

C O S H O C T O N C O U N T Y A M A T E U R R A D I O A S S O C I A T I O N

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WEB SITE: www.w8cca.org

SEPTEMBER 2012

NEXT CLUB MEETING SEPTEMBER 4, 2012



50 YEAR ARRL MEMBER 2009

Club meetings are the first Tuesday of each month at the Coshocton County Services building at 724 South 7th St. at 7:00 PM

CLUB ELECTED OFFICERS

PRESIDENT

Mike Casey - NF8U

VICE PRESIDENT

Jamie Hoy - KC8YXY

SECRETARY

TREASURER

Tom Cordes - KB8HEA

TRUSTEES

Colleen Wheatcraft - AA8UA

Craig Affolter - K8CAA

Ron Carns - N8KRR

COARVET MANAGER

Steve Wheatcraft - AA8BN

NEWSLETTER

Ron Carns - N8KRR

CLUB REPEATER COMMITTEE

Randy Fisher - KL7RF *Chairman*

Tom Cordes - KB8HEA

Jamie Hoy - KC8YXY

A.R.E.S. REPEATER

Bruce Adams - KE8XM

COSHOCTON COUNTY ARES EC

- Pending -

COSHOCTON COUNTY ARES

ACTING INTERIM co-EC's

Steve Wheatcraft - AA8BN

Dan Hardy - N8VV

COSHOCTON COUNTY AECs

Randy Fisher - KL7RF

Tom Cordes - KB8HEA

"KEEP AN EYE TO THE SKY"

NETS

- Coshocton Co. ARA -

Sunday 2100 hrs EST

147.045MHz W8CCA Rptr

- Johnny Appleseed

Friday 2100 hrs EST

- Coshocton Co. ARES

Monday 2100 hrs EST

145.230MHz KE8XM Rptr

28.450MHz SSB

COSHOCTON COUNTY EMA

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+++ PREZ SEZ +++

Summer is about at an end and that means it's picnic time at Lake Park, shelter 9 (like last year) at 1:00 P.M. local. Don't have a menu yet, in fact how and who is going to cook it is still up in the air. Our chief cook of years gone by will be otherwise engaged. I see Charcoal in our future. Burgers and dogs and covered dishes, like always. Food is good, but it's camaraderie that counts most. We will talk about it at the meeting.

Most of Pat's antennas and tower remain aloft at this writing, but the sale of items to club members is in progress. Anything that interests you, don't hesitate to send KL7RF a bid, by email or phone. At this time it is too late for snail mail. Tuesday evening will be considered the cut off time. From there whatever is left goes onto the website for all interested. The more bidding there is, the more our club stands to gain from Pat's generosity

The good news is that the repeater duplexers appear to be ok and are now tuned up. Now we can work on getting back on the air temporarily, posthaste.

At the meeting Tuesday evening, we will again discuss the repeater, where to put it long term, and other options with respect to its future in the county.

Thanks to WB8SJQ Terry, for arranging, dis-assembling, and transporting the duplexers.

Now we can do the same to the .23 duplexers, just for fun, and it was fun. Doomsdymike thought it would be worse than it turned out, but then, that is why they call him Doomsday.

The 9th of September, from 12:00 local until 20:00 local is the 5th annual Ohio State Parks on the Air contest. Clubs and individuals will go portable to most of the state's 75 parks. Indiana has scheduled their State Park contest to coincide with Ohio's. I've competed for 3 of the past 4 years and had loads of fun. Check out the OSPOTA website.

Stay safe and good DX...
Mike NF8U

+++ SEPTEMBER 4, CLUB MEETING +++

The September 4th meeting will be held at 7:00 PM in the regular room in the basement of the County Services Building on 7th St.

+++ CLUB 147.045 REPEATER IS DOWN +++

The storm on July 18th brought down the club repeater tower, and therefore the repeater is off the air until some arrangements can be made to at least temporarily restore the antennas at the site. Below is a picture of the damage



GOTO: www.w8cca.org for updates.

Photo by KL7RF

+++ COSHOCTON COUNTY ARES EC RETIRES +++

Bruce Adams, KE8XM has retired after 16 years as Coshocton County ARES EC serving from 1996 until 2012. His leadership will be missed although I am sure he will remain involved.

The District EC, Sonny Alfman, W8FHF has named Steve Wheatcraft, AA8BN and Dan Hardy, N8VV as Acting interim co-EC's until a permanent EC is officially named by the Section EC and Section Manager.

