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I hope everyone had a very nice Thanksgiving with family and friends. It is time for things to get hectic for many of us. Just try to remember to take time to just enjoy and appreciate what is happening around you and keep the spirit and purpose of the holiday foremost in your minds.

I have to remind all members that it is time to renew your NOARS membership for 2016 unless you have paid in advance. Annual members expire on 12/31/15 but we traditionally allow a grace period which extends until the Winter Hamfest in March. You can conveniently renew using PayPal also.

The Christmas Banquet is one week away on Saturday, Dec 5th and we made the quota,. For those who are attending, please plan to arrive at 6:00 PM. They will start serving at 6:30 PM.

Happy Holidays and 73, Carl W8KRF

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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 Public Service, Education, and Fellowship.

- Meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. sharp on the third Monday of every month at the North Ridgeville Branch of the Lorain Public Library, 35700 Bainbridge Rd, North Ridgeville, OH. 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 MHZ. repeater 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, and every Thursday night at 8 pm. for the rag chew and technical discussion net on 146.700 MHz. 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 March and the summer classic NOARSFEST hamfest and computer show in mid-July.

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

Or use PayPal by sending your personal payment to paypal(at)noars(dot)net.

Who's who at NOARS? (and how to contact them)

2015 Elected Officials

President: Clark Beckman N8PZD — President2015 at noars dot net
Vice President: Alex Pasini N8QL — vicepresident2015 at noars dot net
Treasurer: Thomas Porter W8KYZ — treasurer2015 at noars dot net
Secretary: Darlene Ohman KA8VTS — secretary2015 at noars dot net

K8KRG License Trustee

Al Moriarty N8CX — trustee at noars dot net

Committee Heads for 2015

Newsletter: Carl Rimmer W8KRF — noars at noars dot net
Education Chair: Alex Pasini N8QL — education at noars dot net
ARRL VE Team: Tom Porter W8KYZ
 Carl Rimmer W8KRF
 Joseph Cebula W8GWD
 Alex Pasini N8QL
 Bill Isenberg K8IC
 Steve Hill NQ8T
 Joe Oney W8SSE
 Jane Reed K8JGR
 Brian Kellison AC8RV
 David O'Connor II KD8MXE
Membership: Carl Rimmer W8KRF — info at noars dot net
DX/Field Day Chair: Al Moriarty N8CX
Net Operations Mgr: Robert Tome W8RET
Hamfest Chair: Darlene Ohman KA8VTS
Website: Carl Rimmer W8KRF — website at noars dot net
Sunshine: Darlene Ohman KA8VTS - sunshine at noars dot net
Repeater Upkeep: Carl Rimmer W8KRF
 Clark Beckman N8PZD
 Bill Isenberg N8IC
 Tim Allen NC8X
 Tom Porter W8KYZ
Parliamentarian: Robert Tome W8RET

Roll Call: October Meeting Attendees

21 Members And Guests In Attendance

KD8TCZ	KA8VTS	W8IMO	KD8WON	K8KIZ
W8KYZ	N8PZD	KD8MUF	KE8CJY	KC8BQI
KF8PM	W8NNC	N8QL	NQ8T	KE7CJI
NC8X	W8GWD	W8KRF	W8KFJ	K8JGR/Kevin

Minutes of the November 16, 2015 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 treasurer's report as printed in the newsletter.

Secretaries Report: Darlene Ohman, KA8VTS, a motion was made and seconded to accept the secretary's report as printed in the newsletter. The motion was passed.

Education Committee: Alex Pasini, N8QL, we are going to hold off on having a class because of another opportunity which I will explain the details later.

Newsletter: Carl Rimmer, W8KRF, starting in January, Kirk, W0KM should be taking over doing the newsletter, but I haven't heard from him, so we will see what happens. Send me your input no later than the last Monday of the month. I can always use more things to put in the newsletter.

Membership: Carl Rimmer, W8KRF, we are up to 123 members.

Nets: Bob Tome, W8RET, was not in attendance.

Sunshine: Darlene Ohman, KA8VTS, I have nothing to report. Please contact me if you know of someone who passed away or is in the hospital.

Web Site: Carl Rimmer, W8KRF, if you have anything that you want on the web site, please let me know.

DX: Al Moriarty, N8CX, was not in attendance.

Repeaters: Carl Rimmer, W8KRF, the repeaters are all working well. I was out to the repeater site 5 times this week working on the repeater and got it working better than it was.

