

NOARS Log



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Prez Sez

I spent time in the shack last month, and participated in the ARRL Sweepstakes SSB for November. I did not get as many contacts as I did last year but I still had fun. I did not get a chance to call CQ for this one and just chased new contacts up and down the bands, when I had time. Surprisingly, the bands were good, and I had multiple contacts for PAC (Pacific). I look forward to having time off from work during the coming holidays to have more time to play radio. When I started work, I was put in a temporary office, as they were moving people and doing renovations. It is literally 4 walls, a chair, a standing desk (not my choice), 2 monitors and a laptop.

There is nowhere to put a coat, drawers for healthy snacks etc. But I have a window and a groundhog burrowing in the wall to make noises during the day. I found out this week where my real office will be during my time there. They were taking out the old furniture and getting ready for new stuff. I noticed an old 2-drawer metal file cabinet they were going to remove. I told them I wanted that (strange for me as I do not collect paper or folders) but it would be perfect for a mag mount antenna. Maybe I can sneak in a Baofeng and scanner to make it a little more fun and a little less work.

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No Meeting in December

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 holidays are upon us, and I hope to see everyone at the Holiday Banquet. It is always a great time with good company and food. If not, I hope you and your families have a great holiday and you get all the toys you asked for from Santa. You can also join me on Christmas night for the tech/ragchew net at 8 PM as I will be net control for a

special holiday night net, although it is always 'special' with me. LOL
Merry Christmas
Happy New Year
73'
John, W8LYO

December 2025 Social Events

Tuesday Lunch will be on **December 2 at noon** at **Royal Grill and Sushi**, 5234 Cobblestone Rd, Sheffield. All are welcome!

Weekend Lunch at noon on Saturday, December 13 at **Texas Roadhouse**, 25100 Country Club Blvd, North Olmsted. Put on your cowboy boots and come on down!

New Member

Welcome to Doug Smith, KF8ESF. Some of you will know him from the Weekend and Tuesday Lunches.

We're glad you are with us!

The NOARS Social Committee is Looking for Your Input!

Have an idea for a social event? Want to drag your fellow club members to your favorite restaurant? Let Andrew KE8WMS know!

Shoot him an email at ke8wms@icloud.com and we'll add it to upcoming events! Remember, NOARS is your club, and we want to make sure you're happy and excited about upcoming social events.

We'll also be adding a suggestion box for upcoming NOARS meetings, starting in January.

Thanks!

NOARS Social Committee

December Birthdays

Amanda Holzhauser, KF8EWN
 Chris Durkin, KE8MMY
 Corey Brooks, KE8PQW
 Dan Wadsworth, W8AJF
 Jeff Evans, KB8ZUN
 Judi Squires, WD8ASV
 Ken Robinson, K8SCA
 Kevin Sears, WB8OSS

Michael Herdmann, KF8BNF
 Robert Coates, WA8THF
 Robert Gardner, WA8JBT
 Ron Bodman, N8EGZ
 Sara Torok, KC8KSU
 Tom Brennan, KB8NKM
 Tom Porter, W8KYZ
 Tom Wisnor, K8PPZ

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!



November 17, 2025 Membership Meeting Attendance

In Person

Andrew, KE8WMS
 Ann, KA8ZEP
 Bill, KE8WHP
 Bill, K2WJS
 Connie, K8CCS
 Dan, W8AJF

Eric, KE8VZA
 Fred, N8AHS
 John, W8LYO
 Ken, K8SCA
 Michael, KF8BNF
 Rich, KE8YUP
 Steve, K1SEM

Via Zoom

Bill, N4NZZ
 Bob, KF8DCV
 Elaine, KC8FOS
 Jeany, KC3QND
 Mark, KC8FQV
 Pete, KE8NQK

Tom, W8KYZ
 Tom, N8FDY
 Yuri, W4YSW

Heard on the Nets in November

Ann, KA8ZEP
 Bill, W8JET
 Bill, N8LXY
 Bill, W8PKT
 Bill, K2WJS
 Bill, N8WS
 Bob, W8OOT
 Bryan, W8JMI
 Carl, W8KRF
 Chris, N8ACP
 Chris, KE8MMY

