

# JUNE 2014 NEWSLETTER



## COSHOCTON COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, INC

PO BOX 501 Coshocton, OH 43812

<http://www.w8cca.org>

### NEXT CCARA CLUB MEETING - JUNE 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2014

Meetings: First Tuesday Each Month, 7:00 pm @ Coshocton County Services Bldg 724 S. 7th Street

#### 2014 CLUB OFFICERS

PRESIDENT: Mike Casey – NF8U

VICE PRESIDENT: Jamie Hoy – KC8YXY

SECRETARY: Will Parks – KC8PUW

TREASURER: Tom Cordes – KB8HEA

#### CCARA WEB SITE

Go To: [www.w8cca.org](http://www.w8cca.org)

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#### NETS:

##### CCARA CLUB

Sunday - 2100 hrs Local

147.045 MHz Rptr

##### ARES COCO NET

Monday - 2100 hrs Local

145.230MHz – KE8XM Rptr

##### NECCo 440

Monday – (after ARES)

443.5375+MHz - KB9JSC Rptr

##### CCDNnet

Wednesday – 2000 hrs Local

Coshocton County Digital Net

145.230 MHz KE8XM Rptr

Backup Freq: 443.5375+MHz

##### Johnny Appleseed

Friday 2100 hrs Local

28.450 MHz – SSB

#### REPEATER TRUSTEES

Club repeater - KL7RF

ARES repeater – KE8XM

440 repeater – KB9JSC

#### CLUB TRUSTEES

AA8UA – Colleen

KC8ZWR – Mike

N8KRR – Ron

## PREZ SAYS - CCARA members:

### Club Meeting June 3 & Field Day

Our CCARA meeting this month is on the 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7PM at the County Services Building in Coshocton. On the docket will be last minute preparations for both GOBA and Field Day.

FIELD Day this year will again be held at the Brown Farm. The dates are June 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> with set up on the 27<sup>th</sup>. Plan to attend and make this year, a great year for CCARA's field day event.

We are really looking forward to a lot of participation from local hams for the Great Ohio Bicycle Adventure. Let's do our best to make the event as safe and trouble free as possible.

## NEW - MEETING MINUTES

The club is trying out a new service to its members through the website. We will be publishing the minutes of our meetings on the "Meetings & Minutes" page, which you see to the left highlighted in purple. When you get to the Meetings page, click on the date of the particular meeting to view it in PDF format. Please take time to view the minutes so that we can make our business meeting time more efficient.

## SUMMER & FALL CLUB EVENTS 2014

**GOBA 2014 - JUNE 16<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> -18<sup>th</sup>**

**FIELD DAY - JUNE 28<sup>th</sup> -29<sup>th</sup> @BROWN FARM**

**CLUB PICNIC - SEPTEMBER 13<sup>th</sup> 1pm @ BROWN FARM**

**WOLFF (FOX) HUNT - SEPTEMBER 13<sup>th</sup>**

**@ BROWN FARM - after the picnic**

## OHIO HF NET AND DIGITAL NET INFORMATION

For complete SEC notes and stuff, go to ARES page on [www.arri-ohio.org](http://www.arri-ohio.org). The Ohio HF Net run by the Team W8SGT at the State of Ohio Emergency Operations Center operate the net on Tuesdays at **7PM** local time. As a reminder, this net is held every Tuesday on **3850 kHz** (new frequency) and about 20 minutes after the net starts, the net switches to 7240 kHz. All are welcome to check in. You do not have to be an ARES volunteer to check in. Check in and put your county on the map.

## OHIO ARES DIGITAL NET

The Ohio ARES/OES Digital Emergency Net is held every Tuesday at 8PM. This net is held on 3585 kHz USB (7240KHz is alternate frequency). All are welcome to check in. This net is looking for additional net control stations. Anyone interested in being a net control station is encouraged to contact the Net Manager. Anyone with questions or comments should send Net Manager Gary NJ8BB and email to [nj8bb@ohden.org](mailto:nj8bb@ohden.org). Be sure to check out the new website <http://www.ohden.org/> for details.

