All the pictures that were submitted are now posted on the website. You can find them at: <http://arrl-ohio.org/fd-pix/index.html> Snip >8

LATE BREAKING NEWS..

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CC&Rs being looked into once again. As announced by the ARRL, HR 4969 is being introduced into the U.S. House of Representatives.

In June 2014, with Congressman Adam Kinzinger (IL-16) as sponsor & Congressman Joe Courtney (CT-2) as co-sponsor, HR 4969 – the "Amateur Radio Parity Act of 2014" - was introduced into the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress. This bipartisan effort would direct the FCC to extend the "reasonable accommodation" provisions for Amateur Radio antennas to include all types of land-use regulation, including deed restrictions & restrictive covenants.

Details on this can be found on the ARRL website at: <http://www.arrl.org/hr-4969>

Over the past several weeks there have been several major announcements made that affected the Ohio Section, but they were made through the League "reflector." I had a number of calls from you folks complaining that word didn't get to them, & they had to receive the information 3<sup>rd</sup> hand. After some investigation it was discovered that **the folks complaining weren't subscribed to the League's reflector to receive important messages from the Section Manager or Division Director/ Vice Director.** Please, if you haven't looked at your settings with the League in some time, I strongly urge you to do so. You access these settings from your account. Just go on-line to the League & submit your log-on & password. From there you go to "edit your profile". At the top of your profile page is a tab called "Edit Email Subscriptions". Then read down the entire list & check all of those items that interest you, including the one that states "News and Information from your Division Director & Section Manager (Note: Some Divisions/Sections may not send notices)". This will then sign you up to receive those important messages from me & the Division Director.

Now, for those of you who may not want to go to all that bother, or are not League members, you still have a way to get these important emails. All you have to do is to "Opt-In" on the Ohio Section website.. Here's the link: <http://arrl-ohio.org/forwarder/forwarding.html> You can also find this link on the bottom left corner of the main page of the Ohio Section website. I urge you all to make sure that everyone, regardless of whether they are a League member or not, knows that they can always "Opt-In" at any time. Oh, didn't know that the Ohio Section had a website?? We do.. You can find it at: <http://arrlohio.org> If you don't have this website set as your home page, I urge you to do so.

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This website is one of the exceptions to the rules.. It changes all the time, is never stagnant & is forever changing. I'd recommend that you check into this website at least 3 times per week.. We have a new Section Emergency Coordinator – Stan Broadway, N8BHL. Stan was (is) Emergency Coordinator for Delaware Co. His first column appears in this OH Section News issue, & the short listing on his Bio is hardly short. (Go read it in N8SY's Let's Talk section at <http://www.arrl-ohio.org> . Flush left is What's Inside, Let's Talk is #3 in list) snip >8

Please welcome Stan as the new SEC for the Ohio Section..

We have a **new Division Director & Vice Director**. As of 12N on July 7 Jim Weaver K8JE officially retired as Director. As per ARRL By-Laws on succession, Dale Williams WA8EFK who was Vice Director now becomes Director. President Kay Craigie N3KN has appointed Tom Delaney W8WTD as new Vice Director.

Are you ready for the **Ohio Section Conference**? This year we have teamed up with the Columbus Hamfest. It will be Aug 2 at the Aladdin Shrine Temple, right across the street from Easton Mall on the east side of Columbus. The Hamfest begins at 8AM & the forums at 9AM.

Here's what's on for the forums.

09:00 – 11:00 VE Testing

09:00 – 10:00 Skywarn – John Montgomery N8PVC

10:00 – 11:00 ARES/ARESMAT – Mark Griggs KB8YMN

11:00 – 12:00 OSSBN Semi-Annual meeting - Mike Hayward KC8WH

12:00 – 13:00 ARRL / Conference Awards Presentation – Scott Yonally N8SY

This year there **will be an Allan Severson (AP8P) Award** recipient. You'll just have to wait until the hamfest to find out who it is. You'll also have to wait to find out the winner of the Annual Newsletter Contest .. There's lots of reasons to attend.. but the biggest one that I can think of is.. "It's going to be FUN!!" snip >8

Have a question? Feel free to give me a call or write to me.. Oh.. by the way, I've come up with a new surprise for the mugs.. You may just find an extra surprise inside the cup!!

