

THE WOBBLY OSCILLATOR



EDITOR'S DESK

by Roy Hadden, KB8VJF

Okay, so I was a bit premature in changing the list of C.A.R.S. board members in last month's issue. The newly elected officers and board members begin their terms this month. Please keep in mind that these are volunteer positions, not full-time jobs. Success of our organization depends on participation of the membership, too.

Articles received by the end of the month will be published in the following month's Wobbly Oscillator.

Send articles by E-mail to:

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or by U.S. mail to:

The Wobbly Oscillator

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MEETING MINUTES

by Ray Severyn, WD8OMK

(Editor: A holiday dinner was held in place of a December meeting.)



TREASURER'S REPORT

by Judy Crane, KC8FHE

12-01-98 to 12-31-98		
Budget Code	Expense Amount	Income Amount
PHONE-825	35.81	
DUES		373.50
Total:	35.81	373.50



VE NEWS

by Gary Dewey, NI8Z

The C.A.R.S. VE group will again schedule examination sessions at the Independence Town Hall, 6652 Brecksville Rd, Independence, OH. This site has handicap accessibility.

The upcoming dates in 1999 are:

March 14th

May 2nd

July 11th

September 12th

November 14th

All dates will be on the 2nd Sunday except May. Testing will begin at 9am. Walk-ins are welcome, however, it would be appreciated if a call for registration was made at least one week prior to the test date. FCC forms will be available. The 1999 ARRL/VEC test fee will be \$6.45. A fee will be charged for any retest of a failed element.

Everyone must bring a pen and pencil with eraser, the original and copies of licenses and CSCEs, a current or valid photo identification,

Contact Gary Dewey, NI8Z, at 216-642-1339 or NI8Z@cars.org.

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THE RANDOM WIRE

by Tom Wayne WB8N

**FROM THE PREZ'S SHACK
1999 HERE WE COME !!!**

The new year is here and this is the start of another year for the Cuyahoga Amateur Radio Society. We have a few things to get ready for already this year, such as the C.A.R.S. Father's Day Hamfest



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and our field day effort, both in June. Then there are any public service events that may come up during the year as well.

Our new officers and board members are ready to begin their duties, and we are also going to need the assistance of the general membership (this means you) to get things done. I know you will come through, as in the past.

The on-going Communications Trailer project will be starting again as soon as warm weather is upon us once again, and Paul KC8AMD will be needing assistance with that in the way of electrical work, carpentry, and any other way you think you can be of help. It will all be greatly appreciated, and is for the betterment of YOUR club. If you have the capability to pull the trailer, let Paul know. We need to have a list of those that can do so, in case of an emergency, where the trailer is needed.

YEARLY EXPENSES

The price of postage is now .33 cents, which will raise the cost of getting the news letter mailed, so for those of you that have an e-mail account other than through JUNO, please contact Roy KB8VJF and let him know. The more we can reduce our operating costs the better for us all. Club equipment needs to be repaired or replaced on occasion and these expenses are normally not small.

In the past, we were fortunate enough to have a couple of fund raising events which helped our bank account greatly, but alas, we do not have that particular option any longer.

C.A.R.S. has also been the recipient of gracious donations by members, most of whom wish to remain anonymous, and hopefully this practice will continue. Thank you to all who have donated in the past. You know who you are.

For most of the membership, annual dues were due Dec. 31, 1998. If you have not yet got your dues in, please mail them to our treasurer:

Judy Crane KC8FHE
6531 Tanglewood Ln.
Seven Hills OH 44131

For those of you who get their newsletter via e-mail, a notice was sent in November I believe. Others will find a reminder of when their dues are due on their address label on the W.O.

HOLIDAY BLAHS

Now that the holidays are over, I hope everyone had a great Christmas, and good beginning for the new year. We (my wife Lisa and me) left the area on the day after Christmas, for Puerto Vallarta Mexico, where we spent a week relaxing in the sun and seeing the sights. We celebrated New Years Eve at a great party at the resort we stayed at, with lots of Mexican style food, Mexican entertainment, and of course, Margaritas and shots of Tequila. On the morning we left Mexico for Cleveland, we left 80 degree temperatures, for 12 degrees here. By the time we got to Cleveland it had warmed up to 22 degrees, with freezing rain! Bummer! As the cab driver said on the way to the airport when I told him of the cold and snow back home, "Aye Chihauhua!". Glad to be home though, where I don't have to worry about the conversion rate between U.S. dollars and Mexican pesos, or wonder if I am ever going to see the car I rented (or home) again. Ask me about that one at the next meeting. I did take my hand-held dual-bander with me, but forgot my repeater guide. I did not have a clue as to what frequencies our Mexican ham friends might be operating. I did some scanning of the 2 meter frequencies, but to no avail. It would not have mattered a whole lot though, since I understand VERY little Spanish. No habla espaniol. Oh well.

