

COSHOCTON COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, INC.

W8CCA

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Meeting: First Tuesday Each Month, 7:00 PM Coshocton County Services Bldg., 724 S. 7th Street

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Sunday 2100 hrs EST

147.045 MHz W8CCA Rptr

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Monday 2100 hrs EST

145.230 MHz KE8XM Rptr

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Hope your spring has started off right. A lot more activities coming our way soon. As always, have your batteries charged and stations ready in case ARES® or SKYWARN is activated. Thanks to N8KRR for the taking on the CCARA Newsletter, Good Job. Hope all will help with articles. If you have something of interest, send it to N8KRR@ARRL.NET

On March 28 the state had a Tornado Drill at 9:50AM. We had the net up for Coshocton Co. and taking check-ins. Thanks to all for your information and time. In some areas of the county the sirens were heard, while in Coshocton city, no siren was heard at 9:50. At around noon the sirens in the city finally went off. A net was brought up and reports were made at that time as well. From first hand information, all *did not* go well, which is contrary to the impression left from the local newspaper report. Hope all will be 100% if and when we do have a tornado.

On April 12 , ARES® participated in a County exercise drill in West Lafayette, Oh. 13 Hams were logged in. While our club is in full support of ARES® and SKYWARN, you don't need to be a CCARA member. Thanks to ALL AMATEURS for their time. We were ready if called upon for further communications support. Our objective was to setup the Emergency Communication Van in West Lafayette and establish communications from the IC to the PIO (at the fire station in Lafayette) and Coshocton County Sheriff Department. While all of our objectives were successful, we did come away with new ideas for next time. And that is a good thing.

N8VV and I have been helping the Coshocton County Emergency Management Agency with the setup and installation of some NOAA Weather Radios at various schools in the county. We have been to at least 8 schools so far.

The club is seeking ways of raising money. One idea will be a food stand at Buehlers Food on S.2nd. This venture looks like it will happen. It is being chaired by Rob, KD8FAI and Jim, WA8NBP. When dates are available we will post them on the club web page under the NEWS tab and mention it on the air. Please stop by and make a purchase on a Saturday and Sunday. Should be a good fund raiser for the club.

As for Field Day, an article is elsewhere in the newsletter. Hope to see all amateurs and families at the Coshocton County Fairgrounds, S. 7th St. Coshocton, Oh.. We are at a new location. Thanks to WD8CHR and Cheryl for hosting this over the last several years. It was great. (and we might be back hi hi). Field Day location this year will be in the area where we have our Fair booth. Signs will be posted. Taking a paragraph from the ARRL Field Day packet. "Field Day is truly the time where we **bring amateur radio to Main Street (S. 7th St. in our case, hi hi) USA**. By setting up in parking lots, malls, Emergency Operations Centers, parks and even at home, amateur operators learn skills that will allow them to better serve their communities. Setting up in these public venues gives added public relations value – their friends and neighbors can see and experience the fun and public service capability that their "ham radio" neighbors bring to their towns. **High visibility** helps get the amateur radio message out to the community. " That about sums up a good reason to hold the event at the fairgrounds. I also want to thank KD8EZX and KD8EZY for offering to hold the event at their home.

I also want to congratulate NEW HAMS to the area. Those being: Ken KD8EZV, Mark KD8EZW, Grace KD8EZX, Mark KD8EZY, Jeremy KD8EZZ, Rob KD8FAI, Omar KD8FAJ and Michael KD8GWW. Hope you enjoy Amateur Radio!!!!

73 CCARA

Steve, AA8BN

Ps... Colleen, AA8UA and I had a great time in Dayton... hope u did too.

June 5 CCARA meeting at County Services Building, EOC room: Program from Bruce, KE8XM will continue WEATHER information and continue the NWS Skywarn WX video that Bruce presented at an earlier meeting.

Also, come to the meeting to pick up your FIELD DAY orders. Cu all at Field Day June 23 and 24 at the Coshocton County Fairgrounds, S.7th Street, Coshocton. Same area that we use during the Fair. Will monitor the 145.23 and 147.045 repeaters during FD.

July 3 program: How to use the ARRL radiogram forms for receiving and sending messages, plus ICS msg forms. Presentation by KL7RF, Randy.

Ham Radio Operators Demonstrate Modern Emergency Capabilities FIELD DAY

75th Public Demo of Emergency Communications June 23-24

Newington, CT – For 75 years, Amateur Radio operators across the country have been providing emergency communications when other systems failed or overloaded in a crisis. Each year they take their equipment into unusual locations to test and make sure Ham Radio will always be there to get the message through. This year, is their the 75th “Field Day” as thousands of Ham Radio operators will be showing off their emergency capabilities this weekend.