My email & phone number are always listed on the Ohio Section Website <http://arrlohio.org> as well as on page 16 of QST.. 73, *Scott N8SY* great HUGE snip >8

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#### SELECTED SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS

08/22/2014 | D-Day Reenactment Conneaut, OH -- 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Normandy Landing  
Aug 22-Aug 23, 1300Z-1900Z, W8BHZ, Conneaut, OH. Conneaut ARC. 14.240 7.240. QSL.  
CARC ARS W8BHZ, PO Box 661, Conneaut, OH 44030. The largest annual D-Day Reenactment in the US. The Conneaut Amateur Radio Club in conjunction with D-Day Ohio operates a special event station during the weekend reenactment of the Normandy Landing. 2014 marks the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this historic landing. Commemorative QSL cards will be printed for the event. It is now the largest annual event in the United States commemorating D-Day-June 6<sup>th</sup> 1944 .

Please see visit [www.ddayohio.us](http://www.ddayohio.us) for info on the reenactment event. [www.qsl.net/w8bhz](http://www.qsl.net/w8bhz)

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08/29/2014 | 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of *The Shawshank Redemption* movie Aug 29-Aug 31, 1400Z-2000Z, KD8KWV, Bellevue, OH. Harold R. Wolfe. 14.250 7.250 3.850 146.940. QSL. Harold R. Wolfe KD8KWV, 358 High St, Bellevue, OH 44811. Celebrating filming locations of *The Shawshank Redemption*. Historic sites include The Ohio State Reformatory, as well other locations on the historic Shawshank Trail located in Mansfield, OH

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08/29/2014 | *The Shawshank Redemption* 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Aug 29-Aug 31, 1200Z-1600Z,

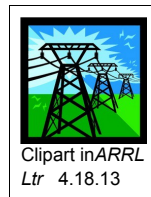
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W8WE, Mansfield, OH. InterCity ARC. 14.250. QSL. IARC, PO Box 713, Bellville, OH 44813.  
Times & frequency may change. Check out club website for up to date info. [www.w8we.org](http://www.w8we.org)  
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### What's coming in August

- Fri Aug 1 7:30 PM Amateur Radio Public Svc Corps, Hamilton Co Communications Ofc  
Conference Rm, 2377 Civic Ctr Dr – pls park in Bd of Educ lot
- Sun Aug 3 7:00PM Newcomers/Elmers Net, 146.67 146.67, Topic: HF Propagation,  
NCS Robert AK3Q
- Tue Aug 6 7:30PM Club Meeting at St Bernard Recr Hall, 120 E Washington, St Bernard  
Program: WinLink
- Wed Aug 7 9:00PM Tech Talk, NCS Robert AK3Q
- Sat Aug 9 10:00AM Monthly Fox Hunt leaves from Mt Storm Park, talk-in to start 146.67  
1:00PM Brunch Bunch at Pirates Cove in Four Seasons Marina,, 4609 Kell-  
ogg Avenue, 45226 (pg 5)
- Sun Aug 10 7:00PM Newcomers/Elmers Net, 146.67, Topic: Antenna Theory Light,  
NCS Robert AK3Q
- Wed Aug 13 9:00PM Tech Talk, NCS Brian K4BRI
- Fri Aug 15 8:00PM Queen City Emergency Net, Red Cross HQ, 2111 Dana Av, 45207
- Sun Aug 17 7:00PM Newcomers/Elmers Net, 146.67, Topic: Some Practical Wire  
Antennas, NCS Robert AK3Q
- Wed Aug 20 9:00PM Tech Talk, NCS Dale KC8HQS
- Fri Aug 22 Copy deadline for September *Q-Fiver*
- Sun Aug 24 7:00PM Newcomers/Elmers Net, 146.67, Topic: Coax Dos & Donts, NCS  
Robert AK3Q
- Tue Aug 26 7:00PM Board of Directors meeting, Centennial Hall, St Bernard: Sep *Q-Fiver*  
*Fiver* distribution begins
- Wed Aug 27 9:00PM Tech Talk, NCS Brian KC8JFQ
- Sun Aug 31 7:00PM Newcomers/Elmers Net, 146.67, Topic: Setting Up Shop, NCS  
Robert AK3Q
- Tue Sep 2 7:30PM Club Meeting at St Bernard Recr Hall, 120 E Washington, St Bernard  
Program: Programming Radios

