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Friday's 8:00 PM 147.180 MHz**

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JUNE MEETING

The meeting for the month of June 4th will be held at the R. G. Klein Museum, downtown at the corner of Erie and Federal Avenue. Doors open at 7:00 PM with meeting starting at 7:30 PM.

PROGRAM

The program for the June meeting will be preparation for our annual Field Day exercise. We are planning on having a great dinner thanks to our Vice-President. This should be a special treat this year.

Make sure to join us as we plan for a great time this year.

FCC Issues Enforcement Advisory: Radio Users Again Reminded Not to Use Radios in Crimes

On April 20, the FCC's Enforcement Bureau issued a new **Enforcement Advisory**, repeating the admonishments contained in a **January Advisory** that no licensee or user of the Amateur or Personal Radio Services may use any radio equipment in connection with unlawful activities of any nature.

The Commission specifically cautioned that individuals found to have used radios in connection with any illegal activity are "subject to severe penalties, including significant fines, seizure of the offending equipment, and in some cases, criminal prosecution."

In addition, licensees should be aware that illegal operation in any service or band, including completely outside the amateur allocations, could potentially disqualify a person from holding any FCC license in any service, not just the Amateur Service.

Any amateur observing a suspicious infraction that might be of illegal or criminal nature should report it to their local law enforcement office or the FBI.

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MARC Meeting Minutes

MARC W8NP Minutes May 7th, 2021 Meeting held at R.G. Klein Museum & on Zoom

Vern KE8VS called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm at Rodney G. Klein Museum and Library, 22 Federal Ave. NE, Massillon, OH 44646 and on Zoom for those not at the Museum. Social distancing was done due to the Corona virus pandemic. Perry W8AU, was on Zoom from shipboard, and Don N8IVJ was out of town still at work.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by the group with Vern KE8VS leading.

The minutes from the April meeting were distributed in the newsletter. Vern KE8VS asked if there were any corrections, and hearing none, the minutes were approved as published in the newsletter.

Dan N8DZM read the Treasurer's Report which provided account balances. Don W8DEA made the motion to accept the treasures report and Jim WA8GXM seconded. The motion passed.

After a discussion of the postponed election, a motion was made by Jim WA8GXM and seconded by Gerry KG8RRY to keep the current slate of officers and to start the election process according to the time frame in the bylaws of voting in December 2021. The motion passed with 2 abstaining and 2 opposing. Jim WA8GXM identified we are invited to the Memorial Day Parade Monday May 31st, 2021 in Massillon. The lineup will be at 8th Street N.E. ahead of the 9:30 am parade start time. So, the forming should be about 8:45 am for those who want to march in the parade. Perry W8AU announced items left from the Smith estate sale have been donated to the club. The transfer of equipment should probably take place in one to two weeks from this meeting. Evan KE8IDH offered to distribute pictures for those interested. Also 4 sections of the tower need to come down. Some members are thinking of where to place the tower. The Mosley t33 tri-bander is to be kept as a club back up.

There is a tailgate trunkfest in Mansfield July 10th. Javan W8UA identified Hamvention Weekend Virtual Activities on May 20-22, 2021. On Thursday there is a Zoom Contest University, and on Friday forums for Hamvention. More information can be found on

amvention.org. Eight ICOM radios are to be given out during the weekend as prizes, but winners must be present on Zoom..

Field Day June 26-27 for our club will be at 3737 Harwick Park, Massillon. Plans are to start setup as earlier as 7 am or 8 am depending on capability of members and potential member timing to get there. Vern KE8VS offered to do a primer class at the supper hour for those interested in getting their General or Extra Class license. The topic is an overview of Electrical & Electronic skills needed to pass the General and Extra Class exams.

Bud WA8KWD suggested, due to construction at the High School, the area be checked for construction vehicles or equipment which could be problematic. Perry W8AU plans on checking this out before the next meeting.

At next month's meeting details are to be firmed up. A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Jim WA8GXM and seconded by Don W8DEA. The motion passed.

After the meeting the recorded presentation of "Technicians Life Beyond Repeaters" by ANTHONY K8ZT, was played.

Additional information and resources for FT8 & FT4 are available at Website link www.k8zt.com Antony can be contacted at email k8zt@arrl for more information.

We also want to welcome new members Chad N8CY and Tom KE8RXA.

Minutes submitted by Vern KE8VS.



ARRL, American Red Cross Renew Memorandum of Understanding

ARRL and the American Red Cross (ARC) have renewed their long-standing *Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)* for another 5 years.

The *MOU* spells out how ARRL and the American Red Cross will work cooperatively during a disaster response.

“We are pleased to extend our partnership with the American Red Cross,” ARRL President Rick Roderick, K5UR, said. “This agreement details how ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Service® (ARES) volunteers will interface with Red Cross personnel within the scope of their respective roles and duties whenever the Red Cross asks ARES volunteers to assist in a disaster or emergency response.”

