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March 2011

NOARS Meetings Are Held at the
Elyria Police Department Community Room
On The Third Monday
Every Month! @ 7:30 P.M.



V.E. Exam Schedule:
1 P.M. Third Sunday of each Month.
Elyria Red Cross, 2929 W. River Rd N. Elyria, OH

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
* Meeting		1 10M Net 8PM	2 ** NOARS NET 9 pm. NCS: WD8ADE	3 Tech NET 8 pm. NCS: WB3JVK	4	5
6	7	8 10M Net 8PM	9 ** NOARS NET 9 pm. NCS: K8HRD	10 Tech NET 8 pm. NCS: W8KYZ	11	12
13	14	15 10M Net 8PM	16 **NOARS NET 9 pm. NCS: KD8JAN	17 Tech NET 8pm NCS: WD8IQJ	18	19
20 VE Testing 1PM	21*	22 10M Net 8PM	23 **NOARS NET 9 pm. NCS: KD8MUW	24 Tech NET 8pm NCS: W8ADV	25	26
27	28	29 10M Net 8PM	30 **NOARS NET 9 pm. NCS: WD8IQJ	31 Tech NET 8pm NCS: K8WRS	** Amateur Radio Newline 8:00PM Wednesdays	

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The Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society **K8KRG**



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Have you had enough snow and cold weather? Boy, I sure have. I think this is one of the worst winters I can remember in some time. There are parts of the country that have had it much worse but I am still at my limit. My front yard is still full of broken limbs and branches from a large limb from my neighbor's tree came crashing down at 3:30AM on Monday, February 21st. It sounded and felt like an earthquake. I hope all your antennas survived the ice that coated and weighed them down. I lost my dipole when the branch hit it on the way down but all my aluminum is still up there. Of course, the SWR went out the door. My SWR protection on 2 meters and 436 MHz cut my power out back to less than 15 watts from a normal 50-100 watts. I could not work any of the satellites that I normally work.

I am sorry we had to cancel the February meeting. After talking with Tom and others on Monday afternoon, we felt the roads were clear enough to hold the meeting, so I purchased the donuts and was prepared to get Dee and head out towards Elyria when the snows hit. I received another call from Tom W8KYZ stating that it was getting very bad in his area. We thought it best to cancel since the forecast was for more wintry weather throughout the evening and overnight. The donuts were donated to the Cleveland Fire Fighters at the West Park station. They were very appreciative.

The meeting cancellation presents a problem for some of you who intended to renew your membership at the meeting. In order to accommodate you, we are going to extend the renewal grace period until the meeting on March 21. This will be absolutely the last opportunity to renew. If possible, however, try to make arrangements earlier by contacting Julie WD8ADE or Tom W8KYZ.

Until next month...

73,
Carl W8KRF

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Who's who at NOARS?

2011 Elected Officials

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NOARS IS ON THE AIR!

Weekly Nets:

28.360 MHz Tuesday Night 10 Meter Net 8pm local time
NCS: NC8X
146.700 Wednesday Night Rag Chew Net 9pm local time
NCS: WD8OFG – WA8ADE – KD8MUW–WD8IQJ
146.700 Thursday Technical Discussion Net 8pm Local time
NCS: W8KYZ – WB3JVK – WD8IQJ – K8WRS
All are welcome on NOARS nets!

Roll Call: February Meeting:
members and guests in attendance

Meeting was cancelled due to bad weather

Membership News:

- Harold K8HRD, our Net Manager, is seeking someone to take Net Control duties on the 4th Thursday of each month. Whether you have net control experience or not, you should consider giving it a try. John WD8IQJ has developed a logging program that makes taking check-ins much easier once you learn how to use it. If you would like to experiment with the program, contact John and he will gladly send you the program and instruct you on how to use it although it is mostly very self explanatory.
- We would like to welcome the following new members: Mark Studer KC8FQV from Aurora; NN8E Kelly Flowers from Sheffield Village; KC8QML Nadine Ellis and N8QMK Michael Ellis from Vermilion.
- EchoLink is mostly operational on the 146.700 repeater. There is still some work to do so we can connect to EchoLink through the repeater and also have gated PL so our courtesy beep and announcement will not be broadcast over the EchoLink server and we will not have to wait for the repeater to drop in order for some EchoLink stations to transmit.
- Congratulations to Andy N8OFS for becoming a General Class licensee. That was a surprise. Now, can we get him to work 40 meters during Field Day?
- Congratulations to Billy Oakes, KD8POV and Matt Carey, KD8POW for passing the exams at the February VE testing. We have offered them a one year free membership to NOARS.

