



NOARS Log



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Prez Sez

Where does time go? It is November already which is a very busy month for me. I am writing this in the lobby of a hotel in Sterling Heights, MI while Jamie is attending line dance workshops at the Motor City Dance Classic. His passion is line dancing while mine is ham radio. Next week, we head to New York City for a short vacation and then attend another line dance event called New York State of Line. The following week I reach a milestone of my life as I turn 75.

I am getting close to completing the renovation of my basement ham shack. The walls are painted, the table and cabinets are installed, and floor is mostly painted. I am in the process of installing

the grounding and bonding system as we all learned from Tim Duffy, K3LR. As soon as I get the grounding and power distribution panel installed, I will begin setting up the equipment and hopefully have it all operational before the Holidays. I am anxious to get my satellite systems up and running again. It has been over a year since I made any satellite contacts.

I am proud to once again be the president of NOARS along with all our current officers. As was discussed at the October membership meeting, a constitution committee has been

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November Program

Join us on November 18 when Steve, K8NIA, will make a short presentation and lead a group discussion of JOTA/JOTI and Scout Radio activities, such as personal experiences, DX possibilities, Scout Radio Merit Badge, NOARS participation in Scout Radio, and more.

November Meeting

Monday, November 18, 2019

The doors will open at 6:00 PM and the meeting will start at 6:30 PM. Coffee and donuts will be available. North Ridgeville Public Library, 35700 Bainbridge Rd., North Ridgeville, OH. All are welcome to join us.

Nets

NOARS nets are Tuesday nights at 8 pm on 28.370 MHz, and Thursday nights at 8 pm on 146.700 MHz. All licensed amateurs are welcome. Participation is encouraged and appreciated.

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appointed and will be amending the Constitution and Bylaws to change the term of office for the officers as well as the makeup of the Board in an attempt to involve

more members in the organizational planning and operations of NOARS.

Until next month, be safe and 73,

Carl W8KRF

Vice President's Message

Not having a lot to say at this time of the year, I want to thank those hams who aided me in getting something going on HF. First, Tom, W8KYZ gave me the 101ft. dipole, bare copper wire with about 33ft of twin-lead TV wire (not ladder line) with a balun, then a long run of coax. Tom, K1TRB came to my place with Bill, AC8FD, who helped. Tom was armed with a spud gun, projectiles, a spinning reel with monofilament line, some rope and a bicycle pump. He had me shoot thru/over trees. After several misfires, I achieved success. They left and the next day, my antenna was up and lookin' good. Now,

others can hear me much better and I can hear them much clearer with less static on 10 through 80 meters. The antenna is a copy of a G5RV. It is now very enjoyable to talk on NOARS 10 meter net, being able to hear others clearly. What I learned or already knew, we must help each other do things that are too much for us alone. Also, having helped several others with their antennas, it was my turn to be aided. And I thanked all who helped. We need more elmers and to share what we know.

Upcoming Ohio Section Hamfests

11/02/2019 | GARC Hamfest

Location: Georgetown, OH

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: Grant Amateur Radio Club

Website: https://www.facebook.com/Grant-Amateur-Radio-Club-1775764122477536/?modal=admin_todo_tour

11/03/2019 | Massillon ARC Hamfest

Location: Massillon, OH

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: Massillon Amateur Radio Club

Website: <http://www.w8np.org>

Burning River Traffic Net Moving

The Burning River Traffic Net (BRTN) will no longer use the NOARS 146.700 Repeater Wednesday Nights.

BRTN has moved its nets to the 145.23 repeater on Monday/Wednesday/Saturday at 9:30 pm.

This is an administrative move and LCARA and NOARS repeaters will remain for backup use as needed.

All amateurs are invited to continue checking in to the BRTN as they have in the past.

Newsletter Submissions

Email submissions for the Log to noarslog@noars.net. The deadline is seven days before the first of the month.

