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June 23-24th 2023

Field Day

Harry Meshel Picnic
Area

Lake Milton State
Park



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Board

Meeting:

Sunday

June 18th, 2023 @
Legend's Food &
Drink in Boardman
@ 2:00pm

Member's

Meeting:

Tuesday

June 20, 2023 @
Legend's Food &
Drink
Boardman, OH
6pm for Dinner
7pm for Meeting
Public Welcome!





From The President

Hey everyone,

I know it's been a couple months since you've heard from me, but it's been really busy and really fun here on the home front.

I'll start off with the K8L special event, the band conditions weren't the best that weekend, but we managed 250 contacts total. Not great, but way better than none at all. Jeff KE8VOB got to make his first HF contacts on FT8 that Saturday. We've already been getting QSL cards from those contacts and are sending out replies. All the QSL cards received will be getting displayed at the local libraries to help show off and promote amateur radio. Next is Hamvention, one of my favorite trips of the year. Saw a few familiar faces like Dave N8PPP, Dave KD8NZF and Nacy KD8QNY Brett from our area, and many other people I've met from around the country with POTA and volunteering for public service events. I went down with the plan of purchasing a Yaesu FT-857D for a grab bag radio kit, however those plans quickly changed after seeing the prices people were asking for an almost 20yo radio. I then thought about an FT-891, but nobody has them in stock and they don't know when more will be available. So plans changed again. My requirements were something "small" to fit in a backpack with all the other required gear for portable operation, and I wanted more than the 5 or 10 watts from some of the other popular QRP radios. I ended up with a Xiegu G90, not my first choice and not one I had ever considered before, but the week I've had it I must say I have been very impressed. I've been using it with my base antennas and a new portable antenna I bought at Hamvention, the Sparkplug EFHW. I've already had one successful POTA activation using the G90, so I'm pleased so far. I picked up a few other odds and ends down there too. I'm sure you'll all get to see when we're out doing events. I recommend every HAM make the trip to Hamvention at least once to see what it's all about.

Now about that successful POTA activation. Amanda and I made a run up to Punderson State Park to get pictures and map screenshots for our upcoming club POTA activation. Everything is set for that weekend, application is filed and returned, portable toilet ordered, and the park staff is excited to have us. For anyone interested that's the weekend of June 2-4. You're welcome to

come camp with us for the weekend, tent or camper if you have it, and if you aren't big on camping, Punderson also has a lodge and cabins you can rent at your expense. We'll be operating with the club callsign and the actual event begins at 8pm Friday to 8pm Sunday. If you have your own gear, bring it up and get on the air with us. I'd like to try and have one station per band, and with how conditions have been lately, 6 and 10 meters have been opening up during the day. So it should be a really fun weekend, and great practice for Field Day at the end of the month.

Speaking of Field Day, Amanda and I will not be able to attend with you all. I will be accompanying her while she makes her rounds to other clubs throughout the state that weekend. Field Day captain Russ NR8W is working on getting that weekend together so if you have any questions or suggestions you should direct them to Russ. I hope to maybe catch you guys on the air from the mobile while we're out making the rounds.

Like I said, things have been busy for me, and it's not over yet. June 17th we're trying to have a Youth Day at the Tri-Lakes library in North Jackson. Looking at having multiple "stations" set up for kids involving radio such as a couple with CW, make your own QSL cards and a get on the air station. I'm asking for volunteers to help man the tables. Being for youth and at the beginning of summer I'm not sure just how many we'll have come through, but I'd like to have enough volunteers to cover. If your interested in helping and maybe have an idea you'd like to do for the kids with radio let me know.

Now later on in the year we have a few public service events like the Panerathon and the Peace Race we'll be needing Volunteers for as well. Those planning meetings haven't occurred yet, but we'll be sure to get the information out to everyone as it becomes available. Along with the Public service events we're looking at trying to get something together for OSPOTA in September. That planning is also still in the works.

Last but not least, for those of you who came to the last Club meeting in May, I hope you were all pleased with the new venue. We have a much larger room, so if you haven't been to a meeting in a while, come check out the new place. Legends Food and Drinks in Boardman.

That's all for now, and I'm looking forward to seeing a lot of you at these events throughout the summer.

73 de WF8U Chris

WRARC President

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June Contests

3-4 International Digital
Contest

10-12th June VHF

17th Kids Day

24th-25th Field Day

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**!

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Upcoming Hamfest

June 2-4 SEA-PAC, ARRL Northwest Division Convention, Seaside, OR

June 23-25 HAM Radio, Friedrichshafen, Germany

June Birthdays

Happy Birthday!

