



# The Airwaves

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### Upcoming Meetings & Events

March 01<sup>st</sup> – Club Meeting – 7:30pm (details inside)

March 17<sup>th</sup> – St Patrick's Day – Don't forget to wear your **GREEN** for the day!

March 21<sup>st</sup> – IARC Breakfast Club – Bob Evan's on Hanley Road – 9:00am

V.E. Test Session (details inside)



**SKYWARN**

*Ohio*

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### Wednesday Night Nets

Check-in on the nets on our  
146.940 repeater at 8pm local as  
well as our statewide net on our  
DMR repeater on 444.700 –  
TG 3139

Who knows, you might just  
hookup with an old friend or  
two.

### This Newsletter is for everyone!

Please feel free to pass along to anyone that  
might have an interest!!

Have them send me their email and they'll get  
it direct!

## National News

### **New Plan Aligns ARES with the Needs of Served Agencies**

*(from arrl bulletins)*

The new [ARES Plan](#) adopted by the ARRL Board of Directors at its Annual Meeting in January represents an effort to provide ARES with a clearly defined mission, goals, and objectives; specific training requirements, and a system for consistent reporting and record-keeping. The Board's Public Service Enhancement Working Group (PSEWG) spent more than 3 years crafting the ARES Plan which, ARRL officials believe, provides a much-needed update of the program's role in public service and emergency preparedness in the 21st century. Concerns focused on bringing ARES into alignment with the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and Incident Command System (ICS), and creating more consistent and standardized ARES training requirements. Given dramatic changes and upgrades in national, regional, and local emergency and disaster response organizations, ARRL faced a major challenge, said ARRL Great Lakes Division Director Dale Williams, WA8EFK, who chaired the PSEWG.

"If we didn't address these issues, such as training standards and organizational management, ARES faced the very real possibility that it would no longer be viewed as a valid and valuable partner in emergency and disaster relief situations," Williams said.

With input from ARES members and a peer review team, and the assistance of emergency response officials with some partner organizations, the PSEWG came up with a plan that provides guidelines to ensure that ARES remains a service of organized, trained, qualified, and credentialed Amateur Radio volunteers who can provide public service partners with radio communication expertise, capability, and capacity, Williams added.

A drafted ARES Plan was circulated among ARRL Section Managers (SMs) and Section Emergency Coordinators (ECs) to gather feedback. During the comment period from August through October 2018, the PSEWG heard from 55 ARRL Sections, representing 40 states — more than 125 pages of feedback in all. The PSEWG expressed appreciation to all who submitted comments and ideas.

The PSEWG reviewed every comment and suggestion, identifying about a dozen key items commonly cited by those in the Field Organization to improve the plan.

Based on input from ARES participants, the training requirements in the final ARES Plan consist of the free FEMA Professional Development Series. The series comprises these independent study (IS) courses: 120.c, 230.d, 235.c, 240.d, 241.b, 242.b, and 244.b (as they may be amended), as well as the ARRL's EC-001 and EC-016 emergency communication courses. As part of adopting the ARES Plan, the ARRL Board approved a proposal to make the ARRL EC courses free for ARES members.

The plan highlights some additional training programs that ARES participants are encouraged to consider taking, but that are not required, such as AUXCOMM and training courses like ICS-300 and ICS-400. The ARES Plan outlines a three-tiered membership structure based on increased responsibility levels and accompanying training requirements. Although the tiers are not a required path, they serve to define three distinct ways to participate in the ARES program; it's up to the participant to determine his or her level of involvement.

The ARES Plan points out that public service events such as parades and marathons are within the realm of ARES activity and are, in fact, a key part of it, because such events are an integral part of effective training. In recognizing the local and regional nature of emergency communication needs in disaster response activations, the Plan notes that training requirements are ultimately the responsibility of the Section Manager, with each SM approving training for local ARES teams, as local conditions and needs dictate. The ARES Plan also highlights the relationship between ARES and the National Traffic System (NTS). The PSEWG indicated that it will continue moving forward with efforts to find ways to refine and strengthen that relationship.