## +++ 2014 Hamfest Schedule +++

Jun 7 - Fulton Co. RC Hamfest, Tedrow, OH

Jun 21 - Milford Hamfest, Milford, OH

Jul 12 - 20/9 RC Tailgate and Hamfest, Austintown, OH

Jul 20 - Van Wert Hamfest, Van Wert, OH

Jul 27 - Portage HAMFAIR '14 - Randolph, OH

Aug 2 - Ohio Section Conference & Columbus Hamfest, Columbus, OH

Aug 17 - Warren Hamfest, Cortland, OH

Sep 28 - Cleveland Hamfest & Computer Show, Cleveland, OH

Oct 5 - Conneaut ARC Hamfest, Conneaut, OH

Nov 2 - Massillon ARC Hamfest, Massillon, OH

## MARCH CODE RED LIBRARY DISPLAY



### Emergency Communications Network

Don't forget to share with us how you are informing your community about CodeRED and CodeRED Weather Warning! Coshocton County Emergency Management Agency has this display up at the [Coshocton Public Library](#). As you can see, CodeRED Weather Warning is front and center!

## GOBA PORTION LIBRARY DISPLAY

Here's a photo provided courtesy of Steve AA8BN (Coshocton County Amateur Radio Club), who will be assisting with emergency communications on GOBA in June. The pic shows the GOBA portion of the current club, ARES SKYWARN display at Coshocton public library.



GOBA posted the PIC on FACEBOOK... AA8BN



**GOBA Is Coming; GOBA Is Coming!**  
**Keep the dates of June 16, 17, & 18, 2014 in mind as the.....**

**GREAT OHIO BICYCLE ADVENTURE** is going to be coming through Coshocton County. They will be needing communication assistance for safety and coordination for the event. CCARA & Coshocton ARES is hoping to be able to meet those needs when they come to our area. We will need many Amateur radio volunteers during this event. We hope you will plan to lend a hand (or maybe a hand on a hand-held :)

### **COSHOCTON COUNTY DIGITAL NET BEGINS**

On February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014 the Coshocton County Amateur Radio Association kicked off its Digital Net. The purpose of the net is to encourage all amateurs to experiment with computers working with radios and digital modes. In the essence of the amateur spirit we mix phone transmissions with the digital to help those not familiar with FLDigi (the software used for the digital net) setup and troubleshoot to help educate and ensure success of everyone. A secondary purpose is the practice of passing messages and traffic in case it is ever necessary for any ARES activities or real emergencies. All amateurs are welcome to join in the fun Wednesday nights at 8PM local 145.230 repeater with the 443.5375 repeater linked.

I mentioned we use FLDigi, and those not yet familiar with this nifty little program may be wondering what it is. FLDigi stands for Fast Light Digital Modem and is a very versatile program covering many different modes of operation. Its ease of use extends past the user-friendly software to the fact no hardware connection is needed between the radio and the computer. A simple net book or laptop computer with a mike and speakers and a handheld radio is all that is needed to communicate digitally making it ideal for on the go emergency use. Acoustically coupled, as it is referred to uses the mike in the computer to hear the digital tones and deciphers them. As well the speakers in the computer emit the digital code that can be transmitted over the air by pressing your PTT button on your radio. Nice, simple and easy to use, what more could you ask for.

Forms? Yes, FLDigi contains many forms, all I think really, that would be needed for any emergency and non-emergency formal communications and weather communications as well. And the forms are saved in a convenient folder for easy retrieval at a later date or to be printed. It will even display the messages in a web browser for an easy to read display.

So how do you get FLDigi? It is as simple as downloading just about anything else you want to play with off the web. Check out <http://www.w1hkj.com/download.html> and download fldigi, flwrap, flmsg, and flarq and then go to <http://www.w1hkj.com/FldigiHelp-3.21/html/index.html> and get started setting it up and playing. Still having problems, join us Wednesday nights on the 145.230MHz or the 443.5375MHz repeaters and we will try to help.

Our primary operation mode is MT63-2000L but we may play with others as questions and thoughts arise. Hope to hear you then.

73

Will Parks, KC8PUW  
**DIGITAL NET MANAGER**

### **Jamie Hoy KC8YXY Honored**

Coshocton Resident Wins State Award DUBLIN – Coshocton's own Jaime Hoy won the Excellence in Individual Achievement Award from Ohio Public Images Network. Hoy was selected from among nominations from across the state for his work within the Coshocton community to further positive awareness and acceptance for individuals with disabilities. In a video honoring the award winners from various categories Hoy was noted to epitomize personal achievement. With the 2013 growth and success of his woodworking business, Jaime's Custom Cutting, he has captured the attention of the media and helped further awareness of the abilities, the commitment, and the tenacity of individuals with disabilities working in the community. Hoy received his award at a luncheon at the Embassy Suites in Dublin on March 10th. The luncheon was attended by professionals from across the state and leadership in the developmental disabilities field.



