



# NOARS Log



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## K8KRG

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## Prez Sez

I am back from my cruise. Unfortunately, the cruise line I was on does not allow radios of any kind and any electronics in the luggage are tested before being delivered to your state room from what I hear. I thought that may be why Janeen's luggage was late arriving, but that is an adventure for another day. Being away for a little over a week I was looking forward to getting back in the shack. Unfortunately, I came home to this:



Conditions not being the best to make contacts seems like a good time to hunt POTA. Surprisingly I find you can make POTA contacts day and night. Especially in the digital modes, like FT8. Speaking of POTA, I am excited for the event on May 13th when NOARS hosts its first ever POTA Party. Although I have been having fun hunting with 945 contacts, including having worked a park in all states, I have not done nor seen an activation. If you can come join us for the fun, I look forward to seeing you there.

73'

John W8LYO

**The Membership Meeting will be Monday May 15 at 7:00 PM.**

**at North Olmsted Library, 27403 Lorain Rd. Coffee and donuts at 6:30 PM.**

### Program: Field Day

Carl, W8KRF and Mike, KE8ETO will finalize and answer any questions regarding Field Day.

**NOARS will send Zoom meeting information via email.**

## Nets

NOARS nets are Tuesday nights at 8 PM on 28.370 MHz, Wednesday nights at 7 PM on 146.700 MHz, PL 110.9, and Thursday nights at 8 PM on 146.700 MHz, PL 110.9. All licensed amateurs are welcome. Participation is encouraged and appreciated.

# Vice President's Message May 2023

by Elaine, KC8FOS

Lately I've been thinking about new hams and elmers. How does one go about finding an elmer? I found the following on YouTube: Joining a Club and Finding an Elmer on Ham Radio DX with Hayden VK7HH/KD9SSB and Steve Km9g. You can watch the video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VQQNA0Nd9Io>. There was also information on Reddit, video at [https://www.reddit.com/r/amateurradio/comments/3co577/how\\_to\\_find\\_an\\_elmer/](https://www.reddit.com/r/amateurradio/comments/3co577/how_to_find_an_elmer/)

The salient points:

- Join a local ham club.
- Go to more than one meeting.

- The officers are the welcoming committee. All other members should be warmly welcoming.
- An elmer helps you get to the next level in your hobby.
- You can have elmers for different interests in the hobby.
- If people are reserved and don't approach you, introduce yourself.

From this, I've come up with: Don't be shy; be sure to talk to visitors and new members. They might not be there for the coffee and donuts. Find out what they are interested in. Who knows? You may be able to answer questions and be that person's elmer.

## New Program Committee Members

The Program Committee has two new members: Paul Sultan, KE8WHG and Bob Lipton, W8OOT. We look

forward to their input in our programming. Thank you, Paul and Bob, for joining the committee.

## Welcome New Members

Mike Tyson, N8KMO and Mary Tyson, of Amherst, have joined NOARS. Welcome! It's good to have you with us. Clark Beckman, N8PZD has returned to the NOARS ranks. Welcome back!

## May 2023 Social Events

### NOARS May Lunch

**Tuesday, May 2.** Monthly Lunch at **noon at the Golden Corral**, 1519 West River Rd., Elyria. If you like to talk and eat tasty food, the Monthly Lunches are for you. All are welcome.

### POTA Party

Saturday, May 13 at 10 AM in Findley State Park. See details elsewhere in this issue.

### May Fox Hunt

Saturday May 27 at 11 AM, at Bradley Woods Reservation.

# May Birthdays

Dan K8AGW  
Dwayne WO8U  
Eric KE8VZA  
Jeany KC3QND

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!