[TMRA Hamfest/Computer Fair](#)

Location: Perrysburg, OH

Type: ARRL Hamfest

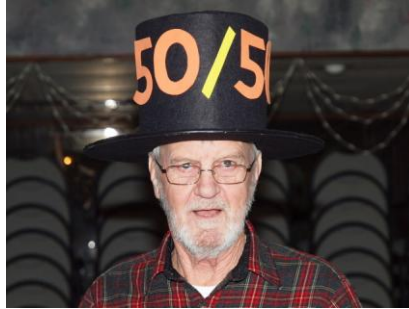
Sunday, March 20, 2011

8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Sponsor: Toledo Mobile Radio Association (TMRA)

Website: <http://www.tmrahamradio.org>

Since there are no minutes we will fill the space with pictures from our Winter Hamfest thanks to Bob W8RET.



**A Few Of The Callsigns Heard On The
NOARS Nets. Wednesday and Thursdays nights
On The 146.700 & 444.800 Repeaters In Elyria
February 1 – February 24**

**WD8ADE – WD8ADG – W8ADV – KC8AGU – K8AGW – K8CMD
- KC8FQV – W8FJR – KC8GPP – W8GWD – N8HDE – K8HRD –
WD8IQJ – KD8JAN – K8JWS – WB3JVK – KD8KAA – W8KRF
- W8KYS – W8KYZ – K8LP – KD8LQU – KD8MCN – KD8MUW –
KD8NIR – WA8NJP – KF8PM – KD8POW – N8PZD – KC8QML –
N8QMK – W8RET – K8RRH – N4RRE – K8RWC – KB8TK –
WB8UPA – KA8VTS – W8WFQ – KA8WQL – K8WRS – NC8X**

NOARS Has Three Nets For You!

on 146.700 & 444.800 MHz Repeaters, and 28.360MHz

The 8:00 PM Tuesday Night 10 M Net

Join Tim, NC8X for the ever growing net.

The 9:00 PM Wednesday Night Rag Chew Net

One of the longest running two meter nets in northern Ohio! You
all are welcome to this informal friendly net.

Hosted by: WD8ADE – K8HRD – KD8MUW – WD8IQJ

The 8:00 PM Thursday Technical Discussion Net.

You don't have to be a techno-geek to enjoy this friendly net
slanted toward the technical side of the hobby.

Hosted by: W8KYZ – WB3JVK – WD8IQJ – W8ADV

Where's the DX?

Taken From *KB8NW* Tedd's OPDX Bulletin.

NOTE! This is but a very small part of the complete OPDX Bulletin that can be found at www.papays.com/

