



# The Airwaves

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### Upcoming Meetings & Events

November 3<sup>rd</sup> – IARC Meeting – 7:30pm (details inside)

November 5<sup>th</sup> – Daylight Saving Time Ends

November 7<sup>th</sup> – General Elections

November 16<sup>th</sup> – IARC Breakfast at Bob Evans – 9:am (details inside)

November 24<sup>th</sup> - Thanksgiving

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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!

### Editor

**Scott Yonally, N8SY**

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or comments to:

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or phone:

(419) 512-4445

### 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.

## CW Gets the Message Through in Wake of Hurricane Irma

(from arrl bulletins)

Any CW operator worth his or her salt will tell you that CW is the mode that gets through when all others fall short of the mark. CW certainly did the job for Chet Hogue, N3BK, who handled dozens of messages for residents of Florida's Lower Keys in the days following Hurricane Irma in September.

“A message from a Big Pine Key man to his girlfriend, who evacuated with their young daughter and was waiting to hear how he weathered the storm, was one of about 80 sent out over the airwaves by ham radio enthusiast Chet Hogue in the days following Irma's destruction,” reporter Katie Atkins wrote in *The Keynoter* in [describing](#) Hogue's activity.

“Things here are still incredibly a mess!” Hogue told ARRL this week.

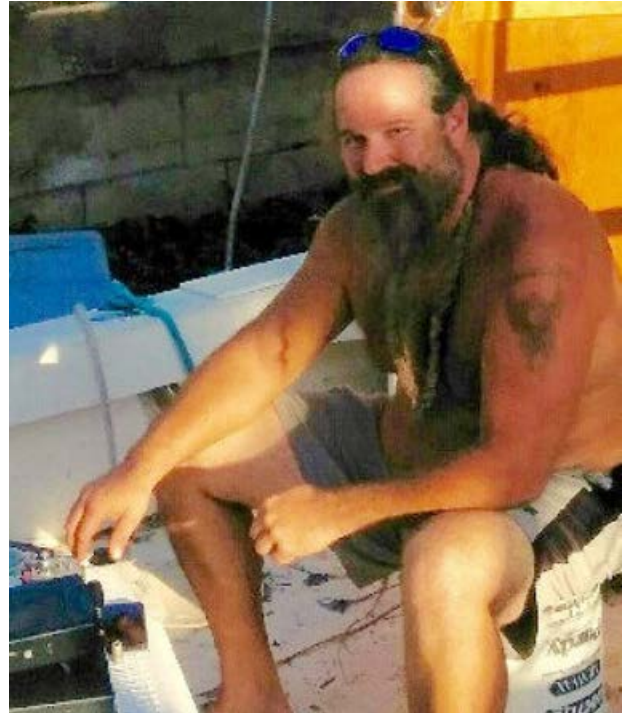
The Summerland Key charter captain, known as “Captain Chester,” weathered the storm in place. He noted that the primary frequencies handling traffic were quite busy, so he got on CW, which, he told Atkins, allowed him “to relay messages clearly.” He operated from a station at his home as well as from his boat. According to the news report, Hogue would transmit message traffic gathered from residents trying to get in touch with family and friends outside the area. He urged anyone interested in Amateur Radio to visit the ARRL website. “It's just neat, this system,” he told Atkins. “With a piece of wire and a car battery, you can talk around the world.”

Hogue told ARRL that he “escaped” to the Keys in 2010 after recovering from an injury suffered in a vehicle accident. “I haven't been active in some time, but have kept my 'bug-out bag' ready for just this situation,” he said. “[This] was my first emergency, as it was for many who passed traffic for me.”

Hogue's father — also Chester — is N3VA, and his dad and some of his friends got him interested in Amateur Radio. Hogue entered the military as a teenager and, he said, realized the vital importance of communication.

Hogue used a 100 W radio powered from deep-cycle marine batteries, a G5RV antenna on shore and a fiberglass vertical antenna on his charter boat. He kept a handwritten log on a piece of cardboard.

“This is a good reason for all of us to learn CW and use it on the bands, and become skilled at sending and receiving CW,” remarked Whitey Doherty, K1VV, a CW stalwart who shared the news story with ARRL Headquarters. — *Thanks to “Captain Chester” Hogue, N3BK, The Keynoter, and Whitey Doherty, K1VV*



### 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>

Oh, by the way, you can no longer access the IARC website via <http://iarc.ws> . The club decided at the September meeting not to renew that particular domain name so it has been dropped altogether. You still can access the IARC website via [w8we.org](http://w8we.org) or [iarc.club](http://iarc.club) as always. I would strongly suggest that you visit the club website often to get the latest information about our club meetings, VE Testing and all sorts of other Ham Radio news.

**NOTE:** for those of you that had your [yourcall@iarc.ws](mailto:yourcall@iarc.ws) please take note that this email address is no longer available.

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### 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 – November 16th @ 9am – at the Bob Evans on Hanley Road.