+++ LOCAL WEBSITES +++

COSHOCTON CARA

www.w8cca.org

CAMBRIDGE ARA

www.w8vp.org

ZANESVILLE ARC

www.w8zzv.org

NEWARK AR A

<http://nara.eqth.info>

TUSCO ARC

www.tuscoarc.org

MUSKINGUM CO. ARES

www.kd8lqv.org

MUSKINGUM VALLEY HAM RC

www.qsl.net/n8hr

+++ GREAT FIELD DAY 2012 +++

What great weather we had for our Field Day event this year; could not have been better! We had more operators than we have had for some time. Thanks guys and gals for coming out and getting us on the air. Field Day operators include: NF8U, N8VV, KC8YXY, AA8BN, KB8HEA, KL7RF, KC8NJT, KB8QVY, N8LPB, & KC8STS. Thanks also to all the other hams and family members that came out to give us support. There was lots of good food as well.

PHOTO'S BY: KL7RF, NF8U & AA8BN



N8VV & KC8YXY Operating with.....



..... support crew on hand.



Great Hilltop location & good weather....



Let's eat!

CAN WE



N8VV, KC8YXY, KL7RF and N8LPB



Yes We Can!



FLdigi Demo



Thanks to those who made CCARA 2012 Field Day a "success".

+++ CCARA CLUB EVENTS 2012 +++

SEPTEMBER 9th FAMILY PICNIC – Lake Park – Shelter #9
Fox Hunt after the picnic.

+++ FIND AMATEUR RADIO LINKS +++

www.w8cca.org

click **LINKS** under **INDEX**
You will find the following info:

- Local Area Clubs
- ARRL Links
- ARES Links
- Weather Links
- Other Radio Links

+++ JUNE 2012 LIBRARY DISPLAY +++



+++ 2012 ARRL DX CONTEST CW +++

#1 in OH Section in my class!

2012 International DX Contest (CW)

Displaying entries for Class=SAL and Power=B and Section=OH

#	Call	Score	QSOs	Mult	Class	Power	Section
1	N8VV	506,196	658	258	SAL	B	OH
				US Call Area	Club		
				8	Mad River Radio Club		

+++ UPCOMING HAMFESTS +++

- Sep 8 - GRAHamfest, Wyoming, MI
- Sep 8 - Greater Louisville Hamfest, Shepherdsville, KY, K8JE, KY4Z
- Sep 15 - Richmond Hamfest, Richmond, KY, KY4Z
- Sep 16 - Greater Cincinnati ARA Hamfest, Cincinnati, OH, K8JE
- Sep 16 - Adrian Hamfest, Adrian, MI
- Sep 23 - Cleveland Hamfest and Computer Show, Berea, OH, K8JE
- Oct 6 - Vette City Hamfest, Bowling Green, KY
- Oct 13 - Muskegon Color Tour Hamfest, Muskegon, MI
- Oct 21 - Kalamazoo Hamfest, Kalamazoo, MI
- Oct 26 - Massillon Hamfest, Massillon, OH
- Oct 27 - KY Mountains ARC Hamfest, Hazard KY
- Dec 2 - LCARC AR Swap/Hamfest, Harrison Township, MI

+++ ARRL AMATEUR RADIO EXAM SESSIONS +++

Conducted by the Coshocton Ohio Amateur Radio Volunteer Examiner Team, sponsored by the Coshocton County Amateur Radio Association, W8CCA; Walk-in and pre registered sessions are available through the year. **Contact us for other dates and times to set up a session for you!** All Exam elements available. **The 2012 exam fee is \$15.00. Exact amount appreciated.** Checks made out to ARRL/VEC are accepted too. A 2nd version of exam is available at VE discretion, time permitting. An additional \$15 is needed.

REQUIRED:

> **PHOTO ID** (driver's license, passport) or, when no photo ID is available, two forms of identification must be presented (birth certificate, report card, library card, Social Security card, utility bill, bank statement, Non-photo ID/driver's license, etc). Students may bring a school ID card, minor's work permit, school report card, library card and/or a written note from a legal guardian. If you don't have ID, then no exam will be administered.

> **CURRENT ORIGINAL AMATEUR RADIO LICENSE and COPY, and ORIGINAL valid CSCE(s).** If applicable, bring the original and a photocopy of your current Amateur Radio license and any Certificates of Successful Completion of Examination (CSCE) you may hold from previous exam sessions. The photocopy(s) will not be returned. If you already have a license, then you need your FRN number on the 605 application.