That gives us time to create and get the Log uploaded to the Website.

Upcoming Social Events

November

NOARS Monthly Meal

Tuesday, November 5 at noon. Golden Corral in Elyria on West River Road.

December

NOARS Monthly Meal

Tuesday, December 3 at noon. Golden Corral in Elyria on West River Road.

NOARS Holiday Banquet

The NOARS Holiday Banquet will once again be at Applebee's in Elyria. Join us on Saturday, December 7 at 5:00 PM for tasty food, good company, prizes and fun. Mark your calendars and RSVP to Elaine, KC8FOS by

email: ewilkinson1951@gmail or phone: 216-337-4235. Please RSVP by Monday, December 2. There is a limit of 32 attending, so RSVP soon!

Golden Opportunity for a Spectrum Analyzer, and More

Long-time hams Bob Cerreto, WA1FXT and his wife Judy, KC8BOM, must leave their Amherst house by Nov. 10. Test equipment is for sale, including a spectrum analyzer. Prices have not been set. According to Judy, the best thing to do is go out, see the equipment, and make an offer. Prices are negotiable.

Also available are 50-foot towers **free** to anyone who can dismantle them before Nov. 10. One of the towers is already lying down. Judy, KC8BOM is the contact. Her phone is 440-370-0335. Their address is 49015 Middle Ridge Road, Amherst.

Food Group Grows

The Food Group is held every Wednesday evening on the 146.700 repeater at 7 PM. The conversation is not just about food – we talk about many things, including amateur radio issues, books, tales from our childhoods, current projects, family happenings, and more. The first

one was on February 6, 2019. There were five that first time: Dave, KY8OSU; Elaine, KC8FOS; Tom, N8FDY; Jack, N8NDL; and Carl, W8KRF. The number of participants ebbs and flows, but generally we have 9 to 13 aboard. We hope you can join us.



November Birthdays - Happy birthday!

Roger Fell, AB8IF

Carl Rimmer, W8KRF

Dennis Hildebrant, WB8WAA

John Morris, N8RVE



If your birthday doesn't appear here it's a good chance that it's not in our database. Please contact Carl, W8KRF so we can wish you a Happy Birthday!

