



# FEEDBACK

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## OCTOBER MEETING

The October meeting of the MARC will be held on Friday, October 1, 2021 and is expected to be held at the Massillon Senior Citizens Center.

## ARRL ANNUAL AUCTION

The 2020 [ARRL Auction](#) was a huge success! We look forward to the 2021 Auction which will be held October 8-14, 2021. Preview October 5-7, 2021.

Proceeds from our Online Auction benefit ARRL education programs including activities to license new hams, strengthen Amateur Radio's emergency service training, offer continuing technical and operating education, as well as creating instructional materials to learn more and to register, visit: [www.arrl.org/auction](http://www.arrl.org/auction).

Now accepting donations for the 2021 ARRL Online Auction, please [contact](#) us today!

The Massillon Amateur Radio Club will hold our annual hamfest on Sunday, October 31st at the MAPS Museum in Green from 8:00 AM until 2:00 PM. Vendor set-up at 6:00 AM.

Limited electric will be available generally at wall locations. Handicap accessible. Admission is \$5.00, under 12 free. Tables are 6 foot for \$15.00 each

Auction begins at 10:00 AM

October Birthday Greetings !

Don - WD8A

Terry - N8ATZ

Vern - KE8VS

Perry W8AU called the meeting to order at 7:50 pm at R.G. Klein Museum (because of last minute lack of personnel at Massillon Senior Center to open the doors) and on Zoom for those not at the R.G. Klein Museum.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by the group with Perry W8AU leading. The minutes from the August meeting were distributed in the newsletter. Perry W8AU 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. Bud WA8KWD made the motion to accept the treasurer's report and Don W8DEA seconded. The motion passed.

Perry W8AU sent around a signup sheet for Sugar Creek Friday, Oct.1 and Saturday, Oct. 2 for assisting with parking. There is a conflict with our meeting on Friday evening, but we are going to try to do both.

Perry W8AU, identified the Massillon Christmas parade is the Saturday prior to Thanksgiving and we will need approximately 12 people for parade setup and 12 for marshalling. Setup personnel may need to do double duty and marshal also.

Don N8IVJ provided information about Hamfests. He said we must post more direction signs for the Ham Fest on October 31 at MAPS. We must clearly identify the vendor entrance and maintain traffic control. Vendor tables are \$15 each. We must set up 80 vendor tables.

Perry W8AU identified that it is unclear at this point whether we can setup on Saturday or early Sunday morning due to other events which may be at MAPS on Saturday.

Dave KC8WVH suggested adding balloons to the corrugated plastic signs. Perry suggested using the same prizes as last year and plans on contacting DX Engineering to ask if they will donate a \$50 gift certificate.

Prizes last year were:

1st prize XIEGU G90 HF Transceiver SDR RADIO (if Winner is non-Ham cash prize is \$200)

2<sup>nd</sup> prize Antenna Analyzer 259D

3<sup>rd</sup> prize Antenna coupler.

After some discussion, a motion was made to keep the same prizes for this year by Fred KD8SMO and seconded by Bud WA8KWD. The motion passed.

Perry W8AU identified some estate equipment for sale; see him for details.

Dave KC8WVH is looking for one more 10-foot section of tower.

A motion was made to close the meeting by Bud WA8KWD and seconded by Fred KD8SMO; the motion passed.

There were 19 in attendance; 14 at the R.G. Klein Museum and 5 on Zoom.

After the meeting, a film on Finding and Fixing RFI was shown.

Minutes submitted by Vern KE8VS

# KB6NU's HAM RADIO BLOG

## Major Duties and Responsibilities:

The Director of Emergency Management will lead a team responsible for supporting ARRL emergency communications (EmComm) programs, products, and services, including the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES), and will work with HQ staff to develop standards, protocols, and processes designed to support the Field Organization.