We sure hope to see ya’ then!!

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### Club History

Did you know where the club call actually came from? You can find that information, along with a lot of other interesting facts about InterCity on the website. I am still going through a lot of old information and getting it all posted on the website.

Did you know that next year InterCity will be celebrating 85 years of Affiliation to the ARRL? It’s true, we were formed and Affiliated back in 1933. Here’s a link for you: [http://iarc.club/about\\_the\\_club.html](http://iarc.club/about_the_club.html)

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**Membership Dues are DUE**

Hey Gang,

As per the By-Laws if you haven't paid your membership dues by November 01 you will be dropped from the rolls.

- A.) *Dues for Membership of IARC, Inc. are due on the first (01) of September and shall be payable in advance to the Treasurer*
- B.) *Membership will be from 01 September to 31 August of the following year.*
- C.) *Any member defaulting in his membership dues for more than sixty (60) days will be dropped from the paid membership rolls as an active member. Dues payments that are made through electronic money transfers will be of the same amount as payments plus a handling fee not to exceed one (1) dollar per transaction.*



Please, don't let this happen to you. Renew your dues now. It's so easy. You can pay in person at the November 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting, or pay on-line!

**IARC Board**

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**IARC Meeting Minutes**

InterCity Radio Club  
Monthly Meeting  
October 7, 2017

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

Minutes – Jane Yonally, KB8YPW, read the September 8, 2017 minutes. Harry Mains, N8XMI made motion to accept minutes as read, second by Dan Baker, AB8SI. Motion carried

Financial Report - presented by Harry Mains, N8XMI.

Audit – Completed

Health and Wellness – Bill Martin, N8TQ, will be having knee surgery next week.

Tech Committee – Dave Weigold, N8DPW reported that the power pole is on backorder. Power pole plug is installed on the portable repeater.

ARES – Dave Weigold, N8DPW gave a report on the Richland County LEPC (Local Emergency Planning Committee) full scale exercise. All those who participated did a great job.

Education – Tom Miller N8TWM, reported that the 211 Agency is interested in having a class held at the library for their employees and the community. Tom will get contact information to Duane Meadows, K8MDA. Duane reminded everyone that we have the community room available for classes every Friday evening.

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**Old Business**

Duane Meadows, K8MDA, reported that the water cooler from the trailer is spoken for, also that the trailer possibly needs rewired, as there is currently no way to charge the battery. Dave Weigold, N8DPW, volunteered to run the generator a few hours every few weeks to keep the battery charged.

Duane also mentioned that while at Marblehead for Ohio State Parks On The Air and during the emergency drill, there was a lot of noise/interference from the generator.

The equipment inventory is on-going.

**New Business**

Dan Baker, AB8SI, moved to adjourn meeting, seconded by Bill Martin, N8TQ. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Program – Introduction to MESH networks - presented by Duane Meadows

Respectfully submitted  
Jane Yonally, KB8YPW  
Secretary InterCity Radio Club

**For Sales**



Got something that you want to sell? Send you list of items to me at [n8sy@n8sy.com](mailto:n8sy@n8sy.com) 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: <http://iarc.club/s-s.html> for the latest listings

**For Sale: Kenwood TS-830S**

Tribander new in 2008, up 35 ft, tower to remain

Kenwood mobile, model unknown

Mobile antenna

For more information contact:  
Mabel Markwell, KA8ISP  
Phone: 419-589-4540  
Email: [mlm36@aol.com](mailto:mlm36@aol.com)



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**For Sale: Clegg Apollo Six - 6 meter linear amplifier. \$325.00 or best offer**

Contact Tom Bence, WB8CQW at: 419-756-8079 or email him at: [bencetobe@neo.rr.com](mailto:bencetobe@neo.rr.com)



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**For Sale: TailTwister** series rotator with controller. Asking \$330, or best offer.

Contact Tom Bence, WB8CQW at: 419-756-8079 or email him at: [bencetobe@neo.rr.com](mailto:bencetobe@neo.rr.com)



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**Wanted: Antenna Analyzer**

Contact Tom Bence, WB8CQW at: 419-756-8079 or email him at: [bencetobe@neo.rr.com](mailto:bencetobe@neo.rr.com)

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**For Sale: Hy-Gain TH6DXX (5 band) and Cushcraft D3W** (12, 17 and 30 mtrs) antennas in pretty good shape.



Also have a **Ham V (5)** rotor with control box.

E-mail me and we'll work a deal. Contact Bob, KN8M at: [rortasic@neo.rr.com](mailto:rortasic@neo.rr.com)



### Interested in Joining IARC

If you've not joined IARC, or just haven't renewed yet, **and it's time for you to do that now**, we want to encourage you to do so now.



### Dues are still just \$12

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

Or, better yet, bring them to the next club meeting!! 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.. [http://iarc.club/mem\\_page.html](http://iarc.club/mem_page.html)