Chuck, WB4AIZ
 Chuck, W8CGC
 Dan, K8AGW
 Dan, W8AJF
 Elaine, KC8FOS
 Eric, KE8VZA
 Fred, N8AHS
 Gary, KF8ANR
 Gordon, AI8Y
 Dr. Jack, N8NDL
 Janice, W8MTR

Jeany, KC3QND
 John, KE8CWD
 John, W8LYO
 John, N8QXE
 Jonah, KF8FAA
 Josh, KE8YUG
 Ken, W8KH
 Marie, KF8ANS
 Mark, K4OG
 Mark, KC8FQV
 Michael, WZ8H

Mike, W8TTF
 Nick, KD8SLG
 Paul, KE8WHG
 Pete, KE8NQK
 Rich, KE8YUP
 Scott, KE8VOX
 Stephen, WB3JVK
 Steve, KF8DJA
 Tom, N8FDY
 Tom, W8KYZ

December, 2025

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

	1	2 NOARS Lunch noon. Royal Grill and Sushi 10 M Net 8 PM Elaine, KC8FOS	3 Food Group 7PM 2M Josh, KE8YUG	4 2M Net 8 PM Eric, KE8VZA	5	6 Holiday Party Houlihan's in Westlake 5-8pm
7	8	9 10 M Net 8 PM Tom, W8KYZ	10 Food Group 7PM 2M Dan, K8AGW	11 2M Net 8 PM Tom, W8KYZ	12	13 Weekend Lunch Noon Texas Roadhouse North Olmsted
14	15	16 10 M Net 8 PM Eric, KE8VZA	17 Food Group 7PM 2M Elaine, KC8FOS	18 2M Net 8 PM Jeany, KC3QND	19	20
21	22	23 10 M Net 8 PM Dan, W8AJF	24 Food Group 7PM 2M Bill, N8JET	25 2M Net 8 PM John, W8LYO Ho Ho Ho!!	26	27
28	29	30 10 M Net 8 PM Pete, KE8NQK	31 Food Group 7PM 2M Jeany, KC3QND			

New Member of the Porter Family

Tom, W8KYZ and his wife, Pat welcomed Walker, a seven-year-old Boston Terrier, as a new member of the

Porter family. Apparently, Walker is the perfect size for a lap cuddle. Welcome, Walker!



Mr. and Mrs. POTA at Marblehead on a Beautiful Day

Ann, KA8ZEP and Dan, W8AJF traveled to Marblehead to do POTA. They made a total of 50 contacts on 20 meters. The weather was nice enough that folks ventured

out into the lake to fish. As a tasty end to the day, Dan and Ann ate at Bob Evans on the way home, making it a successful POTA date!





November Tuesday Lunch

Twenty-two gathered for fellowship and a tasty meal on November 4. It looked like they were having a great time! Special guest was Jeany's son, Donny. The

Tuesday Lunch in December will be at noon at Royal Grill and Sushi, 5234 Cobblestone Rd, Sheffield. All are welcome!







November Weekend Lunch

Nine gathered for tasty food and conversation on Saturday, November 8. The December Weekend Lunch

will be at Texas Roadhouse, 25100 Country Club Blvd, North Olmsted. Yee-haw! Join us!





NOARS Membership Meeting Minutes

November 17, 2025

Submitted by Secretary, 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 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 the October 2025 meeting minutes as published in the NOARS Log was made by Dan, W8AJF; seconded by Michael, KF8BNF. Minutes accepted.

Treasurer – Eric, KE8VZA.

Income: \$900 donation from Norb, N8KJT. He took over the frequency of our third repeater and duplexer that we did not use for many years. He is operating the repeater as a DMR repeater. We also received three dues at \$15 each.

Expenses: Paid monthly Windstream for the internet and telephone service at the repeater site.

Motion to accept the treasurer report was made by Rich, KE8YUP; seconded by Ken, K8SCA. Treasurer report was accepted.

2026 Budget – John, W8LYO – Budget was not available on the screen. The only thing that has changed is the cost for the winter and summer Hamfests which will be \$1,300 each. This year we made a little over \$1,800 from the winter Hamfest and \$500 from the summer Hamfest.

We removed the \$25 expense for Safe Lock for our website since we do not need it. We added an expense for the cost of the pavilion rental for Field Day weekend, splitting that with LCARA, so our cost is \$75.