Membership Meeting Attendance October 21, 2019

Dave, W1AFC

Chris, KD2HCE

Tom, W8KYZ

Tom, W1PDI

Dan, W8AJF

Harold, K8HRD

John, KD8MXX

Tom, K1TRB

Steve, WA0DVY

Roger, AB8IF

Bob, W8NNC

Tim, NC8X

Bill, AC8FD

Dave, W8KFJ

Jim, KD2OCW

Sallie, AB8GI

Chet, K8KIZ

Dave, KY8OSU

Joe, W8GWD

Carl, W8KRF

Dave, WV8P

Thanks to October Net Controls

Dave, KY8OSU

Tim, NC8X

Carl, W8KRF

Elaine, KC8FOS

Tom, W8KYZ

Heard on the Nets in October

Dan, K8AGW

Mark, W8FAN

Dave, KD8MXE

Russ, WB8UPA

N8AHS

Elaine, KC8FOS

John, KE8MXX

Bill, K2WJS

Dan, W8AJF

Mark, KC8FQV

Linn, KD8NGE

Mark, K8WON

Ned, WD8CSP

Jody, KE8GKO

Ron, N8OD

Bill, N8WS

John, KE8CWD

Chris, KD2HCE

Dave, KY8OSU

Tim, NC8X

Robert, NW8D

Bryan, W8JMI

Dave, WV8P

George, WA8YVF

Lee, WA8ERA

Carl, W8KRF

Alan, KF8PM

Ann, KA8ZEP

Mark, W8FAN

Tom, W8KYZ

Tom, W8PPZ

Jeff, KB8ZUN

Tom, N8FDY

Alex, KE8MQH

Clark, N8PZD

November 2019

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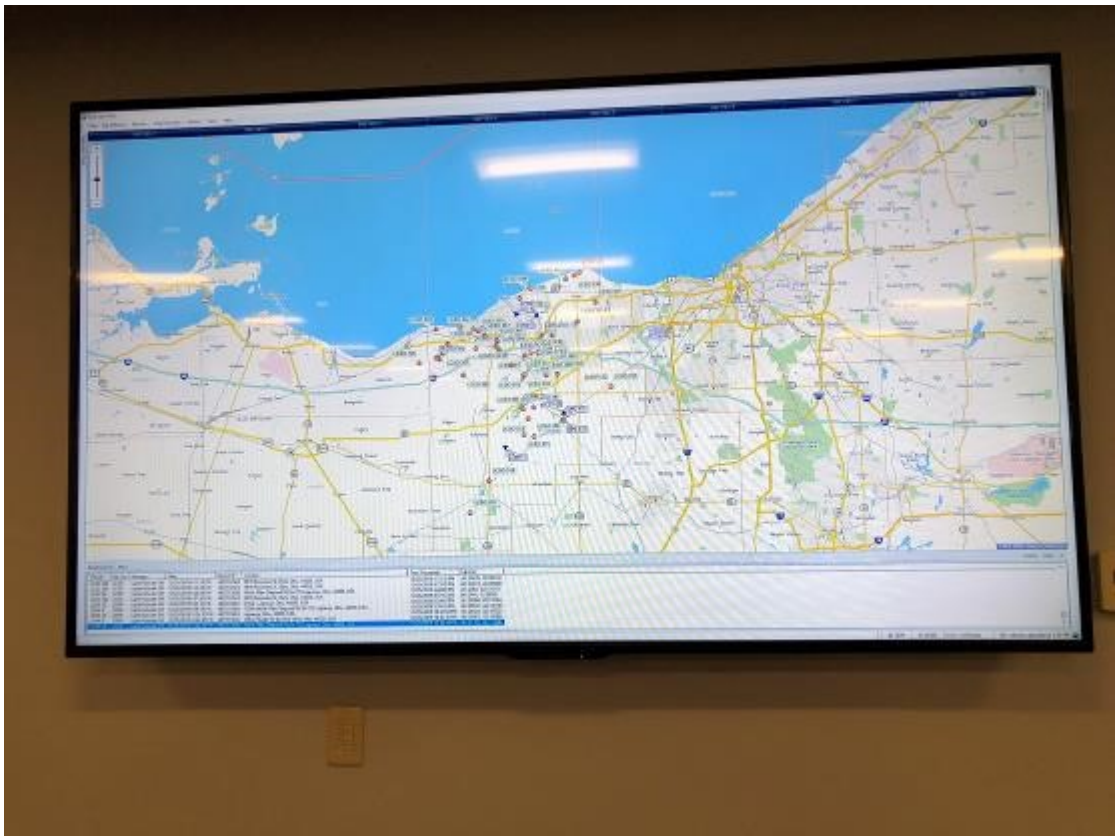
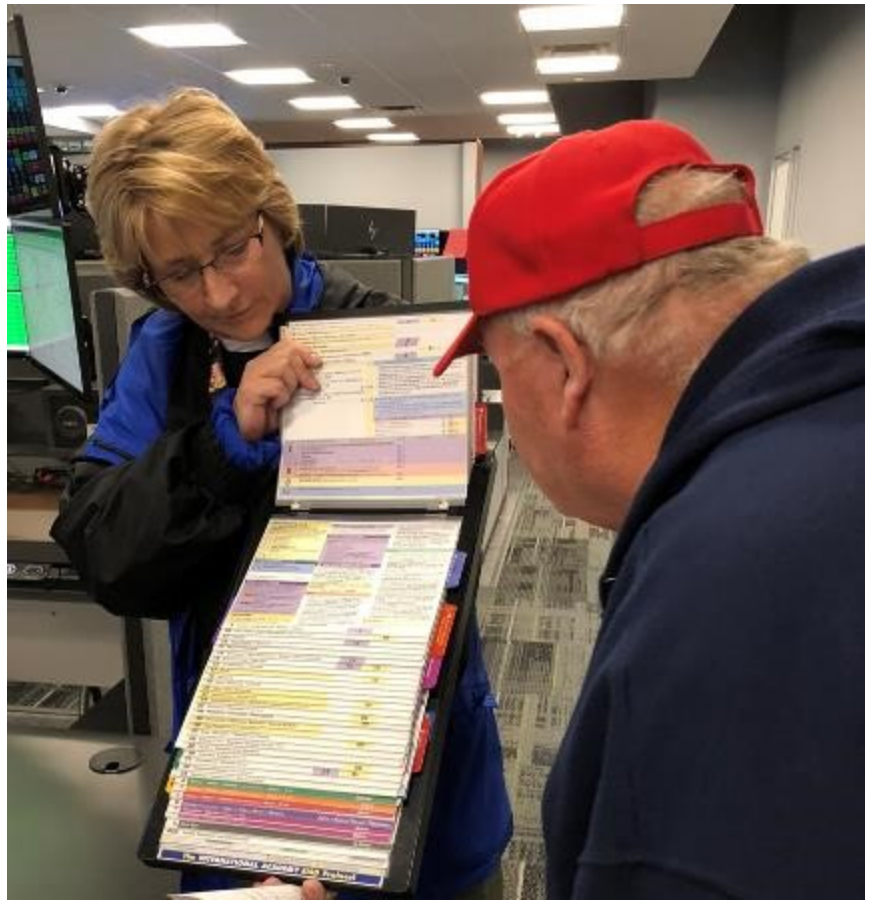
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17 VE Testing 12:50 PM	18 NOARS Meeting 6:30 PM	19 10M Net 8 PM - NCS KY8OSU	20 Food Group 7PM 2M	21 2M Net 8 PM - NCS W8KRF	22	23
24	25	26 10M Net 8 PM - NCS NC8X	27 Food Group 7PM 2M	28 2M Net 8 PM - NCS KY8OSU	29	30