**Jaime Hoy (left) with Coshocton DD Superintendent, Steve Oster, after receiving his Excellence in Individual Achievement Award From Ohio Public Images Network.**

**Congratulations to you, Jamie.**

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# + + + ARRL AMATEUR RADIO + + + EXAM SESSIONS

**The 2014 exam fee is \$15.00.**

**Exact amount appreciated.**

All Exam elements available

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 NCVEC 605 forms at session; Handicap accessible;  
Copy machine available

## **Contact Person**

Colleen, AA8UA 740-622-5761 - Email to: [AA8UA@arrl.net](mailto:AA8UA@arrl.net)



**AA8BN, Session Mgr.**

## **LIBRARY DISPLAY UP**

**Thanks to NF8U, AA8BN, & KC8PUW**

for their good efforts in getting up a fine display which will be up at the Coshocton County Public Library for the month of March.



AA8BN PHOTO

## **MEETING ATTENDANCE - 2014**

January	February	March	April	May
NF8U	NF8U	NF8U	WN8RGW	NF8U
KC8YXY	KC8YXY	KC8YXY	NF8U	N8VV
KB8HEA	KB8HEA	KB8HEA	N8VV	KL7RF
N8KRR	KC8PUW	KC8PUW	WB8SJQ	KC8YXY
WN8RGW	WN8RGW	WN8RGW	KL7RF	AA8BN
KB8RAK	KL7RF	N8VV	KC8PUW	WB8SJQ
N8VV	AA8BN	KE8XM	KC8ZWR	KB8HEA
KC8PUW	KD8HHQ	WB8SJQ	AA8BN	KE8XM
WB8SJQ	N8KRR	N8KRR	N2AFV	N8LPB
KB8FBN	W8FHF	KL7RF	N8TCC	KC8NJT
AA8BN	N8IMW	AA8BN	KC8YXY	KC8ZWR
KL7RF		KB9JSC	2-Visitors	N2AFV
KC8NRY		1-Visitor	Richard Couch	
		Verda McGraw	Melanie Vohs	

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## **ARRL Announces Free Exam Review Website**

The ARRL has launched a new online resource that allows users to take randomly generated practice exams using questions from the actual examination question pool. [ARRL Exam Review for Ham Radio™](http://arrlexamreview.appspot.com/) is *free*, and users do *not* need to be ARRL members. The only requirement is that users must first set up a site login (this is a different and separate login from your ARRL website user registration).

<http://arrlexamreview.appspot.com/>

**73,**  
**Dan**  
**[N8VV@arrl.net](mailto:N8VV@arrl.net)**

## KIDS DAY June 2014

**1800 UTC – 2359 UTC Saturday, June 21**

■ The third Saturday in June is the time to get youngsters on the air and share the joys and fun that Amateur Radio can provide!

■ Sponsored by the Boring (Oregon) Amateur Radio Club, this event helps bring the excitement of Amateur Radio to a youngster audience. The exchange is simple: first name, age, location, and favorite color. After that, the contact can be as short as each participant likes.

■ Kids Day opens doors and opens minds. Open your shack doors and invite the youngsters over to learn and enjoy themselves.

Let's all work to get some fresh, young voices on the air on June 21!

**Complete rules and entry forms can be found at**

**[www.arrl.org/kids-day](http://www.arrl.org/kids-day)**

*From QST page 85 June 2014 issue*

## THE 2014 IARU HF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

**WRTC 2014 1200 UTC Saturday, July 12 –  
1159 UTC Sunday, July 13**

The HF bands heat up in July for the biggest contest of the season!

■ Exchange is a signal report and your ITU zone.

■ Single op entrants choose from High, Low, or QRP power and Mixed Mode, CW only, or Phone only.

■ IARU is only 24 hours – leaving plenty of time for other things during the weekend!

■ Stations from IARU member societies all around the world will be active. How many HQ stations can you work?

■ This year, the World Radiosport Team Championship runs in conjunction with IARU HF; listen for the 59 two-operator teams centered around Boston that represent the top echelon of Amateur Radio contesting.

More info at [www.wrtc2014.org](http://www.wrtc2014.org).