Other expenses are Zoom at \$160, sunshine at \$250, liability insurance at \$200, postage at \$50. Repeater expenses are shipping of \$100 for repeater maintenance

that we have hardly used. Repeater internet and phone stay the same and maintenance stays the same. The prizes that we purchase for Hamfest(s) and our banquet total about \$400. Charitable donations will stay at \$300. We have a \$50 fee for the picnic pavilion rental for our annual picnic, with everyone bringing their own food.

Because of the \$900 donation that we received, which will go towards next year's budget, we did not have to break into the emergency fund this year. All the other expenses stay the same as in 2025. This leaves us with a surplus of approximately \$48.57. We will break even without having to go into the emergency fund. If we need to, the President has a \$100 discretionary fund that we could use.

Motion to approve the 2026 Budget was made by Ann, KA8ZEP; seconded by Michael, KF8BNF. The 2026 Budget was approved.

Committee reports

Website – John, W8LYO – is up to date. Nothing new on the website.

Membership – John, W8LYO – Membership is staying steady at about 135 for paid members and maybe more through the VE testing.

Field Day – John, W8LYO – Nothing more on this other than we already have the pavilion rented a year in advance.

Hamfest – John, W8LYO – We will start planning our winter Hamfest. We will talk more about Hamfests in new business.

Parliamentary – Tom, N8FDY – No election this month because there was no opposition for the open positions. The budget was approved, so we are good for the year. John, W8LYO recognized Connie for her efforts as secretary. We will have a new secretary at the table starting in January.

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Newsletter – Tom, N8FDY – Articles and ads need to be in by November 25. Submit your ads and POTA pictures.

Club Property – Elaine – KC8FOS – Tom, K8FDY stated they are working on a full list of items that do not work. They need to determine which items are obsolete and can be disposed of. A motion will be made next year listing the items that should be disposed of. The items that we loan to people are stable and were listed in the newsletter.

Repeater – John, W8LYO – The repeaters are steady. He has not heard of any problems with Allstar.

Social Committee – Andrew, KE8WMS – The lunches will continue in December. If you have any recommendations of where you would like to go, let the committee know. Ann, KA8ZEP, said she asked people who attended the lunch at Blue Sky their thoughts. The majority of the people wanted to keep it at the Blue Sky. The holiday party is December 6. More information regarding reservations and payment is in the NOARS Log. Eric will be handling the payments. It is at the same location as last year, Houlihan's in Westlake. An email went out that had a link to use your cellphone to make the payment. Eric will also accept cash and check.

Programs – No program in December.

Sunshine – Tom, W8KYZ – Ed, KA0MRD, was recently admitted to a rehab facility in Avon Lake. Bill Green,

WD8IPU, passed away in Amherst. Bill was not a member of NOARS but was active with the Hamfests.

Tom, W8KYZ, made a motion that charitable donations be made to Second Harvest food bank in Amherst in the amount of \$150 and to Salvation Army in the amount of \$150. The motion was seconded by Pete, KE8NQQ. The motion passed.

VE Team – Elaine, KC8FOS – There was a VE session November 1. Five people tested, two were successful candidates. Their licenses have not been processed yet due to the FCC having been closed. She will continue to monitor those. The next test is January 3 at Fairview Park Library at 10:00. The new testing process has been proved to be a very good process. John has been instrumental in getting this off the ground.

Nets – Jeany, KC3QND – The nets are good. We are looking for someone for net control on Christmas Day. Christmas Eve and Thanksgiving are covered.

Old Business – No old business.

New Business – No new business as the 2026 Budget was approved earlier in the meeting.

Motion to Adjourn the meeting was made by Andrew, KE8WMS; seconded by Rich, KE8YUP.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Presentation: Rich, KE8YUP, his home made battery box.

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Meshtastic Antennas for Sale by Bill Beckman, N8LXY

5 base antennas that will work with Meshtastic devices. They have a Teleflex pigtail about a foot long with an N female connector termination.

Contact Bill at wrbeck@sbcglobal.net

Ad Submission Guidelines

Electronic ads may be emailed to 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 so the ad can be removed. All ads will be removed (unless updated) after four months. NOARS reserves the right to refuse any ads.