- BV100, TAIWAN** Members of the Republic of China (Taiwan) Centenary Foundation will be activating special event station BV100 during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) from **Shao-Liu-Chiu Island (BV9, AS-155)** as a Multi-? entry. This special event is to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Republic of China (Taiwan). Look for it to be active throughout the year until the end of the year. Operations will be on all bands and modes. Complete details on a operating schedule and how to earn a BV100 award is available at: <http://www.bv100.tw/EN> QSL via BV2KI at: Bruce Yih, P.O.Box 84-609 Taipei, Taiwan 100 **ADDED NOTE:** Operators mentioned for the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest are BM2AAV, BU2AT, BV2DD, BV2KI, BV2KS, BV2NT, BX2AB and BX9AAA.
- EL, LIBERIA** The next DXpedition by the I2YSB team will take place from Liberia between March 31st and April 13th. The callsign will be announced at a later date. The team will consist of Silvano/I2YSB, Vinicio/IK2CIO, Angelo/IK2CKR, Marcello/IK2DIA and Stefano/IK2HKT. The pilot station will be Art/IK7JWY. The group plans to use 3 stations for the HF bands and one other for the 50 MHz band (w/beacon and cubical quad antenna). Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. An online log will be provided by IH9GPL. QSL via I2YSB. The official Web site is at: <http://www.i2ysb.com> Official forum (for any comment, suggestion or to contact the pilot) is available at: <http://www.hamradioweb.org/forums>
- GJ, JERSEY** Russell, G5XW, will be active as GJ5XW from the **Ile of Jersey (EU-013, WLOTA 0818)** between March 24-31th. Activity will be on the HF bands but will also include the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th). QSL via G5XW, direct only (QRZ.com).
- IOTA NEWS AS-049.** Take, JI3DST, will be active as JI3DST/JI6 from **Kuchino-shima, Tokara Archipelago** (Kagoshima-Pref; located in JA6 area; takes 20 hours by ship to reach), between March 11-20th. Operations will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, FM, RTTY and PSK31. QSL JI3DST/JI6 via JI3DST by the Bureau. PLEASE NOTE: His activity will be from two different locations on either side of a volcanic edge to benefit different regions: QTH 1 - For NA, SA, JA and other areas on 40-6m, between 2300-0300z and 0400-0600z. QTH 2 - For EU, AF, JA and other areas on 160-6m between 0800-2200z. **EU-120.** Operators Kevan/2E0WVG and Jonathan/G0DVJ will be active from **Lundy Island** (English Coastal Islands) between March 21-26th. Activity will be on all HF bands 80-10 meters. G0DVJ will be on CW/SSB, while 2E0WVG will be on SSB only. QSL details on (QRZ.com). **OC-138.** (Update) Craig, VK4LDX, will be active as VK4LDX/P from **Horn Island** between March 10-14th. Activity was originally going to be holiday style, but now it is a full time DXpedition. Craig plans to operate 18 hours per day. Operation will start at/around 0800z, March 10th. He will use a 40m dipole, Butternut HF9V vertical and a Spiderbeam 20/15/10m tri-bander. Modes will be on SSB, PSK31 and RTTY (he doesn't do CW). QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. He does not use eQSL or LoTW. **ADDED NOTE:** This IOTA has only been claimed by 19.5% of participants, it was last activated in 2007 for 2 days and prior to that for two days in 2002.
- PJ2, CURACAO (Update)** Operators Don/W5FKX, Jim/N5HZ, Dave/W5XU and Mike/W5ZPA (all members of the Delta DX Association) will be active as PJ2/homecall from the Signal Point Station (PJ2T) on **Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942)** between March 10-17th. Activity will be on all bands, 160-10 meters, depending upon propagation conditions and using all modes (CW, SSB, RTTY/PSK). All QSLs for this should be sent via the individual operator's home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. It is expected that logs will be uploaded to LoTW after the operation. For updates, pictures and an online log search, visit: <http://www.deltadx.net/Activities/PJ2/PJ2-DDXA.htm>
- PJ7, SINT MAARTEN** Bil/W8EB and his wife Dorothy/W8DVC will once again be here between February 21st and March 19th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 as PJ7/W8EB and possibly PJ7/W8DVC. Operations will be limited because he is on holiday. Bil will operate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 5-6th) as PJ7B, and as a Single-Op/All-Band/ Low-Power entry. This will be Bil's 16th consecutive ARRL DX SSB Contest participation from St. Maarten. Also look for him to be in any RTTY contests. All QSL requests go to
- V2, ANTIGUA** Operators Babs/DL7AFS and Lot/DJ7ZG will once again be active as V21ZG from Antigua (NA-100) between now and throughout March. Activity will be on 80-6 meters with operations mainly on RTTY, PSK and SSB. They plan to look for JA stations and QRP stations. QSL via DL7AFS.
- VK9C, COCOS KEELING ISLANDS (Update/Reminder)** Operators Phil/G3SWH and Jim/G3RTE will be active from West Island in the Cocos (Keeling) Islands between February 22nd and March 5th. **The Cocos (Keeling) Islands count as OC-003 for IOTA purposes.** The 2010 "Most Wanted" survey by the DX Magazine shows the Cocos (Keeling) Islands at #76 worldwide for DXCC purposes. Both operators will use the single callsign of VK9C/G6AY. Their activity will be on CW only on all bands 80-10 meters. There will be no 160, 6 meters or EME activity. Propagation permitting, they plan to have two stations on the air for as many hours every day as is possible. Their main objective is to work as many European, North American and ROTW stations on as many different bands as possible and plan to make at least 15,000 QSOs. QSL via G3SWH, either direct with SAE and adequate return postage (recommended), via Phil's web site for a bureau reply or via the Bureau. This will be a very expensive DXpedition. They are happy to meet the costs of transport to and from the islands, but are seeking sponsorship and donations from individuals, DX clubs and organizations towards their living expenses on the island, printing QSLs and the like. There is more information at: <http://www.g3swh.org.uk/vk9c-g6ay.html>
- VP2M, MONTSERRAT** Philip, WA1ZAM, will be here between March 1-8th. Call sign is not known yet. Activity will be on the HF bands and he plans to be in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 6-7th). Also, look for possible activity before and after the contest. QSL via his home callsign.

Please Note: This is only a SMALL part of: *OPDX Bulletin #995 LOG* onto: www.papays.com for the rest (Space permitting, only the parts relative to the time of Distribution of The N.O.A.R.S. Log Were Included Here)

MARCH CONTEST CORNER			MODE		
DATE	BANDS	NAME	PH	CW	DG
3/5-3/6	160-10	ARRL Int'l Phone DX Contest	X		
3/8	80-10	ARS Spartan Sprint		X	
3/12-3/13	2, 10G+	Worldwide EME Contest	X	X	
3/13	80-20	North America RTTY Sprint			X
3/19	10	10-10 Mobile QSO Party	X	X	X
3/26-3/27	160-10	CQ WPX SSB Contest			

Check for updates, additional contests, and a downloadable PDF version online at www.arrl.org/contests

Got 6?