Over the past year, the news has been full of reports of ham radio operators providing critical communications in emergencies world-wide. During Hurricane Katrina, Amateur Radio – often called “Ham radio” - was often the ONLY way people could communicate, and hundreds of volunteer “hams” traveled south to save lives and property. When trouble is brewing, ham radio people are often the first to provide critical information and communications. On the weekend of June 23-24, the public will have a chance to meet and talk with these ham radio operators and see for themselves what the Amateur Radio Service is about. Showing the newest digital and satellite capabilities, voice communications and even historical Morse code, hams from across the USA will be holding public demonstrations of emergency communications abilities.

This annual event, called "Field Day" is the climax of the week long "Amateur Radio Week" sponsored by the ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. Using only emergency power supplies, ham operators will construct emergency stations in parks, shopping malls, schools and back yards around the country. Their slogan, "Ham radio works when other systems don't!" is more than just words to the hams as they prove they can send messages in many forms without the use of phone systems, internet or any other infrastructure that can be compromised in a crisis. More than 30,000 amateur radio operators across the country participated in last year's event.

"We hope that people will come and see for themselves, this is not your grandfather's radio anymore," said Allen Pitts of the ARRL. "The communications networks that ham radio people can quickly create have saved many lives in the past months when other systems failed or were overloaded."

In the **Coshocton County** area, the **COSHOCTON COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, ARES® and SKYWARN** will be demonstrating Amateur Radio at the **COSHOCTON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS** on **JUNE 23 and 24**. We invite all Amateurs Radio operators and families and the general public to come and see ham radio's capabilities and learn how to get their own FCC radio license before the next disaster strikes. We will have hamburgers and hot dogs from the club and some drinks. Please bring a covered dish if you can, fruit, salads, deserts, chips, etc. We will have utensils, plates, condiments.

There are 660,000 Amateur Radio operators in the US, and more than 2.5 million around the world. Through the ARRL, ham volunteers provide emergency communications for the DHS Citizens' Corps, Red Cross, Salvation Army, FEMA and thousands of state and local agencies, all for free.

To learn more about Amateur Radio, go to www.emergency-radio.org. The public is most cordially invited to come, meet and talk with the hams. See what modern Amateur Radio can do. We can even help you get on the air! Also, check out the local web site of **CCARA** , **ARES®** and **SKYWARN** at **WWW.W8CCA.ORG** Questions: **AA8BN@ARRL.NET**

CCARA Club Patch

W8CCA CCARA patches are available, \$2.50 each OR two for \$5. To buy patches see the club Treasurer.



ARRL Membership

When you join the ARRL, or renew your membership through the club, we retain \$15 for each new membership OR lapsed membership (of two years or more), and retain \$2 for each renewal. Please support your club, it doesn't cost any more. Send or give all paper work to the club Treasurer with your money.

"The Importance of Our ARRL"

...There is no such thing as organization if each one of us starts out to be thoroughly selfish. If all our efforts are to be directed solely for the benefit of self, we are purely individual and able to take about as much form as the individual sands of the sea. We are an incoherent, uncontrolled crowd. On the other hand, if just a little of our efforts is devoted to the common cause, we automatically establish organization and efficiency and protection, and everything else that is elevating, improving and worth the having...When an amateur asks that old-time question, "What do I get out of joining the ARRL?" the answer should be, "Protection." He cannot have it unless somebody joins an organization and does the work. Unless he joins and does his bit, he must not complain when his fellows place him in the list of unenviables who are not willing to do any work themselves..."

- Hiram Percy Maxim

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Coshocton County A.R.E.S.

Amateur Radio Public Service

NOAA Public Alert Radio Program for Schools

ARRL and Citizen Corp are teaming up to assist local school districts (*if they need the help*) to set up and register their NOAA Weather All Hazard Public Alert Radio.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), the Department of Education, and the Department of Homeland Security launched a nation-wide project to distribute 80,000 NOAA Public Alert Radios to U.S. public schools.

The Coshocton County Emergency Management Agency contacted local ARES / CCARA to help with this project. N8VV, Dan and AA8BN, Steve have been to 8 Coshocton County/City schools to assist the EMA in the set up of these Public Alert Radios.

The NOAA Web site: <http://public-alert-radio.nws.noaa.gov> is the primary location for information .

Upcoming Local Events

June 8-10 2007 Coshocton Hot Air Balloon Festival, at Coshocton County Fair Grounds

June 23-24 2007 Field Day, at Coshocton County Fair Grounds, 8th St. gate entrance

September 9 2007 Club Picnic, at 1:00 PM Lake Park at Shelter 9
Fox Hunt following picnic

September 28 - October 4 2007 Coshocton County Fair

Free Swap and Sell

If you have anything ham radio related, you can swap it or sell it here.

List your item(s) for free. Give a price and how to contact you.