For Sale by Pete, KE8NQQ

Yaseu FT-847 Earth Station. \$600.00 OBO

Yaseu FT-950 Transceiver HF/50MHZ. \$550.00 OBO

Kenwood TS-940S, parts only with an extra bag of parts. \$275.00 OBO

Versaload MFJ-250 wet dummy load, up to 500W. UHF/VHF/HF. \$45.00 OBO

Autek Research MK-1 programmable keyer. Includes manual. \$45.00 OBO

Cushcraft MA160V vertical antenna. \$275.00 OBO

MFJ 20, 40, 80 meter vertical antenna \$175.00 OBO

Dentron MLA-2500 Linear Amplifier. 2,000 watts, with manual. 220 volts, untested. As is. \$1,000.00 OBO

Contact Pete, KE8NQQ, 440-281-4486 or PSKle22383@live.com



For Sale by Bill Beckman, N8LXY, from the Estate of Clark Beckman, N8PZD SK

Five 10-foot sections of Rohn 45 G

One 9-foot Rohn 45 AG top section

The tower was never erected

\$1150.00

Needed hardware, NOT included. Buyer will need to buy:

6 each per section: 3/8" and 5/16" x 2" bolts with 1 inch shoulder, split lock washer and nut. All hardware should be hot dipped galvanized.

Bill, N8LXY can provide consulting, project management and tower erection equipment.

Contact Bill at wrbeck@sbcglobal.net

Free Hammarlund HQ-140-X Receiver

Free, a vintage Hammarlund HQ-140-X Receiver is ready for restoration. Included is the Hayseed Hamfest Capacitor Kit for the receiver (\$35 value). A great tutorial from Mr. Carlson's Lab: Hammarlund HQ-140-X Repair

and Restoration <https://youtu.be/4kT57s0kCAk?si=RyoKP6VWF9Iqvz4s> Contact Tom, N8FDY, thomasfwilkinson@gmail.com, 216-409-1886.



COMPACTenna PERFECT CB & PERFECT 10

Paul from Texas sent a photo of his easy installation and writes:

“I simply affixed the L-bracket of a standard mobile CB antenna mirror mount on the end of my roof gutter with a standard vice grip.

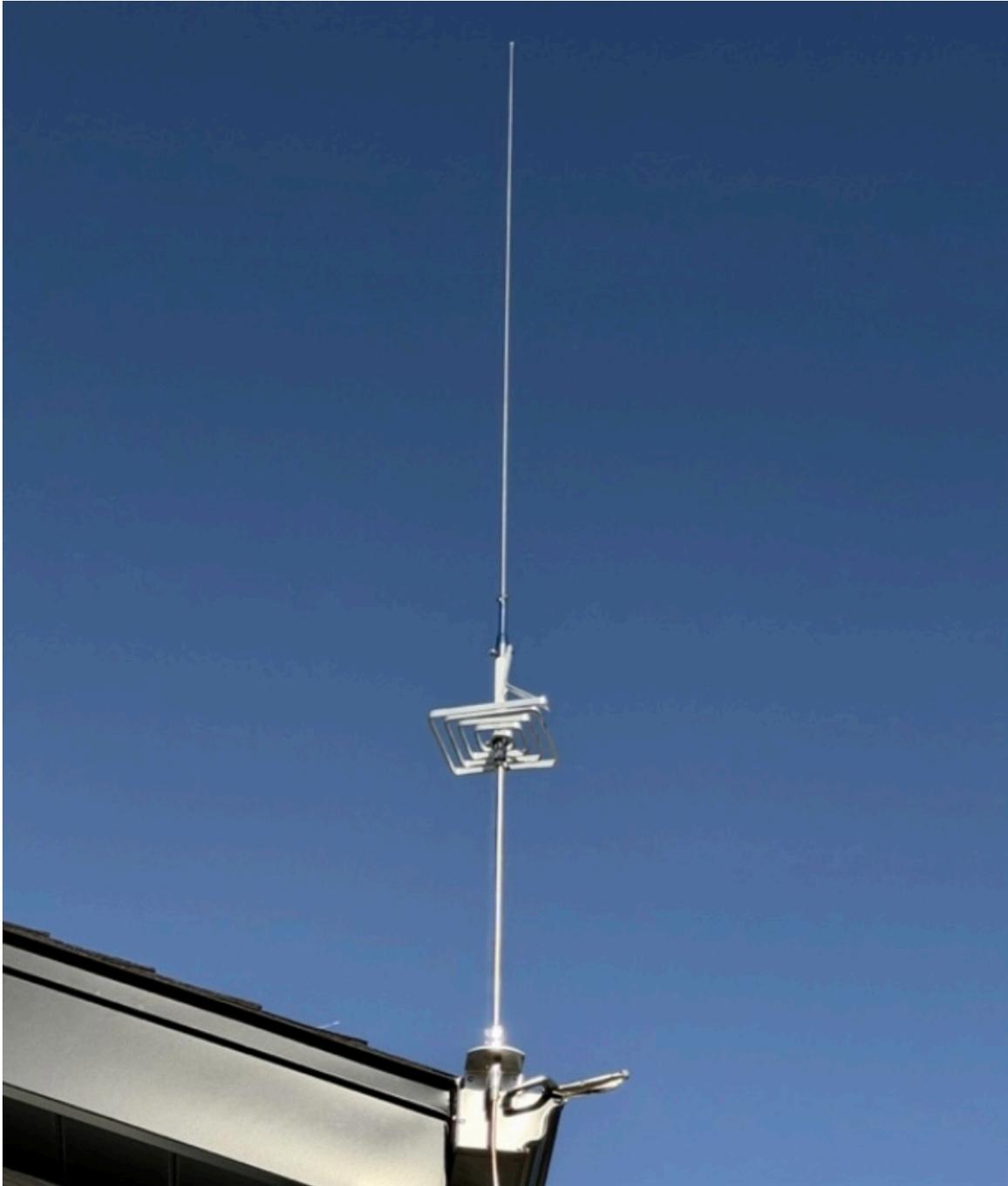
This is the stealthy look and performance that I was looking for.