The *MOU* calls on both parties to maintain open lines of communication and to share information, situation, and operation reports, as allowed to maintain confidentiality. They also will share “changes in policy or personnel relating to this *MOU* and any additional information pertinent to disaster preparedness, response, and recovery.” ARRL and the American Red Cross also will encourage their respective units to discuss local disaster response and relief plans. They may further cooperate in joint training exercises and instruction. The Red Cross will encourage regions or chapters to participate in ARRL Field Day, the Simulated Emergency Test (SET), and other emergency exercises.

The agreement points out that any ARRL volunteers who are interested in also becoming Red Cross volunteers should understand that a background check is a requirement. Although ARES has no background check requirement, radio amateurs who register as Red Cross volunteers must abide by the Red Cross’s background check requirement.

ARRL and the Red Cross also may cooperate in the sharing of equipment.

A *Statement of Cooperation* between the two organizations at the local level may be developed separately from the *MOU* to spell out the role of each in providing services to communities during or after a disaster event.

The new *MOU* was signed by Trevor Rigger, Senior Vice President, Disaster Cycle Services, American Red Cross, and by ARRL President Rick Roderick, K5UR.



Important Field Day News! We have received from Governor DeWine a Proclamation that June 26-27 have been declared “Amateur Radio Operators’ Appreciation Days” in the State of Ohio! A .pdf of this is available to you on the ARRL OH web site (www.arrl-ohio.org), you’ll want to reference this in any and all of your public press releases regarding your Field Day operations this year. The Proclamation reads: WHEREAS, amateur radio operators play a vital role in emergency communications preparedness plans for the United States, the state of Ohio and many other local government agencies; and WHEREAS, Ohio has more than 28,000 licensed amateur radio operators, many of whom have provided valuable public assistance through emergency radio communication on a local, statewide, national and international basis in time of need; and WHEREAS, amateur radio operators donate the time, equipment and expertise to help provide the public with free emergency communications; and WHEREAS, June 26-27 have been set aside in Ohio and nationally as amateur radio field day for emergency communications preparedness exercises. Now, THEREFORE, We, Mike DeWine and Jon Husted, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize June 26-27, 2021 as AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS’ APPRECIATION DAYS On this 26th day of June 2021.

First-Time Exam Applicants Must Obtain FCC Registration Number before Taking Exam.

Beginning May 20, 2021, all amateur examination applicants will be required to provide an FCC Registration Number (**FRN**) to the Volunteer Examiners (VEs) before taking an amateur exam. This is necessary due to changes the FCC has made to its licensing system.

Amateur candidates who already have an FCC license, whether for amateur radio or in another service, already have an FRN and can use the same number. All prospective new FCC licensees, however, will be required to obtain an FRN *before* the examination and provide that number to the volunteer examiners on the Form 605 license application. An FCC **instructional video** provides step-by-step instructions on how to obtain an FRN through the FCC's COMmission REGistration System (CORES).

The FRN is required for all new applicants to take an amateur exam and is used afterward by the applicant to download the license document from the FCC Universal Licensing System (**ULS**), upgrade the license, apply for a vanity call sign, and to submit administrative updates (such as address and email changes) and renewal applications.

In addition, after June 29, all applications will be required to contain an email address for FCC correspondence. Applicants will receive an email direct from the FCC with a link to the official electronic copy of their license whenever a license is issued or changed. ARRL VEC suggests that those without access to email to use the email address of a family member or friend. Licensees will be able to log in to the ULS using their FRN and password to download the latest version of their license at any time. The FCC no longer provides paper license documents.



ARRL Executive Committee Nominates Joel Harrison, W5ZN, to be Next IARU Secretary.

At its April 5 meeting via Zoom, the ARRL Executive Committee (EC) nominated past ARRL President Joel Harrison, W5ZN, to become the next Secretary of the International Amateur Radio Union (**IARU**). The incumbent Secretary, David Sumner, K1ZZ, has announced his intention to step down on July 1. ARRL International Affairs Vice President Rod Stafford, W6ROD, explained that ARRL, as IARU Secretariat, has the right and obligation to appoint a successor. Harrison currently serves as IARU Assistant Secretary. The ARRL Board of Directors ratified his nomination on April 16.

The EC also agreed to hold an in-person Board of Directors meeting in July, in accordance with Connecticut COVID-19 regulations. ARRL CEO David Minster, NA2AA, told the EC that a new procedure was being put into place to recognize centenarian members — those who are 100 years of age or older. The membership team will now identify members who qualify for ARRL's Centurion Award, and the corresponding Director will determine how to proceed with the award presentation. The EC agreed to include a \$100 ARRL gift certificate to accompany the award. In addition, with the changes pending in the 9-centimeter band, the EC adopted a new calling frequency for that band of 3400.1 MHz. [Minutes of the EC meeting](#) have been posted.

June 2021

W8NP Monthly Planner

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Please contact K8DNN for updates, changes, or additions.



Field Day is ham radio's open house. Every June, more than 40,000 hams throughout North America set up temporary transmitting stations in public places to demonstrate ham radio's science, skill and service to our communities and our nation. It combines public service, emergency preparedness, community outreach, and technical skills all in a single event. Field Day has been an annual event since 1933, and remains the most popular event in ham radio.

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