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Fall is fast approaching which means those outside activities will be on the back burner for a while. This also means in an odd year we will be electing a Secretary and Treasurer. Tom, W8KYZ, who has been the club treasurer for more years than I can count on my digits will be stepping down. Tom's work and guidance has made NOARS arguably the most stable club in Northeast Ohio, if not all of Ohio. Tom, thank you for all you have done over the years. It has been greatly appreciated by many.

Paul, KE8WHG and Eric, KE8VZA have agreed to head the Nominating Committee. Anyone interested in

#### **Prez Sez**

assisting them or throwing your name in the hat, please reach out to Eric, Paul, a board member, or me. Please remember this is your club, the more participation the better things are for everyone. I get it everyone is busy, you have a family, job, and hobby but there is always something to learn from each of those including amateur radio. The nominees will be presented at the October meeting with a vote in November.

Nets have been going well. I have been Net Control for a few in the last month and it is always great to hear everyone. I would like to hear more on **Continued on page 2** 

The Membership Meeting will be Monday October 16 at 7:00 PM.

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

A presentation about Digital Multimeters for Ham Radio and Electronics Projects will be presented by Tom, N8FDY.

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.

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the 10-meter net at 28.370 on Tuesdays at 8pm but propagation is not always our friend. If you can get on 10

meters, join and help us out maybe with your relay. This could increase the footprint.

73

John, W8LYO

## Vice President's Message

My message piggybacks on this month's Prez Sez. As John, W8LYO put it, "Please remember this is your club, the more participation the better things are for everyone." In case you are thinking you couldn't possibly be an officer since you haven't been a member for decades, according to the NOARS By-Laws, qualifications to be an officer are: "...a candidate for office must be a member in good standing and must have attended at least four (4) meetings during the last 12 months." That's it. A member in good standing is someone who has paid their dues. Nowhere does it say an officer must be a member for five or ten years, or longer. If you get that itch to put your name forward to be an officer, listen to it and put your name out there. New blood is always a good thing.

## **Nominations for Treasurer and Secretary**

The nominating committee is looking for members to run for Treasurer and Secretary as the current terms are coming to an end. If you would like to run for election for either of these positions, please contact members of the Nominating Committee: Paul Sultan KE8WHG at <u>psultan1@att.net</u> or Eric Hatfield KE8VZA at <u>hatfield\_eric@hotmail.com</u>.

#### **New Member**

Edwin Gale, KA0MRD from North Ridgeville. Welcome!

## **October 2023 Social Events**

#### NOARS October Tuesday Lunch

**Tuesday, October 3** 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.

## Weekend Lunch

Saturday, October 7, 12:30, Hooley House Westlake, 24940 Sperry Dr. All are welcome.

## October Fox Hunt

October Fox Hunt **Saturday, October 28, 11 AM, South Central Park, 7565 Avon Belden Rd.** (**RT.83**). Come in the entrance and parking lot on Rt. 83 and look for the group on the grass or in the pavilion near the southeast corner of the lot. A folding chair would be handy if you want to sit.

## **NOARS Holiday Party**

December 2 at Houlihan's in Westlake from 5- 8pm. The price for dinner is \$30 per person.

Food will be:

- Choice of house or Caesar salad
- Fresh baked rolls
- Grilled Rosemary Chicken
- Down Home Pot Roast
- Mashed Potatoes
- French Cut Green Beans

Coffee, iced tea, and soda are included

Alcoholic beverages, dessert, etc., are available to purchase off the regular menu.

#### Payment:

\$30 per person MUST be paid to Andrew (KE8WMS) by November 30. Andrew will take cash, credit card (3% fee), and Venmo. If payment isn't made to Andrew on time, you can't hang out with the cool kids at the NOARS party, but you're welcome to go get a table on your own.



Andrew Lent

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## **October Birthdays**

Dale Harris, KE8QGQ John Dolinar, W8LYO Mike Tyson, N8KMO 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!



