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WOOD COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

MAY 2012

P.O. BOX 534, Bowling Green, OH

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President	NM8W	Craig Magrum
Vice President	WB8NQW	Bob Willman
Secretary	N1RB	Bob Boughton
Treasurer	WD8JWJ	Bill Wilkins

Minutes WCARC Meeting April 9 , 2011

Present: Craig-NM8W, Bill-WD8JWJ, Roger-W8CNJ, Lee-KD8QYM, Al-WB8ABY, Bob-WB8NQW, Hoot-WB8VUL, Chuck-WD8ICP, Loren-W8PSK, Bob-N1RB, Don-K8OVO, Lee-KB8RT.

Meeting called to order with Pledge of Allegiance at 7:30 pm.

Minutes of February meeting accepted unanimously.

Treasurer's report acceptance moved by Bob, N1RB and seconded by Bob, WB8NQW.

Old Business:

- Flyers for our Anniversary potluck were passed out at the TMRA hamfest by Bob, WB8NQW. He suggested that they also be mailed to nearby clubs.
- Field Day- we cannot use the traditional Wood County Historical Museum site due to a conflict. Lee, KB8RT, mentioned that something had come up and

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

147.18 MHz 67 Hz PL

Breakfast Meeting

Saturday, May 5th

TIME: 9:00 am

PLACE: Frisch's Big Boy

E. Poe and N. Main Sts.

Bowling Green, OH

she will not be able to be present to supervise the food committee. Bill, WD8JWJ, suggested that we instead buy pizzas for dinner so that Lee need not be concerned. This idea was passed unanimously.

- Bob, N1RB, moved that we move our Field Day operations to Carter Park. Second by Bob, WB8NQW and passed unanimously.
- Discussion then centered on equipment to be volunteered---so far there is a total of 3 transceivers

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Net Check Ins

March 27

N1RB (NC)
 K8BBK
 NM8W
 KD8PCQ
 WD8JWJ
 WB8NQW
 KD8RNO-Lynn
 N8YAE (8)

April 3

WB8NQW (NC)
 WD8JWJ
 K8BBK
 W8PSK
 N8YAE
 KD8PCQ
 KD8RNO
 N8VNT
 KC8EKT (9)

April 10

NM8W (NC)
 N1RB
 W8PSK
 KD8PCQ
 KD8RNO
 WB8NQW
 KC8EKT
 WB8ABY
 N8YAE
 N8VNT
 K8OVO (11)

April 17

N8YAE (NC)
 NM8W
 WB8NQW
 W8PSK
 K8OVO
 N1RB
 K8BBK
 WD8ICP
 WB8VUL
 KD8PCQ (10)

WCARC

2 m Net Control Roster
 Net meets every Tuesday at
 2130 EDST/0130 Z

May 1	N1RB
May 8	NM8W
May 15	K8OVO
May 22	N8YAE
May 29	WB8NQW
Jun 5	N1RB
Jun 12	NM8W

Brain Teasers

- Which of the following methods is encouraged by the FCC when identifying your station on phone?
 - use of a phonetic alphabet
 - send your call sign in CW as well as voice
 - repeat your call sign three times
 - increase your signal to legal limit when ID'ing
- What is the "Q" signal to indicate that you are changing frequency?

a.) QRU	b.) QSY
c.) QSL	d.) QRZ
- What is the impedance of most commonly used coaxial cable in typical amateur installations?

a.) 8 ohms	b.) 50 ohms
c.) 600 ohms	d.) 12 ohms

May Contests

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

May 5-6	<i>1300 to 0659 Z</i>	160 m to 10 m
Seventh Call Area QSO Party		all modes
May 5-6	<i>1600 to 0359 Z</i>	160 m to 10 m
Indiana QSO Party		all modes
May 5-6	<i>2000 to 1959 Z</i>	160 m to 10 m
ARI (Italy) DX 'test		all modes
May 5-6	<i>2000 to 0500; 1300 to 2400 Z</i>	80 m to 10 m
New England QSO Party		all modes
May 12-13	<i>1200 to 1159 Z</i>	80 m to 10 m
Volta RTTY DX 'test		RTTY
May 12-13	<i>1200 to 1159 Z</i>	160 m to 10 m
CQ-M (Russia) DX 'test		all modes
May 12-13	<i>1700 to 1659 Z</i>	160 m to 10 m
Nevada Mustang Roundup (QP)		all modes
May 19-20	<i>1200 to 1159 Z</i>	80 m to 10 m
EU PSK DX 'test		PSK
May 19-20	<i>1200 to 1159 Z</i>	160 m to 10 m
King of Spain DX 'test		CW
May 19-20	<i>2100 to 0159 Z</i>	80 m
Baltic 'test		all modes
May 26-27	<i>0000 to 2359 Z</i>	160 m to 10 m
CQ WW WPX 'test		CW