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THE WEEKLY NET

Don't forget the weekly club net at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday nights (except for club meeting nights). The past couple of weeks during the holidays, Phyllis KC8DVL opted not to have the net, due to everyone being busy with the holidays. But it is back on again, and the more the merrier! It is where the elite meet and greet.

HASTA LA VISTA

With that, I will sign off until next time. Hope to see you at the next meeting or on the air, or both!

73 for now,
de Tom, WB8N



VEEP VIEWS

by Gary Dewey, NI8Z

The new year 1999 could see some changes in the Amateur Radio Service. Happy New Year everyone!

Some of the changes we are looking forward to is the reduction of the number of amateur radio classifications. You can expect to see no more new Novices. Also, the cw Morse code requirement is expected to be changed, downward to most likely 12 wpm for the highest class license. There will be a new licensing form. No longer with the infamous 610 be used.

Now the proper form will be the FCC605. It will cover commercial and amateur licenses.

We have a change in Ohio with a new Section Manager and five new assistant section Managers. The local assistant manager, who is responsible for the North-east is Bob Winston, W2THU. Bob was responsible for arranging the RainForest equipment donations. Also, Bob is a lawyer and a volunteer counsel for representation of antenna zone regulations and disbutes.

Joe Phillips, K8QOE, is the Ohio Section Manager. Joe is also the publisher of the Ohio Section Journal. Joe recently changed the structure of of the Ohio organization to include the NorthWest, Central, SouthWest, SouthEast and NorthEast sections with their assistant section managers. Joe announced in the Winter Ohio Journal that everyone including Cabinet Members will be looking for ways to serve all ham radio organizations in Ohio. The Ohio Section has resources which can help Ohio ham organizations get information to its members. Some of you who attended the 1998 Cleveland Hamfest ARRL forum may have heard Joe speak.

The Ohio Section now has an Official Observer Coordinator and Technical Advisor. Carl Morgan, K8CM of Middletown will direct the OO program. Mike Brown W8DJY will run the Technical program.

If any of our members wish to make a congratulatory remark to these ARRL representatives here are some E-mail addresses you might want to put in your address book:

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Every once in awhile someone asks where are "Examinations in Ohio" taking place. Check the website <http://www.wcnet.org/~johnson/>



VANITY E-MAIL

by Roy Hadden, KB8VJF

Greg Kopp, KG8O and I finally got together and created C.A.R.S. vanity E-mail addresses. Every C.A.R.S. member who subscribes to the E-mail version of the Wobbly Oscillator has been set up with an @cars.org vanity E-mail address. Here's how it works: someone sends an E-mail to your **callsign@cars.org**, the message is automatically redirected by the C.A.R.S. E-mail server to your existing E-mail account. When someone sends a message to KB8VJF@cars.org, I receive the message in my RoyHadden@Stratos.net in-box.

So, now you can tell all your ham friends that your E-mail address is your **callsign@cars.org** and it will be much easier to remember. Put it on your QSL cards, eyeball cards, business cards, E-mail signature or ham web page. If you are real handy with the computer, you can even set your reply-to to this address. Send yourself a message today and see how it works.

If you would like to receive the W.O. via E-mail and be set up for an @cars.org vanity call, send your request to me at Newsletter@cars.org. If you change your actual E-mail address, let me know so your **callsign@cars.org** address can be changed to point in the right direction.

You can send any of the following C.A.R.S. members an E-mail to their **callsign@cars.org**:

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PHOENITICS

by Gary Dewey, NI8Z

<Gathered from the Rtty reflector>

Although us teletypists do not use phonetics, I thought this explanation was pretty neat.

Question: Why is it that the word 'roger' is used at the end of radio communications?