### September 18, 2023 Membership Meeting Attendance

Andrew KE8WMS Ann KA8ZEP Bill K2WJS Bryan N8OOF Carl W8KRF Connie K8CCS Dan W8AJF Dan K8AGW Eric KE8VZA Josh KE8YUG Marie Paul KE8WHG Sara KC8KSU VIA ZOOM Bob W8NNC Chris KE8MMY Chuck K8CVM Elaine KC8FOS Jeany KC3QND Nick N9B1 Pete KE8NQK Tom N8FDY Tom W8KYZ

## Heard on the Nets in September

Ann, KA8ZEP Andrew, KE8WMS Bill, K2WJS Bill, N8WS Bob, W8OOT Bryan, W8JMI Bryan, N8OOF Carl, W8KRF Chris, KE8MMY Chuck, K8CVM Chuck, K8CVM Chuck, K88LJ Clark, N8PZD Craig, KE8WXH

Dan, K8AGW Dan, W8AJF Dan, W2DLB Dustin, KD8EPC Dwayne, WO8U Earl, W8LYY Elaine, KC8FOS Eric, N8AUC Eric, KE8VZA Fred, N8AHS Jeany, KC3QND John, W8LYO Josh, KE8VKA Josh, KE8YUG Ken, W8KH Lenny, N8XLQ Mark, KC8FQV Mark, KG4SCK Mike, KE8OLR Mike KC3QFC Gary, N8VFW Nick, KD8SLG Paul, KE8WHG Rich, KE8YUP Rick, KE8VRM Ron, KB8LNK Ron, N8OD Sara, KC8KSU Scott, KE8VOX Shannon, KC5RBG Shawn, KE8RMV Tom, N8FDY Tom, N8FDY Tom, K8PPZ Tom, K8PPZ Tom, N8UAZ Tom, W8WLI Tony, KB8TK

# October, 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	<b>3</b> NOARS Lunch at Noon 10M Net 8 PM KC3QND	<b>4</b> Food Group 7PM 2M KC8FOS	<b>5</b> 2M Net 8 PM KE8VZA	6	<b>7</b> NOARS Weekend Lunch 12:30 Hooley House Westlake
8	9	<b>10</b> LOTA 7 PM 10M Net 8 PM W8KYZ	<b>11</b> Food Group 7PM 2M W8LYO	<b>12</b> 2M Net 8 PM W8KYZ	13	14
15	<b>16</b> NOARS Meeting 7 PM	<b>17</b> 10M Net 8 PM W8LYO	<b>18</b> Food Group 7PM 2M KC8KSU	<b>19</b> 2M Net 8 PM KC3QND	20	21
22	23	<b>24</b> 10M Net 8 PM W8AJF	25 Food Group 7PM 2M KC3QND	<b>26</b> 2M Net 8 PM KC8FOS	27	<b>28</b> Fox Hunt 11 AM
29	30	<b>31</b> 10M Net 8 PM KC3QND				

## Member Highlight: Will Rankin, KE8WHM



Will became a ham in 2023, having passed the Technician test in January and the General test in March. At twentythree years old, he claims to be probably the youngest active ham in the area. His coming to ham radio through video games supports that assertion. Arma 3, a military simulator, featured modern ham radios, which piqued his interest, and the rest is history. Currently, Will is focused on Baldurs Gate 3, which he describes as Dungeons and Dragons as a video game.

Will enjoys ham radio outside of a shack. He attends the Fox Hunts and participates in POTA. He received a POTA Silver Hunter Award. He says opportunities for activation are limited, as there aren't many parks in the area designated for POTA. Whenever he bikes, he tries to be on the air and says he's provided outreach since people will ask him, "what the heck are you doing?" Other hobbies are hiking and camping which provide more opportunities for radio outdoors. His rigs are a Yaesu FT5d HT for 2M and a Yaesu FT891 for all his HF needs. He says both have a lot of nice features and good receiving quality. That good receiving quality was evidenced when he made his first contact across the pond to a man named Hugo in Norway when at the POTA Party in May. He says this was the most exciting moment he's had as a ham.

Will listens to the Burning River Traffic Net sometimes and joins in the informal net on the W8HF repeater (145.230, PL 110.9, negative offset) at 4 PM.

Will would like to figure out how to "aim" an antenna that is not normally directional, if that's possible.

He is an assembler at an aerospace company. They make fuel pumps and air valves for planes, be it a Cessna or a fighter jet and everything in-between.

