

COSHOCTON COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION

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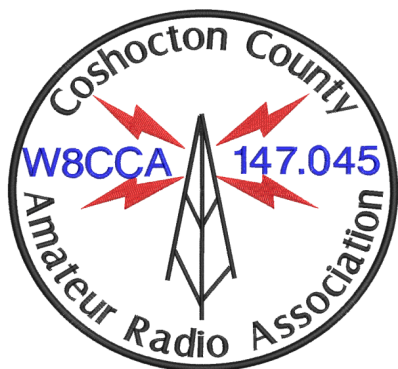


PO Box 501 Coshocotn, OH 43812

50 Year Member of ARRL 2009

MEETING: 1st Tuesday each month - 7:00PM - the Coshocotn County Services Building, 724 South 7th St.

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER 2010



COSHOCTON COUNTY NETS

Net	Frequency	Day	Time
CCARA	2M 147.045[+]	Sundays	2100 local [9PM]
ARES	2M 145.230[-] 440 443.5375	Mondays	2100 local [9PM]
N.E.C.Co. 440	[+]	Mondays	After ARES Net
Johnny Appleseed	10M USB 28.450	Fridays	2100 local [9PM]

"Support your club - CHECK-IN TO THE NETS!!!"

- E M E R G E N C I E S -

"Keep an Eye to the Sky"

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- SKYWARN - & - HAZMET -

When requested during bad WX

"Tune to 145.230MHz"

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--- September 7, 2010 CLUB MEETING ---

Scheduled at the Coshocotn County Services Building at 724 S. 7th Street at 7:00 PM. Hope to see everyone there.

Prez Says

Hi there folks. We are winding down from a very hot and humid summer. I just wish that the sun spots had been more "hot", but the numbers are going upward and even if it is ever so slow, I think we are going to see lots of good HF activity as the year progresses. On the UHF side of hamming in Coshocton County, we have had some very good "conditions" as we have the WB9JSC 440 repeater active covering much of the county. Rod's intent was to give the northeastern part of the county better coverage for home and mobile operations, but it has been doing better than expected. We have had good reports from inside the city of Coshocton, so if you have the capability, give 443.5375MHz a try. On Monday nights during the ARES net on 145.230MHz we link the 440 repeater so you can check in via either repeater. We have also used this link during Skywarn nets to great advantage. I usually monitor 443.5375MHz so give it a try.

Wow! What a great site we had for the CCARA Field Day this year. Everyone who attended thought it was so good. We already have reserved the same location for Field Day next year. Don't forget to put the last weekend in June 2011 on your calendar too for this great event.

Our elected vice president, Matt Wolff, KD8LNA moved from the county this summer leaving an office vacancy. At the August meeting, Jamie Hoy KC8YXY accepted the appointment to fill the vice president position for the remainder of the year. Thanks Jamie.

Our fund raiser at Beuhler's was a good success in August. We were able to stand the heat and show off the ARES Van as well. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped out during this event. We will be getting further exposure to the community during the first couple of weeks in September as we will have the display case at the Coshocton Public Library open to us. We still want to attract as much attention to ham radio in the community as we can. Thanks go to Bruce KE8XM and Steve AA8BN who drove the ARES van in the Canal Days parade in August which helped to show ham radio as a part of the county emergency services.

Don't forget to come to our club picnic which will be held at Lake Park shelter #8 on September 12th at 1PM. The club will provide hot dogs and Hamburgers with all the fixings. Please bring a covered dish, and bring the whole family; we always have a great time. Hopefully we will have enough interest to have a fox hunt after the picnic. You don't need any special

equipment to join in the fox hunt fun - just a hand held or mobile 2 meter rig. I have found the "fox" a couple of times just using my hand held and my "thumb" antenna. Ask me about it sometime.

I always enjoy talking with all the area hams on the two meter repeaters, and now look forward to chatting with more of you on 440, now that we have a new repeater there. There is even a net on the 440 on Monday nights just after the ARES net, so join the fun there. I look forward to talking with you on the air. 73, Randy KL7RF

-- Best Regards,
Randy Fisher KL7RF<wrfisher@hughes.net>

2010 FIELD DAY INFO

Committee: *Mike N8GXQ, Dan N8VV, Steve AA8BN*

Field Day 2010 was nearly perfect. The weather was perfect. The facility was perfect. The setting at the Canal Lewisville United Methodist Church's, Brown Farm, was perfect as well. It was a great weekend, with great food, great friends, and great FUN.

We ran all our stations off the grid, on emergency power with generators, battery and a solar panel powering CW, Phone, Digital, VHF, and Satellite stations. In doing so we amassed 414 contacts; 320 CW, 34 Digital, and 60 Phone, a good days FUN.

