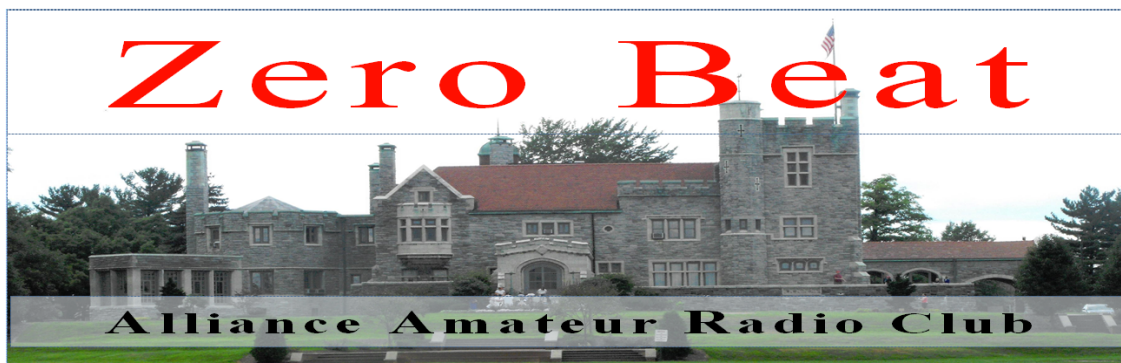


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Welcome to another issue of the Zero Beat. This is a Monthly newsletter devoted to announcements of upcoming news, & events of interest to members of the Alliance Amateur Radio Club. More information on the Alliance Amateur Radio Club can be found on our website at www.w8lky.org. I'm your editor, John, KD8MQ.

Unless otherwise noted, feel free to copy anything you see here for use in your club newsletter. All we ask is that credit to be given to the Zero Beat.

AARC DX Contest

Well, it's all over, but declaring the winner. We had fewer entries this year, but everyone seemed to have fun. The winner has been determined, and will be disclosed at the June meeting with the presentation of a plaque to the winner.

Meeting Announcement

The Alliance Amateur Radio Club meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the alliance Community Hospital. Our meetings begin at 7:30, and are held in the Cafe Conference Room, which is just off the Cafeteria.

This months Program will be Anthony, K8ZT telling us about Amateur Radio Go Boxes. It promises to be an interesting program, especially with the

Before the meeting, feel free to join us for dinner at Frank's Alliance Family Restaurant at 428 E. State St., Also in Alliance. We meet there at 5:45.

April Minutes

AARC Meeting Minutes

13 April 2016

At 7:30 PM President Rex Simmons, NX8G, opened the meeting with a minute of silence for our recent silent key, Donovan Whitaker, K8OMO, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a round of introductions. There were 16 members and one visitor in attendance.

The announcements were started with the birthdays and that was followed with the transfer of the trusteeship of the club license and chairmanship of the repeater committee to John Myers, KD8MQ. The end of the AARC DX contest was announced and the details about turning in the logs in ADIF format to KD8MQ by April 30.

The net reports were then given by KD8MQ for the 28 MHz SSB and the Homeland security nets. This was followed by the 28 MHz CW net by WA8WHP and the 2 meter FM net by KC8ZEH.
Until further notice.

The Homeland security net did not happen due to various problems. The SSB net is temporarily being led by KD8MQ. He offered to relinquish the NCS duties to anyone who wants to take over.

KD8MQ reported on the repeaters starting with the 440 MHz installation. Thanks to the crew who did the installation on 9 April. The crew was composed of KD8MQ, KD8KMQ, KD8RFY, K7CE, N8HHV. The specifications are 442.350 + 5MHZ with a PL of 131.8Hz. The Two meter repeater will remain at its present location until a suitable site is found.

KD8MQ then reported on the W8LKY website.

WA8WHP reported the classes are in hiatus

KD8ZEZ reports the search for a club station site is ongoing.

WA8WHP reported the secretary's report was published in the Zero Beat. The typographical errors were corrected by KD8MQ. The thank you cards for Mr. Burkhead and Mr. Wegeman for their contributions to the club were circulated for member signatures and WA8WHP stated the amount the sale at the hamfest took in and what each donated to the club. The cost for the tables and tickets were deducted from the club's share. KD8KMQ moved to accept the minutes as published, seconded by KC8ZEH. Motion carried.

KB8IVS gave the treasurer's report. K8DXR moved to accept as read, KD8RFY seconded. Motion carried.

seems to be at Marlinton School again. The need for operators, especially overnight was noted by KD8ZEZ.

NPOTA was discussed. N8XG and N8WD reserved the pavillion at Cuyahoga National Park for our club entrance into the National Parks on the Air year long ARRL tribute for the century celebration of our National Parks. The event will be 17 Sep. The payment of the reservation fee was made by N8WD. KD8ZEZ moved the club reimburse him, KC8ZEH seconded. Motion carried. NX8G instructed KB8IVSto write a check to N8WD for the advanced amount.

Carnation Days in the Park will be held 20 Aug at the Jaycee Pavillion in Silver Park. Our special event certificate will commemorate K8OMO with his picture. The public relations will be handled by KD8ZEZ.

It was suggested the Boy Scouts to be invited to join us for Field Day. WA8WHP will contact Troop 177, KD8KMQ will announce at the Round Table.

New business: KD8KMQ stated the Walk for Life on 04 June has asked us to have a demonstration at their event at Carnation Mall 10AM-10PM.

NVIS test 23 APR will be held at the Jaycee pavillion.