6/7 Nancy Brett-----KD8QNY

6/16 Al Avnet-----AB8AA

Join Us For The WRARC Friday Night Net

9:00 pm Every Friday

W8WRC -145.270 PL 110.9

WRARC Simplex Frequency 146.565

MVARA Net

Mondays @ 9:00pm - W8QSY Repeater - 146.745 (PL 110.9)

Mahoning County ARES Nets

1st Monday W8QLY Repeater - 146.745 (PL 110.9)

3rd Monday W8QLY Repeater - 146.745 (PL 110.09)

ARES Thanks MVARA for the use of their Repeater

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

*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 mins.*

All are welcomed 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 Upp[er Side Band

<http://ohden.org>

June 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 WRARC NET 9:00p 145.270	3 POTA Plaque Last Ladies Breakfast 10am
4 POTA Plaque	5	6	7	8	9 WRARC NET 9:00pm 145.270	10
11	12	13	14 Flag Day	15	16 WRARC NET 9:00pm 145.270	17 Youth Day
18 Father's Day Board Meeting 2:00pm	19	20 General Meeting 7:00pm	21	22 Article Deadline 	23 Field Day WRARC NET 9:00pm 145.270	24 Field Day
25	26	27	28	29	30 Special Event Station/ Library Week 9am-5:30p	

National News-ARRL

Licensee Hit With \$24,000 Fine for Jamming Net, Failure to ID: FCC

06/05/2023

An investigation by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) results in a large fine against a California amateur radio license holder. A Notice of Apparent Liability Forfeiture (NALF) for \$24,000 has been filed against Phillip J. Beaudet, N6PJB, of Burney, California. According to the filing, the penalty is for Beaudet “willfully and repeatedly interfering with the radio communications of the Western Amateur Radio Friendship Association (WARFA) while it was attempting to hold a regularly scheduled net and for failing to provide station identification on amateur radio frequencies.” FCC agents used direction finding techniques during November and December of 2022 to track the interfering signals to Beaudet’s home station. Agents “heard him playing recordings on 3.908 MHz that caused interference to the ongoing WARFA net while failing to provide his assigned amateur call sign,” the document stated.

ARRL Elected to Serve on SAFECOM

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ARRL The National Association for Amateur Radio® has been elected to serve on SAFECOM®. SAFECOM is a group of national thought leaders and officials within the emergency communications and response space that works to set standards used at every level. The program is managed by the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), an agency of the US Department of Homeland Security.

SAFECOM sets the standards of interoperability procedures, and ARRL being a part of the group solidifies the Amateur Radio Service as a robust resource before and during times of crisis.

In a letter from SAFECOM Chair, Chief Gerald R Reardon said “On behalf of the SAFECOM Executive Board, it is with great pleasure that I inform you of our offer to join SAFECOM as a member association. SAFECOM aims to improve multi-jurisdictional and intergovernmental communications interoperability through collaboration with emergency responders and policymakers across federal, state, local, tribal, territorial, and international partners. SAFECOM recognizes the organization’s dedication to emergency communications and interoperability, and therefore is pleased to extend a membership offer.”

ARRL Director of Emergency Management Josh Johnston, KE5MHV, said “Gaining a seat at the table is a major step in strengthening the role and capability of Amateur Radio with emergency communication agencies. This will give us the sounding board and resources we need to set standards and create training for our [Amateur Radio Emergency Service® \(ARES®\)](#) volunteers that will better suit AHJ’s (Agencies Having Jurisdiction) and partner organizations.” The opportunity for ARRL to provide a more comprehensive Emergency Communications program is part of the goal the Board and ARRL leadership has begun to emphasize over the past few years, and this is one more example of the commitment to do so. ARRL will provide premier resources for the served agencies to support them in all phases of Emergency Management.

Johnston will serve as the Representative for ARRL on SAFECOM and will be meeting with that leadership over the coming days to begin the process of better understanding all the roles and responsibilities that come with being a member association. “I look forward to working with the SAFECOM leadership as we move forward and with the ARRL Leadership to better serve the Ham community and our Served Agencies and Partners.” Johnston said.

For more information about ARES and other ARRL Emergency Programs and training visit our web page at: <http://arrl.org/public-service>

For more information about SAFECOM go to: <https://www.cisa.gov/safecom>

About ARRL

[ARRL The National Association for Amateur Radio®](#) was founded in 1914 as The American Radio Relay League, and is a noncommercial organization of radio amateurs. ARRL numbers within its ranks the vast majority of active radio amateurs (or “hams”) in the US and has a proud history of achievement as the standard-bearer in promoting and protecting amateur radio. For more information about ARRL and amateur radio, visit www.arrl.org.

About ARES®

Amateur Radio Operators, or “hams,” have a long history of serving their communities when storms or other disasters damage critical communication infrastructure, such as cell phone towers and fiber optic networks. Amateur radio functions completely independently of the internet and phone systems, and a ham radio station can be set up almost anywhere in minutes. Amateurs can quickly raise a wire antenna in a tree or on a mast, connect it to a radio and power source, and communicate effectively with others.

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The ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Service® (ARES® www.arrl.org/ares) consists of hams who have voluntarily registered their qualifications and equipment with their local ARES leadership for communications duty in the public service when disaster strikes. They use their training, skills, and equipment to prepare for and provide communications during emergencies When All Else Fails®.

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