The incumbent will also:

- Serve as official point of contact and liaison to our Key Partners and other served agencies at a national level.
- Support the ARRL Field Organization in its Amateur Radio Emergency Service efforts.
- Interact with Key Partners to determine their requirements for communications volunteers, and develop working relationships for planning, cooperative education, and operational purposes.
- Encourage and assist Key Partners to establish plans, protocols, and procedures for incorporating amateur radio operators in their emergency response plans.
- Work proactively with Key Partners to ensure ARES training aligns with expectations for Auxiliary Communicators.
- In response to ARRL policy set by the Board of Directors, design and direct the continued updating and modernization of ARRL's public service programs and volunteer training aligned with the emergency communications needs of its Key Partners and the public.
- With the guidance of the CEO and the Board or its designated committee, develop an ARRL EmComm strategic plan and periodically monitor and report performance against that plan.
- Position the ARRL as an NGO partner with its own set of volunteers. In cooperation with Key Partners, design, implement, and track ARRL's tactical EmComm plans, protocols, and procedures to address amateur radio's changing role in emergency and disaster response at national, regional, and tribal levels.
- Create, review, and maintain national MOUs with government and non-government agencies and served agency partners, and make recommendations, as appropriate.
- Represent the ARRL at national served agency and partner meetings, conventions, and exercises.
  - Staff and direct an ARRL Emergency Preparedness department tasked with these and other functions:
  - Provide assistance and guidance to Section Managers and Section Emergency Coordinators.
  - Solicit and train an ARRL Headquarters Emergency Response Team to monitor and summarize amateur radio's involvement during the planning and response phases of regional or national incidents.
  - Author, edit, and maintain emergency preparedness content on the ARRL website, and create or solicit new content as needed.
  - Create and solicit original content and assure accuracy and timeliness of other content for QST articles, the ARES-E Newsletter, social media feeds, and other media, as required.
  - Monitor nationwide ARES status and provide periodic reports to management and the ARRL Board.
  - Work to rebuild the relationship between ARES and NTS, and strengthen NTS's EmComm capabilities.

09/22/2021



The Cumbre Vieja volcano on La Palmas in Spain's Canary Islands erupted for the first time in 50 years on Sunday, September 19, following an increase in seismic activity over the previous 7 days. The lava flow triggered the evacuation of more than 6,000 people so far. Authorities have deployed all the resources of the Canary Islands Government as well as military support from the mainland to manage the situation.

In order to facilitate communication into and out of the area, EMCOM-SPAIN has asked that the IARU Emergency Center of Activity Frequencies be kept clear in case the situation worsens: 3.760 MHz; 7.110 MHz; 14.300 MHz, and 21.360 MHz. — Thanks to IARU Region 1

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Pocket calculator inventor and home computing pioneer Sir Clive Sinclair died at his home on September 16 following a long illness. He was 81. Sinclair may have been best known for popularizing the home computer. Leaving school at 17, he worked for 4 years as a technical journalist to fund Sinclair Radionics and created the Sinclair Spectrum and the first computer, the Sinclair ZX-81. Many modern-day titans of the games industry got their start on one of his ZX models.

Back in the day, the gamer's computer of choice was either the ZX Spectrum 48K or its rival, the Commodore 64. Among his other inventions was a coin-sized radio. Despite his computer background, Sinclair

declined to use the internet, email, or even computers. He also was involved in developing various personal transport systems, including an electric vehicle.

The 39th [AMSAT](#) Space Symposium, planned as an in-person event for late October, will now be a virtual event due to the lingering effects of COVID-19. Initial plans had called for a "live" event in Bloomington, Minnesota, following last year's virtual symposium. AMSAT President Robert Bankston, KE4AL, said that AMSAT members voiced concern over the continued coronavirus pandemic and the risks associated with long-distance travel, as well as attendance at large gatherings.

"In the interest of everyone's comfort and safety, we have made the difficult decision to return to a virtual meeting platform," Bankston said. "If there is any good news in this, we know that last year's virtual symposium event was well received and that we have the opportunity to repeat its success this year."

Symposium organizers are reviewing the schedule for the event and will adjust it as needed to accommodate the shift from an in-person to a virtual event. Those who've already registered for the symposium will automatically receive refunds. Questions regarding the symposium can be sent to [info@amsat.com](mailto:info@amsat.com).

AMSAT has issued a second call for symposium papers. Proposals for presentations are invited on any topic of interest to the amateur satellite community. AMSAT requests a tentative presentation title as soon as possible. Final copy should be submitted by October 18 for inclusion in the symposium proceedings.

# October 2021

## W8NP Monthly Planner

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday																																																																																						
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