It’s working great!

SWRs are 1:1 to 1:4 across 11 meters.

With my antenna mount on the gutter only about 10 feet above the ground, I am talking with area locals 45+ miles away! And I’ve been able to do DX as well all over the country.

Thank you!”



More info at: <https://compactenna.com/#PH6>



Chet Roberts

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*** Coffee Mug
Not
Included!**



NOARS Information

Members of the Board of Directors

President: John, W8LYO

Vice President: Andrew, KE8WMS

Secretary: Connie, K8CCS

Treasurer: Eric, KE8VZA

Others: Carl, W8KRF; Will, KE8WHM;
Tom, N8FDY

Others

Net Manager: Jeany, KC3QND

Club Trustee for K8KRG: John, W8LYO

NOARS Log Editors: Tom, N8FDY; Elaine, KC8FOS

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Volunteer Examiners: Elaine, KC8FOS; Glenn, AF8C;
John, W8LYO; Bob, W8OOT; Bill, N8JET; Ed,
KA0MRD; Scott, KE8VOX; Mark, KC8FLY

Committees

Parliamentary Committee: Tom, N8FDY

Repeaters: Carl, W8KRF; John, W8LYO;
Pete, KE8QNK; Bryan N8OOF

Field Day: Carl, W8KRF

Hamfest: John, W8LYO

Sunshine: Tom, W8KYZ

Membership: Carl, W8KRF

Club Property Committee: Elaine, KC8FOS

Programs Committee: Paul, KE8WHG Chair;

Pete, KE8NQK; Jeany KC3QND; Scott, KE8VOX

Social Committee: Andrew, KE8WMS;

Elaine, KC8FOS; Eric, KE8VZA;

Will, KE8WHM; Ann, KA8ZEP; Michael, KF8BNF

Public Relations Committee: Elaine, KC8FOS;

Michael, KF8BNF

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, 20246 Drake Rd., Strongsville, OH 44149.



Meetings

The third Monday of each month at the North Olmsted Library, 27403 Lorain Rd. at 7 PM. All are welcome.

Nets

NOARS nets are Tuesday nights at 8 pm on 28.370 MHz, Wednesday nights at 7 pm on 146.700 MHz, and Thursday nights at 8 pm. on 146.700 MHz. All licensed amateurs are welcome.

VE Testing

Contact Elaine, KC8FOS at ewilkinson1951@gmail.com, or call 216-337-4235 for more info or to register for a test. Walk-ins are welcome.

Net Control Stations

Jeany KC3QND
Eric, KE8VZA
Tom, W8KYZ
Dan, W8AJF
Elaine, KC8FOS
John, W8LYO
Josh, KE8YUG
Dan, K8AGW
Bill, N8JET