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AARC Meeting Announcement

The February meeting of the Alliance Amateur Radio Club is coming up on Wednesday, February 14th. This month's program will be on Mag Loop antennas, presented by Frank, Tomkins, W8EZT.

We meet at 7:30 PM, on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the Alliance Community Hospital. We will be in the Cafe Conference room, which is just off the cafeteria.

But wait, there's more!

Before the meeting, we meet at Frank's Alliance Family Restaurant (428 E. State St) for dinner. It's officially called a "board meeting", but little, if any actual board business is discussed there. We meet there around 5:45 PM on each meeting night.

Club Breakfast

Each month, we sponsor a breakfast at Frank's Alliance Family Restaurant (428 E. State St).

We meet on the first Saturday of each month, at 8:30 AM.

DX Challenge Continues

The AARC DX Challenge continues through March 31st. There's still lots of time to work DX till then.

Complete rules appear on [our website](#).

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AARC Meetings

The Alliance Amateur Radio Club meets on the Second Wednesday of each month, at the Alliance Community Hospital. For times, and program information, check the meeting announcement in this newsletter, or check our website (see below)
Talk-in on either of the club repeaters.
Meetings begin at 7:30 PM. Visitors are always welcome.

Find Us Online:

Web: www.w8lky.org

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AARC Repeaters

2 Meters

145.370 (-) W8LKY
-W8LKY Echolink node

440 MHz

442.350 (+) W8LKY
(PL - 131.8hz)

Nets

Thursday is our "net night," with the following nets held, beginning at 8 PM

Ten Meters

8:30PM 28.100 MHz (CW)
8:00PM 28.400 MHz (SSB)

Two Meters

9:00 PM 145.37 MHz W8LKY (-)

Homeland security Net

(Meets on the 2nd & last Tuesday of each month
8:00 PM 147.51 Simplex

Winter Field Day is coming up.

Well, it's coming up again. Winter Field Day, that is. The big event comes up on the weekend of January 27/28. We will again be operating the club station from the Sebring Holiness Camp, on Johnson Rd (see map on this page).



Map to Sebring camp. Note red arrow showing driveway. Click on photo to open full map.

Directions: Coming from Alliance on Rt 62, turn left on Johnson Rd (at Perkins). Go north to Texas Ave, and turn left into the driveway for the camp.



Setup will begin sometime the morning of the 27th, and operation will begin at 2 PM. Check our [website](#), or listen to our nets for the latest information.

Also, there will be chili & desert cook-offs at 5:30 PM on Saturday. Bring your entry in a unmarked container. Electric is available for crock pots. We are covered for Bowls, plates, & utensils as well.

No word on drinks, and snacks, so we'll assume that anything that gets brought will be appreciatively consumed.

You can learn more about Winter Field Day on their [website](#), or [Facebook](#) group.

Website & Mailing List News

In the last year, there've been a few changes in both the way that we can communicate you, and in the way that you can keep tabs on what is happening with the club.

First of all, we are making more use of the club e-mail reflector. If you are on the roster of paid-up club members, and we have a valid e-mail address for you, then you are already on the reflector.

Secondly, if you are not a club member, but want to keep up on things, then check out our web site at w8lky.org. All the group e-mails that come from through the reflector get posted to the home page at w8lky.org.

Thirdly, if checking the home page regularly is too much of a pain, I understand. So we have you covered. Anything that gets posted to the home page at w8lky.org automatically posts to the W8LKY twitter account. If you are on Twitter, just follow **W8LKY**, and you will be instantly notified of anything that gets posted to the website home page.

If you have any questions about any of this, please drop me an [e-mail](#). I may not get back to you right away, but I do respond to all e-mails.

KD8MQ Rambling

Hi folks, You may be surprised by this issue of the Zero Beat. It's something I've been contemplating for the last few weeks. I called it quits after the April 2016 issue, because frankly, I needed a break. I'm the poster child for "**Too many irons in the fire**". So, have things changed now? Not really, but I figured I'd put out an issue as time and circumstances permit.

I've been working on some enhancements to the club website, which you can read about in this issue. I'm also the web editor for PCARS, so I "*borrowed*" some ideas from the way they run their website. I believe it will work well here.

There's also news of some upcoming items of interest. I'm not sure yet if I'm up to doing a monthly newsletter again, but we'll see how it goes. All newsletters will come out in PDF format. Sorry, but I will not be printing & snail-mailing any of them.

I suppose that I could do a piece entitled "What I did on my vacation". But heck, If you know me, then you know what I've been doing. If you don't know me, then you won't care.

So I'll see you next time. 73 all! DE KD8MQ

TUSCO AMATEUR RADIO CLUB'S 28TH ANNUAL HAMFEST, ELECTRONICS & COMPUTER SHOW

Sunday January 28, 2018

965 N. Wooster Ave. Strasburg, OH 44680

Talk/Check In: W8ZX on 146.730 –

(PL tone will be disabled during Hamfest)



Add to your calendar!

Hamfest Location

Admission: \$5.00 Donation at the door

Tables: \$10.00 Plus Admission

Open: 6:00 am for set-up, 8:00 am to 1:00 pm for public

FREE close parking available at rear of building



DEALERS WELCOME!

Door Prizes

****120 Volt power available (Please bring your own extension cords)****

A SELF ADDRESSED, STAMPED ENVELOPE MUST BE RECEIVED BY JANUARY 16, 2018 TO ENSURE THE RETURN OF A RESERVATION CONFIRMATION. RESERVATIONS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE!

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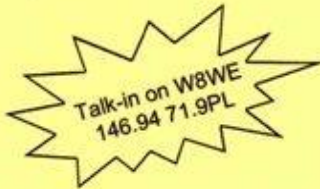
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Mansfield, Ohio

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Sunday, February 18, 2018
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750 North Home Road



Gates Open at 7am

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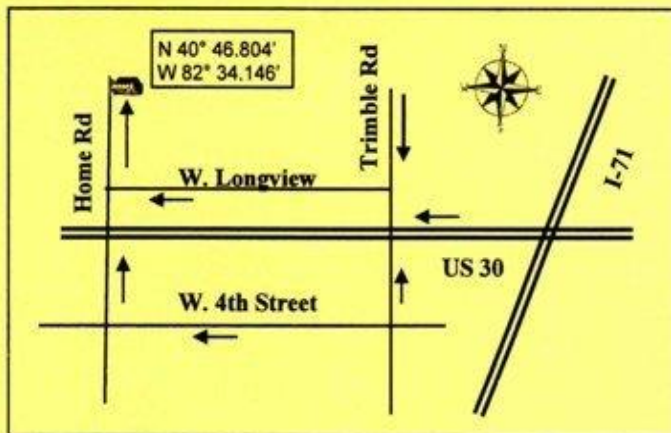
10:00 am—Ohio Army MARS Forum
11:00 am—OSSBN Forum
12:00 noon ARES Forum
12:00 noon VE Test Session
(Pre-registration for test is required, e-mail steve@n8smb.com to register)

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Tables, *Advance Only*: \$20
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