Old Business:

Xmas Banquet: The banquet will be held on December 5 at Sugar Creek Restaurant. The cost is \$16.00 each which includes a salad bar, a beverage and your selection of one of several entrees. You must pay in advance for the meals. Please plan to come. We need at least 25 people or we can't have the banquet.

Winter Hamfest: The Winter Hamfest will be held on March 6, 2016 we will need your help setting up tables and working in the kitchen. Please come out and help.

New Business:

Jeff, K8JTK gave a informative presentation about the Raspberry Pi and associated devices.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

NOARS NEWS

☺ **BTW Dept.!** ☺

Happy Birthday to the following members:

* W8KYW Jerry * W8FDR Jerome * KE8ACF Brad * KD8VTX Matt * W8SSE Joe * KD8VIQ Gary *
KD8WON Mark * KB8ZUN Jeff * W8KYZ Tom * NQ8T Steve * KC8HBZ Rex *

Ed. Note: If your birthday is this month and your name doesn't appear here it's a good chance that it's not in our database! Please contact: Carl W8KRF and update us!

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, Tom W8KYZ, and Steve NQ8T for this net.

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

Join us for our weekly 2M repeater rag chew and tech net

Hosted by W8RET - W8KYZ- N8CX – KD8VTX

Our repeater will be used by **Burning River Traffic Net** on **Wednesdays at 9:30 PM.**

A Few of the Call-Signs Heard On the NOARS Nets

November 2015

Tuesday and Thursday Nets

K8AGW - K8IC - K8RWC - K8RWR - K8WRS - KB8TK - KC8FQV - KD2HCE - KD8JAD - KD8MUF -
KD8VTX - KD8WON - KD8ZRL - KF8PM - KY8OSU - N8CX - N8PZD - N8WS - NC8OS - NC8X - NQ8T -
W4OPS - W8BHJ - W8GWD - W8KRF - W8KYS - W8KYZ - W8RET - WA8ERA - WA8YVF - WB8UPA -
WD8OSJ

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

If you are planning to join or renew your ARRL membership, you should be aware that effective January 1, 2016, the annual ARRL membership dues will increase to \$49 per year. If you join/renew prior to December 31, 2015, you can do so for multiple years at the current rate of \$39 per year. If you call to join/renew, remember to ask if there is an ARRL book "gift." Mention the "Repeater Directory" as a possible gift.

-submitted by Tom Porter W8KYZ

more NOARS NEWS

This is most likely the final edition of the *NOARS Log* that I will be editing and publishing. I have decided that I can no longer commit to the time and effort it takes to properly present this organ each month. I am doing other tasks within NOARS that require more time and sacrifice, i.e., repeater construction and maintenance, website maintenance, and membership responsibilities which includes database management, membership roster distribution, email distribution, etc. The offer that had been made to take responsibility for the monthly publication of *NOARS Log* over has not come to fruition. I must draw the line somewhere. There are 124 members of this organization but only a handful who are willing to contribute to the functioning and internal operation from month to month, and event to event. This is your club and you can only get out of it what you are willing to put in to it. Your stated appreciation for what I do is no longer enough. I need someone else to take on some responsibilities so they can be appreciated and I can be more effective in my other obligations. - Carl W8KRF

Homeland Security ALERT!!!!!!!!!!!!

Government Warning regarding purchase of UPS uniforms

There has been a huge purchase, \$32,000 worth, of **United Parcel Service (UPS)** uniforms on eBay over the last 30 days. This could represent a serious threat as bogus drivers (terrorists) can drop off anything to anyone with deadly consequences! If you have any questions when a UPS driver appears at your door they should be able to furnish VA. License.

Additionally, if someone in a UPS uniform come to make a drop off or pick up, make absolutely sure they are driving a UPS truck. UPS doesn't make deliveries or pickups in anything, except a company vehicle. If you have a problem, call your local law enforcement or agency right away!

TAKE THIS SERIOUSLY! Tell everyone in your office, your family, your friends, etc. Make people aware so that we can prepare and/or avoid terrorist attacks on our people. Thank you for your time in reviewing this and PLEASE send to E-MAIL on your list, even if they are friend or foe. We should all be aware!

Kimberly E. Barr
 Management Program Specialist
 U.S. Department of Homeland Security
 Bureau Customs and Border Protection

(Submitted by Chuck KY4CA)

For Sale & Advertisement's Page

All Submissions must be sent to [noarslog \(at\) noars \(dot\) net](mailto:noarslog@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. Ads from current NOARS members (or paying advertisers) only will be accepted! Notice! All ads will be removed (unless updated) after three months (as space is needed)! NOARS reserves the right to refuse ads at our discretion.