Send list to n8krr@arrl.net

**2007 ARRL
Great Lakes Division Convention
in conjunction with the 2007 Cleveland Hamfest**

Date: Saturday, September 22, 2007 opening ceremonies at 11:30am

Location: Sheraton Independence Hotel, 5300 Rockside Rd, Independence, OH 44131

***We are very proud to announce our featured Banquet Speaker
will be Joel Harrison W5ZN, President ARRL***

Jim K8JE, ARRL Great Lakes Division Director will host the
Great Lakes Division Awards Ceremony

Top vote getting Seminars you ask for:

- é Bob Heil K9EID and Chip Margelli K7JA, Heil Sound Workshop
- é Speaker to be announced on Emergency Communications
- é Bob Frey WA6EZV & Dick Arnett WB4SUV all about ARDF
- é Tim Duffy K3LR "The K3LR Multi Multi Station"
- é Jim Sanford WB4GCS Eagle Project Manager from AMSAT
- é All about DX from beginners to Honor Roll Hams, seminars hosted by Tedd KB8NW, John K8YSE, Bernie W3UR, Don K8MFO, Bob K4UEE on VU7RD DXpedition plus a question & answer panel
- é Wouff Hong ceremony after the banquet
- é Hospitality room courtesy of CARS, LEARA & NODXA
- é Card checking - DXCC , WAS, VUCC Low Bands & VHF Fri. 7 to 11pm & Sat. 1 to 3pm
- é Please visit our sponsor tables Saturday 9:00am to 6:00pm

Seminars only	\$25.00 advance - \$30.00 at the door
Banquet only	\$37.00 advance sales only
Full ticket	\$50.00 save \$12.00 advance sales only
Full ticket with a room	\$45.00 save \$17.00 advance sales only

Order your tickets on line now using a credit card or send a check!

Option: Reserved tables for 8 people may be requested with your payment

All Hams and those interested in becoming Hams are welcome.

Please attend the Convention to see what the ARRL has to offer.

Join the ARRL if you like what you see and hear!

Questions, ticket orders and latest news call 216-524-7711 - 216-524-1750 or goto:

www.2007gldc.org

Joel Harrison W5ZN



ARRL AMATEUR RADIO EXAM SESSIONS *COSHOCTON, OHIO*

2007

Coshocton Ohio Amateur Radio Volunteer Examiner Team, sponsored by the
Coshocton County Amateur Radio Association, Inc. W8CCA
PRE REGISTERED and WALK-IN SESSIONS

If you are interested in setting up a pre registered exam session

Contact us for dates and times to set up a session for you !

All Exam elements available. The 2007 exam fee is \$14.00. Exact amount appreciated. Checks made out to ARRL/VEC accepted too.

2nd version of exam available at VE discretion, time permitting. An additional \$14.

REQUIRED:

PHOTO ID (driver's license) or two forms of non-photo ID.

Persons without photo IDs, and/or young persons must supply TWO forms of alternate identification to satisfy their ID requirements. These two items can include: Non-photo ID/driver's license; Your Social Security Card (as FCC presently requires each applicant to supply a taxpayer ID number also know as our Social Security Number) Your Birth certificate (must have the appropriate seal); Minor's work permit or school report card; Utility bill, bank statement or other business correspondence that specifically names the person; A postmarked envelope addressed to the person indicating the same mailing address as shown on Form 605; or an employment ID.

CURRENT ORIGINAL AMATEUR RADIO LICENSE and COPY

ORIGINAL valid CSCE(s) that apply and COPY

Social Security number or FCC issued FRN (FCC Registration Number)

(The FRN is viewable by doing a search for LICENSE at the FCC WTB ULS web page (<http://www.fcc.gov/wtb/uls>). An FRN is a ten digit number preceded by three or four zeros then six or seven numbers)

We have NCVET 605 forms at session. Handicap accessible. Copy machine available

Contact person: Colleen, AA8UA 740.622.5761 email : aa8ua@arrl.net

AA8BN, session mgr., good luck

ALL AMATEUR RADIO APPLICANTS MUST USE FRN

All Amateur Radio license and upgrade applicants must use their FCC Registration Number (FRN), if they have one, and not a Social Security number, when completing Form 605. Register via the FCC's *COMmission REGistration System (CORES)* to obtain an FRN, which uniquely identifies an applicant in all transactions with the FCC and avoids the need to provide a Social Security number on the application form.

If a volunteer Examiner Coordinator (VEC) submits license data to the FCC using a Social Security number when the application has an FRN, the FCC will reject the data because an FRN already exists. Using your FRN will eliminate delays in obtaining your license or upgrade.

Club Committee Reports

COSHOCTON COUNTY FAIR

Fair committee reminder to members

The fair is coming up from Sept. 28 to Oct. 4. We will be having a booth again this year. Hope we can all help and have a good time at the fair.

Sandy KC8STS will be taking pictures of members to put in the display. Please contact her to get your picture taken.

Thanks for your help in past years.

Pat KB8CRB and the Fair Committee

Dues Are Due

If you haven't renewed your 2007 club membership, please do so as soon as possible. TNX

From The Editor

This is your newsletter. Please let me know the type of info you would like to see in your newsletter.

If you have a ham radio related article you would like to submit please e-mail to the editor at :

n8krr@arrl.net