Lorain County 911 Call Center Open House

The tour was informative and engaging. You will notice a photo of radio gear that is still used in the event of a digital equipment failure. Radio is still involved!







NOARS October Lunch



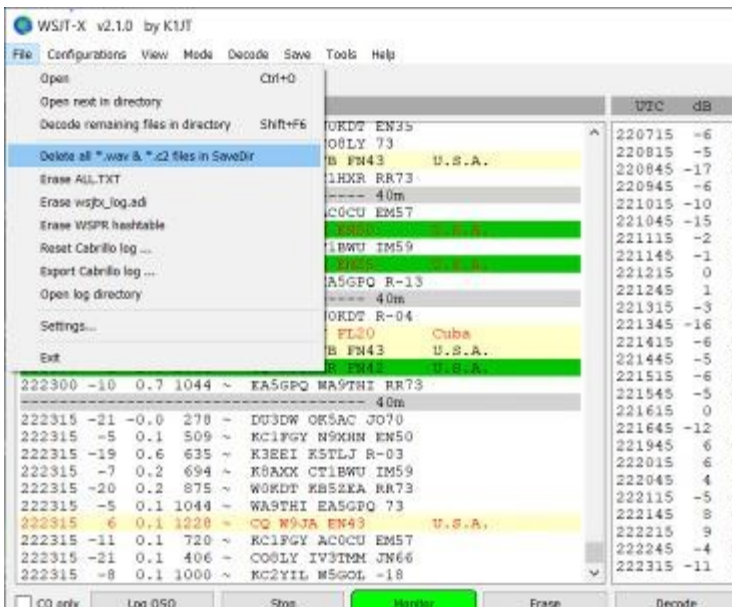


WSJT-X Audio File Save Bug

By Tom, N8FDY

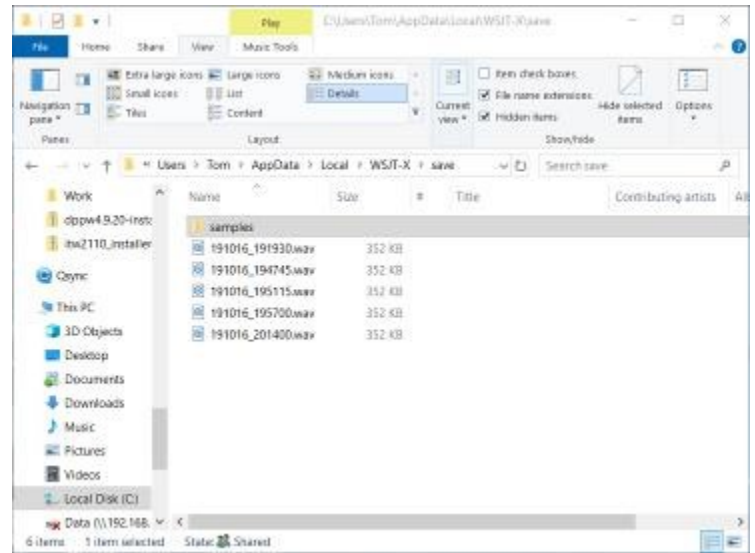
Summary

WSJT-X creates temporary audio files with the file extension of .wav and sometimes does not delete them when it is done with them. This will slowly eat up your disk space if these temporary files are never deleted. To delete them using WSJT-X, just click the **File** menu then click on **Delete all *.wav & *.c2 files in SaveDir**. If you have a lot of files this will take a long time.



Details for the Curious

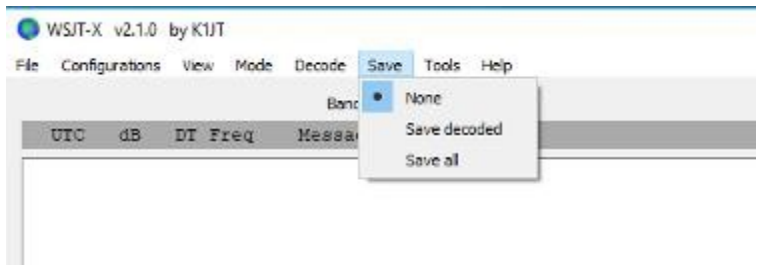
The files are stored in a directory path: C:\Users\tom\AppData\Local\WSJT-X\save. Note that the directory **tom** will be a different name on your machine based on your Windows Username (unless your Username is tom). Also note that the AppData directory is hidden, so you must set File Explorer to show hidden files and folders.



In Windows lingo a directory and a folder are the same thing. Usually using the GUI it is called a folder but using the console windows it is referred to as a directory. When I looked in the directory on my machine it had thousands of files and it took 30 minutes for the system to delete them all and it freed up 13 Gigabytes of disk space.

In researching this bug, I found a helpful document by Robert C. Mazur, VA3ROM at <http://www.va3rom.com/docs/WSJT-X Audio File Save Problem and Fix.pdf>. Robert made a valuable suggestion.

Make sure you have Save turned off (set to None). Click on the Save menu and then click None



Newly Created Constitution and Bylaws Committee

At the October Membership Meeting, Steve Kaplan, WA0DVY, and Dave, KY8OSU volunteered to be on a committee to develop a constitutional amendment to extend the terms of officers to two years as well as stagger elections. The amendment will also change the makeup of the Board to include newer club members

with fresh ideas. The Board has seven members: four current executive officers and three others. Serving on the Board will give the three non-officer members the opportunity to serve and gain experience and eventually become officers or fill other positions, if they wish.

