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Upcoming Meetings & Events

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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!!***

National News

International Girls in Information and Telecommunication Technologies Day is April 27

(from ARRL Bulletins)

[International Girls in Information and Telecommunication Technologies \(ICT\) Day](#) is April 27. The ITU initiative aims to create a global environment that empowers and encourages girls and young women to consider careers in the growing ICT field, enabling them and technology companies to reap the benefits of greater female participation in the ICT sector.

“Since we launched Girls in ICT Day, we have seen over 240,000 girls and young women take part in more than 7,200 celebrations in 160 countries worldwide, said the ITU’s Kemal Huseinovic, Chief of the Infrastructure, Enabling Environment and E-Applications Department.

He [offered some tips](#) on planning Girls in ICT Day events. These include hands-on workshops, competitions, inviting role models, and hosting a career fair.

“In IARU Region 2, we consider that Amateur Radio is an excellent way for girls to get to know and appreciate ICTs,” IARU Region 2 Public Information Officer Joaquín Solana, XE1R, said. International Girls in ICT Day is celebrated on the fourth Thursday in April every year. — *Thanks to Joaquín Solana, XE1R; ITU*

Russian “Buzzer” Disappears, Chinese “Foghorn” Returns

(from ARRL Bulletins)

The International Amateur Radio Union Region 1 (IARU-R1) Monitoring System ([IARUMS](#)) [March newsletter](#) reports that the Russian “buzzer” on 6,998.0 kHz has disappeared. For a long time the system interfered with the lower edge of the 40-meter band.

In addition, a Russian F1B transmission on 7,193 kHz — believed to be emanating from Kaliningrad — has ceased. IARUMS credits German telecoms authorities for submitting complaints and the Russian military. The IARUMS March newsletter further reports that a Chinese over-the-horizon (OTH) burst system radar “foghorn” signal is being heard again on both 40 meters (jumping between 7,128 and 7,187 kHz) and on 20 meters (14,218 kHz). The signals are 10 kHz wide with burst durations of 3.8 and 7.6 seconds.

A “numbers” station said to be from the Ukraine SZRU intelligence agency was reported on March 30 on AM (female voice) on 14,212 kHz.

(from the Monday Morning Message)

IN PASSING—A ham was mushroom hunting when caught by a terrible storm. Because it was raining torrents, he looked for shelter but found nothing except an old hollow log. Although it fit snugly he crawled in. The rain lasted for hours and the log began to contract because of the soaking.

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When the storm was over the ham tried to get out but the log held him firmly.

Knowing he would die unless he could free himself his whole life flashed before him, especially his mistakes. For whatever reason he remembered he had not paid his local ham club dues. This made him feel so small that his body shrank and he was able to get out of the log. The moral of the story is Do Not Let Your Dues Accumulate Until You Are In A Tight Pinch.

VE Testing in Mansfield

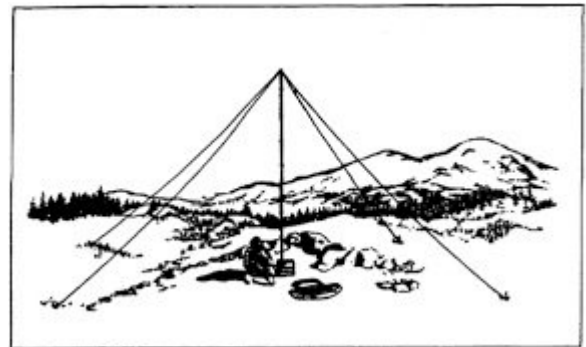


The InterCity Amateur Radio Club will be doing VE Testing this coming Saturday, April 15th at People’s Community Center, 597 Park Avenue East, Mansfield, OH 44905. Please be there by 12 noon and testing will start shortly after everyone gets checked in. For more information about this or any of the IARC VE Testing sessions, please contact Steve Bar, N8SMB at: n8smb1@gmail.com or Dick Fletcher, N8CJS at: ykafletch@aol.com

For a listing of all scheduled InterCity Amateur Radio Club VE Testing sessions, or to find information about other VE testing locations, go to: <http://iarc.club/ve-testing.html> You’ll find links to a number of different testing sites.

NVIS Day

Ohio’s NVIS antenna day is scheduled for April 22. In addition to 40 and 80 meters, we want to add 160 and 60 meters (a good 160 antenna should also operate on 60). With the band conditions in the trash, we need to work up alternative bands and plans to maintain communications across the state! These new bands should make for some interesting antenna construction projects, so get your teams busy!!



Want more information on how to make a NVIS Antenna?
Here’s a link.. <http://arrl-ohio.org/SEC/nvis.html>

[2017 NVIS Day Scoresheet - MS Word](#)

[2017 NVIS Day Scoresheet - Adobe Acrobat](#)

The Richland County ARES will be doing NVIS Day at the Richland County Fairgrounds. Please contact Danny, W8DLB at w8dlb113@gmail.com for more information

IARC Breakfast Club Meeting

Greetings to all and a Happy Easter,

Our breakfast gathering at Bob Evans Restaurant on Hanley Rd. is just one week away on the 20th, Thursday, at 9 am. Hope to see you there!