## April 17, 2023 Membership Meeting Attendance

In Person	Connie K8CCS	Tom W8KYZ	Jim KB8OCW
Andrew KE8WMS	Dan W8AJF	Zoom	Ken W4CCZ
Ann KA8ZEP	Diane	Betsy W2CBZ	Scott N8SY
Bill K2WJS	Earl W8LYY	Bill N8JET	
Bill KE8DIF	Elaine KC8FOS	Bob W8NNC	
Bryan K8JMI	Eric KE8VZA	Chuck K8CVM	
Bryan N8OOF	Mike KE8ETO	Dale KE8QGQ	
Carl W8KRF	Sara KC8KSU	Dennis KE8OQA	
Clark N9PZD	Tom N8FDY	Dr. Jack N8NDL	

## Heard on the Nets in April

Alan KF8PM	Corey KE8PQW	Lenny N8XLQ	Tom N8FDY
Ann KA8ZEP	Craig KE8WXH	Mark KE8DIH	Tom W8KYZ
Art W8UTC	Dan K8AGW	Mark KC8FQV	Tom K8PPZ
Bill N8WS	Dennis KE8OQA	Mark KE8TCE	Tom W8UAZ
Bill K2WJS	Dwayne WO8U	Mike KC3QFC	Tom W8WLI
Bob W8OOT	Earl W8LYY	Nick KD8SLG	
Brigid KE8WJD	Elaine KC8FOS	Paul KE8WHG	
Bryan W8JMI	Eric KE8VZA	Pete KE8NQK	
Carl W8KRF	Fred N8AHS	Ron N8OD	
Chris KE8MMY	Jeany KC3QND	Scott K8SMK	
Chuck K8CVM	Jim KD8OCW	Scott KE8VOX	
Clark N8PZD	Jody KE8GKO	Steve K8SAS	
Connie K8CCS	Ken W8KH	Tony KB8TK	

# May, 2023

**Sunday      Monday      Tuesday      Wednesday      Thursday      Friday      Saturday**

	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> NOARS Lunch at Noon 10M Net 8 PM - NCS John, W8LYO	<b>3</b> Food Group 7PM 2M - NCS Elaine, KC8FOS	<b>4</b> 2M Net 8 PM - NCS Jeany, KC3QND	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> VE Session  North Olmsted Library 10AM
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 10M Net 8 PM - NCS Tom, W8KYZ	<b>10</b> Food Group 7PM 2M - NCS Jeany, KC3QND	<b>11</b> 2M Net 8 PM - NCS Tom, W8KYZ	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> POTA Party  Findley State Park 10AM
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> NOARS Meeting 7 PM	<b>16</b> 10M Net 8 PM - NCS Elaine, KC8FOS	<b>17</b> Food Group 7PM 2M - NCS Elaine, KC8FOS	<b>18</b> 2M Net 8 PM - NCS Carl, W8KRF	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 10M Net 8 PM - NCS Dan, W8AJF	<b>24</b> Food Group 7PM 2M - NCS Jeany, KC3QND	<b>25</b> 2M Net 8 PM - NCS Elaine, KC8FOS	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Fox Hunt 11 AM
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 10M Net 8 PM - NCS Pete, KE8NQQ	<b>31</b> Food Group 7PM 2M - NCS Elaine, KC8FOS			

# POTA Party

The POTA Party will be at Findley State Park in Wellington on Saturday, May 13 at 10 AM. We have reserved the shelter at Picnic Point. Turn right when you enter the park from Rt. 58 and follow the signs. The shelter is circled in red on the accompanying map.

This is BYOL – Bring Your Own Lunch. There are grills

to use, but please bring your own charcoal, etc. NOARS will supply bottled water.

You do not have to transmit to attend. Notify us at [pota@noars.net](mailto:pota@noars.net) if you are going to attend, whether or not you will be transmitting, and which band(s) and mode(s) you want to use.



# First Fox Hunt of the Season

Nine people attended the Fox Hunt on April 29: Eric KE8VZA, Andrew KE8WMS, Will KE8WHM, Sara KC8KSU, Ann KA8ZEP, Dan W8AJF, Chris KE8MMY, Tom N8FDY, and Elaine KC8FOS. The next Fox Hunt

will be Saturday, May 27. Andrew KE8WMS, with a glint in his eye, accepted the invitation to hide the fox for that hunt. We may expect anything from this adventurous hider.