Altogether, we had 28 participants, including the EMA Director, Red Cross and CERT representatives, Sheriff Dept, the West Lafayette Police Chief, and Keene Twp. Trustee. With our Media Publicity, Information Booth, Message Handling, Natural Powered QSO etc., we earned 1050 total bonus points.

With our 414 QSO times our power bonus for 100 watts or less, we earned 1536 points, bringing our total to 2586 points. Not bad for a days effort. We should know soon where this score placed us among the other entries.

The overnights, N8VV, KC8YXY, N8GXQ, with partial credit to KL7RF, who stayed late and came back early, were a bleary eyed bunch come daylight. KC8YXY worked tirelessly at his phone station all night long, while N8VV caught 40 winks in his pickup truck, and N8GXQ drifted in an out of awareness.

After KL7RFs return before dawn, we were treated to one of the best passes of the Space Station I have seen. It was no moon dark, with the sun just below the horizon, making it another perfect addition to a perfect Field Day.

So perfect in fact, that we voted, at the August meeting, to do it again at the Brown Farm in 2011. It's a site nearly impossible to duplicate, with hot and cold running water, 2 refrigerators, 8 garage doors, facilities for all, and altitude too! Just too many rocks!

Field Day 2010 was a complete success mainly because of the experience and efforts of Steve AA8BN, Dan N8VV, Randy KL7RF, Bruce KE8XM, Matt KD8LNA, Ron N8KRR, and everyone else who participated, even with moral support.

Looking forward to next year, N8GXQ.

2010 CLUB EVENTS

LIBRARY DISPLAY

September 1 thru 15
N8KRR, N8LPB, KC8NJT

CCARA ANNUAL PICNIC

September 12 Lake Park – Shelter #8 1:00 PM
Committee: KD8HHQ

FOX HUNT - following the picnic -

September 12
KE8XM

Visit www.w8cca.org for updates.

“CW” “CW” “CW” “CW” “CW” “CW”

WHEN ALL ELSE FAILS

You Can Rely On Reliable



Continuous Wave Communications!!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION CHANGES

Have you checked the expiration dates on your ham license or other important documents?
When you last moved did you fill out a Form 605 and send your license/ mailing address change to the FCC?
Did you contact your club secretary to have your information changed?

AREA REPEATERS

Coshocton (CCARA) 147.045 MHz KB8HEA
Coshocton (ARES) 145.230 MHz KE8XM
Coshocton (440) 443.5375+ MHz KB9JSC
Cambridge 146.850 MHz W8VP
Millersburg 146.670 MHz WA8WQT
Mount Vernon 146.790 MHz N8CIY
Newark 145.370 MHz WD8RVK
Newark 146.880 MHz W8WRP
Philo 146.610 MHz K8CYN
Zanesville 146.820 MHz WD8AHV
Stone Creek 146.730 MHz W8ZX
Sugar Creek 146.925 MHz W8ZX

A.R.E.S.

ARES®: 75 Years! The ARRL Public Relations Committee has noted that the 75th anniversary of the creation of ARES® will be next month (September). Over the past months the committee has discussed this milestone and opportunity, and is developing a publicity and recruitment campaign. The goal is to increase awareness of radio amateurs' spirit of volunteerism. While there will be acknowledgement of past events, the focus will be on the present and future. The PRC noted that "despite all of the investment made by government agencies, the volunteer assets of ARES® are still called on for communications and other support, especially during the first 48 hours of a crisis. Operators provide communications, information and technical skills when other systems are down or overloaded."

The ARES® community will be celebrating its 75th anniversary from September through December 2010. The first mention of an organized Amateur Radio emergency response organization appears in the September 1935 issue of QST Magazine. A September launch has the benefit of other related national campaigns such as National Preparedness Month and also is the height of hurricane season. The length of the campaign would be expected to be four months, but if successful can continue. The ARRL Marketing Department is planning for the sale of commemorative items including T-shirts, hats, and challenge coins. Packets with ideas and promotional materials will be mailed to every PIC (or SM if there is no PIC) for distribution to local PIOs in the area. [Logo and more info.](#) -- Allen G. Pitts, W1AGP, ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager

2010 ARRL 10 GHz and UP CONTEST

September 18-19 (second weekend)

■ 6 AM local time Saturday through 12 Midnight local time Sunday.

■ One of the most challenging events on the contest calendar, the 10 GHz and Up Contest tests your ability to communicate over long distances on the microwave bands. Portable operation is not only allowed, it's encouraged!

If you're an experimenter, this event is definitely for you!

