

The

# Wave Bender



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## 2023 Officers

### President:

Chris Monske WF8U

### Vice President:

Russ Williams NR8W

### Secretary:

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February 10 - 12 |  
Orlando HamCation,  
ARRL Southeastern  
Division Convention,

Orlando, Florida



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## Board Meeting:

Sunday

February 19, 2023

@ Buffalo Wild  
Wings in Boardman  
@ 2:00pm

## Member's Meeting:

Tuesday February

21st @

Davidsons

Restaurant

Canfield, OH

6pm for Dinner

7pm for Meeting

Public Welcome!



## From The President's Desk



With another year gone and a new one beginning, I am looking for more participation and feedback from members. I know my first term was difficult for all of us considering all the covid restrictions and fear we all had to deal with. Last year we were able to get somewhat back on track with things and tried some new things. You'll remember some of us froze our behinds off advertising the club at the beginning of the year in the Boardman St. Patrick's Day Parade. We moved our field day location with some great feedback, the consensus from everyone in attendance was "The best field day we've ever had!". A couple of successful public service events we volunteered for, and now, the addition of the club sponsoring the library program we've managed a few license classes, workshops, and gained a few new members.

With all of that in mind as we approach our first club meeting, I would like you to think about activities you would like to see the club participate in. Any workshops you might be interested in, anything you'd like to learn or share. Individual goals and group goals as well. I'm looking for some people to volunteer as well to head up some of these activities. Each one of you have your very own unique niche of the hobby that I would like to see shared with our fellow members. Each one of our members is a very important asset to the club. Everyone brings something to share and keep the club functioning. I look forward to hearing from you all and let's make my last year as WRARC President the best year we've had so far!

73 de WF8U

Chris

WRARC President

## Volunteers On The Air (VOTA)

This year the ARRL is celebrating a year long operating event honoring all ARRL volunteers. This event will be exclusively driven by QSOs uploaded to Logbook of The World (LoTW). You can earn points by contacting W1AW Portable Stations, as well as ARRL Volunteers and Members. A leaderboard will be activated after the event ramps up and certificates will be available during and after the event concludes. Once the year is completed, a final summary will be released. You can visit [vota.arrl.org](http://vota.arrl.org) for all the information.

I am personally excited about this event as I am the current appointed ARRL Ohio Section Affiliated Club Coordinator. I am worth 30 points for each QSO according to the points table. I have already started to make contacts this year and plan to continue to get "on air" as much as possible to participate. Most days you can catch me on FT8 calling "CQ VOTA". I also upload all of my POTA logs for VOTA points. This is a great way to motivate you to get on the air more often and with a purpose. It is important to recognize all ARRL volunteers for all that they do for this great hobby.

### Notable Point Values

(See ARRL Volunteer Points Table for Complete List)

ARRL President: 300 Pts.

Vice Director: 200 Pts.

Section Manager: 175 Pts.

Assistant Section Manager: 35 Pts.

Section Emergency Coordinator: 30 Pts.

Section Youth Coordinator: 30 Pts.

Incoming QSL Bureau Manager: 20 Pts.

Volunteer Examiner: 5 Pts.

ARRL Life Member: 2 Pts.

ARRL Affiliated Club Call Sign: 1 Pt.

ARRL Member: 1 Pt.

73,

Amanda Farone, KC3GFU

ARRL Ohio Section | Affiliated Club Coordinator

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Darrin Cannon N8DMC	Yaesu Radio Programming,	<a href="mailto:darrincan@gmail.com">darrincan@gmail.com</a>
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Bill Egan KD8HCQ	Field Day Operating, Wire	<a href="mailto:popbottle@zoominternet.net">popbottle@zoominternet.net</a>
	Antennas, IC-2200, FT-450	
Bob Kramer KE8HHH	Raspberry Pi	<a href="mailto:snowyowl000@gmail.com">snowyowl000@gmail.com</a>
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	Field Radio Programming	
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### February Contests

**13-17 School Club Roundup**

**18-19 International DX-CW**

### Swap N Shop

Have Something **For Sale**?

Looking to **Barter**?

Trying to Find Something **Specific**?

Shoot us an email and we can advertise  
for you **HERE**!

[dyork475@gmail.com](mailto:dyork475@gmail.com)

## Upcoming Hamfest

May 19th-21st  
Dayton Hamvention  
Xenia, Ohio

## 29th Annual Dayton Contest Dinner is May 20, 2023

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The North Coast Contesters will host the 29th Annual Dayton Contest Dinner at the Hope Hotel, located at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio, on Saturday night, May 20, 2023, at 6:30 PM. Master of Ceremonies will be John Dorr, K1AR, and the 2023 Keynote Speaker is Bryant Rascoll, KG5HVO. Rascoll, of Montgomery, Alabama, was the 2018 recipient of the Bill Pasternak Memorial Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award. He is also known as a competitive contester who is able to send CW over 60 WPM. The 2023 CQ Contest Hall of Fame inductees will also be announced during the 2023 Dayton Contest Dinner. [Tickets are on sale now.](#)

### Join Us For The WRARC Friday Night Net!

9:00pm Every Friday

W8WRC -145.270 PL 110.9

WRARC Simplex Frequency 146.565

### MVARA Net

Mondays @ 9:00pm – W8QLY Repeater -146.745 (PL 110.9)

### Mahoning County ARES Nets

2nd Sunday 2:00pm W8QLY Repeater -146.745 (PL 110.9)

4th Sunday 2:00pm W8QLY Repeater 146.745 (PL 110.9)

ARES Thanks MVARA for the use of their Repeater

W8SGT is facilitating The Ohio HF Net every Tuesday @ 7:00pm

The net is run from the State of Ohio EOC on the Ohio ARES Admin Frequency 3875 kHz LSB moves to 7240 Khz after 20 min

ALL are welcome to check in.

The Ohio ARES/OES Digital Emergency Net is held every Tuesday @ 8:00pm

Held on 3585 kHz USB

Please note all digital communications are Upper Side Band

<http://ohden.org>

Net Manager Gary NJ8BB

# February 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Groundhog Day	2  WRARC NET 9:00p 145.270	4
5	6	7	8	9	10  WRARC NET 9:00pm 145.270	11
12	13	14 Valentine's Day	15	16	17 Good Friday  WRARC NET 9:00pm 145.270	18
19 Board Meeting 2:00pm	20 President's Day  Article Deadline 	21 General Meeting 7:00p	22	23	24  WRARC NET 9:00pm 145.270	25
26	27	28				