October 21, 2019 NOARS Membership Meeting Minutes

Submitted by Elaine Wilkinson, KC8FOS.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Club President, Carl, W8KRF. Twenty-one members were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by roll call by call sign. Carl pointed out this was the first meeting in which members can use nametags, as spearheaded by Steve, WA0DVY. That way we know who everybody is. At the end of each meeting, return your nametag to the box for use at the next meeting. A suggestion, in case you forget and head home with it, is to put it in the console of your car.

A motion was made to dismiss reading the September minutes, since they are in the Log, was made by Dan, W8AJF, seconded by Tom, W1TRB. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Tom, W8KYZ. Tom discussed the club's bank balance and expenses, including those in September: Windstream, Club picnic expenses, and materials for ID tags. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Dan, W8AJF, seconded by Dave, WV8P. The motion passed.

Committees

Parliamentary Committee - Bob, W8RET, was not in attendance. Due to health concerns he is unable to fulfill his Parliamentarian duties. A new Parliamentarian is needed.

Club Property - Tom, W1PDI. Carl mentioned he has signs from Deedee's daughter. Club signs were damaged at LCCC, including dealing with the bent frame and Dave's, KY8OSU rescue and repositioning them.

Repeaters – Carl, W8KRF. The repeaters are working. Carl advised he replaced a battery in the computer. Dave, KY8OSU, noted the repeater stutters. Carl explained that's part of the programming, initiated by Clark, N8PZD. There used to be more sound effects, which Carl removed. WiresX is doing ok and has lots of activity.

Website – Carl. Some audience members claimed they had trouble logging in, including not receiving a password, needed for the members only section. Some

claimed they had not received emails that contained a password. Carl said he will doublecheck. A possible fix is to use the password reset feature. Let Carl know if you still have problems.

Membership – Carl. We currently have 98 members.

Social Committee – Elaine was not in attendance due to being sick. Dave, KY8OSU, spoke of upcoming social events. The 9-1-1 Call Center Tour will be this coming Saturday from 1-5. A suggestion was made to set a time to meet and go as a group. 1:30 set.

The next NOARS Lunch will be Tuesday, Nov 5 at noon at the Golden Corral in Elyria. All are welcome.

Programs – The November program will be Steve K8NIA who will speak about Boy Scouts and Amateur Radio. There will be no December meeting since the Holiday Banquet takes its place. It will be Saturday, December 7 at 5:00 at Applebee's on West River Road in Elyria. Reservations should be sent to Elaine. Applebee's on West River Road.

Discussion developed concerning working any Scouts on this past weekend's JOTA. Tom, W8KYZ talked to Scouts in Canada. Carl mentioned hearing activity with England on WiresX.

Hamfest - Sunday, March 1. Participation needed.

Sunshine – Bob, W8RET already mentioned. Mark, K8WON is having health problems. He was in the hospital for a couple of days.

Nets – Elaine, KC8FOS is taking on responsibilities as Net Manager. 10M and 2M Net Control Station assignments are on the Website under nets. More Net Control Stations are always welcome and appreciated.

VE Testing Tom, W8KRZ. One person took the test yesterday, an 11-year-old boy. His father, brother and he took the test last month. While the father and brother passed, this young man had been unsuccessful. He tried again this month. He passed the tech exam this time, with a big smile.

Newsletter - Tom and Elaine not here. Carl suggested items be sent to the Log by October 26.

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Old Business – Donuts. Two people are needed to bring donuts to the meetings. Tom W1PDI, and Dave KY8OSU, volunteered. Sources of donuts were discussed.

New Business – Nominating Committee. Steve, WA0DVY and Elaine, KC8FOS. Steve offered nominations which are the same slate as current officers. There were no nominations from the floor. President - Carl RimmerW8KRF; Vice President - Dave Fisher, KY8OSU; Treasurer - Tom Porter, W8KYZ; Secretary - Elaine Wilkinson, KC8FOS.