Answer: The NATO standard is best summed up as follows. If you can say Alpha then Bravo, said Charlie as he rowed down the Delta to the Echo of a Foxtrot from the Golf Hotel in India, where Juliet had prepared a Kilo of Lima beans for Mike to eat in November with Oscar and Papa in Quebec. Meanwhile, Romeo, who had crossed the Sierra to dance in a Tango competition in his Uniform, had been declared the Victor and given a bottle of Whiskey instead of an X-ray by a Yankee who had been trained by a Zulu doctor.

73 Eddie W6/G0AZT

Does that really answer the question?

Roger or "R" means the "message has been received in the manner that it was sent" However, many think it means "yes". CB'rs like to use "Roger that" for I agree.

Is that a Roger?

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Eighth Annual

Father's Day

Sunday, June 20, 1999

8:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Vendor set-up starts at 6:00 AM.

Nordonia High School

8006 South Bedford Road
Macedonia, Ohio

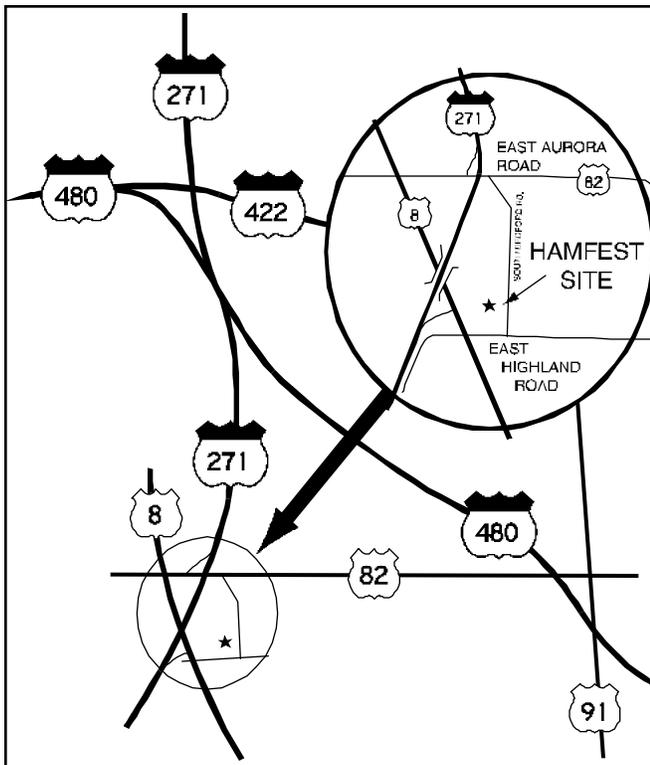
(Between Cleveland and Akron)

Talk-in 146.82(-) Repeater



Hamfest, Computer Show and Electronics Flea Market

Tickets are \$5.00 at the door,
\$3.00 or 2+ @ \$2.50 in advance.



DRAWINGS FOR PRIZES WILL BE EVERY HALF HOUR

Grand Prize

Door Prizes

Drawings at 10:00, 11:00 and 12:00
Great Prizes to be Announced

Ham Raffle

Drawings at 10:30, 11:30 and 12:30
Certificate for A Honey Baked Ham

MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN DOOR PRIZES AND RAFFLE

Registration Form

Complete this form and mail along with payment
and a **Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope** to:

CARS 1998 Hamfest Tickets
7620 Crestwood Lane
Northfield Center, Ohio 44067

- ___ Advance Tickets @ \$3.00 \$ _____
- ___ Advance Tickets @ \$2.50 (2 or more) . \$ _____
- ___ Indoor Vendor Space @ \$11.00 \$ _____
(Includes table and one admission ticket.)
- ___ Additional Indoor Spaces @ \$8.00 \$ _____
- ___ Outdoor Vendor Spaces @ \$4.00 \$ _____
- Total Amount Enclosed** \$ _____

*Table reservations not claimed by 9:00 a.m. may be resold.
Refunds for resold reservations will be issued upon request.*

Information & Reservations

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CLUB FREQUENCIES

70cm repeaters 443.825, 444.75(+)
2m repeater 146.82(-)
2m simplex 146.475
2m digipeater 145.07
6m repeaters 53.83, 53.01(+)

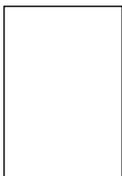
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NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, January 20, 1999
Busch Community Room
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South of Pleasant Valley
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Meeting starts at 8:00 PM



Time to renew your membership?
Check the expiration date on your address label.



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