Been on the steady road to recovery since my discharge on March 31 from my marathon 23 days spent in 3 different hospitals in March.

73 Paul, WD8OJL

IARC Ham of the Year Banquet

Hey Everyone,

It's that time of the year once again. So, we are inviting everyone to come and celebrate our newest inductee for the Ham of the Year! It's been a tradition for over 25 years now that we have a banquet and celebration to properly introduce our newest selection for Ham of the Year.

This year the Ham of the Year Banquet will be on May 4th and it's being held at Oak Park Tavern and Restaurant, 2919 State Route 430, Mansfield, OH 44903. The cost of the dinners are on you. But, you will be able to order off of the menu, and have whatever you'd like!

The Meet and Greet will start at 6pm, and we will sit down to dinner promptly at 6:30pm. Now, in order for us to give the restaurant an accurate head count, we do need to know how many people will be coming in advance. Please, if you are thinking of coming, and we'd love to have you, your spouse / significant other, and anyone else that would be interested in coming, you don't have to be a member to attend this function!

Please make those reservations now so that we can give the restaurant a heads-up on just how many of us will be there. Remember, the more accurate of a count we can give the restaurant, the better service we will get.

Here's a link to the reservation form. All we ask is if you are thinking of coming, please fill out the form. We will be expecting you for supper!! <http://iarc.club/reservation.html>

New Members

At the April IARC meeting we had 4 people join or rejoin. We do want to recognize:
Jane Yonally, KB8YPW – Joy Baker, W8BLJ – Daniel Baker, AB8SI and Norman Minahan

New Secured Area on the IARC.Club Website

Hey Gang,

As requested by the membership I have created a “secured” area on the club website. This is for members only. You do have to complete a form that will get you registered. 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>

At the last meeting it was suggest that we have a contact phone number listed on our website. I volunteered my phone number for contact information and it is now posted on several different areas of the website.

Oh, by the way, did you know that you can access the IARC website via w8we.org or iarc.ws or iarc.club? You can, and I would strongly suggest that you visit often to get the latest information about our club meetings, VE Testing and all sorts of other Ham Radio news.

Field Day Preparations

This year Field Day will be held at the Block House in Mansfield. It’s just off of Park Avenue West and is a great site, as that it is also a historical site as well. That’s right, here’s a way to not only show off Amateur Radio, but also do it with a little fare as well. What better location than to have it at a historical site! Wow.. this will be a home run for sure.

On that Saturday, June 24th at 6pm we will also have a club picnic too. The club will provide bottled water and the meat. You are asked to bring your favorite covered dish. There’s a great pavilion for us to use to tet us out of the sun (there’s no rain in the forecast!!) for the picnic! Let’s all get together on this and have a real blowout picnic while having fun with Amateur Radio.

For more information please contact Danny, W8DLB at: w8dlb113@gmail.com

Club History

Did you know where the club call actually came from? You can find that information, along with a lot of other interesting facts about InterCity on the website. I am still going through a lot of old information and getting it all posted on the website.

Did you know that next year InterCity will be celebrating 85 years of Affiliation to the ARRL? It’s true, we were formed and Affiliated back in 1933. Here’s a link for you: http://iarc.club/about_the_club.html



For Sales

Lightly used - Yaesu VX-170 1-5 watt HT with Speaker Mic, charger, mobile charger and RT Systems program and cabling for computer programming. All for \$75

Never used - Rigblaster Plus (RB/PL/CUSB) comes complete with manual, software and cabling - \$50

Used only once - Seagate 2TB external hard drive. Comes complete with manual and cables - \$25

Contact Scott, N8SY at 419-512-4445 or email at: n8sy@n8sy.com

Got something that you want to sell? Send you list of items to me at n8sy@n8sy.com and I'll get it posted in the next edition of Airwaves..

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.

It's just a lot of fun and great ham talk!
There's always something of interest at the meetings.

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

Or, better yet, bring them to the next club meeting!!
We meet every 1st Friday of the month (except July & August)
at 7:30, at People's Community Center
597 Park Avenue East, Mansfield, OH.

You can also pay by credit card or PayPal..
http://iarc.club/mem_page.html

Editors Note.. Wow.. This has really brought back a lot of great memories for me. I was the original editor of Airwaves way back in 1982. Jack, K8RT and I had this thought that we would do something bold and innovative. So we started a newsletter. It wasn't much back then. In fact, it was typed up on my Remington portable typewriter and copied on Jack's copy machine. Then, after a few years had passed, we advance up to a small computer. Now it's even more.. Please, let me know if this newsletter is of value to you.