### **Ottawa County Amateur Radio Club**

**July 2017** 

Greg Sanderson WD80EZ, President - Gene Anderson WB8KKU, Vice President Ted Poremski K8NWF, Secretary - Norm Bash WA8COB, Treasurer

#### Hi, fellow hams....

Hope everyone had a great 4th of July. There are only 2 hamfests listed for July. The first is on July 16, sponsored by the Van Wert ARC and is held at the Van Wert County fairgrounds. The other one is on July 30th in Ravenna Ohio. Sponsored by the Portage ARC and held at the Maplewood Career Center. In early August, on the 5th, the Voice of Aladdin ARC is holding their hamfest at the Aladdin Shrine Center. In Michigan, they fair a little better with 3 hamfest in July and 1 in August.. On July 22 their are 2 hamfest, 1 in Harrison MI, sponsored by the Gladwin ARC and held at the Harrison City Park. The other 1 is being held in Shelby Township, sponsoed by the General Motors ARC at the Packard Proving Grounds. Then on July 29th the Central Michigan ARC is holding their hamfest at the Holt Christian Church in Lansing MI. On August 5, the Delta County ARC holds their hamfest at the Bay de Noc Community College.

I was going to include an article from July Nuts and Volts magazine written by Ward Silver Noax about the total solar eclipse on Monday August 21st, but the whole article is 5 pages long, so I included a link to read the article, which should work from the digital copy of the newsletter. The total eclipse can be seen by people from Portland OR to Charleston SC, The article explains how the total eclipse will affect radio communications during the eclipse.

Here is the link in plain text you can enter your web browser if the above link doesn't work for you. It tested good for me.

#### http://nutsvolts.texterity.com/nutsvolts/201707?folio=50

Nuts and Volts is a great magazine that covers a wide range of subjects each month. The magazine started out as Radio and Television, the merged with Electronics Now, then merged with Nuts and Volts to become what it is today.

President, Greg WD8OEZ

#### Ottawa County Amateur Radio Club June 08, 2017 Meeting Minutes

President Greg Sanderson WD8OEZ opened the meeting at 1849 hours.

#### Members present were:

Gene Anderson WB8KKU, Greg Sanderson WD8OEZ, and Ted Poremski K8NWF.

Note: Norm Bash WA8COB is working this summer with The Boy Scouts of America Program.

#### Secretary's Report:

The Secretary's Report for May 11, 2017 was read. Motion to approve was made by Gene Anderson WB8KKU, Seconded by Greg Sanderson WD8OEZ, Motion approved.

#### **Treasure's Report:**

The Treasure's Report will be available to our members in attendance at our meetings.

There was neither club income nor expenditures for the month of May 2017. Motion to approve made by Gene Anderson WB8KKU and seconded by Ted Poremski K8NWF. Motion approved

The following members have paid their 2017 membership dues: WB8KKU, WA8COB, WA8DKZ, W8MAL, KC8MQH, K8LGS, K8NWF, W8RDN, WD8OEZ, K8CRW, KD8GVY, and KD8GLS.

#### Old Business:

ARES and Skywarn:

This issue remains '*Tabled'* until such time as James Garber W8CEN presents himself at an OCARC meeting and provides an outline and implementation of his vision/ideas for Ottawa County ARES and Skywarn programs.

Due to personal commitments the club will not be participating in Field Day 2017.

#### New Business:

The new digital radio repeater installed in Tiffin, Ohio has been coordinated.

Gene Anderson WB8KKU will probably be absent from the July meeting due to right eye catarac surgery. We wish Gene a successful surgery.

#### **Coming Events:**

The Monroe Michigan County Hamfest is on Father's Day June 18<sup>th</sup> at the Monroe County Fair Grounds on M-50 in Monroe Michigan.

## Next Club Meeting is July 13th, 2017 at 1830 hours in the Salem Township Hall.

#### Note: There is no club meeting in August.

Adjourned at 1911 hours.

#### Ragchew Topics:

Ted Poremski K8NWF brought in a high "Q" 160 meter loading coil he used in the early 60's and discussed how he made it with the help of his employer Charles Jenkins.

Note: The clubs e-mail address is K8VXH@yahoo.com.



### THE OHIO SECTION SPECIAL EVENTS STATIONS

#### 07/03/2017 | Railroad Telegraphers

Jul 3-Jul 14, 0100Z-2300Z, K8T, Bellevue, OH. Mad River & NKP Railroad Museum. 14.245 7.195 3.850 146.865. QSL. Rick Wolfe, KD8KWV, 358 High St., Bellevue, OH 44811. Celebrating the significance of the use of telegraphy with the advancement of the railroad. The telegrapher's primary duty was maintaining communication between the train dispatcher, who was usually many miles away, with trains and the whole rail system.