While the intent of the ARES Plan is to align the ARES organizational structure with the NIMS and ICS systems, Williams noted that, within the ARES structure, the Emergency Coordinator (EC) will continue to lead the ARES team locally during an incident, while the District and Section Emergency Coordinators will continue to serve as resources and support for the EC. (The emergency preparedness staff at ARRL is in the process of updating the EC manual.) The ARES Plan stresses that ARES participants are not first responders, and it encourages ARES leaders to develop and grow their group's partnerships with state emergency management agencies and officials. Williams said the adoption of the ARES Plan is not the end of this process.

“ARES cannot remain stagnant only to be updated once every few generations,” he said. “The ARES Plan, and the ARES program, must be able to evolve.” Williams added that the ARRL Headquarters emergency preparedness staff will review the program annually to ensure its continued relevance.

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### Secured Area on the IARC.Club Website

Hey Gang,

There is a “secured” area on the club website, have you visited it yet? This is for members only. You do have to complete a registration form first. Once completed and approved, you will be allowed access into this “secured” area. This particular area is for members only. The rest of the website is open to anyone and we hope that you do share all of the information that is on the open portions of the website with you friends.

Here's a link to get you signed up for the “Members Only” pages: <http://iarc.club/registration.html>

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### IARC Breakfast

Hey Gang,

Did you know that IARC has a Breakfast gathering every 3rd Thursday of the month? It's true and very well attended. If you have the time we'd love to see ya' at the next breakfast. The next Breakfast will be **Thursday – March 21<sup>st</sup> @ 9am** – at the Bob Evans on Hanley Road.



We sure hope to see ya' then!!

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### IARC Board

#### **President**

Duane Meadows, [K8MDA](#)

#### **Vice President**

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W8WE/R 444.700 (+ DMR)

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### Electronic Equipment Disposal

Hey Gang,

Got some old computer equipment or TV's that you just don't want anymore, and they aren't worth anything? I've got a great way of helping you get rid of them without breaking the bank, and it will help our community by providing jobs to our local economy. Let me introduce you to - Disposal Services from Richland Newhope. Your materials may be dropped off during normal business hours at: 971 West Longview Ave., Mansfield, OH 44906. Now if this is not convenient for you, you can also schedule for pickup by calling: 419-774-4496, extra charges will apply however.

#### **Here's what they will take, and what they charge.**

IT Electronics: this includes equipment required for PC or Server functionality, including desktop PC's, laptops, servers, routers, network equipment, tablets, docking stations, smart phones No Cost \$0.00

Data Destruction (Shredding hard drives) **\$6.00 per unit**

Batteries (Alkaline, NICD, NIMH, LI, and lead acid less than 30lbs) **\$1.00 per pound**

CRT Monitors/ Terminals/TV's **\$0.30 per pound**

LCD/Plasma TV's and LCD Monitors broken and less than 17" **\$0.30 per pound**

Printers, Copiers and Fax equipment **\$0.15 per pound**

Non-IT Electronics **\$0.15 per pound**



### Wednesday Night Nets

Come join us each Wednesday evening at 8p for the Richland County ARES Net on the Mansfield 146.94 Repeater, W8WE/R.

Also, come join us on the DMR Net each week too. That Net is on the Ohio Talkgroup 3139 at 8:30p Wednesday's

### ARES Connect

**ARES Connect**

Instructions to Register

Enter ARES Connect

Have you registered in the new ARES Connect yet? You'll want to for sure. It's the new reporting system for all of ARES in the country. Yes, it will replace our current system in a few months, so you'll want to get registered now so that you'll be used to what all the features do and how to report **before** we have to go completely onto this new system.

It's really easy to get registered. All you have to do is click on this [link](#) to get you started. Answer a few questions and it's all done, you'll be registered. Then you will want to get yourself registered for all the various events that are there. It's really easy to do and that's it, your hours for participation will be automatically recorded! How much easier than that can it be.

### **InterCity Amateur Radio Club Monthly Meeting – February 1, 2019**

President Duane, K8MDA, called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Minutes – Scott, N8SY, moved to accept minutes as read. Lee, N8LFK, seconded motion. Approved

Financial report – John, KD8WPE, moved to accept. Seconded by Larry, KB8BVD. Approved.