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Cincinnati Communications will **pull the plug on its BPL system Aug 1**, according to a [report](#) on *The Enquirer* newspaper's Cincinnati.com website. "The failure of the Cincinnati system comes as no surprise to anyone familiar with BPL technology," said ARRL CEO David Sumner K1ZZ. "It's rather remarkable that they managed to keep it going this long." Thomas Balun of Broadband Ventures LLC, which operates Cincinnati Communications, told *The Enquirer* that the company essentially would start over from scratch with more up-to-date technology. "The technology to subscribers' homes was really antiquated," Balun told *The Enquirer*. "We tried to figure out how to convert subscribers, but we can't do it. We have to shut the system down & start over." *The Enquirer* report said Cincinnati Communications customers had endured "on



-again, off-again service” with the BPL system, with some service outages lasting for days.

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**OH-KY-IN 2014 Committee Appointments**

Technical Committee Russ Hines WB8ZCC, Ch  
Volunteer Examiners Brian DeYoung K4BRI, Ch  
Membership Nathan Ciufu KA3MTT, Ch  
Education Robert Gulley AK3Q, Ch  
PIO Jerry Shipp W1SCR  
Q-Fiver Editor Susie Scott N8CGM  
Historian Dale Vanselow KC8HQS  
Fox Hunters Dick Arnett WB4SUV, Ch  
DXpedition Coordinator Eric Neiheisel  
WebGeezer Russ Hines WB8ZCC  
Tech Talk Net Mgr Bruce Vanselow N8BV  
TV/RFI Dick Arnett WB4SUV, Ch  
John Phelps N8JTP  
John W Hughes AI4DA

Newcomers/Elmers Net Robert Gulley AK3Q  
ARPSC Representative Jerry Shipp W1SCR  
QCEN Representative Pat Maley KD8PAT  
Fundraising Bruce Vanselow N8BV, Ch  
Rptr Control Ops Mgr Bruce Vanselow N8BV  
Librarian open  
Field Day Eric Neiheisel N8YC, Ch  
Spl Publications Jo Haltermon KD4PYS, Ch  
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K8SCH QSL Mgr Gerry Weimer KD8ASL

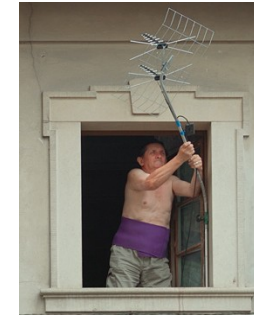
**Life Members:**

Kenneth E Wolf N8WYC  
Karl W Kaucher KJ4KWR

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**News of Members, Former Members & Students in Recent Classes**

7.11.14 to reflector: Do any OH-KY-IN members from way back when remember **Fausto Andrade HC1AA**? I've tried searching for him and cannot find a thing. Just curious as to what happened to Fausto? *Duffy WB8NUT* [www.wb8nut.com](http://www.wb8nut.com)



Antenna adjust on fark.com 3.6.09, soon after Ye Ed started on Saturday – you who know 'em know **why!**  
**Far L DL7FB feature on qrz.com, no date**

*Ye Ed* found Fausto in Cincinnati white pages next day! Said he only ever did low bands. Has since moved to condo where unable to have antenna, seeks to either sell or give to Civil Defense his low band gear, he said. Will send him both July & Aug Q-Fivers; said where/ when we meet now, he may just Show Up! *Ye Ed*