Contributed By N8OFS Andy

V47JA (IOTA_NA-104) [SMIRK#5300]
 DATE: FEB16-MAR30 2011
 OPRS: W5JON (JOHN)
 QSLM: W5JON (JOHN)
 GRID: FK87PG
 FREQ: USB
 PWR: 100W
 ANT: 5EL
 URL: <http://mmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3643>

WANT MORE Got 6?

Go to: <http://www.noars.net/got6/GOT6.txt>

For Sale & Advertisement's Page

All Submissions must be sent to w8krf at noars dot net or to: NOARS Log, 161 Herrmann Drive, Avon Lake, OH. 44012
 Deadline for submissions is the Third Tuesday of each month. All must include Asking price, sellers name, call sign and phone number.
 Ad's from current NOARS members (or paying advertisers) only will be accepted! Notice! All ad's will be removed after three months (as space is needed) unless updated! NOARS reserves the right to refuse ads at our discretion.

HF Rigs:

MFJ 9420 (20M SSB Transceiver).....\$105.00
 Kenwood TS-520 w/Power Supply.....\$200.00
 Yaesu FT-301D w/ Power Supply/Sppeaker...\$250.00

Receiver:

Hallicrafters S-40B w/ Heathkit Multiplier....\$55.00

Power Supplies:

Belmoor BM-4, 4 Amp.....\$20.00
 Micronta 1.75 Amp.....\$10.00
 Pyramid PhaseIII, PS-25 Amp.....\$65.00

Mics:

Tempco HM-5 (5 pin round).....\$ 5.00
 Radio Shack 21-1172 (5 pin round).....\$ 5.00
 Shure Table Mic (4 pin round).....\$15.00

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Contact Tom, W8KYZ at 440.930.9115

Speakers:

Midland 21-410A, 10 watt power spkr....\$15.00
 Lansing ACS43 Computer Spkrs.....\$20.00
 Big Mouth 2" spkr w/ bracket.....\$10.00
 NEC computer spkr.....\$ 5.00

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Bencher YA-1, 1.5KW.....\$15.00
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 Drake TV-42 100W.....\$10.00

Miscellaneous:

Icom BC-30 Battery Charger.....\$15.00
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 Weller Soldering Gun D550 (200/275)....\$20.00
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 Headphones, Nova 20, Stereo.....\$15.00
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 Ameco CN (VHF Converter w/ supply)....\$10.00

CB:

Uniden Pro 510XL (No mic).....\$20.00

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**If interested, contact Tom, W8KYZ at
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WD8IQJ John (216) 544-5761

6/09

- **Beam Antenna SIX Meters** 5 element antenna (Cushcraft?) New hardware! Get ready for the next summer's band openings!
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If you haven't signed up, please contact:

Tim Allen, NC8X
NOARS Liaison, ARES

Jeff Evans, KB8ZUN
Emergency Coordinator

Mission Statement:

[The Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society](#)

is a public service organization with the purpose and goal to enhance the Amateur Radio Service through education and fellowship.

- Meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. sharp on the third Monday of every month at the Elyria Police Department Community Room, 18 West Ave in Elyria, OH.
- The meetings are open to the public. And all are welcome. Tune to the 9 pm Wednesday night NOARS net on the 146.700/444.800 MHz. repeaters located on the E.S.T. bank Building in Elyria, Ohio for changes or updates in this schedule. Also the 146.700/444.8 repeater hosts the technical discussion net on Thursday Night at 8:00 pm.
- N.O.A.R.S. Repeaters can be heard at 146.700 (-) PL 110.9 & 444.800 (-) PL 131.8 in Elyria, OH, as well as, 145.150 (-) PL 110.9 in North Royalton, OH.
- Regularly scheduled NOARS nets are every Tuesday night at 8 pm on 28.360 MHz, Wednesday night at 9 pm. for the rag-chew net and every Thursday night at 8 pm. for the technical discussion net on 146.700/444.800. All licensed amateurs are welcome. NOARS membership is not necessary to participate. In fact all participation is encouraged and appreciated.
- NOARS can be found on the World Wide Web at: [http://www\(dot\)noars\(dot\)net](http://www(dot)noars(dot)net)
- NOARS Hosts two hamfest/computer shows annually. The winter hamfest in early February and the summer classic NOARSFEST hamfest and computer show in mid July.

If this is your first copy of the NOARS log. Why not become a member and receive it on a monthly basis? Membership is open to anyone interested in communications. The dues schedule is: Full \$10, Associate \$5 (non - licensed), Family members of a full member are only \$2 ea. Make checks payable to NOARS and mail them to:

[NOARS Membership Committee, 161 Herrmann Drive, Avon Lake, OH 44012](#)



The Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society Membership Application

Mail completed form with a check/money order to:
NOARS- Membership
161 Herrmann Drive
Avon Lake, OH 44012

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Expiration date: 12 / 31 / _____ ARRL Member? (Circle one) Y N

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City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

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Phone: (____) _____ Keep Private**

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