#### **September Fox Hunt**

Eleven people arrived to capture the elusive fox in September. Next month's Fox Hunt will be October 28 and will be the last of the season. It will have a Halloween theme. Feel free to come dressed as your favorite ghoul, witch, or other character. A costume is not necessary to participate in the hunt. Actually, hunting is not necessary, as some of us come to simply socialize. Bryan, N8OOF and Sara, KC8KSU will be Fox Wranglers. Location is in the Fox Hunt article elsewhere in this issue.



















#### **September Weekend Lunch**

From the smiles on their faces, it seems folks enjoyed themselves at the NOARS September Weekend Lunch at Lone Tree Tavern. The next Weekend Lunch will be Saturday, October 7 at 12:30 at Hooley House Westlake, 24940 Sperry Dr. Neither ham radio license nor NOARS membership are necessary to join the fun and eat good food.







## **POTA at Mosquito Lake**

Dan, W8AJF, activated Mosquito Lake, K-1978 on September 7. He make fifty-three CW QSOs on 40M.



The gulls were happy he was there, as he fed them chips while calling CQ.



#### September Tuesday Lunch

Eleven people were at the Tuesday Lunch in September. The October Tuesday Lunch will be at Golden Corral, Elyria on October 3, at noon. As always, everyone is welcome to join us. It's always a good time with tasty food and friendly conversation.



#### NOARS MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES: September 18, 2023

#### Submitted by Connie, K8CCS

The meeting was held in person at North Olmsted Public Library, and via Zoom. It was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by club president John W8LYO. Total number of people in attendance: 22 (13 attended in person; 9 attended via Zoom).

Pledge of Allegiance.

Introductions and roll call of all in attendance.

Motion to accept meeting minutes as published in the NOARS Log was made by Ann KA8ZEP; Seconded by Andrew KE8WMS. Minutes accepted.

#### **Committee Reports**

Treasurer's Report – Tom W8KYZ

Expenses: \$159.10 – Windstream for August and September \$562.47 – LCC Hall Rental for NOARS Fest \$620.00 – LCC parking lot refurbishing

Motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Carl W8KRF; Seconded by Jeany KC3QND. Treasurer's report was accepted.

Request for approval to pay Annual NOARS Liability Insurance to the ARRL for 2023-2024 in the amount of \$200. A motion was made by Andrew KE8WMS to approve the Annual Club Liability Insurance; Seconded by Jeany KC3QND. Expenditure was approved.

Tom W8KYZ has been serving as treasurer for 25 years. This will be his last term. This is one of the positions that is open this year. Thank you Tom W8KYZ for all your service for NOARS.

<u>Sunshine</u> – Tom W8KYZ – Nothing new on Sunshine. Elaine KC8FOS is recovering from her knee surgery.

<u>Club Property</u> – Carl W8KRF – No change in club property. If you have club property, please remember to return it.

Membership - Carl W8KRF - We have 126 members.

<u>Repeaters</u> – Carl W8KRF – No changes. We had a power outage, but the repeater did not go down. We lost access to it and then it came back.

<u>Website</u> – Carl W8KRF – Nothing has changed on the Website. Please use the website. Most any question you could come up with can be answered on the website: calendar, repeater information, etc.

<u>NOARSfest</u> – Carl W8KRF – We sold 150 tickets. We had six flea market tables outside and twenty-nine tables inside. This was less than last year, most probably due to the parking lot construction.

Social Committee - Elaine KC8FOS

#### Fox Hunts:

9/23/2023 – The next Fox Hunt will be at South Central Park in North Ridgeville. Chris KE8MMY will be the fox wrangler.

10/28/2023 – Halloween theme Fox Hunt – feel free to wear your costume. Location TBD

NOARS Weekend Lunch is Saturday, October 7 at the Hooley House at 24940 Sperry Road, Westlake.

NOARS Tuesday Lunch is October 3 at noon, Golden Corral in Elyria. Everyone is welcome.

<u>Holiday Banquet</u> – December 2, 2023 at Houlihan's in Westlake from 5 to 8 pm. The price is \$30 per person. It will be a buffet menu. Andrew KE8WMS will collect the fees. Deadline to pay is November 30, 2023. He will take cash or credit card (3% fee). He cannot accept checks. You can also pay by Venmo (no fees for Venmo). See the next issue of the NOARS Newsletter for more information.

