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October 2013

NOARS Membership Meetings Are Held at:
Gander Mountain (Gander Lodge Room)
On The Third Monday
Every Month @ 7:00 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
		1 10M Net 8PM 28.370 +/-	2 ARN 8PM Tech Class	3 Weekly NET 8 pm NCS: NQ8T	4 ARN 7PM	5
6	7	8 10M Net 8PM 28.370 +/-	9 ARN 8PM Tech Class	10 Weekly NET 8 pm NCS: W8KYZ	11 ARN 7pm	12
13	14	15 10M Net 8PM 28.370 +/-	16 ARN 8PM Tech Class	17 Weekly NET 8 pm NCS: KD8JNK	18 ARN 7pm	19
20 VE Testing @ Elyria Red Cross	21 Meeting	22 10M Net 8PM 28.370 +/-	23 ARN 8PM Tech Class	24 Weekly NET 8 pm NCS: N8CX	25 ARN 7pm	26
27	28	29 10M Net 8PM 28.370 +/-	30 ARN 8PM VE Testing*	31 Weekly NET 8 pm NCS: NQ8T	* VE testing – Walk-ins permitted	

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The Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society **K8KRG**



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Welcome To NOARS Country

Greetings all,

Man, is time flying. I wish it would have passed this fast when I was sitting in 8th grade English class.

Fall is officially here and it might be a good time to winterize your antennas, etc. As I publish this edition of the NOARS Log, I am preparing for an antenna party here at my QTH. It is no easy task working on my antenna system as a few of you know. I have lost a pre-amp on my two meter satellite antenna, the elevation rotor feedback is intermittent, there is a loose coaxial line on my dual band antenna on the chimney, and a bent mast at one end of my OCFD suffered when the remnants of Sandy passed through last October. There is plenty to do and a great group of guys coming to do it. There is absolutely no way I could even attempt to do this alone. I deeply appreciate that we have members who selflessly sacrifice their time, especially when the weather is so nice, to help fix problems for those of us who can't do it ourselves. Thank you Tim, Alex, and Steve. See pictures on page 3 & 7.

Until next month...73,

Carl W8KRF

Who's who at NOARS?

(And How to Contact Them)

2013 Elected Officials

President2013atnoarsdotnet:.....W8KRF Carl Rimmer
Vicepresident2013atnoarsdotnet:..N8QL Alex Pasini
Treasurer2013atnoarsdotnet:.....W8KYZ Tom Porter
Secretary2013atnoarsdotnet:.....KA8VTS Darlene Ohman

K8KRG License Trustee

trusteeatnoarsdotnet N8CX Al Moriarty

Committee Heads for 2013

Newsletter Production: W8KRF Carl (Editor)
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A.R.R.L. V.E.....W8KYZ Tom Porter
W8KRF Carl Rimmer
W8GWD Joseph Cebula
N8QL Alex Pasini
K8IC Bill Eisenberg
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Membership2013atnoarsdotnet: W8KRF Carl Rimmer
DX/Field Day Chair: N8CX Al Moriarty
Net Operations Manager: NQ8T Steve Hill
Hamfest Chair: KA8VTS Darlene Ohman
Webdesignatnoarsdotnet: W8KRF Carl Rimmer
Sunshine Committee: W8FJR Frank Reese
Repeater Upkeep: WB3JVK Stephen Robbins
K8IC Bill Isenberg
N8PZD Clark Beckman
Elmer: (Open)
Parliamentarian: K8WRS Dave Semanik

NOARS IS ON THE AIR!

Weekly Nets:

28.370 MHz Tuesday Night 10 Meter Net 8pm local time
NCS: NC8X

146.70 (-) PL 110.9 Thursday Weekly Net 8pm Local time
NCS: NQ8T - W8KYZ- KD8JNK - N8CX

All are welcome on NOARS nets!



Happy Birthday to the following members:

KD8KAA Gary * AC8LL Joe

* ed. Note If your birthday doesn't appear here its a good chance that its not in our database! Please contact: Carl W8KRF and update us!

NOARS NEWS

One of the goals of the Education Committee under the co-leadership of Rudy, KE4SJC and Alex, N8QL, is to present a short program at each of our monthly meetings highlighting an aspect of ham radio which will inform and educate members who may wish to upgrade or become aware of aspects of the hobby which they may have never experienced. If there is a topic which you would like to see presented, please contact Rudy or Alex at education (at) noars (dot) net.

Sunshine Committee Reports

W8FJR Frank

Nothing to report again this month.

Frank asks that anyone who becomes aware of a member becoming ill or being hospitalized, please contact him.

Membership News!

New Members Richard Miller, KD8UKH and Mike Kuchta KD8VOY received their Technician license and were given complementary memberships. Rich lives in Hinckley, OH. Mike lives in North Ridgeville. Welcome to NOARS, Rich and Mike.

