



Ohio State Parks on the Air September 7, 2024

Lake Milton Harry Meshel Picnic Area 16801 Mahoning Ave, Lake Milton, OH 44429

MVARA will be operating OSPOTA from the Harry Meshel picnic area at Lake Milton. We usually like to be on the air by about 9:30 – 10:00 am and operate until about 3:00pm. Operation is on all the normal HF bands, so we are looking to have multiple radios and antennas. Anyone with an interest in radio is welcome to join us.

Speaking of antennas, there is lots of space at Lake Milton and this is a good time to try out the freaky antenna design you've been working on.

OSPOTA was created with three goals in mind:

- To promote public awareness of amateur radio and Ohio's beautiful state parks system.
- To contribute to the recognition that Ohio has a very diverse and wonderful ecology.
- To promote camaraderie within the ranks of Ohio's Amateur Radio Operators.

There are awards you can win if you are so inclined. You can find the complete set of rules on their website <https://ospota.org/> , but it boils down to get on the air at a State Park and contact other State Parks as well as anyone else in the country. Points are only for State Park contacts.