E-mail Cabrillo-formatted electronic logs to [iaruhf@iarc.org](mailto:iaruhf@iarc.org) no later than 1200 UTC Tuesday, August 12. Mail paper logs to IARU HF Championships, c/o ARRL, 255 Main St, Newington, CT 06111 USA

**Complete rules, paper log forms, and ITU zone maps can be found at** [www.arrl.org/iaru-hf](http://www.arrl.org/iaru-hf)

*From QST page 85 in June 2014 issue.*

## WRTC-2014 Announces Awards Available to Stations Working WRTC Teams

[WRTC-2014](#) has [announced](#) the various awards available to stations working the WRTC teams during the competition this July. The WRTC-2014 Chase" will run concurrently with the IARU HF Championship, which gets underway from the Boston area on July 12 at 1200 UTC. The 59 competing stations will sport distinctive call signs -- not yet announced -- that will be easy to recognize.

Full info here: <http://www.wrtc2014.org/participation-awards-for-wrtc2014-announced/>

73,  
Dan

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## FOX NEWS SEGMENT ON HAM RADIO

Here is a link to a very good news segment done recently by Fox News. This relates especially to ARES and hams helping Emergency Management. Here is the link:

<http://www.foxnews.com/tech/2014/05/19/ham-radio-old-technology-gets-new-respect/?intcmp=trending>

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Dan

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## CLUB NET CHECKINS LISTS MARCH/APRIL/MAY 2014

### APPLESEED Nets

March 14 2100 - 2126

NCS: NF8U

KB8HEA KC8DEY WN8RGW KL7RF KB8KEU WD8CHR KE8YL

March 21 2100 - 2123

NCS: KB8KEU

WA8WAS WD8CHR NF8U KL7RF WN8RGW KE8YL

March 28 2100 - 2118

NCS: KL7RF

WD8CHR KB8KEU NF8U WA8WAS KB8RAK KC8DEY

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April 4 2100 - 2123

NCS: KB8KEU

KL7RF KC8DEY WD8CHR NF8U WN8RGW KC8PUW

April 11

NCS: NF8U

KB8RAK WD8CHR KB8KEU WA8WAS KE8YL

April 18 2100 - 2130

NCS: WD8CHR

KL7RF KC8DEY KB8KEU WN8RGW NF8U WA8WAS KC8PUW

April 25 2100 - 2129

NCS: KL7RF

WA8WAS KC8DEY NF8U KB8KEU WN8RGW KC8PUW WD8CHR

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May 2 2100 - 2126  
NCS: KB8KEU  
KL7RF KC8DEY NF8U WD8CHR KC8PUW

May 9  
NCS: NF8U  
KB8RAK WA8WAS KL7RF KB8KEU WD8CHR KC8PUW

May 16 2100 - 2140  
NCS: WD8CHR  
KC8DEY WA8WAS NF8U KB8KEU WN8RGW KL7RF  
KC8PUW KE8YL

May 23 2101-2120  
NCS: KL7RF  
WD8CHR NF8U KB8KEU KB8RAK KC8DEY

May 30  
NCS: NF8U  
KB8RAK WD8CHR KC8PUW KL7RF KC8DEY KE8YL  
WN8RGW KE8NI

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### **ARES Nets**

March 3  
NCS: NF8U  
N8KRR WB8SJQ KC8PUW N8VV KC8YXY AA8BN

March 10 2100 - 2113  
NCS: WB8SJQ  
KC8PUW WN8RGW NF8U N8VV KB8HEA N8KRR AA8BN  
(ECHO LINK)

March 17 2100 - 2105  
NCS: N8KRR  
NF8U KC8PUW

March 24 2100 - 2110  
NCS: N8VV  
KC8YXY WB8SJQ AA8BN

March 31 2100 - 2109  
NCS: KC8PUW  
N8KRR WB8SJQ AA8BN NF8U KC8YXY

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April 7 2100 - 2111  
NCS: NF8U  
AA8BN (P) WN8RGW N8KRR WB8SJQ KC8YXY KC8PUW  
N8VV KL7RF N8LPB

April 14 2100 - 2103  
NCS: WB8SJQ  
N8KRR N8VV AA8BN

April 21 2102 - 2109  
NCS: N8KRR  
NF8U (P) WN8RGW (P) N8LRG (P) N8VV K5PAS (P) WB8SJQ

April 28 2100 - 2110  
NCS: N8VV  
WN8RGW N8KRR WB8SJQ KB8HEA NF8U KC8PUW

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May 5  
NCS: NF8U  
N8KRR AA8BN WB8SJQ KL7RF N8VV KC8PUW KC8YXY  
N8LPB

