OH-KY-IN Amateur Radio Society

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#### Brunch Bunch

by Bruce Vanselow, N8BV

The next Brunch Bunch will be held Saturday, October 8th, at 1pm. The location for October is Freddy's Frozen Custard & Steakburgers in Harrison, Ohio. This Freddy's location is at 10927 New Haven Road, 45030. It is a very short distance south off the New Haven Road exit on I-74.

"Each patty is pressed thin to create deliciously crispy edges and finished with Freddy's Famous Steakburger and Fry Seasoning. Every Steakburger is cooked-to-order with your choice of toppings, served steaming hot, and just the way you want it."

For a look at the menu as well as a map, go to: **www.freddys.com** 

Remember that the Brunch Bunch always meets the second Saturday of every month at 1pm at a location to be announced each month. If you can't join us this month, maybe you'll be available to join us in the months ahead. As always I'm looking for suggestions on what restaurant you think might be a good place for the Brunch Bunch to visit in the future.

73, ..... Bruce N8BV

#### Harvest Home Fair — Big 6 Booth

by Bruce Vanselow, N8BV

As usual at the Big 6 booth, it starts out slow and then it really does get busy. Friday and Saturday nights are always the most busy times. The weather was great again this year, until... early Sunday evening! Then came the deluge. Several rounds of that and of course there were now no more customers.

The last few years the betting limits were 25 cents to \$2. This year the high limit was upped to \$5. It made for a lot more larger bills to work with.

We still could have used 1 more worker on Saturday evening. Think about helping out next year. Even if only for just a few hours. Yeah, it does get busy at times, but it really helps your club's treasury. This year to the tune of \$2012.15

And these are the guys that made that happen, Thanks a bunch guys!!

Mike	KD8TMO	Mike KD8ZLB	Dennis KD8ILY			
Ted	NC8V	Carl AD8HM	Rocky KE8DZS			
Mark	KD8ZLD	Ryan AC8UJ	Bruce N8BV			
	73, Bruce N8BV					

## **Meeting Information**

Our monthly club meeting will be held at Lockland Church of the Nazarene (335 W. Wyoming Ave.). We will continue to offer Zoom video conferencing as an option. Please join us at 7:30 PM Eastern time each first Tuesday of the month. The Zoom call will open at about 7:20 PM for you to join. The passcode is 146670

#### https://zoom.us/j/996062859

If you are unable to join online, you may join by telephone at (301) 715-8592 with a meeting code of 996 062 859 and passcode of 146670. Long distance rates will apply.

#### **QSL Card Design Entries**

As advertised last month, we're getting a new QSL card! Check out the entries on the next page. To select a winner, we need the membership to vote. Each member gets **three (3)** votes to use as they wish. If you really, really want one design to win, cast all three votes for that design. Want to split your votes up? That's fine as well! E-mail your votes (referencing the red number associated with each design) to Ryan at ac8uj@arrl.net with a subject of "QSL Contest Vote" no later than end of day Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The winning design will be announced in the November Q-Fiver and all designs will be republished with attribution, so you can see who created which designs. Happy voting!

NOTE: Winning card contents will be modified as needed to accomodate the needs of our QSL manager and may also be modified to incorporate additional content as needed. In other words, vote on the overall design/appearance, not specific text on the card.