FOR SALE (CALL TOM, W8KYZ, 440.930.9115)

ANTENNAS

2 METER 3 ELEMENT YAGI (NIL-JOHN)	\$30.00
LARSEN NLA 440 COIL AND ANTENNA	\$ 5.00
" " 220 " " "	\$ 2.00
" " 146 " " "	\$ 5.00
" RAIN CAPS FOR MOBILE ANT.	FREE
" NLA-220 MOBILE COILS (NEW)	\$ 3.00
" LM 150 " " "	\$ 5.00
HT (telescoping) antennas (aea/vocom)	\$ 3.00

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FREE FREE FREE

1920 Atwater Kent 55C AM Tube radio Chassis
TUBES available. Let me know what you need ---- CALL
 2012 ARRL Field Day pin

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METERS --- CALL--- ALMOST FREE

SIMPSON -TRIPOLET-HICKOCK-WESTON-U.S.N.-WESTINGHOUSE
 McCLINTOCK-YOKOGAWA-HEATHKIT (VU METER)
 Olson Power Meter, CB-661. HF 10W or 100W scale. Make Offer.
 Dentron Jr Monitor Tuner. 10 thru 80 Meters. Make Offer.

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ENERGIZER AA/AAA BATTERY CHARGER	\$5.00
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DIPOLE COAX

65' belden 9913 (rg-8)
 70' belden 8214
 60' R & L rg-8u
 75' rg-8u
 62' rg - 8u
 69' rg - 8u
 50' rg - 8u
 RG - 58A/U 25' (2 ROLL'S)...NEW
 RG - 59U 48'
 RG - 59U SPOOL....NEW



NOARS thanks MFJ Enterprises for their support of our Winter Hamfest and NOARSfest by providing catalogs, bags, and door prizes. When considering purchases of equipment or accessories, please check out MFJ first.

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Kurt R. Dix, President
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(Note: Kurt is the person who climbed our tower and repaired the antenna)

One NumeChron Tymeter Model 100 #67 24Hr "digital" clock in perfect working (no light, unknown yet if it has one,) and excellent physical condition. Yes, it even has its tell-tale minute "squeak." \$55.



As mentioned on the 8/27/2015 NOARS 2M Net, I just came across a deal on TEN (10) SATA, not IDE, these have finger thick data cables, Lightscribe DVD Dual-Layer Burners. I'm selling for \$10 each. Upgrade your existing CD-RW or DVD burner to Lightscribe capabilities which lets you "write" with the laser on the label side on special CD & DVD disks without using any labels or ink. NOTE: I'll be in NY until 9/17 (on Echolink) so plan accordingly\$10/ea.



Chris - KD2HCE @ 216-759-3488, or KD2HCE@arrl.net

It's never too early to think about our own events. Get the word out to your friends.
Bring a couple along with you.



2016 NOARS



Winter Hamfest & Electronics Show

March 6, 2016

@ VFW Post 1079

500 South Abbe Road, Elyria, OH 44035



Donation Only \$6.00

Including:

**Pancake & Sausage Breakfast
(While they last, come early)**



9 AM until 1 PM

Tables \$10/6 ft.

Vendor Setup @ 7 AM

HOURLY DOOR PRIZES

MAIN PRIZES AT NOON

Tables Reservations: Darlene Ohman, KA8VTS

Call before 11 pm Local - (216) 398-8858

Email: winterhamfest(at)noars(dot)net.

10 or more tables? Call for special pricing

Talk-in on 146.70 PL 110.9



Vibroplex Clinic by Chet Roberts K8KIZ

9:30-11:30AM

Bring your Vibroplex for a FREE tune-up.

**Also offering conversions from semi-automatic to iambic
(for electronic keyers)**





****IMPORTANT****



Are you joining the ARRL? Did you know that NOARS will receive a commission if you do your transaction through us? Note: We are no longer processing renewals because of a poor cost/benefit ratio.

Commission Terms

ARRL Affiliated Clubs receive a commission for every new ARRL membership they submit to ARRL Headquarters.

Clubs retain **\$15 for each new membership** OR lapsed membership (of two years or more). A NEW MEMBER is defined as any individual who has never been a member of ARRL or any individual who has not retained a membership for two or more calendar years prior to the application submission.

If you are not an ARRL member, please consider joining now. As an affiliated Club, we are required that 51% of our membership be active ARRL members. If you are joining, contact Tom Porter, W8KYZ. **This is important.** You will gain benefits provided by being a member of the ARRL, and NOARS will receive some income to help support our activities and events, as well as our repeaters.