

CQ CHATTER

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Letter from the President June 2010

I don't recall who was in Grand Rapids recently but there was a sign in the window of Couzin's Restaurant indicating that they were closed for remodeling. Stay tuned for the July breakfast. Maybe we should stay at Edgewood?

Several club members attended the Dayton Hamvention. This year there were a number of rest stations (benches) in the flea market area and this ham used several of them. The WX was ideal. Some ham in 8-land beat me to a really nice 92ft telescoping triangular tower. The bottom section was close to 4ft across the face of each side and the legs about 4in in diameter. The price exceeded \$30,000 so I was not too disappointed.

Phil, W8PSK, will be the fox for the June meeting. Typically the fox hunt starts about 6:00 on a frequency chosen by the fox and the regular meeting convenes at the sheriff's office after the hunt at the normal time. See elsewhere for de-

tails from Phil. Is anyone interested in volunteering to present a program for the August meeting?

Field Day is June 26-27 at the Wood County Historical Center. We can operate all night if we wish to. There will be a pot luck meal Saturday evening with chili cooked on an open fire for the main course. The Field Day committee should have details elsewhere in this newsletter.

**WCARC Weekly Net:
Tuesdays at 2130 EDST
(0130 Z year-round)**

147.18 MHz 67 Hz PL

***Next Meeting
Business Meeting***

MONDAY June 14th

TIME: 7:30 pm/eyeball 7:00 pm

PLACE: Sheriff's Training Room

Gypsy Lane and Dunbridge Rds.

Bowling Green

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Net Check Ins

Apr 27

K8OVO (NC)
KD8NJZ
K8BBK
W8PSK
WB8NQW
WB8VUL
N1RB
KD8MLN
WD8JWJ
N8RIM
N8VNT
KC8ITL
KC8YQL (13)

May 4

N8QMV (NC)
KD8NJZ
K8BBK
W8PSK
WB8NQW
K8LL
KD8MLN
K8OVO
N1RB
N8PYA (10)

May 11

WB8NQW (NC)
KD8NJZ
K8BBK
W8PSK
K8OVO
WB8VUL
K8NEA
WD8JWJ (8)

WCARC

2 m Net Control Roster

Net meets every Tuesday at
2130 EDST/0130 Z

Jun 1	N8QMV
Jun 8	WB8NQW
Jun 15	N1RB
Jun 22	K8OVO
Jun 29	N8QMV
Jul 6	WB8NQW
Jul 13	N1RB

Brain Teasers

1. When using a repeater to communicate, which of the following do you need to know about the repeater?
 - a.) input frequency and offset
 - b.) call sign
 - c.) power level
 - d.) whether or not it has an autopatch
2. When may you send a distress signal on any frequency?
 - a.) never
 - b.) only at 15 and 30 minutes after the hour
 - c.) in a life- or property-threatening emergency
 - d.) when NWS declares a severe weather warning
3. What are the frequency limits of the 70 cm band in Wood County?
 - a.) 430 to 440 MHz
 - b.) 430 to 450 MHz
 - c.) 420 to 450 MHz
 - d.) 432 to 435 MHz

June Contests

The contest lineup for the month of June is given below. Please note that the WARC bands (60, 30, 17 and 12 m) are never open to contesting.

Jun 5-6	<i>1600 to 0400 Z</i>	160 m to 10 m
Alabama QSO Party		all modes
Jun 12	<i>0000 to 2400 Z</i>	80 m to 10 m
Portugal Day		all modes
Jun 12-14	<i>1800 to 0300 Z</i>	6 m on up
ARRL June VHF QSO Party		all modes
Jun 19-20	<i>0000 to 2400 Z</i>	160 m to 10 m
All Asian DX 'test		CW
Jun 19-20	<i>1600 to 0200 Z</i>	80 m to 10 m
West Virginia QSO Party		all modes
Jun 19	<i>1800 to 2400 Z</i>	80 m to 10 m
Kid's Day		SSB
Jun 26-27	<i>1200 to 1200 Z</i>	160 m to 10 m
King of Spain DX 'test		SSB
Jun 26-27	<i>1800 to 2100 Z</i>	160 m on up
ARRL Field Day		all modes

Foxhunt to be Held Prior to June Meeting

The next Fox Hunt will start prior to the June 14 club meeting at 6:00 pm on the freq of 145.600 simplex. W8PSK mobile, Tan color 1987 Ford F150 pickup, will be the fox. Please join the fun and be the first one to find me, if you can!

I WILL BE WAITING!!!