# Current QSL Card

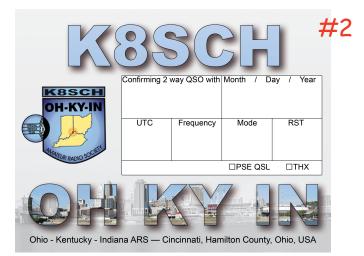


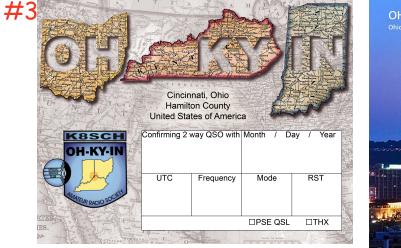


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PSE/TNX for the QSO. 73's

QSL Manager - WA6EZV

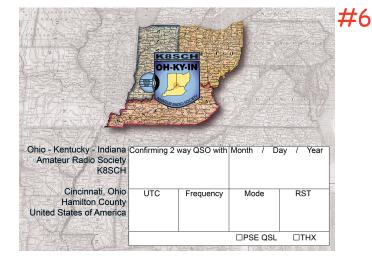






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#### DX Trivia

By Bob Frey WA6EZV

So everyone knows that K, and W prefixes are for the USA, but can you match the following ones? Easy ones of the left, harder ones on the right. See page 12 for answers.

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# Winter Field Day & Planning Meeting

by Ryan Owens AC8UJ

OH-KY-IN's Winter Field Day event is coming up in a few months! Once again we'll be using the barn at Harvest Home Park in Cheviot. This has been a great site for us several times in the past and works very well for this event. Mark your calendars for Saturday January 28<sup>th</sup> and Sunday January 29<sup>th</sup> and plan on joining us! We aim for a more experimental approach to Winter Field Day (as compared to the summar ARRL Field Day event). Have a radio you want help with? Bring it! Want to try a new antenna? Let's try it!

We'll be having a planning meeting via Zoom on Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM using the normal OH-KY-IN meeting code. If you are interested in participating, join the meeting and share you ideas!

# OH-KY-IN ARS

Lifetime Member Spotlight

DE KA3MTT

OH-KY-IN ARS Membership Chairman

**Current Station Radios**/

Yaesu FT-8800 VHF/UHF

BTECH Tri-Band mobile

• Wouxun KGUV920P VHF/UHF

• Plus way too many handheld

Other interests/hobbies outside of Amateur Radio:

Antenna

transceiver

transceiver

transceiver

transceivers!

• VHF/UHF J-pole

Shooting Sports

Computers

Old Movies

Favorite Modes of Operation:

Analog VHF/UHF

Music

# Karl Kaucher - KK4KRK

#### Some History about Amateur Station KK4KRK

American Red Cross in the late 1960's. He was in the old RC building on Sycamore when he saw them using radio teletype for disaster communications response - this sparked his interest in radio communications.

Karl was a volunteer for the

Karl was going to high school with Harold "Hal" Blocher, when he met Harold Sr, W4YWH. Harold Sr owned Bluegrass Communications, which focused on VHF/UHF EMS and Public Safety Communications. Karl was involved in EMS at the time, so he soaked up as much information as he could.

Karl then received his Novice class license in 1983. Children then came along and Amateur Radio had to take an understandable back seat.

Karl attended the Technician class license course offered by OH-KY-IN ARS in 2009 and passed the exam.

He has since encountered some health issues, but upgrading his license is definitely on the radar.



Karl's Yaesu FT-8800







Wouxun KGUV920P Transceiver

# Other "Bits, Pieces, & Advice"

Karl enjoys hamfests, and he has attended the last three QSO Today virtual hamfests. He was also able to go to the last Dayton Hamvention held at HARA Arena.

While Karl isn't currently involved in contesting, he is interested in learning more about many of the digital modes that can be heard and operated on many of the bands. Upon upgrading, Karl may dabble in DX'ing, and adds the following advicefor those interested or new in the hobby: "Don't give up! Find some active hams

#### to hang with and be a biscuit to their gravy!"

DMR

# July, 2022 Meeting Minutes

OH-KY-IN Amateur Radio Society Minutes of July 5, 2022, Member Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 PM by Ryan AC8UJ with the Pledge of Allegiance. The club held a hybrid meeting at the Lockland Church of the Nazarene and via Zoom.