> **Social Security number or FCC issued FRN.**

Already licensed, then you need the FRN number. (The FRN is viewable by doing a search for LICENSE at the FCC WTB ULS web page: <http://www.fcc.gov/wtb/uls>. Bring your Social Security Number (SSN) or your FCC issued Federal Registration Number (FRN). VEC's are required by FCC to submit either your SSN or your FRN number with your license application form. If you prefer not to give your SSN, then you may use your FCC issued FRN, if you have one. For instructions on how to register your SSN with the FCC and receive a FRN, visit the ARRL web page:

<http://www.arrl.org/fcc/uls101.html>. >Bring cash, exact amount appreciated, check or money order to cover the exam session fee. We have NVEC 605 forms at session.

Handicap accessible. Copy machine available.

Contact Person:

Colleen, AA8UA 740-622-5761
Email to: AA8UA@arrl.net
AA8BN, Session Mgr., good luck

+++ FYI CLUB DUES +++

Yearly CCARA Club financial obligations - i.e.:

- Repeater site lease
- Keene repeater maintenance
- Monthly programs
- Activities:
 - Field Day
 - Fox hunt
 - Family picnic
 - Buehler's Food Stand
 - Johnny Appleseed net certificates
 - Post office box
 - Bank checking account
 - Cards and stamps
 - Coshocton Public Library Display

and other communications. CCARA finances come from dues. Please help your club by joining and attending meetings. Annual dues are \$15.00 per individual or \$20.00 for family membership.

+++ OHIO STATE PARKS ON THE AIR +++

The Ohio QSO Party is over and its time to think about another fund, operating activity that is centered in the Great Lakes Division (GLD). This is the Ohio State Parks On the Air (OSPOTA) contest. This contest will be held on Saturday, September 8 during the 8-hour period of 1600z-2400z. It is open to all amateurs, Worth Repeating Regarding Antenna Structures. This will be the fifth year for OSPOTA. It is sponsored by the Portage County (Ohio) ARS (PCARS). Although PCARS developed the state parks contest, they have been copied by other clubs in the US. The fun in working state parks in this contest has truly been recognized. Full information on OSPOTA can be found at <http://parks.portcars.org>.

from Weavers Word August 31 letter

+++ CCARA MEETING ATTENDANCE 2012 +++

June 5	July 3	August 1	August 14*
NF8U	NF8U	NF8U	NF8U
KB8HEA	KC8YXY	KC8YXY	KC8YXY
N8VV	KB8HEA	KB8HEA	KB8HEA
WN8RGW	N8VV	WN8RGW	KE8XM
N8KRR	KC8PUW	N8KRR	KL7RF
KC8PUW	KL7RF	N8LPB	KC8ZWR
KC8ZWR	WB8SJQ	AA8BN	WB8SJQ
KL7RF	KC8ZWR	KL7RF	N8KRR
AA8BN	WN8RGW	KC8ZWR	*at Woodberry Outfitters

+++ NET CHECKINS -2012 +++

CLUB Sunday 2100 147.045MHz

July 1 2100 - 2108 on 440 a/o WX

NCS: KL7RF

NF8U N8VV KC8YXY WB8SJQ

July 8 2100 - 2118

NCS: KC8ZWR

KL7RF N8KRR WB8SJQ KC8PUW AB8JH N8VV
KC8YXY W8FHF NF8U

July 15 2100 - 2113

NCS: N8KRR

AA8BN KL7RF KC8PUW NF8U WN8RGW WB8SJQ

July 22 2100 - 2118 on 147.045 simplex (club tower down)

NCS: NF8U

WB8SJQ AA8BN KC8YXY N8KRR KC8PUW KL7RF

July 29 2100 - 2115 on 145.230/440/echo (club tower down)

NCS: KL7RF

N8KRR WB8SJQ KC8PUW NF8U KC8YXY WN8RGW
AA8BN AA8UA

August 5 2101 - 2121 ***145.230** (club tower down)

NCS: KL7RF

KC8PUW KC8YXY NF8U N8VV AA8BN

August 12 2100 - 2113 ***145.230** (club tower down)

NCS: KC8ZWR

N8KRR KC8PUW KL7RF NF8U AA8BN KC8YXY
KC8CBR

August 19 2100 - 2111 ***145.230** (club tower down)

NCS: N8KRR

NF8U KC8PUW WB8SJQ KL7RF KC8YXY

August 26 2100 - 2111 ***145.230** (club tower down)