Phil, W8PSK

June Hamfests

May 18

N1RB (NC)
KC8EKT/M
N8QMV
KD8NJZ
WD8JWJ
WB8NQW
K8OVO
K8BBK
K3RC
K8NEA
W8PSK
N8RIM (12)

Jun 5 Fulton County ARC. Annual Hamfest. Roth Family Park, Tedrow, OH. Contact Angela, KB2AVN (419) 822-4382.

e-mail: k8bxq@yahoo.com

web: <http://k8bxq.org>

Jun 6 Chelsea ARC. Annual Hamfest. Chelsea Fairgrounds, Chelsea, MI. Contact Frank, KD8ABW (734) 945-1915.

e-mail: frank.pohs@gmail.com

web: www.wd8iel.net

Jun 20 Monroe County RCA. Annual Hamfest. Monroe County Fairgrounds, Monroe, MI. Contact Fred, KA8EBI (734) 242-9487.

e-mail: ka8ebi@yahoo.com

web: <http://www.mcrca.org>

Jul 10 Indianapolis Hamfest Assn. Annual Hamfest. Camp Sertoma, Indianapolis, IN. Contact Bob, N9FIM (317) 261-6658.

e-mail: bob9fim@att.net

web: <http://indyhamfest.com>

**DON'T FORGET! 10 meter
informal net
meets each Sunday at 2030
EDST**

president---from p. 1

We could use more check-ins for the (28.335MHz) 10 meter net Sunday evening. If you would like to be net control for the VHF/UHF net on Tuesday, please let someone know. It is really easy to do. Weather this time of year is unpredictable as we have seen and anyone should be able to start the net if needed.

The next meeting is June 14 at the sheriff's office after the fox hunt. The next breakfast meeting will be on July 3 at 9:00 AM somewhere.

73, Bob-WB8NQW ■

Exciting Field Day Planned

Field Day is the premier amateur contest of the year with over 35,000 amateurs participating each year. This year, it begins on Saturday, June 26th. Designed to test and display amateur radio's capability for setting up emergency communications, it typically involves the construction of temporary antennas and the establishment of an emergency station at some temporary location. Typically, the station is powered by some means other than by commercial power, but use of commercial power is permitted. The idea is to make as many contacts as possible on as many bands as possible (160 m through visible light except for the WARC bands). The exchange with other stations is in a contest format, with signal report, class designator and ARRL section.

The WCARC will be operating several portable stations in class D at the Wood

County Historical Society grounds. We expect to begin hoisting antennas around noon. You can check on the final plans by contacting any member of the committee: Bob-N1RB, Bill-WD8JWJ, and Steve-K8BBK.

The operating activities begin at 2:00 pm. Usually, our Club uses this event as a good opportunity for all our members to meet and greet everyone else. Besides the operating fun, we will have some food available around 6:00 pm to help fuel the participants. This year, there are plans for grilled burgers and hot dogs and a pot of chili cooked over an open fire. The organizing committee requests that everybody bring a pot-luck salad or dessert.

If you are a new ham, this is a good opportunity for you to experience high tempo operations on both phone and CW. If you are an old timer, but have not participated for a while, this is a good chance to come out and have an eyeball QSO with old friends. ■

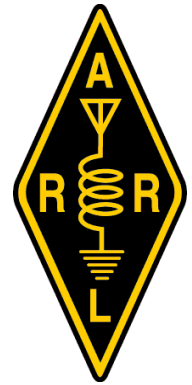
FOR SALE

2 m. Ringo Ranger II vertical: \$15. OBO

A strong performer when I had it installed at former QTH. No place to install now.

INCLUDES SO-239 connector.

Chuck DICKEN, WD8ICP
dicken@bgsu.edu



U.S. Freshwater Island On The Air

Grid EN81



Lat: 41.716715
Long: 82.816576

Massillon Amateur Radio Club - Massillon, OH

BANDS / FREQUENCIES

PHONE:

7.250 mhz
14.250 mhz – 14.260 mhz
28.450 mhz

Note: 14.260 be reserved for and given way to IOTA operations.

CW:

3.530 mhz
7.025 mhz (may need to scan the band to find the frequency in use.)
14.040 mhz
21.040 mhz

On July 23, 2010 the Massillon Amateur Radio Club will depart on their first expedition that will take them to North Bass Island. MARC will setup world wide radio communications and attempt to qualify this island for U.S. Islands Award Program. This expedition will coincide with I.O.T.A (Saltwater Islands). North Bass Island will be the home for some 15 amateur operators who will on July 24, 2010 begin on-the-air operations commencing at 1200 UTC until July 25, 2010 1600 UTC. During this period they will attempt to make as many world wide contacts on many frequencies and modes.

North Bass Island is located on Lake Erie, north of Port Clinton, OH and 8 nautical miles from the Canadian border. Without the generosity and hospitality of the islanders this event would not be possible.

If you would like to make a donation to help defray costs, please make checks payable to 'M.A.R.C.' or Massillon Amateur Radio Club. Mail to: WD8MBE (Tom) 235 Leonard Ave NW, Massillon, Ohio 44646. Thank You

Brain Teaser answers: 1-a, 2-c, 3-b

Scenes from May breakfast at the Edgewood Inn

(photos courtesy N1LB---all photos left to right)



KD8MLN-Mat , N1RB-Bob,

KC8PFP-Rex

KB8VUL-Hoot , K8NEA-Duane



K8JTK-Jeff, K3RC-Bob,

K8LL-Stan, KC8PFP-Rex

K8BBK-Steve , W8PSK-Phil,

K8JTK-Jeff



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