■ E-mail logs to 10ghz@arrl.org, or send paper logs to GHz Contest, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. All logs must be received by 0000 UTC on Tuesday, October 19, 2010.

Complete rules may be found at www.arrl.org/contests.

2010 ARRL September VHF QSO Party

1800 UTC Saturday, September 11 through 0259 UTC Monday, September 13

■ September is a good month for tropo on the VHF + bands and QSO opportunities abound. Enjoy the end of summer with a weekend on the "ultra-highs" and work hundreds of miles on 6 meters and up. The contest "exchange" is your grid square.

■ Grab your rig and head for the hills, operate as a rover from multiple grids or keep things local and operate from home. Join in on the VHF+ fun this weekend!

■ Send Cabrillo-formatted logs to septembervhf@arrl.org. Paper logs go to September VHF, c/o ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. All logs must be received by 0300Z Wednesday, October 13, 2010.

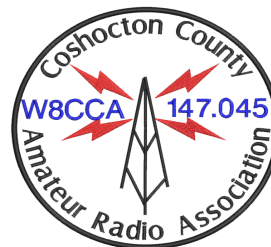
Complete rules may be found at www.arrl.org/contests.

SEPTEMBER 2010 W1AW QUALIFYING RUNS

W1AW Qualifying Runs are 10 PM EDT Friday, September 3 (0200Z September 4) (10-40 WPM) and 7 PM (2300Z) Wednesday September 15. The West Coast Qualifying Run will be transmitted by station K6KPH on 3581.5, 7047.5, 14047.5, 18097.5 and 21067.5 kHz at 2 PM PDT (2100Z) Saturday, September 18. Unless indicated otherwise, speeds are from 10-35 WPM.

W8CCA CCARA PATCHES

Price: \$3.00 each or two for \$5.00.
Purchase from the Treasurer.



"KEEP AN EYE TO THE SKY" DURING BAD WX CONDITION'S

Amateur Radio Operators are encouraged to check the following available Media:

INTERNET SITE - www.w8cca.org

MONITOR -

CLUB REPEATER: 147.045MHz;

A.R.E.S. REPEATER: 145.230MHz;

440MHz REPEATER: 443.5375+

WTNS RADIO – for emergency and event updates.

CLUB E-MAIL ALERTS - will be sent to ALL registered recipients as early as possible.

* FREQUENT CHECKS of: www.w8cca.org site is encouraged! *

FREE SWAP AND SHOP

If you have ham related items to sell you can do it here. List your item(s) here; list a price and how to contact you. Send list to: kl7rf@arrl.net

Also go to: www.w8cca.org for equipment on sale.

TEST INFORMATION

ARRL AMATEUR RADIO EXAM SESSIONS

Coshocton, Ohio

**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
throughout the year.

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

All Exam elements are available.

The 2010 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 two
forms of non-photo ID.

Bring a legal photo ID (drivers 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, check or money order to cover the exam
session fee.

>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

FREE SAMPLE TEST SITE

Upgrading your license, go to the following website
for practice tests for aid in preparing for the upgrade.
copaseticflow.blogspot.com

ARRL CLUB 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.

*** * FYI CLUB DUES * ***

Yearly CCARA Club financial obligations - ie:

- Repeater site lease
- Keene repeater maintenance
- Monthly programs
- Activities:
 - 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
- Coshocton County Fair
- 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.

HAMFESTS

Support our Division hamfests and swaps:

11 Sep: Greater Louisville ~fest, Shepherdsville, KY Set up Friday 6-9 PM, Saturday 6-7:45 AM; public 8 AM - 2 PM. Spr: Greater Louisville Hamfest Assn. Paroquet Springs Conference Centre, 395 Paroquet Springs Dr. Tl: 146.7 (79.7 Hz). Adm: advance \$6, door \$7. Tables: \$10. Bob Myers, c/o Greater Louisville Hamfest Assn, Box 34444, Louisville, KY 40232-4444; 502-935-6710;

GLHA50@LouisvilleHamfest.com

11 Sep: GRA Hamfest, Wyoming, MI 8 AM-noon. Spr: Grand Rapids ARA. Home School Bldg, 5625 Burlingame Ave SW. Tl: 145.26 (94.8 Hz). Adm: \$6. Tables: \$10. Mike Bowen, N8ILU, Box 3282, Grand Rapids. MI 49501; 616-531-2338; mikeN8ILU@yahoo.com; www.grahamfest.org.

12 Sep: Findlay Hamfest, Findlay, OH - Jim, John 8 AM-1 PM. Spr: Findlay Radio Club. Hancock County Fairgrounds, 1017 E Sandusky St. 68th Annual Hamfest. Tl: 147.15. Adm: \$6. TABLES: \$20. Eric Wilkinson, K8ERW, Box 587, Findlay, OH 45839; 567-429-9077; hamfest@findlayradioclub.org; www.findlayradioclub.org.