NCS: NF8U

N8KRR KC8PUW KL7RF KC8YXY

ARES/COCO Monday 2100 145.230MHz

July 2 2100 - 2113

NCS: NF8U

N8VV
KC8PUW
AA8BN
KL7RF

Mike Adams Twp
Dan Adams Twp
Will Fresno
Steve Coshocton
Randy Fresno

July 9 2103 - 2125

NCS: KL7RF

WB8RGW
N8VV
AA8BN
N8KRR
KC8YXY
NF8U
WB8SJQ
KC8PUW

Randy Fresno
Jim Newcomerstown
Dan Adams Twp
Steve Coshocton
Ron Franklin Twp
Jamie Coshocton
Mike Adams Twp
Terry Coshocton
Will Fresno

July 16 2100 - 2109

NCS: N8KRR

AA8BN
WN8RGW
KL7RF
N8VV
WB8SJQ
KC8PUW
NF8U

Ron Franklin Twp
Steve Coshocton
Jim Newcomerstown
Randy Fresno
Dan Adams Twp
Terry Coshocton
Will Fresno
Mike Adams Twp

July 23 2100 - 2122

NCS: N8VV

WN8RGW
KL7RF
N8KRR
AA8BN
WB8SJQ
KC8YXY
NF8U
KC8PUW
KB8HEA

Dan Adams Twp
Jim Newcomerstown
Randy Fresno
Ron Franklin Twp
Steve Coshocton
Terry Coshocton
Jamie Coshocton
Mike Adams Twp
Will Fresno
Tom West Lafayette

July 30 2100 - 2115
NCS: AA8BN
WN8RGW
N8KRR
KC8YXY
NF8U
KC8PUW
KL7RF

August 6 2100 - 2112
NCS: NF8U
N8KRR
KC8PUW
KC8YXY
KL7RF
N8VV
AA8BN

August 13 2100 - 2116
NCS: WB8SJQ
WN8RGW
KB8HEA
N8KRR
KB8QVY
KL7RF
AA8BN
N8VV
KC8YXY
NF8U
KC8PUW

August 20 2100 - 2107
NCS: N8KRR
WB8SJQ
KC8PUW
N8VV
KC8YXY
NF8U

August 27 2100 - 2113
NCS: N8VV
N8KRR
AA8BN
WB8SJQ
KC8YXY
NF8U
KC8PUW

JOHNNY APPLESEED Friday 2100 28.450MHz

July 6 2100 - 2133
NCS: KB8KEU
WN8RGW NF8U KL7RF KE8YL WD8CHR

July 13 2100 - 2116
NCS: NF8U
KB8RAK KB8KEU KE8YL KB8ZN WN8RGW

July 20 2101 - 2130
NCS: WD8CHR
KB8RAK WN8RGW KB8KEU KE8YL NF8U

July 27 2104 - 2135
NCS: WD8CHR
NF8U WN8RGW KE8YL KB8KEU KE8NI

August 3 2100 - 2122
NCS: KB8KEU
WN8RGW NF8U KE8YL KB8HEA

August 10 2100 - 2125
NCS: NF8U
W8TJT KB8RAK KB8KEU KE8NI KE8YL

August 24 2100 - 2129
NCS: KB8KE
NF8U KE8YL WD8CHR

August 31 2100 - 2122
NCS: NF8U
KB8RAK WN8RGW KB8KEU KE8YL

NECCo Monday [after ARES] 443.5375+MHz

July 2 2100 - 2115
NCS: NF8U
AA8BN KL7RF KC8PUW N8VV KB8QVY WB8SJQ

July 16 2112 - 2121
NCS: NF8U
KL7RF WB8SJQ KC8PUW AA8BN N8VV

July 23 2123 - 2133
NCS: N8VV
AA8BN KL7RF KC8PUW KC8YXY NF8U WB8SJQ

July 30 2116 - 2124
NCS: AA8BN
NF8U KL7RF KC8PUW AA8UA

August 6 2113 - 2118
NCS: NF8U
N8VV KL7RF KC8YXY KC8PUW

August 13 2120 - 2130
NCS: AA8BN
KB8HEA N8VV KL7RF WB8SJQ NF8U KC8PUW
KC8YXY

August 27 2116 - 2124
NCS: N8VV
AA8BN KC8YXY NF8U WB8SJQ AA8UA

**NEXT CLUB NEWSLETTER
WILL BE DECEMBER 2012
ALL ARTICLES ARE APPRECIATED.**

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