PUMPKIN PATROL

It is that time of the year again when we are asked to assist with a very important public service operation called Pumpkin Patrol. The dates for this year's operation are Thursday, October 31, Friday, November 1, and Saturday, November 2. The times are 6PM-12AM. Net control will be set up at the Elyria Post of the Highway Patrol at around 6:00 PM each night. The post is located on 38000 Cletus Drive North Ridgeville Ohio off Durkee Rd.

Coordinator Keith Cook, KD8GXL states: "We can use you for one hour, one night or whatever fits your schedule." Contact Keith if you want to volunteer or have any questions by sending an email to:

pumpkinpatrolloraincounty@gmail.com

Nominations and Elections

It is that time of the year again.

The Nominating committee consisting of Bob W8RET, Frank W8FJR, and John N8RVE, will present nominations to the membership during the October meeting. Nominations will also be taken from the floor. A member must have attended at least 4 meetings during the past year to be eligible for nomination.

Please attend the meeting and support this process.

W8KRF Antenna Party

Alex N8QL, Tim NC8X, & Steve NQ8T



Roll Call: September 16, 2013 Meeting**21 Members And Guests In Attendance**

K8AGW Dan	W8KRF Carl	W8RET Bob	W8FJR Frank	KA8VTS Darlene
N8QL Alex	Brian Dawson	KD8JNK Morgan	KD8TCZ Stephanie	W8KYZ Tom
N8RVE John	KD8MUF John	W8GWD Joe	KE9CJI Mary	NQ8T Steve
KF8PM Alan	N8PZD Clark	KD2EPO John	W8ANJ Steve	W1AFC David
		NC8X Tim		

Minutes of the September 16, 2013 Meeting**Submitted by: Darlene Ohman, KA8VTS**

The meeting began at 7:00 p.m., 21 members and guests present.

- **Treasurers Report:** Tom Porter, W8KYZ, a motion was made and seconded to accept the treasurers report as given. The motion was passed.
- **Secretaries Report:** Darlene Ohman, KA8VTS, there were no minutes last month because of the picnic.
- **Education Committee:** Rudy Fox, KE4SJC, was not in attendance. We are having a Technician class at St. Joseph Learning Center off of Lorain. The class is going well, but we don't have very good attendance, we only have 2 students. We will probably have a General class starting in February or early March. If you need a manual, please let Tom Porter know, the club can get it cheaper.
- **Newsletter:** Carl Rimmer, W8KRF, If you have items to sell, or an article you want to see in the newsletter get the information to me no later than the last Monday of the month. I need more things to put in the newsletter.
- **Membership:** Carl Rimmer, W8KRF, as of tonight we have 103 members.
- **Nets:** Steve Hill, NQ8T, we had 43 check-ins. We had 3 DX on the 10 meter net. The Tuesday night net is going well on 28.370, we have 8-10 check-ins, Tim Allen, NC8X does a great job.
- **Sunshine:** Frank Reese, W8FJR, if you know of anyone who is in the hospital or has passed away, email me.
- **Web Site:** Carl Rimmer, W8KRF, we were having trouble with malware on the website, so I rebuilt it all.
- **DX:** Al Moriarty, N8CX, was not in attendance. There was a brief discussion re: Galapagos Island and Bear Island.
- **Repeaters:** Carl and Clark went up to the 5.15 site and the receiver is really bad. We will probably take it down and fix it.

Old Business:

NOARSfest: Because of the rain the attendance was down from last year. We did not have any flea market vendors. Therefore, are profit was way down also. But hopefully next year will be better.

Picnic: We had a good time. There were 36 people that attended. Sandy played his fiddle and entertained us all.

New Business:

Pumpkin Patrol: Keith, KD8GXL, this is the 51st year. (See Pumpkin Patrol above.)

Winter Hamfest: We are set for February 2, 2014 at the VFW Hall in Elyria. We have made a deposit on the site. The Hamfest will start at 9:00 a.m. and the vendors can setup at 8:00 a.m.

Nomination Committee: The nominating committee will consist of: Frank Reese, Bob Tome and John Morris

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

A Few Of The Call-Signs Heard On The NOARS Nets September 2013

Thursday Nights

K8AGW – K8RWC – KA8WQL – NQ8T – W8BHJ – W8KYS –
W8RET – KD8VIO – NC8X – W1AFC – W8FJR – W8KRF –
W8KYZ – W8WFQ – WB8UPA – K8TV – W8TMR – NK3J –
KD8VIQ – KI8DR – KD8BIN – KC2VPE – KB8TK

Tuesday 10 Meter Check-ins

NC8X (NCS) – K8AGW – KF8PM – W8RET – W8FJR – KA8WQL
– KD8MUF – W8KYZ – KD7HZP – K8RWC – W8GWD – NQ8T –
W8KRF

NOARS Has Two Nets For You!