Motion to adjourn made by KC8ZEH seconded by KD8ZEZ. Meeting adjourned at 8:30PM

Respectfully submitted by WA8WHP Secretary.

Alliance ARC Participates in NVIS Antenna Test by Frank, WA8WHP



The NVIS cadre of KD8ZEZ, KD8JRK, KC8SUI, KD8WVE, WA8WHP and various civilians gathered at the Jaycee Pavilion on 23Apr 2016 to conduct a communication test. There was no power to the building so WA8WHP used the inverter in his transport to get things running. The extension cord available was of the non-grounding variety and the power cord for the power supply for the Yaesu FT897 has a ground pin in the plug which necessitated a quick trip to a dollar store for a converter plug. The pre-made fan dipole would not load on 7.2 MHz so the parts box was raided. Wire and a homebrew 1:1 balun and a few minutes of work produced a viable 7.2 MHz dipole. Some rope and a young tree put the antenna in a low position. KC8SUI suggested, to applause, he would go get his generator. Due to the weighty essence of the said device, he required assistance. KD8JRK accompanied KC8SUI in the quest.

Upon their return the power source change was made and WA8WHP's automobile would be able to start as that battery was not completely depleted. Contacts were duly made with stations in NY, NJ, KY, IN and the Carolinas, but no Ohio stations were heard on the band. It was subsequently learned the Ohio stations ran off to 3.9 MHz. Oh well, next year?



Dayton Hamvention 2016



Saturday, May 21, 2016 - 5:30 AM

Don't miss out on this year's PARF Bus Trip to the world's largest topical conference and product exhibition. Save on gas, parking, and walking by riding with us! Leave the driving to us and you can come and go to the flea market with your great purchases and leave them on the bus. The bus will be parked close to the flea market entrance.

You can save \$10* if you book before April 15th.

The cost of the **Bus & Entrance ticket** to the Hamvention:
\$70* before April 15, 2016

The cost of the **Bus Only** to the Hamvention:
\$55* after April 15, 2016

(You will need to get your own Hamvention Entrance Ticket at gate \$25, or order by phone & have held at Will Call—possibly getting Advanced \$20 price.)

P.A.R.F. reserves the right to cancel this trip should a minimum of 22 riders not be secured by April 15th. If that happens, a full refund will be made. Otherwise, cancellation by you at any time results in a \$5 deduction of refund for handling.

We will take riders right up to departure that morning (if there are seats available) on a first come, first served basis.

Departure time is 5:30 AM SHARP, so please be on time so you don't miss the bus!

Parking will be in the back of the church.

There will be a stop for breakfast @ McDonald's and a dinner stop @ Golden Corral Buffet (out of pocket expense).

Transportation is being provided by the Crossroads Transportation Company.

This bus is a smoke free bus, so there will be no smoking permitted.

To Order - Complete application & send with check/money order (payable to "PARF") to:

Joy Spencer [KASTDF](mailto:KASTDF@arrl.net)

2101 Bigelow St

Akron, OH 44314

Or call 330-745-5115

E-mail: KASTDF@arrl.net

Please supply a return e-mail address for your receipt confirmation.

Location of Departure:**

Akron Baptist Temple, 2324 Manchester Road, Akron, Ohio 44314

Located on Rt. 93 just north of Rt. 224

*** The church is currently up for sale. We will keep you up to date should that happen and an alternative departure location is needed. (Rest assured, we will work to keep it within the local area.)*

Repeaters 147.135 & 146.610

Please pass the word out to all of your ham friends & computer geeks.

The above pricing does not include any tips...a hat will be passed for driver's tip.

[Please click here for an application form](#)

Swap & Shop

MINT Icom IC-7800 for sale – at K3LR. Contact k3lr@k3lr.com

at wa8whp@gmail.com

- Heathkit Antenna
- ARRL Handbooks 57,69,94,09
- MFJ MFJ-962C Versatuner
- Drake 2-B w/ Q Multiplier
- Heathkit IO-12 Oscilloscope
- RCA WV-98B VTVM

Tom WB6DGN is a local Akron ham who is selling some equipment. There are lots of 900Mhz equipment as well. he can be reached at wb6dgn_tom@att.net

- HP8924C Service monitor (Recent but expired calibration)
- Pace Micro Portable desoldering tool
- Weller WTCPT Temp controlled solder station
- Astron RS50A Power Supply
- Astron RM60M Power Supply
- Astron PPS-4A Constant E/Constant I Power Supply
- Bird 43 wattmeter w/ case
- 6 slugs for bird – all VHF/UHF
- Tek 422 15mc Dual Trace scope
- Tek 7854 400Mc Analog/digital Scope
- X-tronic Hot Air Surface Mount rework station
- Metcal MX500 Solder/Desolder station
- HP Z3801 GPSDO w/satstat and antenna
- HP 5328A 500mc direct read counter HS
- Mot RTX4005B Port Test Interface
- Mot Univ control panel
- Astron SL-11 PS
- Mot GTX 900 Mobile
- Mot Maxtrac 900 Mobile
- Mot GTX 900 Handheld
- Mot Spectra 9000 UHF 110W
- Mot spectra 9000 VHF 110W
- 2 GE MII vintage RX 1 VHF 1 70Mc
- Measurements deviation Meter
- G Tex 7956 G Sin EEPROM Programmer
- RIB Interface for Mot radios
- Bird 8135 Load
- 2 GE MLS UHF 1 working, 1 for parts
- Dell computer suitable for older Motorola radios, but also runs win 98 for Satstat, and internet if desired

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