May 19 2100 - 2113  
NCS: N8KRR  
WN8RGW N8VV KC8NJT N8LPB KL7RF NF8U KC8PUW  
KC8YXY AA8BN

May 26 2100-2115  
NCS: N8VV  
NF8U KC8YXY KC8PUW KL7RF WB8SJQ AA8BN AA8UA  
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### **CCARA Nets**

March 2  
NCS: KL7RF  
N8KRR WB8SJQ KC8PUW KB8HEA NF8U WN8RGW  
KC8YXY AA8BN

March 9 2105 - 2122  
NCS: KC8PUW *on the 145.230 Rptr*  
NF8U KL7RF WB8SJQ KC8YXY KD8WQQ

March 16 2100 - 2111  
NCS: N8KRR *on the 147.045*  
KL7RF KC8PUW WB8SJQ WN8RGW NF8U KD8NEO

March 23  
NCS: NF8U  
WN8RGW KC8PUW WB8SJQ KL7RF AA8BN N8VV KC8YXY  
KD8NEO

March 30 2100 - 2115  
NCS: AA8UA  
NF8U WB8SJQ WN8RGW KC8PUW AA8BN KC8YXY  
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April 6 2100 - 2116  
NCS: KL7RF  
N8KRR NF8U WB8SJQ AA8BN (m) KC8PUW WN8RGW  
KC8YXY WD8SDH

April 13 2100 - 2108  
NCS: KC8ZWR  
N8KRR KL7RF WB8SJQ N8VV WN8RGW KC8PUW NF8U  
KC8YXY

April 20 2100 - 2111  
NCS: N8KRR  
WB8SJQ WN8RGW NF8U KC8PUW AA8BN (echo link) KL7RF  
KC8YXY KE8XM (portable)

April 27 2100 - 2113  
NCS: NF8U  
N8KRR KL7RF WN8RGW AA8BN KC8PUW WD8SDA  
KC8YXY

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May 4 2109 - 2113  
NCS: KC8PUW  
WB8SJQ N8KRR AA8BN NF8U KC8YXY

May 11 2102 - 2120  
NCS: KL7RF  
AA8BN WD8SDH NF8U KC8YYF WN8RGW KC8PUW N8KRR  
KC8YXY AA8UA WB8SJQ

May 18  
NCS: NF8U  
WN8RGW WB8SJQ AA8BN N8LPB KL7RF KC8NJT  
KB8HEA KC8PUW KC8YXY

May 25  
NCS: NF8U  
KL7RF KC8PUW N8KRR AA8BN KB8HEA  
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### **CCDN Nets**

March 5 2000 - 2056  
NCS: KC8PUW  
NF8U



March 12            2000 – *no check-ins*  
NCS: KC8PUW

March 26            2000 - 2126  
NCS: KC8PUW  
AA8BN NF8U KC8YXY KL7RF

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April 9             2000 - 2215  
NCS: KC8PUW  
NF8U AA8BN

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May 7 147.045MHz 2002 - 2145  
NCS: KC8PUW  
NF8U KL7RF

May 14  
NCS:

May 21  
NCS:

May 28  
NCS:

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**NECCo Nets**

March 3  
NCS: NF8U  
AA8BN KC8PUW WB8SJQ N8VV KC8YXY

March 17            2106 - 2109  
NCS: NF8U  
WB8SJQ KC8PUW

March 24            2111 - 2117  
NCS: N8VV  
NF8U KC8YXY WB8SJQ AA8BN

March 31            2110 - 2116  
NCS: KC8PUW  
WB8SJQ AA8BN NF8U KC8YXY

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April 7  
NCS: NF8U  
WB8SJQ KL7RF N8VV KC8YXY

April 28            2111 - 2121  
NCS: N8VV  
NF8U KC8YXY WB8SJQ WN8RGW KB8HEA KC8PUW  
KC8WX

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May 5  
NCS: NF8U  
WB8SJQ KL7RF N8VV KC8YXY

May 19  
NCS: NF8U  
N8VV KC8PUW KL7RF KC8YXY AA8BN KB8HEA  
WB8SJQ

May 26            2116-2128  
NCS: N8VV  
NF8U KC8YXY KC8PUW WB8SJQ KL7RF AA8BN AA8UA

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