# POTA Excitement

Where are Dan and Ann? Out doing POTA, of course. Dan W8AJF and Ann KA8ZEP, Mr. and Mrs. POTA, were at Portage Lakes State Park on April 16, despite grey skies and drizzly weather. Dan and Ann have certainly led the way in getting club members interested in POTA,

including activating parks. If you have hunted or activated parks, or both, please send information to the NOARS Log Editors about it. We would love to put it in the Log. Email [noarslog@noars.net](mailto:noarslog@noars.net).





# April Monthly Lunch

Sixteen gathered for the Monthly NOARS Lunch at Golden Corral in Elyria. Two new people joined us: Mike Tyson, N8KMO and Mary Tyson. The Monthly Lunches

are always the first Tuesday of each month. We hope you can join us.



# NOARS MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES:

## April 17, 2023

**Submitted by Connie, K8CCS**

The meeting was held in person at North Olmsted Public Library and via Zoom and was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by club vice president Elaine KC8FOS. Total number of people in attendance: 28 (18 - in person; 10 - Zoom)

Pledge of Allegiance

Introductions and roll call of all in attendance (in person/zoom).

Motion to accept meeting minutes as published in the NOARS Log was made by Andrew KE8WMS; Seconded by Eric KE8VZA. Minutes accepted.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer Report – Tom W8KYZ.

Expenses:

\$79.88 - Windstream;  
\$16.86 - Purchase of get-well cards;  
\$89.44 - Renewal on HostGator SiteLock Services (security service for website);  
\$287.64 - HostGator Hosting Services and website support (3-year plan);  
\$116.95 - WordPress Membership Plugin for our website (1 year). This allows us to take PayPal payments for membership dues. Includes \$30 for RTC (real time clock) on the repeater;

Motion to accept the Treasurer Report was made by Bill K2WJS; Seconded by Bryan W8JMI. Treasurer report accepted.

Presentation – Dr. Jack N8NDL gave a presentation regarding a new antenna for the 220MHz (1.25m) Band - 220MAX: Maximum Gain, Higher Power Handling, Low SWR. See [www.COMPACTenna.com](http://www.COMPACTenna.com) for more information.

Parliamentary – Tom N8FDY - No new updates.

Club Property – Carl W8KRF - No update and no changes in club property. He will bring the magnetic loop antenna and antenna analyzer to Field Day.

Repeaters – Carl W8KRF - The RTC (real time clock) has been replaced. With the RTC not functioning, neither was the autopatch and it also took some of the memory away. We should have more storage now. The scheduler is now working.

Website – Carl W8KRF - The website is up to date. The 2023 July Hamfest will be at the same location, the Spitzer Center at LCCC. However, 2024 Winter Hamfest has been moved to a different location within LCCC. See the website for more information on both events.

Membership – Carl W8KRF - We have 122 members. Welcome to our newest member, Clark N8PZD.

Field Day – Carl W8KRF - Field Day is June 24-25, 2023. The committee is finalizing a flyer with the layout of the property. It will be on the website soon. We are going to honor Alan Moriarty NC8S (sk) by dedicating Field Day to him. Al NC8S (sk) ran Field Day for many years.

Social Committee – Elaine KC8FOS - The first Fox Hunt of 2023 is Saturday, April 29, 11:00 a.m. at Bradley Woods. There will be a discussion concerning the future of the Fox Hunts. Please attend and join in the discussion.

NOARS Lunch is Tuesday, May 2 at noon, Golden Corral in Elyria. Everyone is welcome.

The first POTA Party is Saturday, May 13 at Findley State Park at 10:00 am. Watch your email and the NOARS website for more information.

Programs – Elaine KC8FOS - We have two new Program Committee Members, Bob W8OOT who is a long-time ham and Paul KE8WHG, a new ham.

May Program – Field Day. Carl W8KRF and Mike KE8ETO will finalize and answer any questions regarding Field Day.

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June Program – QRP with Bob W8NNC.

Hamfest – Carl W8KRF - The 2023 July Hamfest will be at the same location, the Spitzer Center at LCCC. See the NOARS website for more information.

