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<http://www.mvara.org/>

The Voice Coil
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Valley Amateur Radio
Association
Established 1919

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Prez Sez



It's been a busy month for the Mahoning Valley Amateur Radio Association. First we had Ohio State Parks on the Air a successful activity every year. Ed Newsome (KE8NSW), Mark Haverstock (K8MSH), Frank Sole (WB8YHD) and Gene Boccia (WQ8H) were in attendance. For those that didn't make it was a beautiful day and made quite a few contacts.

We then had Silly Science Sunday at OH WOW in Youngstown. I really must thank the guys and say kudos to those that came out. In attendance were Ed Newsome (KE8NSW), Dave Brett (KD8NZF), Frank Sole (WB8YHD), John DeGutis (N8LVA), and Andy Brincko (WA8ZLK.) I worked from home. We had a code practice oscillator for the kids to try out their hand at Morse Code--which always seems to be a big hit with kids for some reason.

We also worked a little HF for the kids, but the thing that really got them was talking to Santa Claus at his workshop in the North Pole. The requests were all about the popular toys for the season. A few had bigger ambitions. One young man wanted a million dollars, another wanted a Ferrari, and one wanted only a thousand dollars--he figured he could get everything he wanted for that.

Scott, KE4UHC

Meeting Location:

*GOP Headquarters, Adamas Plaza
8381 Market St, Boardman, OH 44512
October 14, 2022, 7 PM*

Meeting also available on Zoom--check your email for link.

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The Mahoning Valley Amateur
Radio Association, Inc, meets the
second Thursday of every month.
Location and time are subject to
change. Dues are \$20.00 per year,
\$10.00 each for additional family
member. Contact Dean,
W8YSU@arrl.net for membership
details.

The club call is **W8QLY**; equipment
operated under this call includes a
two meter voice repeater at 146.745
(-600, 110.9 PL). Club email:
mvara.w8qly@gmail.com

MONDAY NIGHT NET operates
every Monday at 9:00. PM on
146.745 MHz.

ARES NET- First and third
Mondays of each month at 8:30 PM
on 146.745 MHz; prior to the
Monday Night Net.

October Meeting

Our speaker for the October
meeting of the Mahoning
Valley Amateur Radio
Association will be Katie
Campbell KE8LQR. Katie is a
freshman at Columbiana High
School but has already packed
more Ham Radio in than
many of us do in a lifetime.



Just to give you some samples, she logs contacts on
QRZ and is showing over 632 contacts logged. They
include Wales, Guyana, Peru, Portugal, and many
others. She also has attained the United States
Counties, the Grid Squared award, and the World
Radio Friendship Award. She teaches CW for the
Long Island CW clubs intermediate and Advanced
Kid's classes. She is the Assistant Youth
Coordinator for the Ohio Section of ARES and is the
Youth Representative for the YLRL. Katie was the
featured speaker at the YLRL forum in Dayton for
2022. Whoooo – I'm getting tired just writing about
it. And this is just scratching the surface. Did we
mention she was first licensed in 2019?

Katie will be joining us by Zoom on October 13th and
we need your help making sure she has a packed
house. Please do everything you can to spread the
word about her presentation and particularly if you
know any YL's/XYL's, encourage them to support
Katie as part of the audience. Those outside our
area can get a link to Zoom into the meeting by
emailing the club at mvara.w8qly@gmail.com. Just
put in the subject line "Need the Link to See Katie."

(Photo: Young Ladies Radio League)

License Refresher answers:

E6C01 (A)

E6C02 (B)

G1B03 (A)

G1B04 (C)

Current Activities

Oct. 14: Monthly meeting 7pm. GOP HQ / Zoom. Katie Campbell KE8LQR

Comments, Questions?

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Meeting ideas/ suggestions? Contact Dave, KD8NZF, KD8NZF@zoominternet.net

JOTA-JOTI 2022 (Jamboree-on-the-Air-Jamboree-on-the-Internet), the world's largest amateur radio Scout event, is set for October 14 - 16, 2022. The event connects millions of young people around the world for a full weekend of amateur radio and online activities that promote friendship and global citizenship.

Using both the airwaves and the Internet, JOTA-JOTI enables young people and volunteers to participate in fun and engaging group activities focused on developing 21st century skills through Scouting. JOTA is one of World Scouting's longest-running global events, dating back to 1958.

JOTA-JOTI aims to support young people of all ages to learn about communications technology, the values of global citizenship, and their role in creating a better world. To register and learn more about JOTA-JOTI, visit their website at www.jotajoti.info.

