

CCARA NEWS LETTER SEPTEMBER 2011

COSHOCTON COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION ELECTED OFFICERS

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MEETING SITE & ADDRESS:
Coshocton County Services Building
724 South Seventh Street (*lower level*)
MEETING TIME:
First Tuesday of each month @ 7PM

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ARRL AMATEUR RADIO LICENSE EXAMS:

See: <http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec/examsearch.phtml>
or contact AA8UA to setup a Pre-registered
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AMATEUR RADIO CLASSES:

Go to: <http://www.w8cca.org> for info

NETS

FRIDAY @ 9PM 28.450 *Johnny Appleseed*
SUNDAY @ 9PM 147.045 *CCARA Club*
MONDAY @ 9PM 145.230 *ARES COCO (pl. open)*, followed
by the *NECCo 440 Net* on 443.5375+



September is...

National Preparedness Month

"A Time to Remember. A Time to Prepare."
Get a Kit, Make a Plan, Be Informed.

SEPTEMBER CLUB MEETING

September 6th is the date for our next club meeting at the
Coshocton County Services Building at 7PM. Come on down
and enjoy the fellowship of your local ham friends.

CCARA PICNIC SEPTEMBER 11, 2011 AT 1PM

The club is having its annual picnic at Lake Park in
Coshocton this year at shelter #9. The club will be providing a
chicken main course (not burgers :) this year. BJ KD8HHQ is
planning for a good turnout, and maybe we can coax the
"fox" to hide out from our intrepid of hunters. This picnic is
for the whole family, so bring your favorite covered dish or
dessert. We'll look for you there.

PREZ SAYS.....

Cycle 24 has been slowly pattering around for most of its existence. "Ride the Wave" was a popular slogan for field day and some HF radio manufacturers a couple of years ago. Not much has really come from this solar "wave" so far. Many experts believe that this solar cycle may be the lowest peaking that anyone alive has ever seen. We have really had to look for that DX, or even maintain HF nets within the 48 states. It is quite disappointing for those of us on the HF bands lately, but all is not lost; there are stations out there just like you hoping to snag that "big one", or just to have a good rag chew. It takes a little more effort on our parts to secure a QSO these days. Our biggest problem is to overcome the thought that if I don't hear anyone; no one is on the band. If everyone just listens, no one will make the contact. We have to train ourselves to make a few calls out there on a "dead" band. You just may be surprised to hear who might also be just tuning the band. Happy hunting. Give it a try!

On a similar note, the same thing applies to our VHF repeaters. They sound quite dead most days, but it is not because of poor propagation. It is just that most of us are either not identifying our stations when we tool down the road, or worse yet, don't even turn on the rig. Coshocton County has three repeaters ready for you to use at home and on the road (145.230MHz, 147.045MHz, and our new 440 repeater, 443.5375MHz). Let's keep these machines more active. Let yourself be known on the air and have some fun on the air. Also, let's be ready to welcome those hams who are traveling through our area, and might give a call on one of the repeaters.

CCARA's club field day station was quite a success this year. We increased our total points from the year previous, and we had beautiful weather throughout the event. The location proved to be so outstanding again this year that the field day committee decided to reserve the same location for next year's event. We had a great committee and some stalwart members to man the voice, CW, and PSK stations, as well as the VHF/UHF station through the weekend. Thanks to all who played a part.

Our Buehler's fund raising event was a good success again this August, and we will have brought in some good support for our club treasury. Thanks also go out to those that helped in the Pepsi stand outside the store. We all survived the heat of those summer days.

