

THE WOBBLY OSCILLATOR

Next Meeting A Dinner Meeting

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Check into the Wed. Evening Net!

FROM THE PREZ

Recently, Vice President Mark Moro, WJ8WM, and I have been updating our club status with the ARRL. We have worked with Norm Fusaro, W3IZ, at the ARRL headquarters, Scott Yonally, N8SY, the Ohio Section Manager, and John Myers, KD8MQ, the Ohio Section Affiliated Club Coordinator. These are all great people to work with. The ARRL staff and the Field Organization is comprised of dedicated amateurs who make a sincere effort to support the hobby of amateur radio, the national and local organizations, and especially the individual members they represent and serve. That thought can be evidenced by those members of C.A.R.S. who went on the group trip to the ARRL headquarters

in Newington, Connecticut two years ago, those who have visited the League individually, and those who have had direct contact with the organization or requested help or assistance.

A requirement to be an ARRL Affiliated Club stipulates at least 51% of the members must be members of the League. Some clubs have 100%; C.A.R.S. falls somewhere in the middle. I would like to see as many C.A.R.S. members as possible to be ARRL members as well. I've heard many say, QST magazine alone is worth the annual dues. But there's so much more than that. From technical support that is only a phone call away to a grass roots government activist organization that fights for the rights of hams on a daily basis. From organizing operating activities and contests to facilitating testing and licensing support. The list goes on and on. Anyone not familiar with the ARRL should go to www.arrl.org and check out what the League offers and is involved with. You will be amazed. Members who haven't visited the website in a while should also do so and see what's new. I strongly encourage all C.A.R.S. members to join the ARRL if they are not already members.

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Don't forget, the October meeting will be at the Fugi in Parma's Midtown Shopping Plaza. Dinner will be available at 6:00 and the meeting will start at 7:30. Please don't skip the meeting if you don't want dinner. John Meyers, KD8MQ, the Ohio Section Affiliated Club Coordinator will give a presentation. Hope to see you there.

73, Toby, WT8O

SEPTEMBER MEETING MINUTES

By Dwaine Modock, K8ME,
CARS Secretary

The CARS membership meeting was called to order by President Toby Kolman, WT8O, on Sept. 13th, 2016.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given and introductions were made. The August meeting minutes were approved as they appeared in the September Wobbly Oscillator Newsletter.

Bob W8GC, did not attend because of family issues. Toby WT8O Reported the treasury report.

Vice President Mark Moro, WJ8WM, reported on the Parity act that is under discussion.

Refer to ARRL web-site for more information. The Rt. route 66 contest is on; you only have to work one station to receive a certificate.

The Cleveland Hamfest is on September 25, Cars will have two tables, so bring your items to sell, put it on the table. NI8Z & WB8N will be handling the tables with others.

Dwaine, K8ME, reported that the 2017 bus to Dayton is slowly being organized. A new location will be in Xenia, Ohio at the Green County Fairgrounds, all other info will be the same as last year, New fliers will be at the cars meetings plus future hamfests. We will have same size

bus and perks. The Flea Market will be in the center of the race track. contact W8CI for more details.

Toby, WT8O, stated that the October Dinner meeting motion was made by Linda N8LRS and Seconded by Joe NC8J. It will be at the FUGI Restaurant on snow road.

Tom, WB8N, thanked all that participated in the diabetic walk.

Toby and Mark are working on re-establishing ARRL Special Service Club Status for CARS. Metro, W8MET, reported that there were 2 tech & 1 general licence passed at the recent VE Session.

Andy, KD8SCV, passed get well cards around for Steve, K8SAS & Betty Check.

Toby mentioned that he wants to form discussion groups... under discussion.

The refreshment committee; Rich NW8X, Ed WB8ROK, & Darren K8DMT is still going strong.

The 50/50 raffle winner was Ed, WB8ROK who took home \$34.00, with \$34.00 going to CARS.

The meeting Adjourned at 8:20pm

A presentation on Raspberry Pi was given by Jeff Kopcak, K8JTK which was enjoyed by all present.

DX'ERS

By Bob Liddy, K8BL

Do you have QSL's to send out to DX Stations via the ARRL Outgoing Buro? If you want to beat the big price increase, you should get your Cards to the Buro before 11/1/16! The current typical prices are as follows: 10 Cards or less = \$2.00 20 Cards or less = \$3.00 21+ Cards = \$0.75 per ounce, Example: 10 oz. (~100 Cards) = \$7.50

Beginning 11/1/16, these prices will be as follows: 10 Cards or less = \$1.15 + 7.00 Fee = \$8.15, 20 Cards or less = \$2.30

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+ 7.00 Fee = \$9.30, 21+ Cards = \$1.15 per ounce + 7.00 Fee, Example: 10 oz. (100 Cards) = 11.50 + 7.00 = \$18.50.

So, as you can see, the price per ounce goes up PLUS there will be an added Fee of \$7.00 for each submission. The cost of exchanging physical QSLs is shooting way up! At this rate, the days of the paper QSL Card will be over in the near future.

GL/73, de Bob Liddy, k8BL

SPECIAL EVENT

By Metro Sinko, W8MET

Linda, N8LRS, & Metro, W8MET both worked the special event, National POW/MIA Recognition Day. Linda worked 40 meters phone & Metro worked CW, working a total of 240 QSO's, with Linda doing 219 Q's while Metro logged, using the popular N3FJP logging program. (*I worked Linda on 40 meters for this event, with NI8Z, K8ARP & K8ME working them too. Ed*)

THE RANDOM WIRE

By Tom Wayne, WB8N

ANOTHER CLEVELAND HAMFEST
Well, another Cleveland Hamfest has come and gone. The outside flea market was well attended & the weather was great...lots of items to be had. The inside tables were less well attended, which was disappointing to me. CARS had two tables, but not much was sold.

QCWA, NODXA, ARRL had tables indoors, and a few vendors had indoor tables...one which got \$20 of my money for a 4 dvd set of Jean Shepherd collection of old time radio. Jean Shepherd wrote & has the voice of Ralphie, and narrated the ever popular "The Christmas Story". I also bought a ceramic knife in the flea market. Let me

tell ya, those knives are sharp! I went home & promptly cut myself slicing a tomato, almost sliced off the end of my middle finger, left hand. I must say that I'm more careful now.

THAT'S ALL FOR THIS MONTH

I'll see you at the next meeting or catch you on the net.

73, de Tom, WB8N

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OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

K8AAB	Bob Evans	10/04/1941
K8DMT	Darren Turk	10/20/1971
K8SAS	Steve Spisak	10/12/ \\\\
N8GXR	James Glor	10/22/1949
N8VTA	Brian Dewitt	10/25/1955
W8NDL	Wendel Ebersole	10/03/1950
WD8IOU	David Autry JR.	10/26/1955
WT8O	Toby Kolman	10/04/1948

Many Happy Returns to You All!!!

Be Sure to attend the October meeting, check into the CARS weekly net and to take part in as many CARS activities as you can. Don't forget that the December meeting is the annual Christmas party. Hope to be there and see you there as well.

73, de Tom, WB8N