*Copy deadline for Sep issue Fri Aug 22 please*  
Take deep breath please, ARRL Convention supplement 1 next

**ARRL National Centennial Convention Kicks Off Ham Radio's Second Century** from ARRL Letter 7.24.14 reprint with ARRL permission  
With the ARRL National Centennial Convention, July 17-19, now a

part of Amateur Radio history, the League's second century has arrived! The ARRL welcomed some 3300 visitors to the Connecticut Convention Center in Hartford for the 3-day event, which went smoothly for the most part, said ARRL President Kay Craigie N3KN. She noted that many conventioners even stayed around for the official closing ceremony on Saturday afternoon -- & beyond.

"Even as late as Sunday, people were shaking my hand at the convention hotel, saying how much they enjoyed the convention," Craigie said. "Despite a few hitches & glitches, the event as a whole met our objective of being a truly memorable & meaningful celebration of the centennial, in the city where it all began 100 years ago."

Craigie expressed appreciation for the efforts of ARRL Headquarters staffers & many volunteers who helped make the convention a success. "The ARRL also appreciates the Training Track & forum presenters, who made the program as fine as anything ever brought together for an Amateur Radio convention," she added. "The exhibitors who supported the show with their presence gave visitors an excellent opportunity to learn more about products, services, & organizations in today's Amateur Radio. That was really helpful when I walked through the exhibits with FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate KK4INZ & later with Congressman Joseph Courtney of CT-- an original co-sponsor of HR.4969 -- for some show & tell about Amateur Radio activities & technology."

The winner of a drawing for a \$5000 grand prize certificate from the ARRL & [R&L Electronics](#) was ARRL Life Member John C Davison N2OXV of Poughkeepsie NY. The winner of a \$2500 gift certificate from the ARRL & [FlexRadio Systems](#) was Robert The AC2II of Germantown, NY.

"Just before the prize drawing on Saturday afternoon, I invited the youngest hams at the closing ceremony onto the main stage," said Inderbitzen. "There were four 13-year-olds -- Stu Cichon of Meriden CT (a prospective ham); Dahnes Upton KB1OTB, of Mont Vernon NH; Tobias Park KD2EOM, of Warwick, NY; & Brandon Tur-entine KF5QYU of Winnie TX. "Brandon pulled the tickets of the two prize winners," Inderbitzen continued. "Each of these young hams will be sent a hardcover edition of the *ARRL Centennial Handbook* signed by staff members, & some other 'goodies.'"

At the convention, Craigie said, she saw some youngsters in strollers who likely will be around for the League's 150th anniversary in 2064. "Our job now is to do our part to make sure that Amateur Radio and the ARRL are strong for them when it's their turn to celebrate the next milestone in the history of our League," she said.

ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, concluded the closing ceremony. "With this moment, we say good-bye to ARRL's first century with fondness [ & ] great memories," he said. "You're all part of that history, & now we're all part of the ARRL's second century."





& we're off!

(L-R) ARRL New England Division Vice Dir Mike Raisbeck K1TWF; ARRL President Kay Craigie N3KN, & ARRL COO Harold Kramer WJ1B. Raisbeck & Kramer were convention co-chairs. [Rick Lindquist WW1ME, photo]

(L-R) Jose Vicens NP4G; John Bigley N7UR; Rafael Velazquez NP4VO; Carlos Colon WP4U & Carlos Osorio WP4N. [Rick Lindquist WW1ME, photo]



All smiles: Puerto Rico contingent



ARRL Discovery Station

At ARRL's "Discovery Station" in the Convention's Exhibit hall, presenter Larry Kendall K6NDL demonstrates basic electricity & electronic principles for Shannon Fitzgerald.

That's It for Aug. Ye Ed getting cross-eyed, tryin' to FIX, esp in teeny tiny print.

33/73 N8CGM