On: 146.700 MHz Repeater, and 28.370 MHz

The 8:00 PM Tuesday Night 10 M Net

Join Tim, NC8X for this ever growing net.

The 8:00 PM Thursday Rag Chew /Tech Net.

Join us for our weekly 2M repeater rag chew and tech net
Hosted by: NQ8T - W8KYZ- N8CX - KD8JNK

Our repeater has been offered as a backup for the Burning River
Traffic Net which operates at 9:30 each evening.

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- **9H, MALTA (Monkeys Invade Gozo Island?? [see QRZ.com])** Operators Rich/KE1B and Anna/W6NN will be active as 9H3MMM and 9H3NN, respectively from Gozo Island (EU-023) between August 21-26th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters, including 30/17/12m and using CW, SSB and RTTY. They expect to have InterNet access, and plan to upload logs to Clublog daily. You can check your QSO status and request a QSL card via the Online QSL Request System (OQRS). QSL via their home callsigns, direct and by the Bureau (see QRZ.com for details). All logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL after the DXpedition (late August 2013).
- **9H, MALTA** Orazio, IT9DBF, will be active as 9H3BF on Malta (EU-023) between September 2-6th. Activity will be on 20 meters using a Yaesu FT-897D powered by a solar panel and battery. QSL via IT9DBF direct or eQSL via his main callsign.
- **9M2, WEST MALAYSIA** Mirek, VK6DXI, will once again be active as 9M8DX/2 from Kuala Lumpur between August 18th and September 3rd. Activity will be limited since this is a business trip, but he will operate after "working hours" on some CW during his local evening hours. QSL via SP5UAF.
- **CENTRAL AMERICAN TOUR** Look for Rick, AI5P, to be active from some of the following Central America countries throughout the month of September. His tentative schedule is as follows: **Panama - Callsign HP1/AI5P**; between August 31st and September 6th **El Salvador - Callsign YS1/AI5P**; between September 6-12th **Nicaragua - Callsign YN2PX**; between September 12-23rd
- **E6, NIUE** Adam, K7ST, is now active as E6ST from **Niue (OC-040)**. The length of his stay is unknown at this time. Activity so far has been on 20 meters SSB, but he does have capabilities to operate on 40/20/17/15 meters. Adam is running 100 watts and a vertical. QSL E6ST via EA5GL. ADDED NOTE: Adam's next stop will be sailing to Tonga aboard the "SV Bravo". Read more about Adam's and his XYL Cindy, KF7UPL, sailing trip on the "SV Bravo" which started from Seattle, Washington, in September 2010, with great photos at: <http://www.svbravo.blogspot.com>
- **IOTA NEWS**
NA-004/ Rick, K6VVA, will activate **Crescent Island** (NEW USI) next year **OC-108**. Reports indicate that **Anambas Island** will take place during mid-September after the YE5S activity (see OPDX.1121) . **OC-197**. (Update) Adhi (Bimbo), YB3MM, will be active as YB3MM/p from **Bawean Island** between August 24-25th. Operations may be post-poned or cancelled depending on the weather. Activity will be on 20 and 15 meters using a Kenwood TS-450 into monobander beams. QSL via IZ8CCW, direct or PayPal. For updates, watch his Web Blog page at: <http://www.yb3mm.com>

Please Note: This is only a SMALL part of: OPDX Bulletin 1124. 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)

NEW CONTEST (RaDAR 2013)

The RaDAR-America contest is an event aimed at promoting the use of Rapidly Deployable Amateur Radio stations throughout North and South America. This contest is for all licensed radio amateurs. A choice is made prior to the contest to participate in one of the defined categories. The points system is so structured as to encourage portable operation, especially moveable stations. The event takes place the first Saturday of April and first Saturday of November starting at 14:00 UTC and ending at 18:00 UTC (4 hours). Complete rules can be found at:

<http://radar-america.blogspot.com>

OCTOBER CONTEST CORNER (Times in UTC)			MODE		
DATE TIME	BANDS	NAME	PH	CW	DG
10/5 0000-2400	160-10,6	TARA PSK Rumble			X
10/9 7 pm-11pm	432	432 MHz Fall VHF Sprint	X	X	X
10/10 0001 – 2359	10	10-10 Sprint	X	X	X
10/10 0030 – 0230	80-10	NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint		X	
10/12 1700 – 2100	80-10	FISTS Fall Sprint		X	
10/13 0000 – 0400	80-20	NA RTTY Sprint			X
10/21 1300 – 2359	160-10,6+	School Club Roundup	X	X	X
10/31 0000 – 2359	160-10, 6, 2	Haunted Lighthouse QSO Party	X	X	X

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

For Sale & Advertisement's Page

All Submissions must be sent to [noarslog\(at\)noars.net](mailto:noarslog(at)noars.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 (unless updated) after three months (as space is needed)! NOARS reserves the right to refuse ads at our discretion.

