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# Upcoming Meetings & Events

February 01<sup>st</sup> – Club Meeting – 7:30pm (details inside)

February 16<sup>th</sup> – Hamfest Setup

February 17<sup>th</sup> – Mansfield Hamfest (ALL hands on deck!!)

February 21st - IARC Breakfast Club - Bob Evan's on Hanley Road - 9:00am

V.E. Test Session (details inside)



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# This Newsletter is for everyone!

Please feel free to pass along to anyone that might have an interest!!

Have them send me their email and they'll get it direct!

#### Wednesday Night Nets

Check-in on the nets on our 146.940 repeater at 8pm local as well as our statewide net on our DMR repeater on 444.700 – TG 3139

Who knows, you might just hookup with an old friend or two.

#### **National News**

# **Amateur Radio Applications Piling Up as Partial Government Shutdown Continues** *(from ARRL Bulletins)*

Volunteer Examiner Coordinators across the US are continuing to receive paperwork from Amateur Radio

exam sessions held during the partial government shutdown. While it's still possible to access the Universal Licensing System (<u>ULS</u>) and file applications, the FCC is not processing individual, club, and exam session — new and upgrade — Amateur Radio applications. The FCC closed most operations on January 3, when available funding ran out. According to the FCC public notice, aside from a few emergency and auction-filing systems, all other Commission electronic filing systems will be unavailable to the public until normal agency operations resume.

"Nothing's moving until the FCC reopens," said ARRL VEC Manager Maria Somma, AB1FM. "ARRL VEC continues to enter exam session, individual, and club license data into the system while we wait for the FCC to reopen and normal agency operations to resume. We have approximately 1,600 applications and 125 exam sessions waiting in the queue to be processed. Everything's in there ready to go."

Somma stressed that, although license upgrade applications are still on hold, current FCC Amateur Radio licensees who have successfully upgraded and hold a Certificate of Successful Completion of Examination (CSCE) may operate temporarily using the privileges of their new license class, until their new licenses are granted.

Even though it's not possible for the FCC to grant a new license, a license upgrade, a change of address or other modification, or a vanity call sign application, the Commission Registration System (**CORES**) remains functional to allow critical radio services to obtain FRNs and file applications during the shutdown.

Registering a user name and logging into CORES is required to apply for and receive an FCC Registration Number (FRN). An FRN is a unique 10-digit identifier necessary to conduct business with the FCC and to manage existing FRNs. The FCC said that starting in March, users who already have an FRN from the legacy Commission Registration System will need to create a user name to continue managing their FRNs. If an Amateur Radio license recently has expired or is about to expire, the licensee can apply for license renewal via the ULS and continue to operate while the FCC is closed. The filed application will remain in limbo until the FCC is back to work. Licensee who wait until the FCC reopens to apply then will have 2 days to submit a renewal application before the license is considered to have expired in the FCC database.

The FCC has said it would not automatically extend deadlines in cases where the license has expired and the 2-year grace period has expired but said it would "consider whether it is appropriate to do so once normal operations resume."

#### **Secured Area on the IARC.Club Website**

Hey Gang,

There is a "secured" area on the club website, have you visited it yet? This is for members only. You do have to complete a registration form first. Once completed and approved, you will be allowed access into this "secured" area. This particular area is for members only. The rest of the website is open to anyone and we hope that you do share all of the information that is on the open portions of the website with you friends.

Here's a link to get you signed up for the "Members Only" pages: http://iarc.club/registration.html

#### **IARC Breakfast**

Hey Gang,

Did you know that IARC has a Breakfast gathering every 3rd Thursday of the month? It's true and very well attended. If you have the time we'd love to see ya' at the next breakfast. The next Breakfast will be **Thursday – February 21**<sup>st</sup> @ **9am** – at the Bob Evans on Hanley Road.

We sure hope to see ya' then!!