Guests:

- Mary Rhodes N8MCR
- Charles Wasmer N8RQT
- Nancy Wasmer KC8NGB

New Licenses or Upgrades: None

Attendance: 31

- 16 in person
- 17 via zoom

Health and Welfare: None

Brag Sessions:

• Steve W8SCI received the CW magazine award for digital prefixes.

Prior Meeting Minutes: Drew KE8JTL moved, and Dennis KE8ILY seconded accepting the last meeting minutes as published in the Q-Fiver. Motion passed.

Membership: Not present. 145 have renewed for the year out of 166 from last year. Please renew at http://renew.ohkyin.org/.

Treasurer: Brad KE8JTM - Treasure's report read and filed for audit.

Brad KE8JTM discussed the issue with the attempted fraud on the club's checking account. No funds were lost in the attempt. A new account was opened, and the club will begin to use online bill pay to cut down on the use of hand written checks.

Silent Key: None

Tech Committee: Gary KB8MYC. All the repeaters are working. Need people to use the repeaters. The WIRES-X will be activated at the 625 soon.

Classes and Exams: Planning on fall classes. The last session is over.

Fox Hunts and ARDF: The YOTA camp went very well.

Library: Contact Justin KE8COY if you would like to check out items from the library. If anyone has books from 2019, please return them.

Nets:

- Bruce N8BV reports the Tech Talk net has been fine with 15-17 check-ins per week, could use some more questions. 9:00 PM Wednesday evenings on the 67 repeater.
- Ed K8EAF reports the WinLink net is up and running with a lot of check-ins. Send Ed K8EAF a message and he will get you on the roster. They would like to see some members use VARA. They will help you get

it set up.

• The SSTV net is still on Monday at 9:00 PM on the 67 repeater. There is also a Slack channel for the net and other items at OH-KY-IN. The check ins have dropped. The slow scan net will end on September 5th, 2022 if the check ins do not improve.

Website: Rocky KE8DZS reports that the website is still up and upgrades are coming.

QCEN: Pat KD8PAT reports the next meeting will be Sat July 16th for the picnic at Sellman Park from 8am-4pm.

ARES: Not present. The June 21st meeting will be in person at the Rock.

Brunch Bunch: Bruce N8BV reported Brunch Bunch will be 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month, at the Larosa's in Delhi at 1PM.

Events:

• Parks on the air, can really be done anytime. KY event is 8/13, Ohio event is 9/10, Indiana event is 9/11

Old Business

- By-laws Updates: Still on hold
- Repeater Internet Connectivity Grant: All of the computers have been installed. All three sites have remote internet controller access. The WIRES-X project is still having problems. The board will discuss a possible solution.
- Portable Satellite Ground Station Grant: Cesi KD8OOB the rotor will be sent back after field day for warranty work.
- Bob WA6EZV reported that the YOTA camp was a huge success with a lot of contacts made.
- Discussion on Field Day. Had a couple of people that had never been to a Field Day before. Scores will be posted. Would be great to see more people get involved. Winter Field Day is coming up.
- Red, White and Blue Ash: It was a very hot day, the club sold a lot of beer.

New Business:

• 13 colonies event will continue through the 7th of July.

Program: None

Split the Pot: None

Mike KD8TMO made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by George N3VQW. The meeting was adjourned at 8:31PM ET.

Respectfully submitted, Steve Crase N8PUP, Secretary

#### DX Trivia Answer

Easy (left) set: 1-J, 2-I, 3-B, 4-G, 5-H, 6-E, 7-A, 8-F, 9-D, 10-C Harder (right) set: 1-I, 2-E, 3-A, 4-H, 5-B, 6-G, 7-F, 8-D, 9-J, 10-C

## September, 2022 Meeting Minutes

OH-KY-IN Amateur Radio Society Minutes of September 6, 2022, Member Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM by Ryan AC8UJ with the Pledge of Allegiance. The club held a hybrid meeting at the Lockland Church of the Nazarene and via Zoom.