<u>VE Testing</u> – Elaine KC8FOS – November 4 at Fairview Park Library.

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<u>Programs</u> – Elaine KC8FOS – In October, Tom N8FDY will present a program on digital meters for ham radio. In November, Chuck K8CVM will do a presentation regarding Cuyahoga County ARES.

<u>Newsletter</u> – Tom N8FDY - The deadline for articles, photos, etc. is September 26. We will have lots of room for ads since there will be several that will fall off. If you have anything to sell, please submit an ad. If you didn't sell your items at the hamfest, try selling them in the Newsletter.

<u>Nets</u> – Jeany KC3QND – The nets are doing really well. Eric KE8VZA and Sarah KC8KSU came aboard as net controllers. John W8LYO picked up an extra day. Jeany will get a schedule out within the next several days.

Old Business – No old business to report.

<u>New Business</u> – John W8LYO – This is an odd year, so we will be electing a secretary and treasurer. John appointed

Paul KE8WHG and Eric KE8VZA to the nominating committee. They will choose three volunteers to assist. The sole purpose of the nominating committee is to reach out to the membership to run for secretary and treasurer. The nominating committee is a one-month commitment. They will report at our October meeting who those nominees are. We will vote in November.

There will be an election for the Great Lakes Division of the ARRL. NOARS had voted at the August picnic to support Scott. Bryan N8OOF reported that if you would like to hear the other gentleman, he will be at the LEARA meeting at the Firehouse Grill in Willoughby on September 26<sup>th</sup>..

Motion to Adjourn the meeting was made by Carl W8KRF; Seconded by Paul KE8WHG.

Meeting Adjourned 7:33 p.m.

Presentation – Paul KE8WHG – Feedlines and Connectors.



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## For sale by Bill, KB8FU

Most of the parts needed to convert a Hustler 4BTV or 5BTV to a 6BTV.

These were salvaged from my old 6BTV which was purchased and used before moving back to Ohio.

A previous owner shortened the 10 meter element by over 2 feet for some reason.

I have since replaced it with a used but unmodified 6BTV.

\$30

Contact Bill at 440-281-8105





## For Sale by Ron West, N8OD

MFJ 849 Digital SWR/Wattmeter 1.8-60 Mhz (unused) \$150 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** 

## 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

## **Ad Submission Guidelines**

Electronic ads may be emailed to <u>noarslog@noars.net</u>. Printed ads may be sent to NOARS Log, 161 Herrmann Drive, Avon Lake, OH. 44Ø12. 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 <u>noarslog@noars.net</u> so the ad can be removed. All ads will be removed (unless updated) after four months. NOARS reserves the right to refuse any ads.



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## **NOARS** Information

#### Members of the Board of Directors

President: John, W8LYO Vice President: Elaine, KC8FOS Secretary: Connie, K8CCS Treasurer: Tom, W8KYZ 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 Volunteer Examiners: Elaine, KC8FOS; Glenn, AF8C; Ron, N8EGZ; Sallie, AB8GI; Tom, W8KYZ; John, W8LYO; Dave, KD8MXE; Steve, K8NIA; Bob, W800T; Bill, N8JET; 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; 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. Make checks payable to NOARS and mail them to: NOARS Membership Committee, 161 Herrmann Drive, Avon Lake, OH 44Ø12.



#### Meetings

Nets

The third Monday of each month at the North Olmsted Library, 27403 Lorain Rd. at MHz, Wednesday nights at 7 PM. Coffee and donuts at 7 pm on 146.700 MHz, and 6:30. All are welcome.

NOARS nets are Tuesday nights at 8 pm on 28.370 Thursday nights at 8 pm. on amateurs are welcome

#### **VE** Testing

Contact Elaine, KC8FOS at ewilkinson1951@gmail.com for more info or register for a test. Walk-ins welcome. The next test will be Nov 4 146.700 MHz. All licensed at the Fairview Park Library.

#### **Net Control Stations**

Jeany KC3QND Carl, W8KRF Tom, W8KYZ Dan, W8AJF Elaine, KC8FOS John, W8LYO