I am looking forward to the CCARA club picnic at Lake Park on September 11th at 1PM (shelter #9). Bring the family and a covered dish for a chicken picnic dinner. The club will provide the chicken, water and plastic ware. We'll see you there, and hear you on the air as we proceed into fall. Don't forget the club nets and the ARES nets; we still might see adverse weather needing our expertise in Skywarn nets. Talk with you soon. 73

Randy KL7RF

CCARA MEETING ATTENDANCE 2011

<u>MARCH 1</u>	<u>APRIL 5</u>	<u>MAY 3</u>	<u>JUNE 7</u>
KL7RF	KB8CRB	KL7RF	KL7RF
KB8CRB	KB8HEA	KB8HEA	N8KRR
KC8YXY	KD8HHQ	KC8YXY	KB8CRB
WN8RGW	N8VV	N8VV	KB8HEA
N8KRR	NF8U	NF8U	N8VV
WB8SJQ	KE8XM	KC8ZWR	K8CAA
NF8U	N8KRR	N8KRR	WN8RGW
N8VV	WN8RGW		GUEST
KD8HHQ	WB8SJQ		NF8U
KB8HEA	KC8YXY		KC8YXY
AA8BN	KL7RF		N8LPB
KB9JSC	KC8ZWR		KC8NJT

Carolyn Johnson

<u>JULY 5</u>	<u>AUGUST 9</u>
KC8YXY	KL7RF
KC8NJT	K8CAA
NF8U	N8KRR
KB8CRB	N8LPB
KB8HE	KB8CRB
N8LPB	N8VV
K8CAA	WB8JSQ
GUEST K. WILEY	NF8U
WN8RGW	WN8RGW
N8VV	KC8YXY
KE8XM	

SUCCESSFUL CLUB FUNDRAISER AT BUEHLER'S

The club ran a fund raiser to help maintain the club repeaters at Buehler's in Coshocton on Friday August 19, and Saturday August 20 we served lots of hot dogs, brats, and drinks at the Pepsi stand outside of the Buehler's store.

Thanks goes to Jim, WN8RGW, for coordinating the effort, and to Craig K8CAA, Dan N8VV, Mike NF8U, Pat KB8CRB, Tom KB8HEA, Ron N8KRR, Jamie KC8YXY, and Randy KL7RF for manning the station and helping keep the club strong. Thanks for participating.

SPECIAL EVENT

Sep 10, 1300Z-2100Z, W8Z

Zanesville, OH. Muskingum Valley Ham Radio Club. The Home Depot Air Show. 7.250, 146.610, W8ZZV Repeater. Certificate & QSL. Jim Mayercak, WX8J, 971 Somers St, Zanesville, OH 43701.

www.qsl.net/n8hr/index.html

[2011 ARRL Field Day Logs Posted](#)



www.arrl.org

TAGS: [amateur radio](#), [arrl field day](#), [dan henderson](#), [e-mail](#), [Field Day](#), [Field Day Manager](#), [online](#), [phone](#), [popular on-the-air operating](#), [record number](#), [results](#)

08/16/2011

A record 2654 submissions have been received for the 2011 running of [ARRL Field Day](#). According to ARRL Field Day Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, this is yet another record number of entries received for what is one of Amateur Radio's most popular on-the-air operating events. The combined list of Logs Received for Field Day has been [posted online](#). The list includes all logs submitted via the [www.b4h.net](#) website, as well as those submitted via e-mail and US Mail.

Because Field Day is not a "Cabrillo-format" event, there is no automated robot for processing entries. When you go to the website to look to see that your submission was received, look near the bottom of the page under "Other Reports." Click on the link to open the PDF for the 2011 listings. If you find your listing is missing, please contact Henderson via [e-mail](#) or by phone 860-594-0200. If you find a typographical error in your listing or if your log is marked as a "Checklog," please contact Kathy Allison, KA1RWY, via [e-mail](#). Logs marked as "Checklog" indicate that required information is missing that is necessary to properly process your entry. All problems must be resolved by Wednesday, August 31.

Henderson explained that the current list only shows general categories, and not the various sub-categories, as these are added when the data is merged into the master database. No claimed scores or bonuses are included either, as these are not publicized until the results are officially released. The results from the 2011 ARRL Field Day will be posted online on or around November 1, as well as in the December issue of *QST*. The 2012 Field Day is scheduled for June 23-24.