Guests:

- Tom KE8VEO
- Tom WB8LCD

New Licenses or Upgrades: None

Attendance: 31

- 16 in person
- 17 via zoom

Health and Welfare: None

Brag Sessions:

- Cesi KD8OOB worked KY Parks on the Air at Kincaid Lake state park. One of four parks activated. He came 4<sup>th</sup> out of 4.
- Dan KF4AV entered the ARRL CW DX contest in Feb. He made 72 contacts on 15 meters, ended up being a WVE world record.
- Kitty W8TDA worked the W8VVL Ohio QSO party, the band conditions were bad, but was still able to make some contacts on 80 meters CW.
- Tom W8WTD worked a couple of stations about 1200 miles away on 6 meters.

Prior Meeting Minutes: Bob WA6EZV moved, and Devon KE8PEQ seconded accepting the last meeting minutes as published in the Q-Fiver. Motion passed.

Membership: Not present. 147 have renewed for the year out of 166 from last year. Please renew at http://renew.ohkyin.org/.

Treasurer: Brad KE8JTM - Treasures report read and filed for audit.

Silent Key: John Major KD8MMY

Tech Committee: Back up batteries were installed on the amp side of repeaters.

Classes and Exams: Mike KD8ZLB announced that he will have to resign his position as chair for the education committee due to health concerns.

Tom W8WTD advised that they will have three in person and three online sessions. Only one person wants to upgrade to extra class so far. Information has been put out on social media. They may put up flyers in the public library.

Fox Hunts: Bob WA6EZV Nothing going on locally currently. The worlds are coming up September.

Library: Contact Justin KE8COY if you would like to check out items from the library. If anyone has books from 2019, please return them.

Nets:

- Bruce N8BV reports the Tech Talk net has been fine with 15-17 check-ins per week, could use some more questions. 9:00 PM Wednesday evenings on the 67 repeater.
- Ed K8EAF reports the WinLink net is up and running with a lot of check-ins. Send Ed K8EAF a message and he will get you on the roster.
- The SSTV net is still on Monday at 9:00 PM on the 67 repeater. Steve N8PUP will take over the net in September. There is also a Slack channel for the net and other items at OH-KY-IN.

Website: Rocky KE8DZS reports that the website is still up and upgrades and new content are coming. If you would like to see changes let Rocky know.

QCEN: Pat KD8PAT reports the next meeting will be September 16<sup>th</sup>, the meeting will begin at 7:30PM at the Red Cross on Dana Avenue in Cincinnati. The program will be on operations on mobile and cross banding during events. The meeting will also be on zoom.

ARES: Mike KD8ZLB reported that ARES is starting to pick up. They have had several events. The Octoberfest event will be coming up and they need additional help for that event. The next meeting will be on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> at 7PM at the ROC. Other events will be the Queen Bee on October 8th and the Ohio SET where they practice emergency communications.

Brunch Bunch: Bruce N8BV reported Brunch Bunch will be  $2^{nd}$  Saturday of the month, at the Skyline on North Bend Rd. at 1PM.

Events:

- Harvest Home Fair September 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 11<sup>th</sup>. Bruce still needs 8 people on Fri and Sat.
- October 9<sup>th</sup> is the 1940's event at the Cincinnati Museum Center
- POTA Ohio September 9th, and Indiana on September 10th
- January 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> will be Winter Field Day at Harvest Home Barn
- ARRL phone sweeps on November 19th

Old Business

- By-laws Updates: Still on hold
- Repeater Internet Connectivity Grant: The 625 is running WIRES-X
- Portable Satellite Ground Station Grant: Cesi KD8OOB advised that the Dixie Heights science teacher would like to try an ISS contact.
- One remote split the pot ticket. Tony WB3KGT

New Business:

- Split The Pot money splits three ways, 50% to the winner, 25% goes to the Christmas Party fund, and the other 25% goes to the repeater fund. The 25% of the split the pot for the repeater fund is not covering the fund. An idea was put out to switch the money that goes to the repeater fund to the library fund in 2023. If this change would happen, repeater expenses would come out of the general fund. Bob made a motion that 25% of the split the pot funds that currently are used for the repeater fund be redirected to the library fund starting in January of 2023. Ted NC8V second. All in favor.
- The Q-fiver newsletter was 1<sup>st</sup> place for the newsletter for the Ohio section.
- Bob suggested we have a contest for members to create a new paper QSL card for the club. Please send any samples to Ryan.
- Nominating committee for 2023 is needed. Need three club members that are not running for club office.
- Bob WA6EZV demonstrated a homemade counterpoise made from a chalk line that was replaced with 18 gauge wire marked at different bands.

Program: Tom WB8LCD ARRL Business

Split the Pot: \$50.00 The winner will receive \$25.00. The winner this month is KD8TMO

Tom W8WTD made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bruce N8BV. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00PM ET.

Respectfully submitted, Steve Crase N8PUP, Secretary

# DX Spots - October 2022 DE KA3MTT

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
VP9 - Bermuda thru 10-6	JD1 - Guam thru 10-2	FO - French Polynesia thru 10-5	V5 - Namibia thru 10-11	AH2 - Guam thru 10-4		1 TX7G - Marquesas Thru 10-15
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23	24	25 PJ5 - Saba & Sint Eustatius thru 11-4	26 VK9CM - Cocos Keeling thru 11-3	27 HR9 - Honduras Thru 10-31	28	29 J28MD - Djibouti Thru 11-7
		P29RO - Papua New Guinea thru 11-10	<sup>⊕</sup> C∵	***		•
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#### Committee Chairs & Appointments

Commillee Chair
Technical Operations Gary Coffey KB8MYC
ARPSC Representative Jerry Shipp W1SCR
Volunteer ExaminersBrian DeYoung K4BRI
QCEN RepresentativePat Maley KD8PAT
MembershipNathan Ciufo KA3MTT
FundraisingBruce Vanselow N8BV
Education(open)
Repeater Control Ops MgrBruce Vanselow N8BV
PIODevin Spielman KE8PEQ
SSTV Net Mgr Steve Crase N8PUP
LibrarianJustin Moore KE8COY
Q-Fiver EditorRyan Owens AC8UJ (interim)
Field DayEric Neiheisel N8YC
HistorianDale Vanselow KC8HQS
Fox HuntersDick Arnett WB4SUV
Equipment ManagerAndrew Cornuelle K8AKC
WebmasterRocky McGrath KE8DZS
Silent KeyBryan Hoffman KC8EGV
Tech Talk Net ManagerBruce Vanselow N8BV
K8SCH QSL ManagerBob Frey WA6EZV
TV/RFIDick Arnett WB8SUV

# Support OH-KY-IN by Shopping

Of course we appreciate your membership dues and all of the ways you give time and energy to the club, but did you know you can also support OH-KY-IN just by doing things you already do?

Kroger Community Rewards is a great source of income for the club and requires no effort! Visit http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com/ and set us as your charity. We are organization QY352.

You can also support us through Amazon Smile. In the first quarter of 2022 (January 1<sup>st</sup> through March 31<sup>st</sup>), we earned a \$30.23 donation from Amazon Smile!

Contact Bruce N8BV for details about either program.

#### **OH-KY-IN Officers**

PresidentRyan Owens, AC8UJ
Vice PresidentCesi DiBenedetto, KD8OOB
SecretarySteve Crase N8PUP
TreasurerBrad Hast KE8JTM
DirectorDrew MacDonald KE8JTL
DirectorBruce Vanselow, N8BV
DirectorDennis McGrath, KD8ILY
TrusteeBruce Vanselow, N8BV
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### Newsletter Submissions

Please send any submissions you would like included in upcoming newsletters to Ryan, AC8UJ. All content is welcome! You can e-mail content to him at his callsign at arrl.net. Please send all content either as plain e-mail text (attach any photos or graphics) or as a PDF file. Depending on the spacing needs of the particular issue, Ryan may reformat your content and adjust the layout. Because of this, if you send a PDF, please also include any graphics used as attachments.