#### **IARC Board**

President	Vice President
Duane Meadows, <b>K8MDA</b>	Danny Bailey, W8DLB

Secretary Treasurer
Jane Yonally, KB8YPW Harry Maines, N8XMI

Board for 1 year
Henry Koenig, WD8Q

Board for 2 year
Scott Yonally, N8SY

Board for 3 year

Dave Weigold, N8DPW

Corporate Agent
Harry Frietchen, K8HF

**Repeater Trustees** 

W8WE/R 146.940 (-) K8HF/R 147.360 (+) Harry Frietchen, **K8HF** 

W8WE/R 444.700 (+ DMR) Club License Trusee (W8WE)
Harry Frietchen, K8HF

# **Electronic Equipment Disposal**

Hey Gang,

Got some old computer equipment or TV's that you just don't want anymore, and they aren't worth anything? I've got a great way of helping you get rid of them without breaking the bank, and it will help our community by providing jobs to our local economy. Let me introduce you to - Disposal Services from Richland Newhope. Your materials may be dropped off during normal business hours at: 971 West Longview Ave., Mansfield, OH 44906. Now if this is not convenient for you, you can also schedule for pickup by calling: 419-774-4496, extra charges will apply however.

#### Here's what they will take, and what they charge.

IT Electronics: this includes equipment required for PC or Server functionality, including desktop PC's, laptops, servers, routers, network equipment, tablets, docking stations, smart phones No Cost \$0.00

Data Destruction (Shredding hard drives) \$6.00 per unit
Batteries (Alkaline, NICD, NIMH, LI, and lead acid less than 30lbs) \$1.00 per pound
CRT Monitors/ Terminals/TV's \$0.30 per pound
LCD/Plasma TV's and LCD Monitors broken and less than 17" \$0.30 per pound
Printers, Copiers and Fax equipment \$0.15 per pound
Non-IT Electronics \$0.15 per pound



## **Wednesday Night Nets**

Come join us each Wednesday evening at 8p for the Richland County ARES Net on the Mansfield 146.94 Repeater, W8WE/R.

Also, come join us on the DMR Net each week too. That Net is on the Ohio Talkgroup 3139 at 8:30p Wednesday's

#### **ARES Connect**



Have you registered in the new ARES Connect yet? You'll want to for sure. It's the new reporting system for all of ARES in the country. Yes, it will replace our current system in a few months, so you'll want to get registered now so that you'll be used to what all the features do and how to report **before** we have to go completely onto this new system.

It's really easy to get registered. All you have to do is click on this <u>link</u> to get you started. Answer a few questions and it's all done, you'll be registered. Then you will want to get yourself registered for all the various events that are there. It's really easy to do and that's it, your hours for participation will be automatically recorded! How much easier than that can it be.

# InterCity Amateur Radio Club Monthly Meeting – January 5, 2019

President Duane, K8MDA, called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

<u>Minutes</u> – Tom Miller, N8TWM, moved to accept minutes as read. Danny Bailey, W8DLB seconded motion. Approved

Financial report - Henry, WD8Q, moved to accept financial report, second by John, K8NJ. Approved

Membership – 2 new members Fred Thomas, KE8KVP and Tom Miller, N8TWM

<u>Health and Wellness</u> – Matt Nickels, K8IDF, had several toes amputated.

<u>Education</u> – Test session will be Saturday January 19 and also at the Mansfield Hamfest.

<u>PIO</u> – Danny Baker, AB8SI, gave a brief overview of benefits of the ARRL website and recommended ordering the 2019 ARRL calendar.

<u>Tech Committee</u> – Dave Weigold, N8DPW, we've experienced several outages on 444.700 due to the power supply on the VASU rack malfunctioning. Moved it to the club rack. Several extension cords were needed for other problems with internet connections. All taken care of.

<u>ARES</u> – Danny, W8DLB – reminded everyone to complete their ICS courses. Winter field day will be held January 26-27 at the log cabin in South Park. The first monthly evening get together at the Stewart Rd. McDonalds on Saturday evening had a very small attendance. Next meeting will be on January 12 at 6:00 pm.