18 Sep: Central KY ARES Hamfest, Richmond, KY - Jim, John 8 AM -3 PM. Spr: Central Kentucky ARS. Madison County Fairgrounds, 3237 Old Ky Rte 52. Tl: 145.37 (192.8 Hz) Adm: \$6. Tables: \$5. Mike nRogers, KE4ISW, 144 Allen Douglas Dr, Richmond, KY 40475; 859-624-9156; ke4isw@arrl.net; www.qsl.net/ckars/hamfest

19 Sep: Greater Cincinnati ARA Hamfest, Cincinnati, OH Jim 8 AM-3 PM. Spr: Greater Cincinnati ARA. Diamonds Oaks Center Development Center, 6375 Harrison Ave. Hidden transmitter hunt. Tl: 146.88, 145.37. Adm: \$6. Tables: \$8 (per flea market space). \$20 (commercial). Stan Cohen, W8QDQ, 2301 Royal Oak Ct, Cincinnati, OH 45237-2939; 513-531-1011 or 513-236-0980; fax 5135313834; stanco49@zoomtown.com; www.gcara.org

19 Sep: Adrian ARC Hamfest, Adrian, MI 8 AM-1:30 PM. Spr: Adrian ARC, Lenawee County Fairgrounds, 602 N Dean St. 38th Annual Hamfest. Tl: 145.37 (85.4 Hz). Adm: \$5. Tables: \$10. Mark Hinkleman, NU8Z, 108 E Killbuck St, Tecumseh, MI 49286; 517-423-5906; nu8z@comcast.net; www.w8tqe.com

26 Sep: Cleveland Hamfest, Cleveland, OH - Jim, John Ohio (Berea) 8 AM-2 PM. Spr: Hamfest Assn of Cleveland Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds, 164 Eastland Rd. Cleveland Hamfest and Computer Show. Tl: 146.73(110.9Hz). Adm: \$6. Tables: \$20. William Beckman, N8LXY, c/o Hamfest Assn of Cleveland, Box 81252, Cleveland, OH 44181-0252; 800-CLE-FEST. www.hac.org

16 Oct: Ohio Section Conf., Columbus, OH – Jim
16 Oct: Great Lakeshore Super Swap, Holland, MI
17 Oct: Kalamazoo Hamfest, Kalamazoo, M
30 Oct: Hazard Hamfest, Hazard, KY
31 Oct: Massillon Hamfest, Massillon, OH
6 Nov: Grant ARC Georgetown, (OH) Hamfest
20 Nov. A&F Meeting, Newington, CT – Jim

OHIO SECTION NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE EDITOR

E-mail newsletter articles to n8krr@arrl.net,
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SPECIAL 2009 CONTEST INFO

2009 ARRL 10 Meter Contest

Displaying entries for

Class=A and Power=B and **Section=OH**

#	Call	Score	QSOs	Mult	Class	Power	Section	Club
1	N8VV	23,052	130	51	A	B	OH	Mad River RC
2	K8AB	12,160	104	32	A	B	OH	West Park Radiops
3	K8VUS	12,062	108	37	A	B	OH	West Park Radiops

Displaying entries for

Class=A and Power=B and **Division=GL**

#	Call	Score	QSOs	Mult	Class	Power	Section	Club
1	N8VV	23,052	130	51	A	B	OH	Mad River RC
2	K8RDJ	12,276	105	31	A	B	MI	
3	K8AB	12,160	104	32	A	B	OH	West Park Radiops

AMATEUR RADIO IS ACCESSIBLE RADIO

Fm QST December 2009 Issue

Amateur Radio is not necessarily an expensive hobby. For \$500 or less, you can be on the air on HF. Granted that \$500 will not buy the latest transceiver/antenna setup, but \$500 can buy a good used HF transceiver, antenna tuner, power supply and materials to make an antenna (or three). One of the nice things about Amateur Radio is that a modest station will allow an amateur to get on the air, make contacts and have fun. You may not break the pile-up for a DX station on the first try very often, but you can usually eventually get through.

While \$500 may seem a lot to spend in one shot, consider it this way: Divide that \$500 by 52. That's less than \$10 a week. Even if you spent \$3000 for a modern station setup, when you consider that it should run fine for 5 to 10 years or more without any serious problems, the investment is minimal. Some new hams, with the assistance of some generous and helpful Elmer's, have even gotten on the air almost free. I know I have certainly benefited from the generosity of some local ham friends and I appreciate it very much!

MARTIN CAMPBELL, KBoHEA
Burlington, Iowa

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