Constitutional Committee – A committee will be formed to develop a constitutional amendment that will extend terms of office to two years, stagger elections, and change the makeup of the Board to bring in newer people. The Board has seven members: four executive

officers and three others who would hopefully like to be officers, eventually. This would give them some experience. The Constitutional Committee will be Steve, WA0DVY and Dave, KY8OSU. Steve said they will get two other people. Carl suggested Sallie, AB8GI, be on the Board next year.

No election committee needed since there will be no election.

Announcements – Dave, W1AFC announced that Sandy, W8KYS has Drake Twins for sale.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Chet, K8KIZ, seconded by Dave, W8KFJ. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:08



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Samlex power supply.

All items are in a hard case, ideal for travel. \$500

Contact Dave, WV8P at wv8p@roadrunner.com

CW OP Lapel Pins for Sale, Created by Chet, K8KIZ



They have been sent to multiple states, Denmark, United Kingdom, Germany, Australia

CW OP Pins are \$5.75 each. US S/H is \$5.06 - International S/H* is \$15.50

(*The US Postal Service ships to most countries around the world.)

NOTE: This pricing includes shipping charges for up to 10 pins per envelope.

For Example:

1 pin + US 1st Class S/H \$10.81

2 pins + US 1st Class S/H \$16.56

3 pins + US 1st Class S/H \$22.31

1 pin + International S/H \$21.25

2 pins + International S/H \$27.00

3 pins + International S/H \$32.75

NOTE: This pricing includes shipping for up to 10 pins per envelope.

Envelopes are 5"x7" tan heavy paper with inside bubble padding.

Please send your order and full correct address with ZIP code to: CWpins05@gmail.com

Send your appropriate payment to:

www.paypal.me/ANCRSundials

Please advise me if you are using a different name with your payment (Example: a company name) so I can credit your email order.

Thank you! 73, Chet K8KIZ

NOARS Information

Members of the Board of Directors

President: Carl, W8KRF

Vice President: Dave, KY8OSU

Secretary: Elaine, KC8FOS

Treasurer: Tom, W8KYZ

Others: Tim, NC8X; Tom, N8FDY

Others

Net Manager: Elaine, KC8FOS

Club Trustee for K8KRG: Al, N8CX

NOARS Log Editors: Tom, N8FDY; Elaine, KC8FOS

Volunteer Examiners: Tom, W8KYZ; Joe, W8GWD;
John, KC8KI; Dave, K8WRS; Sallie, AB8GI

Membership

Membership is open to anyone interested in radio communication. Dues are: Full \$15, Associate (non-licensed) \$7, Family members of a full member are \$4 each. Membership forms are available at www.noars.net. Make checks payable to NOARS and mail them to: NOARS Membership Committee, 161 Herrmann Drive, Avon Lake, OH 44012.

Meetings

Meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. on the third Monday of every month, except August and December, at the North Ridgeville Branch of the Lorain County Public Library, 35700 Bainbridge Rd, North Ridgeville, OH. The doors open at 6:00 PM for a social time with coffee and donuts.

Meetings are open to the public and all are welcome.

Nets

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Committees

Parliamentary Committee:

Repeaters: Carl, W8KRF; Tim, NC8X

Field Day: Al, N8CX

Hamfest:

Sunshine: Tom, W8KYZ (temp)

Membership: Carl, W8KRF

Club Property Committee: Tom, W1PDI

Program Committee: Elaine, KC8FOS; Joe, W8DYZ;
Bob, W8NNC; Dave, KY8OSU

Social Committee: Elaine, KC8FOS; Dave, KY8OSU;
Ann, KA8ZEP

Public Relations Committee:
Dave, KY8OSU; Elaine, KC8FOS



VE Testing

VE Testing is offered the third Sunday of every month.

2929 West River Road
N. Elyria OH 44035,
from 12:50-3 PM.