<u>ARRL</u> – Scott, N8SY – CenturyLink outage is being investigated by the FCC. The current government shutdown does affect the FCC. New amateur licenses and upgrades will be delayed. Reminder to any new hams, they cannot transmit until they receive their call sign.

#### Old Business -

<u>Hamfest</u> – Danny, W8DLB will give a free table to any club/organization promoting amateur radio as long as they are not selling anything.

Larry will do the talk-in again.

Will need volunteers to set-up tables Saturday at 11:00 am

Need volunteer for security Sunday morning at 5:00 am

There is to be NO parking on the kitchen side or the rear of Fairhaven Hall.

Need volunteer to run the 50/50 drawing. Danny, W8DLB, will be the back-up.

#### New Business -

Tom, KB8UXS need volunteers for ARNOLD in February.

Scott, N8SY, made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Henry, WD8Q. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Yonally, KB8YPW, Secretary, InterCity Amateur Radio Club

#### **For Sales**



Got something that you want to sell? Send you list of items to me at <a href="mailto:n8sy@n8sy.com">n8sy@n8sy.com</a> and I'll get it posted in the next edition of Airwaves..

Oh, by the way, you can also find these items listed on the Swap & Shop portion of the website. Just go to: <a href="http://iarc.club/s-s.html">http://iarc.club/s-s.html</a> for the latest listings

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#### For Sale:

**Black Tarheel 75 mobile screwdriver antenna** 10 Meter Thru 80 Meter with 6ft black whip Included Ancillary Equipment:

- \* Manual Control switch with 20ft of cable
- \* Mount MT1S
- \* Capacitance Hat CH1B Black

**Yaesu FT-100D** mobile transceiver with original box, manual, schematics and microphone with new cable and PTT switch.

I recently used it on 20m and 80m when my FT-857D was in for repair. It has not had much use on VHF/UHF or 6M.

Third party separation kit included with the caveat that there is no mount for the face plate. I used a

cellphone holder when I used it in a mobile installation.

**Yaesu Tune Control** for Yaesu FT-100D, FT-857D and FT-897 manufactured by The Better RF Company (No longer manufactured) makes the Tune button on your Yaesu radio emit lower power for tuning in any mode and also can interface to some Icom tuners and other devices.





TYT MD-380 DMR Digital Transceiver -- Lightly used!

Please contact Paul, WD8OJL at 419-528-8883 via voicemail, text or email WD8OJL@neo.rr.com



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#### For Sale:

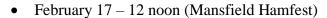
**Ham 4 rotor**, control box & rotor cable - TH6DXX beam - 3 band rotary dipole - 4 position antenna switch

Please contact W8NW 419 564-1673 or email <a href="mailto:DHomerick@neo.rr.com">DHomerick@neo.rr.com</a>

#### **Next IARC V.E. Test Session**

Upcoming Test Sessions for 2019. All test sessions will start at 1pm unless otherwise noted and will be at:

People's Community Center 597 Park Avenue East Mansfield, OH 44905



- April 20
- July 20
- October 20
- January 18, 2020

For more details or other V.E. Test Sessions, visit: http://iarc.club/ve-testing.html



## **Interested in Joining IARC**

If you've not joined IARC, or just haven't renewed yet, we want to encourage you to do so now. **Dues are now PAST DUE.** They are always due by September 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. So now is a great time to get your dues in so that you don't forget!



<u>Dues are still just \$12</u> It's just a lot of fun and great ham talk! There's always something of interest at the meetings.

Please send your dues to: Harry Mains, N8XMI 593 Woodcrest Drive Mansfield, OH 44905

We meet every 1st Friday of the month (except July & August) at 7:30, at:

People's Community Center Community Room 597 Park Avenue East, Mansfield, OH.

For your convenience, you can also pay by credit card or PayPal.. <a href="http://iarc.club/mem\_page.html">http://iarc.club/mem\_page.html</a>