### **Meeting Location**

The board has decided that we will continue meeting indefinitely at Lockland Church of the Nazarene, located at 335 West Wyoming Avenue in Lockland. It's right off I-75 at exit 12 (the Reading/Lockland exit southbound and the Davis St./Lockland/Reading exit northbound). Enter through the glass door by the mailbox under the awning. Be aware that there are about 5 steps down into the meeting room. Thanks to Steve N8PUP for making this facility available to the club for our meeting! We will also continue to offer Zoom for those wishing to join us online. If you have any symptoms of illness, please join us online to protect other club members.

### Consider a Donation to OH-KY-IN

Did you know that OH-KY-IN ARS has been recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization? That means anyone who itemizes on their Federal return can take a charitable deduction for a contribution to OH-KY-IN, as long as it qualifies under the general rules applicable to all other charitable contributions (for example, the contribution must be in cash, or other property which the organization has agreed to accept; the value of volunteered services is not deductible). Membership dues, such as the cost of a life membership, may even be deductible; consult your own tax advisor for details if considering that. Posthumous donations by Will or by naming the organization as beneficiary of a financial account are also welcome.

# **OH-KY-IN SSTV Net Samples**

Here's a sample of the images you could be receiving if you tuned into the weekly SSTV net on the 146.670 repeater. The net meets every Monday night at 9:00 PM Eastern time. No special equipment is required. If you have a 2 meter receiver and a computer or smart phone, you can receive images. If you don't know how, check in to the weekly Tech Talk net Wednesdays at 9:00 PM Eastern and ask for help. Hope to hear you all on the nets!

#### **Calendar of Upcoming Events**

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Monday	October 3 @ 9:00 PM	SSTV Net (146.670 Repeater)
Tuesday	October 4 @ 7:30 PM	Club Meeting (Zoom & Lockland Church of the Nazarene)
Wednesday	October 5 @ 9:00 PM	Tech Talk Net (146.670 Repeater)
Monday	October 10 @ 9:00 PM	SSTV Net (146.670 Repeater)
Tuesday	October 11 @ 7:30 PM	Board of Directors Meeting (same Zoom info as club meeting)
Wednesday	October 12 @ 9:00 PM	Tech Talk Net (146.670 Repeater)
Monday	October 17 @ 9:00 PM	SSTV Net (146.670 Repeater)
Tuesday	October 18 @ 7:30 PM	Winter Field Day planning mtg (same Zoom info as club
meeting)		
Wednesday	October 19 @ 9:00 PM	Tech Talk Net (146.670 Repeater)
Monday	October 24 @ 9:00 PM	SSTV Net (146.670 Repeater)
Wednesday	October 26 @ 9:00 PM	Tech Talk Net (146.670 Repeater)
Monday	October 31 @ 9:00 PM	SSTV Net (146.670 Repeater)

#### Life Members

John Phelps	N8JTP
Kenneth E Wolf	N8WYC
John W Hughes	AI4DA
Karl R Kaucher	KK4KRK
Fred Schneider	K9OHE
Dan Curtin	KF4AV
Steve Weeks	AA8SW
Kelly Hoffman	K8KAH
Jerry Shipp	W1SCR
Bob Craig	K8RC
Mick Cook	KD8IOQ

#### OH-KY-IN Repeaters

146.670 (-) Clifton

146.625 (-) Edgewood (Fusion)

146.925 (-) Delhi (Fusion)

443.7625 (+5)

All repeaters require a 123.0 Hz CTCSS (PL) tone.

APRS on 144.390 MHz K8SCH-10 Edgewood WIDEn (off-air)

Packet on 145.010 MHz K8SCH-7 Digipeater (off-air)