[HAMFESTS 2011](#)

10 Sep: Louisville Sunrise Hamfest, Shepherdsville, KY
17 Sep: Richmond Hamfest, Richmond, KY - Jim
18 Sep: GCARA Hamfest, Cincinnati, OH (QSL Checking)- Jim
18 Sep: Adrian ARC Hamfest, Adrian, MI
25 Sep: Cleveland Hamfest & Computer Show, Berea, OH - Jim
16 Oct: Kalamazoo Hamfest, Kalamazoo, MI (QSL Checking)
23 Oct: 26th Annual USECA Hamfest, Sterling Heights, MI
29 Oct: Hazard Hamfest, Hazard, KY
30 Oct: Massillon Hamfest, Massillon, OH

[FEMA COURSES FOR ARES® TRAINING](#)

Here are links to FEMA courses of critical interest to ARES operators:

[ICS-100.b Introduction to Incident Command System](#)
[ICS-200.b ICS for Single Incidents and Initial Action Incidents](#)
[IS-700 NIMS: An Introduction](#)
[IS-800 National Response Framework](#)
[IS-240.a Leadership & Influence](#)
[IS-241.a Decision Making & Problem Solving](#)
[IS-250 Emergency Support Function 15 \(ESF-15\) External Affairs](#)
[IS-1 Emergency Manager, An Orientation to the Position](#)
[IS-288 The Role of Voluntary Agencies in Emergency Management](#)
[IS-244.a Developing and Managing Volunteers](#)
[IS-120.a An Introduction to Exercises](#)
[IS-130 Exercise Evaluation and Improvement Planning](#)
[IS-139 Exercise Design](#)

Many of these courses are requirements for ARES operators registering with local emergency management/public safety agencies and more and more ARES programs across the country. Along with the basic ARRL emcomm course, they form the foundation for an educated, certified, trained corps of ARES volunteers prepared to serve as assets and not liabilities to their communities during disaster situations.

[VANITY CALL SIGN FEE TO GO UP IN SEPTEMBER](#)

TAGS: [Amateur Radio vanity](#), [Communications Act](#), [federal register](#), [Final Rule](#), [issuance](#), [new fee](#), [new term](#), [nprm](#), [regulatory fee](#), [rulemaking](#), [vanity](#) 08/10/2011

On August 10, the FCC announced via a [Final Rule](#) in the [Federal Register](#) that the cost of an Amateur Radio vanity call sign will increase 90 cents, from to \$13.30 to \$14.20. The new fees take effect 30 days after publication, making September 9, 2011, the first day the new fee is in effect. Earlier this year, the FCC [released](#) a [Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Order \(NPRM\)](#), seeking to raise the fee for Amateur Radio vanity call signs.

"The Commission tries to keep the regulatory fee for Vanity call signs as minimal as possible," explained the FCC in its *Final Rule*. "Between FY 2007 and FY 2010, the regulatory fee

for Vanity call signs increased from \$1.17 (per year) to \$1.33 (per year), an increase of \$0.16 per year or \$1.60 over a ten-year license period. We do not believe this increase is inequitable, and the Commission will continue its efforts to keep this fee as minimal as possible. The fees that are collected from Vanity call signs are used to offset the cost of monitoring and researching new call sign requests to prevent the issuance of duplicate call signs.”

The vanity call sign fee has fluctuated over the 14 years of the current program -- from a low of \$11.70 in 2007 to a high of \$70 (as first proposed in the FCC's 1994 *Report and Order*). In FY 2011, the FCC expects to grant 14,600 vanity call signs, bringing in \$207,320 from the vanity call sign program, and looks to recover a total of \$336,599,048 in fees from all the Services that it regulates.

The vanity call sign regulatory fee is payable not only when applying for a new vanity call sign, but also upon renewing a vanity call sign for a new term. The first vanity call sign licenses issued under the current Amateur Radio vanity call sign program that began in 1996 came up for renewal five years ago. The FCC is authorized by the *Communications Act of 1934, As Amended*, to collect vanity call sign fees to recover the costs associated with that program.

[QST AUGUST 2011 DXCC HONOR ROLL](#)

The **DXCC Honor Roll** is earned by DX Century Club members who submit confirmation for contacts reached within the numerical top 10 of the overall number of entities on The ARRL DXCC List. There were 338 entities on the DXCC list for this period with 329 bring required for the Honor Roll. The period for this list is from January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010.

Steven Wheatcraft, AA8BN member of the Coshocton County Amateur Club (CCARA) had a total of 342 current DXCC credits in the MIXED 338 Top of the Honor Roll.