We will be operating all modes from the Mad River & NKP Railroad Museum in Bellevue, Ohio. QSL request with SASE to Rick Wolfe, KD8KWV, 358 High Street, Bellevue, Ohio 44811

#### 07/06/2017 | Ohio State Parks The Grand Tour

Jul 6-Sep 8, 1900Z-0300Z, W8WDS, Cincinnati, OH. Multiple Local Clubs. 146.520 14.260 7.235 3.810. Certificate & QSL. William Schramm, 4220 Endeavor Dr, Unit 204, Cincinnati, OH 45252. The Grand Tour is a special event running from July 7, 2016 to Sept 9, 2016. We will be operating Amateur radio stations each day from a different Ohio State Park. We will also dedicate each park's operation to a fallen/disabled Ohio Soldier/Sailor/Airmen. THIS EVENT HAS BEEN CANCELLED. ohiostateparks.gaterunner.com

#### 07/15/2017 | Marvin Gilbert (KD8GPF) Special Event

Jul 15-Jul 16, 0800Z-1600Z, W8UCO, Marysville, OH. W8UCO ARC (Union County Amateur Radio Club). 3.840 7.240. Certificate. Marvin Gilbert Special Event (W8UCO/KD8GPF), 24581 Sandusky Rd, Richwood, OH 43344. Commemorating 57 years of public service with Civil Defense/Union County Emergency Management Agency . Marvin C. Gilbert was a lifelong member of Trinity Lutheran Church, serving on various boards at the church, a member the Marysville Evening Lion's Club, the American Legion Post 79, served with the Union County Civil Defense and Union County EMA for 57 years, 25 of those years as Chief. He was also a committee member for the Marysville High School Hall of Fame, was a board member of the American Red Cross and a member of the Union County Republican Club, serving as Treasurer and Central District Committeeman. He enjoyed playing Dart Ball for over 50 years and getting together for his Wednesday afternoon card club but most of all, he cherished his granddaughter and attending her activities, never missing a soccer or softball game. A graduate of Marysville High School, Marvin served in the National Guard, worked 42 years at O.M. Scott's, retiring as a shipping manager. Born July 9, 1941 in Marysville. On May 2, 1965, he married his wife of 51 years, Sharon (Wasserbeck) and she survives in Marysville. Also surviving is his son, Brad (Tara) Gilbert of Marysville; his granddaughter, Emma Karen Gilbert of Marysville ohiohams.net

### 07/24/2017 | Cabwaylingo State Park Dog Days of Summer

**Jul 24-Jul 30, 0000Z-2359Z, W8V**, Cincinnati, OH. KE8BBB. 14.330 7.400 7.180. Certificate & QSL.

Arthur F. Menges, KE8BBB, 2603 Foran Dr., Cincinnati, OH 45238. Special Event to run entire week at various times from various locations within 8123 acre state park. QSL Manager: Arthur F. Menges KE8BBB

#### OHIO HAMFEST CALENDAR

#### 06/17/2017 | Milford Hamfest 27th Annual

Location: Milford, OH

Sponsor: Milford Amateur Radio Club Website: <a href="http://www.w8mrc.com">http://www.w8mrc.com</a>

#### 07/08/2017 | GARS Germantown Hamfest

Location: Germantown, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: Germantown Amateur Radio Society (GARS)

Website: http://GARSohio.org

#### 07/09/2017 | 20/9 Radio Club Hamfest, Computer &

**Electronics Show** 

Location: Austintown, OH Type: ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: 20/9 Radio Club, Inc. Website: <a href="http://20over9.org">http://20over9.org</a>

#### 07/15/2017 | NOARSFEST

Location: Elyria, OH

Sponsor: Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society

Website: <a href="http://noars.net">http://noars.net</a>

#### 07/16/2017 | Van Wert Hamfest

Location: Van Wert, OH

Sponsor: Van Wert Amateur Radio Club

Website: <a href="http://w8fy.org">http://w8fy.org</a>

#### 07/30/2017 | Portage Hamfair '17

Location: Ravenna, OH

Sponsor: Portage Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

Website: <a href="http://hamfair.com">http://hamfair.com</a>

We now have a complete listing of hamfests in Ohio on the website. Go to: <a href="http://arrl-ohio.org/hamfests.html">http://arrl-ohio.org/hamfests.html</a> to see everything that is currently scheduled, including the

**Great Lakes Division Convention!** 

# Monthly Meetings 2nd Thursday at 6:30 p.m.

at the Salem Twp. Hall 11650 West Portage River South Road, Oak Harbor Talk in on 147.075 repeater.

## OCARC ARES Net Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

ET on 147.075 repeater tone 100 HZ

# **Weather Nets Skywarn nets as needed**

on 442.250 repeater 100 HZ PL (note: this is new)