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RADIO CLUB

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CQ, CQ June is here Field Day is fast approaching!

HAM OF THE MONTH-I have decided to delete this column and replace it with something new. Each month, we will be spotlighting a member of the club. Included will be Family, ham activities and ideas for the club. This will start with the next issue. Thanks to everybody who was ham of the month. You are all extra special amateurs in my book.

Chemical Fire!!

As most of you are aware, the "roadway" terminal burned, on May 31, 1988. This building also housed Clem Properties. In addition, several other businesses (including D-CON), rented warehouse space in those buildings. When burning, the chemicals produced a cloud, which was potentially harmful. The residents within 1-5 miles around the fire, were evacuated to Stanton Middle School, in Alliance. A good portion of the businesses in town closed for the day, due to the smoke cloud which hung over the town. By mid-afternoon, people were beginning to return to their homes, as the all clear was sounded. The safety forces, and (especially!) the Red Cross, are to be commended for the handling of this emergencies.

No, the hams were not called out. The local repeaters were manned and ready, should a callout be necessary. Additionally the Police, and Red Cross were aware of this. As it turned out, communications worked well due in part, to the communications van brought in the county Emergency operations center, and we were not called out.

Some good has come out of this, though. In talking to the city safety service director, it was learned that the city has created a special post, to handle the emergency preparedness plans, and we plan to meet with him soon, to ensure that the amateur community has a place in those plans. More to come.

UPGRADES

Congratulations to the following upgrades: Paul Lattavo KB8DST tech to general; Anthony Lattavo KB8EAU tech to general and Pam Myers N8IAK from general to advanced.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

As of press time we had these new hams join the AARC; W8HEG Bob Bevard, W8GOH Martha Bevard, KB8DST Paul Lattavo, KB8EAU Anthony Lattavo. Thank you and WELCOME!

ALL CHECK-INS PLEASE COME NOW!!!!!!

Thursday night at 9:00 p.m., we have an Eastern Stark County ARES Net on 145.370 (N8DZA) repeater. Check-ins have been lagging lately, won't you please stop by and check in?

ATTENTION!!

Next Meeting of AARC will be Monday July 11. (Note+ July 4th is the first monday). ALLIANCE COMMUNITY HOSPITAL CONFERENCE ROOM B, SECOND FLOOR-TAKE ELEVATORS TO 2ND FLOOR TURN RIGHT WE ARE THE FIRST DOOR ON THE LEFT.

DID YOU KNOW? That Ohio has three slow speed traffic nets? Some of these nets are suffering from a shortage of checkins. They are a perfect training ground for the newcomer to CW traffic handling, and deserve our support. Here's the times and frequencies for the nets:

Ohio Sunrise Slow Net(OSSN)	6:45a	3.577
Ohio Slow Net(OSN)	6:10p	3.577
Ohio Novice Net(ONN)	6:25p	3.708

Those are local times, by the way. So dig out that chart with those "Q" signals on, and check-in. You'll be glad you did!

CALLSIGNS

Here again, are the latest 8'th area callsign allocations. These are as of June 1'st, 1988.

WG8N(39) KE8SD(22) N8JPA(83) KB8EZH(266) Total-410

If anyone would like the callsigns for other areas, or has any questions for the league, just contact John(KD8MQ) before the 15'th of the month, and he will be happy to get you the info.

These callsigns come to us courtesy of Phil Saeger, at ARRL headquarters. He has been very nice about giving me these allocations over the phone. Thanks, Phil!

Planes, Planes, 'n' more Planes

On June 11/12, 1988, there was an aerobatic competition held out at Berlin Areopark, with hams from the AARC helping with communications. We had good weather this year, and were able to take in some great flying also. In fact, the weather was so great, that the competition was wrapped up in one day. Special thanks go out to all who helped with this event, and also to those who volunteered to forego the hamfest, so that we could cover this event.

Display & Demonstration

The club has been offered a space for an amateur radio demonstration at the Taylorcraft fly-in. The fly-in this year will be at Barbers airport on Rt. 225 N. of Alliance, and will take place on Saturday & Sunday, July 9 & 10. This takes place before our regular club meeting, so PLEASE, if you can help out with this, or just have some ideas, let me know. Even if you can drop by and answer questions about Ham Radio for a couple hours, it would be fantastic. Maybe we get together at field day and discuss this. I realize that with vacations and such, this is a bad time to think of a ham radio display, but this would be a great way to get some sign-ups for Novice classes. We are not expecting anything as big as our mall shows, but a condensed version would be great.

At this time, we are thinking of an HF station, and a VHF station (HT?). Making this a special events station has also been talked about.

There will be a display. It is up to the club members, how big or how small. So even if you can't help out, be sure to stop by & say hello.

NOVICE CLASSES

Don't forget. The Alliance Amateur Radio Club is holding Novice classes this fall. Classes begin 7:00PM, Sept 7'th in conference room A (just off the cafeteria) at Alliance Community Hospital. If you are interested, or know someone who is, let me know. Classes this year promise to be better than ever! (KD8MQ)

UPCOMING EVENTS- VE testing dates for late June & July, are as follows.

6/25	Zanesville	Don Wahl/WA8BOV	614/454-0003
7/9	Columbus	William Tabor/K8NIO	614/864-8370
7/9	Maumee	Elmer Zieroff/KU8B	419/729-5245
7/30	Akron	Sam Syzmanski/KC8PH	216/633-5250

There are two Hamfests in the next month. Both are on the same day.

7/17 VanWert ARC hamfest
7/17 Wheeling WV check-in on 146.91
8/7 Ohio Section Conference

Talk in on 147.66, repeater. (see story below)

OHIO SECTION CONFERENCE

Mark your calendar, August 7, 1988. The Ohio Section Conference will be held in Columbus, Ohio, beginning at 9:00a and lasting into the afternoon.

Open to all radio amateurs and interested parties, this conference is your chance to express your thoughts and ideas and also to find out what is going on in Ohio. Areas to be covered are general amateur topics--traffic handling, clubs and related subjects, public service and emergency communications, and most important of all, any subject you would like to bring up. Here is your chance to be heard and to find out first-hand what is happening in the Ohio section. Don't miss it!

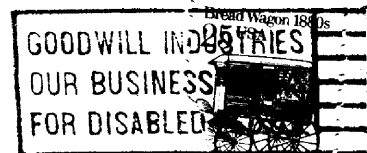
The Ohio State Fair is on the same weekend. Your family can attend it while you attend the conference. The state fairgrounds are just a short drive from the section conference.

LOCATION. Columbus, at the shelter in Lou Berliner Park. The park is located just south of the I-70 and I-71 split and just East of I-71 on Greenlawn Avenue. talk-in/check-in on the 147.66/06 repeater. (TNX to the Ohio Section Journal (June, 1988))

ATT'N ARES MEMBERS- The Salem Jubilee is coming up in July, and with it, comes the Salem bike race. It will be held on July 16'th this year. We will be looking for operators to help out our friends, in Salem. Contact N8GOB for more information.

Well, that's it for June, See you at Field Day!! 73's, Pam/N8IAK

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