FOR SALE

HT

Alinco DJ-580T/E, 2/440, charger, spkr. mic., needs battery. \$25.00

ANTENNAS

2/440 Icom, Alinco, Yaseu, Santec, HT antennas. \$5.00
 AEA, MFJ, and Vocom telescoping antennas. \$5.00
 FREE Cushcraft 18 element, 2m Boomer antenna.

PRINTED MATERIAL

ARRL 1961 Handbook	\$5.00
ARRL 1962 "	\$5.00
ARRL 1977 "	\$5.00

LOW PASS FILTERS

Drake TV-42-LP, 100w.	\$10.00
Gold Line 1000w.	5.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Morse code cassette tapes, 5wpm and up.	\$5.00
ICOM leather case for 2AT	\$5.00
Mobile radio mounting bracket	\$5.00
Two cooling fans. 12vdc/.15a. and 12vdc/.25a.	Both for \$5.00
K-COM RF-1, phone filter.	\$3.00

MAKE OFFERS TO W8KYZ, TOM, 440.930.9115

For Sale

Kenwood TH-F6A 144/220/440MHz
 FM Tribander. Like New. Includes RT
 Systems Program and USB cable (\$49 value.)
 Manual and original box. Spare battery and
 Opek THR-30 antenna.



\$300

Contact Carl W8KRF 216-759-1245

W8ADV (SK) ESTATE SALE

ANTENNAS AND ACCESSORIES

BUCKMASTER 160-6M, long wire, 270'	
new 4/2012	\$130.00
10 meter homebrew dipole	\$ 15.00
Larsen NLA-150, 2m. mobile ant.	\$ 15.00
Larsen " " " " " w/mag mt.	\$30.00
Antenna insulators (\$1.00 to \$3.00)	
W2AU " " (3)	\$ 5.00
Radiowave 80m end fed connector	\$10.00
Ameritron RCS-8V remote coax switch	\$25.00

MICS. AND ACCESSORIES

MFJ-284 spkr. mic.	\$5.00
TEMPO HM-5	\$5.00
Uniden "President"	\$5.00
Magnetic mic. holder	FREE
4 pin to 8 pin mic. extension cord	\$10.00

PRINTED MATERIAL

ARRL Extra Class License Manual and Extra Class Q & A Manual	\$25.00
Yaseu FT-857D Manual	\$10.00
Icom 7200 Manual	\$10.00
Kenwood TW-4000A Manual	\$10.00

MISC.

Bencher BY-1 iambic psddle keyer	\$ 50.00
MFJ-1704, 3 position coax switch	\$ 55.00
MFJ-464 keyer/reader	\$100.00
PLCe FireWire Card (2 + 1 ports)	\$ 10.00

COMPUTER MICS

TELEX computer mic.	\$2.00
LOGITECH C160 webcam w/ mic.	\$3.00
LOGITECH H130 behind neck stereo headset w/ mic.	\$3.00
LABTEC AM-32 lapel mic	\$2.00
Cassette mic.	\$1.00

CONTACT W8KYZ, TOM, 440.930.9115

Happenings!

As most of you know, NOARS is sponsoring a Technician License class at St Joseph Community Center in Lorain, OH. Although the class only consists of two students, it is going very good with several of our members pitching in to teach. Thanks to Alex N8QL, Joe KD8MCN, Steve NQ8T, Chet K8KIZ, John N8RVE, Bob N8BSW, and others who I may have missed, for donating your time to either instruct or be there as support. At this time we are on schedule with VE Testing being planned for Wednesday, October 30, 2013. Walk-ins are welcome for the testing session.

More Antenna



←Preparing to tilt tower.

System back up with Preamp and elevation rotor removed →



Party Pix

Mast replaced with dead-man attachment →



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 7:00 p.m. sharp on the third Monday of every month at Gander Mountain's "Gander Lodge" room! It is located at 5244 Cobblestone Rd. Sheffield Village, Oh. 44035. The meetings are open to the public and all are welcome. Tune in to the 8 pm Thursday night NOARS net on the 146.700/444.800 MHZ. repeaters located downtown Elyria, Ohio for changes or updates in this schedule. 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 28.370 MHz, every Thursday night at 8 pm. for the rag chew and 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 \$15, Associate \$7 (non -licensed), Family members of a full member are only \$4 ea. Make checks payable to NOARS and mail them to:

NOARS Membership Committee, 161 Herrmann Drive, Avon Lake, OH 44012

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