Sunshine – Tom W8KYZ - The good news is everyone seems to be healthy. If you know of anyone who has been in the hospital or has been laid up for a while, let Tom W8KYZ know. Update on Bill WD8OSJ: He is home and is slowly recovering.

Nets - No Report.

VE Testing – Elaine KC8FOS – The next VE session is Saturday, May 6 at 10:00 a.m. at the North Olmsted Library.

Newsletter – Tom N8FDY - The deadline for articles, photos, etc. is April 26. If you have anything to sell, submit an ad. Some larger items do not sell very well at ham fests. However, they do sell in the newsletters.

Old Business – Elaine KC8FOS - No old business to report.

New Business – Elaine KC8FOS – Elaine brings the coffee to the monthly meetings. As some of our members prefer to avoid caffeine in the evening, Elaine KC8FOS is bringing half caf coffee. If you would rather have full decaffeinated coffee, please let her know.

Motion to Adjourn meeting was made by Andrew KE8WMS; Seconded by Clark N8PZD.

Meeting Adjourned 7:25 p.m.

Presentation – POTA presented by Dan W8AJF and Elaine KC8FOS.

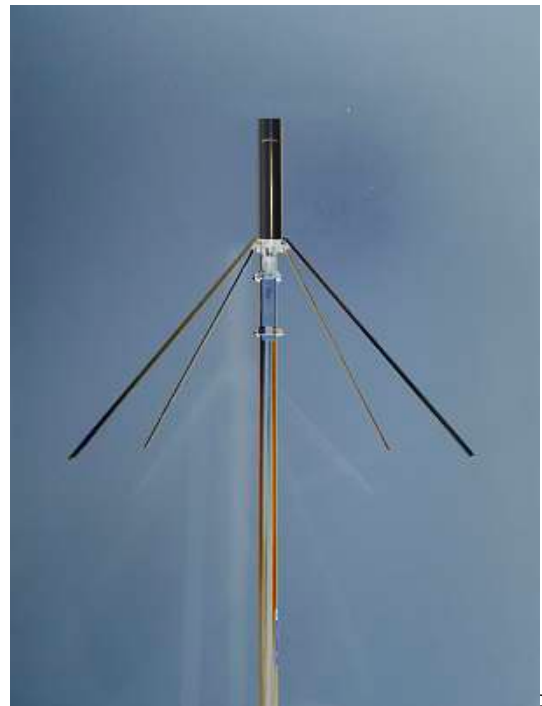
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Diamond SX400 SWR/Wattmeter 140-525 Mhz (unused) \$75

Comet CHA250 Vertical Antenna (new 6 months ago) \$250

Kenwood TS440 HF radio \$60

MFJ 941E Antenna Tuner \$75

LDG 100Pro2 Auto Antenna Tuner (unused) \$150

Reasonable offers considered.

Contact: Ron, N8OD at 440-865-5845 or [ronwest47@gmail.com](mailto:ronwest47@gmail.com)

# Heathkit AC Power Supply HP-24 Available from Bryan, W8JMI

A donation to NOARS would be appreciated. Donate what you think it's worth. (According to radiomuseum.org this is an AC power supply for Heathkit SSB linear power amplifier HA-14. [https://www.radiomuseum.org/r/heath\\_ac\\_power\\_supply\\_hp\\_24\\_hp2.html](https://www.radiomuseum.org/r/heath_ac_power_supply_hp_24_hp2.html) [N8FDY])

Contact Bryan at [w8jmi@yahoo.com](mailto:w8jmi@yahoo.com) or 440-242-5346



## Free from Bryan, W8JMI

A rack for repeaters or other radio things. Contact Bryan, W8JMI at [w8jmi@yahoo.com](mailto:w8jmi@yahoo.com) or 440-242-5346



## For Sale by Tom, W8KYZ

MFJ-108B, LCD 24/12-hour dual clock, with battery. New. \$20.00

Sony M-570V microcassette voice recorder with batteries. 2-speed record and playback. \$25.00

1943 U.S.Navy Bluejackets' Manual. \$10.00

Telex M-40 desktop computer microphone. \$5.00

Do-It 8-foot replacement power cord. Three conductor, 16 gauge medium duty. New. \$5.00

Optimus STA-300 AM/FM stereo receiver with two PRO 77, 8-ohm bookshelf speakers. \$30.00

Uniden PRO538w 40-channel CB radio with microphone, mobile mount, and manual. \$25.00

Larsen Kulrod antenna base coils (6). NMO 2/70. NLA 220 (200-265 MHz). LM-150

(890-960 MHz, ¼ wave antenna. New. Mounting hardware for NLA-B, rubber mounting gaskets. Other parts and hardware. \$25.00 for all.