Congratulations Steve from your fellow hams for your activities and dedication to Ham Radio.

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[SEAN'S PICKS](#)

*From: September QST - Contest Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X page 92
All times are in UTC.*

State QSO Parties this month: Arkansas, Colorado, Connecticut, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Washington, (Salmon Run)

QRP contests this month: MIQRP Labor Day Sprint (Sep 5-6), ARS Spartan Sprint (Sep 6), QRP ARCI VHS Contest (Sep 10-12), Flying Pigs Run for the Bacon (Sep 19), NAQCC Monthly QRP Monthly Sprint (Sep 22), NJQRP's Fall QRP Homebrewer Sprint (Sep 27).

All-Asian DX Contest, Phone (Sep 3-4): It's DX, it's all of Asia!

Point the beams to the west and work a ton of DX. Exchange is a signal report and your age; to show chivalry isn't dead, YLs may sign 00.

Worked All Europe DX Contest, Phone (Sep 10-11): One of the best events on the Calendar. EU operators can ask you for "QTC", or a list of other QSOs in your log. This makes the contest unique in the pack. Try this one - it is a lot of fun.

ARRL September VHF QSO Party (Sep 10-12): 6 meters and up is the place to be for the last big VHF contest of the calendar. Exchange is your 4-digit grid square. Technicians can have a good time with this one, operating from your car as a Rover or from your favorite hilltop.

North American Sprint, Phone (Sep 18): 4 hours of SSB intensity. You can only make a maximum of 2 QSOs on the same frequency before you must QSY. Everyone stays moving in this event.

CQ WW RTTY Contest (Sep 24-25): The first "WW" of the season! Everybody works everybody in this 48 hour RTTY fest. Getting on RTTY has never been easier; a PC and a soundcard interface will make you QRV. Give it a try and have a great time!

[NET CHECKINS FOR JUNE, JULY AUGUST](#)