May Hamfests

May 18-20 Dayton ARA. **Dayton Hamvention** at Hara Arena, Trotwood, OH.
Contact Michael, W8CI, (937) 276-6930.

e-mail: info@hamvention.org

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

June 2 Fulton County ARC. Annual Hamfest at Roth Family Park, Tedrow, OH.
Contact Lindsay, K8LI, (330) 688-2013.

e-mail: lindsayinf@yahoo.com

web: <http://www.k8bxq.org>

State "PRB-1" Nearer to Passing

Ohio amateurs' antenna legislation cleared a major hurdle today when H.B. 158 was approved by the Ohio Senate. The Bill has now passed, though with minor differences, in both the Ohio House and the Ohio Senate and our ultimate goal of having this legislation become law appears to be within reach. The two remaining steps are, first, consideration by the House of the amendments made by the Senate. Those amendments essentially deleted the 75' "presumption" of reasonableness for tower height. The standard under the bill as passed is similar to that required by FCC regulation PRB-1, which is "reasonable accommodation" and "minimum practicable" regulation of antennas. Unlike PRB-1, however, the Ohio legislation places the burden of proof on any legislative authority denying a request for zoning variance to demonstrate compliance with the Ohio statute.

We believe that the House will be supportive of the changes made by the Senate, as both of the primary sponsors, Representatives Stebelton and Okey, have indicated their support and members often defer to the Sponsors when differences such as these arise. Following House reconsideration the next step is Governor Kasich, who must approve the legislation in order for it to become law. Even that approval does not instantly transform the Bill into law, as a 90 day waiting period will be required before the law goes into effect. Notwithstanding all of that, today's vote was a milestone in our nearly 5 year effort to secure passage of this legislation. We continue to believe that this legislation will make it easier for many Ohio amateurs to more fully enjoy their hobby as well as to prepare for and participate in emergency communications as the need arises.

73,
Nick Pittner, K8NAP, Ohio Section-
State Government Liaison ■

Field Day Plans Moving Forward

The ARRL Field Day exercise is an extremely popular operating event for hams of all ages. This year, WCARC will sponsor a Field Day operation on Saturday/Sunday, June 23rd/24th, at Carter Park in Bowling Green, at the Bartlett Shelter. Through the efforts of Craig, NM8W, and Bob, WB8NQQ, the Club has received permission for overnight operation. This event provides the opportunity for our members and friends to have eyeball QSOs and to meet the "person behind the voice" that you may have talked to on the repeater. Field Day offers the opportunity for operating in the HF bands if you have not done so yet.

There will be a pizza dinner with beverages provided on Saturday evening. All hands are invited to assist in setting up on Saturday and tearing down on Sunday. Specific details will be announced later. ■

Celebration Potluck Lunch to be Held

A potluck lunch in honor of the 60th Anniversary of WCARC's affiliation with the ARRL will be held on

Saturday, June 2. The location is the Martin Shelter, City Park in Bowling Green. All are invited to join in the celebration. If you attend, please bring a dish to share (main, side, or dessert). ■

Letter from the President

May 2012

The season for fun is about to begin for Amateur Radio Operators! First up is the club social breakfast to be held at Big Boy on Poe Rd. in Bowling Green, on Saturday, May 5th, 9:30am. Join us for an eyeball QSO and some great breakfast!

Next is the Dayton Hamvention on May 18th-20th. While the club does not have any official activities or plans for Hamvention, be sure to monitor 147.180 simplex if you'd like to try and meet up with fellow club members.

Next on the docket is the WCARC ARRL Affiliation Potluck, scheduled for Saturday, June 5th at the Bowling Green City Park Martin Shelter. We begin at 12pm. Bring a dish to share/pass, and get to know the Hams of Wood County a bit better,

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It's Time to Renew!

Club Dues for 2012---Payable to WCARC

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as we celebrate 60+ years of ARRL Affiliation.

Then of course, there's ARRL Field Day. This year the WCARC will be having Field Day in Carter Park (Bowling Green), at the Bartlett Shelter. Setup will begin at 12 noon on Saturday, June 23rd. We have permission to stay the night, so if you'd like to operate through the evening hours along with myself and KB8BMN, Andy, feel free. BYOT (bring your own tent). Supper that night will be pizza. Please bring your own beverages, and any additional munchies you may wish to have. There will be several HF stations set up, so come on out and operate with us! Field Day is *always* a good time.

Finally, the Board is in the midst of planning at least one fox hunt for the summer season, along with a special building project day (or evening). For those that are relatively new to the hobby (and for you radio veterans also), don't miss the project building day! It's sure to be a fun and educational time as we build a special amateur radio project. Details will be forthcoming.

So as you can see, the WCARC is going to be busy for the next few months! We look forward to seeing you there, and continuing to get to know you better. Please feel free to invite guests that you think would enjoy the club activities.

73 Craig, NM8W ■

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and 3 antennas. Bob, N1RB, moved and Chuck, WD8ICP, seconded that WD8JWJ be authorized to purchase a portable antenna of some sort for the Field Day operation. Motion passed.