**Contact Tom, W8KYZ. 440-320-5523 or [tporter161@oh.rr.com](mailto:tporter161@oh.rr.com)**

## For Sale by Tom, N8FDY

ZUM Radio Elite 3.5 LCD ZUMspot Kit \$250

Zeenko NanoVNA SAA-2N 50K-3GHz Hardware V2.2 \$100

**Contact Tom, N8FDY, [thomasfwilkinson@gmail.com](mailto:thomasfwilkinson@gmail.com), 216.409.1886**

## For Sale by Sandy, W8KYS

Tailtwister antenna rotor with controller. Reconditioned. \$250.00

EICO Signal Tracer, model 147A. Manual. \$50.00

**Contact Sandy, W8KYS. 440-647-2255**

## For Sale by Earl, W8LYY

Heathkit BE-4 battery eliminator 10/5 amp. As is \$10.

Heathkit power meter HM-102 with manual \$25.

Heathkit active antenna HD-1424 with manual \$25.


Tektronix type 453 oscilloscope dual trace \$75

**Contact Earl at [fivestringthree@gmail.com](mailto:fivestringthree@gmail.com)**

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Electronic ads may be emailed to [noarslog@noars.net](mailto:noarslog@noars.net). Printed ads may be sent to NOARS Log, 161 Herrmann Drive, Avon Lake, OH. 44012. The deadline for submissions is seven days before the first day of each month. All must include: asking price, sellers name, call sign and phone number. Only ads from current NOARS

members, or paid advertisers will be accepted. If your items sell, please notify the Log editors at [noarslog@noars.net](mailto:noarslog@noars.net) so the ad can be removed. All ads will be removed (unless updated) after four months. NOARS reserves the right to refuse any ads.

 **Chet Roberts**  
22h

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# NOARS Information

## Members of the Board of Directors

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Vice President: Elaine, KC8FOS

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Others: Carl, W8KRF; Tom, N8FDY; Chris, KE8MMY

## Others

Net Manager: Jeany, KC3QND

Club Trustee for K8KRG: John, W8LYO

NOARS Log Editors: Tom, N8FDY; Elaine, KC8FOS

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Ron, N8EGZ; Sallie, AB8GI; Tom, W8KYZ; John, W8LYO; Dave, KD8MXE; Steve, K8NIA; Bob,

W8OOT; Bill, K2WJS;

## Committees

Parliamentary Committee: Tom, N8FDY

Repeaters: Carl, W8KRF; John, W8LYO;

Pete, KE8QNK; Bryan N8OOF

Field Day:

Hamfest: Carl, W8KRF

Sunshine: Tom, W8KYZ

Membership: Carl, W8KRF

Club Property Committee: Carl, W8KRF

Programs Committee: Elaine, KC8FOS;

Bob, W8NNC; Pete, KE8NQK;

Jeany KC3QND; Bob W8OOT, Paul KE8WHG

Social Committee: Elaine, KC8FOS; Ann, KA8ZEP;

Linda, KM4GSF; Sara, KC8KSU; Eric, KE8VZA;

Andrew, KE8WMS; Will, KE8WHM

Public Relations Committee:

Chris, KE8MMY

## Membership

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



## Meetings

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## Nets

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## VE Testing

The 1<sup>st</sup> Sat of odd numbered months at 10 AM at North Olmsted Library 27403 Lorain Rd. North Olmsted. Contact Elaine, KC8FOS at [ewilkinson1951@gmail.com](mailto:ewilkinson1951@gmail.com) for more info. Walk-ins welcome.

## Net Control Stations

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