CLUB NET Sunday 2100 147.045 MHz

June 5

Up time: 2102 Down time: 2122

NCS: KL7RF
N8KRR KC8NJT N8LPB WN8RGW N8VV KB8CRB
NF8U KC8WX

June 12

Up time: 2110 Down time: 2128

NCS: KL7RF
N8LPB KB8HEA KB8CRB N8KRR WN8RGW KC8YXY
NF8U KC8NJT

June 19

Up time: 2100 Down time: 2113

NCS: N8KRR
KB8HEA KL7RF WN8RGW KC8YXY KB8CRB N8LPB
KC8NJT WB8SJQ

June 26

Up time: 2100 Down time: 2111

NCS: KB8CRB
N8KRR WN8RGW KL7RF WB8SJQ K8CAA

July 10

Up time: 2100 Down time: 2111

NCS: KC8ZWR
N8KRR KL7RF KB8HEA K8JSM KB8CRB WT8X

July 17

Up time: 2100 Down time: 2107

NCS: N8KRR
K8JSM KL7RF KC8YXY NF8U

July 24

Up time: 2100 Down time: 2109

NCS: N8KRR
WN8RG KC8YXY NF8U

July 31

Up time: 2100 Down time: 2114

NCS: AA8UA
N8KRR KB8CRB N8LPB KC8NJT N8VV KC8YXY

August 7

Up time: 2100 Down time: 2118

NCO: KL7RF
N8KRR N8LPB KB8HEA WN8RGW KC8YXY KD8LNA
NF8U K8JSM

August 14

Up time: 2100 Down time: 2110

NCS: KC8ZWR
N8KRR KB8HEA WB8SJQ KL7RF KC8YXY

August 21

Up time: 2100 Down time: 2110

NCS: N8KRR
KL7RF WB8SJQ WN8RGW

August 28

Up time: 2105 Down time: 2115

NCS: KB8CRB
N8KRR KL7RF WN8RGW NF8U KC8YX WB8SJQ

ARES/COCO NET Monday 2100 145.230 MHz

June 6

Time in: 2102 Time out: 2123

NCS: KL7RF
WN8RGW N8KRR N8VV KC8YXY NF8U KB8CRB
AA8BN KC8WX KB8HEA

June 13

Time in: 2100 Time out: 2115

NCS: KB8CRB
WN8RGW NF8U N8KRR N8VV KL7RF KC8YXY

June 20

Time in: 2100 Time out: 2112

NCS: N8KRR
WN8RGW N8LPB N8VV NF8U KL7RF KC8YXY
KC8NJT WB8JSQ KB8CRB

June 27

Time in: 2100 Time out: 2116

NCS: N8VV
KE8XM NF8U N8KRR KC8YXY WB8SJQ KB8CRB
KB9JSC

July 18

Time in: 2100 Time out: 2110

NCS: N8KRR
WB8JSQ AB8JH KB8CRB NF8U KL7RF KB8HEA
KC8YXY

August 8

Time in: 2100 Time out: 2108

NCS: KL7RF
N8KRR WB8SJQ NF8U

August 15

Time in: 2100 Time out: 2110

NCS: N8KRR
KL7RF WB8SJQ N8VV K8JSM

August 22

Time in: 2100 Time out: 2120

NCS: N8VV
WN8RGW KL7RF KB8CRB AA8BN WB8SJQ NF8U
KC8WX

August 29

Time in: 2100 Time out: 2115

NCS: AA8BN
N8KRR KL7RF N8VV KB8CRB NF8U
KD8NEO KC8YXY

JOHNNY APPLESEED NET FRIDAY 2100 28.450 MHz

June 3

Time in: 2100 Time out: 2123

NCS: KB8KEU
WN8RGW KC4NJX

June 10

Time in: 2100 Time out: 2138

NCS: KB8RAK
WN8RGW KB8KEU KB8HEA KD0NHP KC8IXS NF8U

June 17

Time in: 2100 Time out: 2127

NCS: WD8CHR
KB8RAK KE8YL KB8KEU KL7RF NF8U W8TJT

June 24

Time in: 2100 Time out: 2141

NCS: KB8KEU
KB8FBN KE8YL KB8RAK WN8RGW WD8CHR KC8IXS
KL7RF

July 1

Time in: 2100 Time out: 2116

NCS: KB8KEU
WN8RGW W8TJT NF8U

July 15

Time in: 2100 Time out: 2141

NCS: WD8CHR
KC8NJT WN8RGW N8LPB NF8U KB8KEU KL7RF
KE8YL KB8KEV K8WFN KB9JSC

July 22

Time in: 2100 Time out: 2150

NCS: WD8CHR
KB8RAK KD8LNA NF8U WN8RGW KB8KEU KL7RF
KE8YL

July 29

Time in: 2100 Time out: 2134

NCS: KB8KEU
KC8NJT KC8IXS N8LPB KD8RDP NF8U KE8YL

August 5

Time in: 2100 Time out: 2136

NCS: KB8KEU
KB8RAK WD8CHR WN8RGW KC8IXS NF8U KE8YL
K8WFN

August 12

Time in: 2100 Time out: 2140

NCS: WD8CHR
KB8RAK KB8HEA NF8U KB8KEU WN8RGW W8TJT

August 19

Time in: 2100 Time out: 2131

NCS: WD8CHR
KL7RF WN8RGW KC8IXS KB8KEU KE8YL

August 26

Time in: 2100 Time out: 2125

NCS: KL7RF
WN8RGW KB8KEU KC8IXS NF8U KE8NI

NECCO 440 NET MONDAY 443.5375+ (after ARES/COCO NET)

June 13

Time in: 2114 Time out: 2121

NCS: KL7RF N8VV NF8U AA8BN KC8YXY

June 20

Time in: 2113 Time out: 2120

NCS: KL7RF
N8VV NF8U WB8SJQ KC8YXY

August 15

Time in: 2110 Time out: 2121

NCS: KL7RF
WB8SJQ NF8U

August 22

Time in: 2120 Time out: 2136

NCS: N8VV
AA8BN KL7RF NF8U WB8SJQ KC8WX KB9JSC
AB8JH

August 29

Time in: 2116 Time out: 2126

NCS: AA8BN
N8VV NF8U KL7RF KC8YXY