Membership – Currently have 45 members.

Health and Wellness – Danny, W8DLB, had a bad fall requiring stitches.

Education –

PIO –

Tech Committee – Dave Weigold, N8DPW, everything is okay at this point. The IRLP will be ready in a couple of weeks.

ARES –

ARRL – Scott, N8SY – There have been a number of personnel changes at ARRL headquarters. ARES Connect is being updated. ARRL BOD meeting outcomes – Dale Williams is no longer on the executive committee. Tom Delany is the back-up for director of public service. There are some changes on rules for QSL Bureau, possibly lowering of fees?

Old Business –

Duane – winter field day as cancelled due to extreme cold.

Hamfest –

Need volunteers to set-up tables Saturday at 11:00 am. Motion made by Scott, N8SY, to purchase pizza for volunteers. Seconded by Kyle, KD8GEI. Approved.

Need volunteer for security Sunday morning at 5:00 am

John, K8NJ, will have signs made.

Duane, K8MDA, has list of prizes. As prizes are announced we need to mention ‘donated by....’.

The East gate will be open until 7 am when the West gate opens

New Business –

Scott, N8SY, made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Harry, N8XMI. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Yonally, KB8YPW, Secretary, InterCity Amateur Radio Club

**For Sales**



Got something that you want to sell? Send you list of items to me at [n8sy@n8sy.com](mailto:n8sy@n8sy.com) and I’ll get it posted in the next edition of Airwaves..

Oh, by the way, you can also find these items listed on the Swap & Shop portion of the website. Just go to: <http://iarc.club/s-s.html> for the latest listings

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**For Sale:**

**Black Tarheel 75 mobile screwdriver antenna** 10 Meter Thru 80 Meter with 6ft black whip Included Ancillary Equipment:

- \* Manual Control switch with 20ft of cable
- \* Mount MT1S
- \* Capacitance Hat CH1B Black





**Yaesu FT-100D** mobile transceiver with original box, manual, schematics and microphone with new cable and PTT switch.

I recently used it on 20m and 80m when my FT-857D was in for repair. It has not had much use on VHF/UHF or 6M .



Third party separation kit included with the caveat that there is no mount for the face plate. I used a cellphone holder when I used it in a mobile installation.

**Yaesu Tune Control** for Yaesu FT-100D, FT-857D and FT-897 manufactured by The Better RF Company (No longer manufactured) makes the Tune button on your Yaesu radio emit lower power for tuning in any mode and also can interface to some Icom tuners and other devices.

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#### **For Sale:**

**Ham 4 rotor**, control box & rotor cable - TH6DXX beam - 3 band rotary dipole - 4 position antenna switch

Please contact W8NW 419 564-1673 or email [DHomerick@neo.rr.com](mailto:DHomerick@neo.rr.com)

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#### **Next IARC V.E. Test Session**

Upcoming Test Sessions for 2019. All test sessions will start at 1pm unless otherwise noted and will be at:

People's Community Center  
597 Park Avenue East  
Mansfield, OH 44905

- April 20
- July 20
- October 20
- January 18, 2020

For more details or other V.E. Test Sessions, visit: <http://iarc.club/ve-testing.html>

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### Interested in Joining IARC

If you've not joined IARC, or just haven't renewed yet, we want to encourage you to do so now. **Dues are now PAST DUE.** They are always due by September 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. So now is a great time to get your dues in so that you don't forget!



**Dues are still just \$12** It's just a lot of fun and great ham talk!  
There's always something of interest at the meetings.

Please send your dues to:  
Harry Mains, N8XMI  
593 Woodcrest Drive  
Mansfield, OH 44905

We meet every 1st Friday of the month (except July & August) at 7:30, at:

People's Community Center  
Community Room  
597 Park Avenue East, Mansfield, OH.

For your convenience, you can also pay by credit card or PayPal.. [http://iarc.club/mem\\_page.html](http://iarc.club/mem_page.html)