- Chuck reminded everyone that the Yagi at the Fairgrounds needs to be removed. Phil will head up the effort.

New Business:

- Craig offered congratulations to Al, WB8ABY, on the upgrade and call change.
- Craig mentioned that he had given the President's Award to Esther, N8QMV, for her service as net control
- Bill suggested that the same be done for Jeff, K8JTK. Chair agreed

Meeting Adjourned at 8:10 pm. ■

DON'T FORGET!

10 meter informal net meets

Sunday

at 2030 EST on 28.335 MHz

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



THE WOOD COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB



Celebrating 60+ Years of ARRL Affiliation

Join us for a special potluck lunch as we celebrate 60+ years of ARRL affiliation. Bring a dish to share, and operate some HF as K8TIH, our club callsign. Here's what you need to know:

WHEN: Saturday, June 2, 2012 - 12pm to 3pm

WHERE: City Park, Martin Shelter in Bowling Green, OH

BRING: A dish to share (main dish, side dish, or dessert)

Interested in joining one of the friendliest clubs in Northwest Ohio? We'd love to have you! To learn more about the Wood County Amateur Radio Club, visit our website at:

<http://wcarc.bgsu.edu>



WCARC Membership as of 4/25/2012

1	James	Barnhouse	REG	KD8NJW	A	1919 Hamilton Dr.	Perrysburg	OH	43551
2	Bob-Linda	Boughton	FAM	N1RB-N1LB	E/E	930 Champagne Ave.	Bowling Green	OH	43402
3	Lee	Boulis	REG			12960 Bloomdale Rd.	Portage	OH	
4	Esther-Cap	Creps	FAM	N8QMV	G	P. O. Box 83	Tontogany	OH	43565-0083
5	Phil	Cribbs	SEN	KG8FL	A	16763 N. River Rd.	Pemberville	OH	43450
6	Jim	Davis	LIFE	K8JU	E	10990 Newton Rd.	Bowling Green	OH	43402
7	John	Dvorack	REG	KD8BIN	E	2142 Sherwood Ave.	Toledo	OH	43614
8	Hoot	Gibson	REG	WB8VUL	A	144 Stonegate Blvd.	Bowling Green	OH	43402
9	Lou	Graue	LIFE	K8TT	E	1501 Blue Lake Circle	Punta Gorda	FL	33983
10	John S.-John W.	Gruber	FAM	N8MSU-KC8RBT	E/T	920 Melrose	Bowling Green	OH	43402
11	Jeff	Halsey	REG	KG8FH	A	514 Rosewood Dr.	Bowling Green	OH	43402
12	Larry-Ruth	Hasselman	LIFE	N8VNT-KC8EKT	T/T	8656 Kramer Rd.	Bowling Green	OH	43402
13	Bob	Johnson	REG	K3RC	E	P.O. Box 248	Stony Ridge	OH	43463
14	Stan	Klakamp	REG	K8LL	E	415 1/2 N Prospect St	Bowling Green	OH	43402
15	Jeff	Kopcak	LIFE	K8JTK	E	1497 Canterbury Rd.	Westlake	OH	44145-2440
16	Joel	Lautzenheiser	-	KI4DKX	G	119 E. Evers Ave.	Bowling Green	OH	43402
17	Craig	Magrum	LIFE	NM8W	E	1100 Christopher St.	Bowling Green	OH	43402
18	Chris	McCormick	REG	W8CLM	E	1720 Cherrylawn Dr.	Toledo	OH	43614
19	Steve	McEwen	SEN	K8BBK	E	1053 Pinewood Ct.	Bowling Green	OH	43402
20	Alvin	Murray	REG	KD8QYL	T	P.O. Box 173	Haskins	OH	43525
22	Loren	Phillips	SEN	W8PSK	E	324 S. Grove St.	Bowling Green	OH	43402
23	Wil	Roudebush	REG	KC8IFW	E	1374 Clough St.	Bowling Green	OH	43402
24	Jim	Ryan	SEN	WA8SCT	A	751 Main St., P. O. Box 52	Jerry City	OH	43437-0052
25	Leanna	Shaberly	REG	KB8RT	A	18077 Tuller Rd.	Bowling Green	OH	
26	George	Stosel	REG	W8GGS	G	19758 Sand Ridge Rd.	Weston	OH	43569
27	Roger	Swinney	REG	W8CNJ	G	27484 Oregon Rd. Lot 271	Perrysburg	OH	43551
28	Bill	Wilkins	REG	WD8JWJ	E	11065 Lynwood Rd.	Bowling Green	OH	43402
30	Bob	Willman	REG	WB8NQW	A	14118 Bishop Rd.	Bowling Green	OH	43402
31	Eric	Willman	REG	WD8LEI	T	545 W. Poe Rd.	Bowling Green	OH	43402

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