Print an Official or Unofficial Copy of Your Amateur Radio License

(By Anthony Luscre, K8ZT)

As of February 17, 2015, the FCC no longer routinely issues paper license documents to Amateur Radio applicants and licensees. The Commission has maintained for some time now that the official Amateur Radio license authorization is the electronic record that exists in its Universal Licensing System (ULS). The FCC will continue to provide paper license documents to all licensees who notify the Commission that they prefer to receive one. Licensees also will be able to print out an official authorization — as well as an unofficial “reference copy” — from the ULS License Manager. I’ve created a set of instructions on how you can request an “official” printed copy of your license [Click here to download the instructions](#)

Hamfest Calendar

10/08/2022 Parkersburg/Wood County Hamfest - Location: Wood County 4-H Campground Butcher Bend Road, Mineral Wells, WV 26120 - Website: <http://wc8ec.org> - Sponsor: Wood County Emergency Communications - Talk-In: 147.255 PL 131.8 - Public Contact: Kenneth Harris , WA8LLM 319 Communications Drive Waverly, WV 26184 - Phone: 304-679-3470 - Email: wa8llm@yahoo.com

10/30/2022 - Massillon Hamfest - Location: Military Air Preservation Hangar (MAPS) - 2260 International Parkway - Green, OH 44232 - Website: <http://w8np.org> - Sponsor: Massillon Amateur Radio Club - Talk-In: 147.180 - 110.9 - Public Contact: Perry Ballinger , W8AU - 2468 Bellevue Ave SW Massillon, OH 44647 - Phone: 330-705-8449 - Email: w8au@sssnet.com



AREA Club and ARES Nets

- Every Monday at 9 pm MVARA Monday Night Net W8QLY Repeater 146.745 Mhz minus 6 khz offset PL 110.9
- Every Tuesday at 7 pm Ohio ARES Net 3.875Mhz LSB and moves to 7.240 Mhz after first 20 mins
- Every Tuesday at 8 pm Ohio ARES/OES Digital Net (OHDEN) 3.585 Mhz USB info at <http://ohden.org>
- Every Thursday at 7 pm Lawrence County ARES Net K3ACS Repeater 444.175 Mhz plus 5 mhz offset PL 131.8
- Every Friday at 9 pm WRARC Friday Night Net W8WRC Repeater 145.270 Mhz plus 6 khz offset PL 156.7
- Every Friday at 9:20 pm 20 Over 9 Friday Night Net K8TKA Repeater 147.315 Mhz minus 6 khz offset PL 110.9
- 1st Monday of each Month at 8:30 pm Mahoning County ARES Net W8QLY Repeater 146.745 Mhz minus 6 khz offset PL 110.9
- 3rd Monday of each Month at 8:30 pm Mahoning County ARES Net W8QLY Repeater 146.745Mhz minus 6 khz offset PL 110.9

Amateur License Refresher

Dave, KD8NZF



It's probably been a while since you took your Amateur License exam. Here are a few sample questions from the current question pools just to keep those synapses firing.

Extra Pool

E6C01

What is the function of hysteresis in a comparator?

- A. To prevent input noise from causing unstable output signals
- B. To allow the comparator to be used with AC input signals
- C. To cause the output to change states continually
- D. To increase the sensitivity

E6C02

What happens when the level of a comparator's input signal crosses the threshold?

- A. The IC input can be damaged
- B. The comparator changes its output state
- C. The comparator enters latch-up
- D. The feedback loop becomes unstable

General Pool

G1B03

Which of the following is a purpose of a beacon station as identified in the FCC rules?

- A. Observation of propagation and reception
- B. Automatic identification of repeaters
- C. Transmission of bulletins of general interest to Amateur Radio licensees
- D. Identifying net frequencies

G1B04

Which of the following transmissions is permitted?

- A. Unidentified transmissions for test purposes only
- B. Retransmission of other amateur station signals by any amateur station
- C. Occasional retransmission of weather and propagation forecast information from U.S. government stations
- D. Coded messages of any kind, if not intended to facilitate a criminal act

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Contest and Special Event Operating Information

Dave Fairbanks N8NB

Data below as well as more information courtesy of the following website:

<http://www.contestcalendar.com>.

October 2022

+ Collegiate QSO Party	0000Z, Oct 1 to 2359Z, Oct 2
+ Worked All Provinces of China DX Contest	0600Z, Oct 1 to 0559Z, Oct 2
+ TRC DX Contest	Cancelled for 2022
+ Oceania DX Contest, Phone	0600Z, Oct 1 to 0600Z, Oct 2
+ Russian WW Digital Contest	1200Z, Oct 1 to 1159Z, Oct 2
+ IARU Region 1 UHF/Microwaves Contest	1400Z, Oct 1 to 1400Z, Oct 2
+ International HELL-Contest	1600Z-1800Z, Oct 1 (80m) and 0900Z-1100Z, Oct 2 (40m)
+ California QSO Party	1600Z, Oct 1 to 2200Z, Oct 2
+ SKCC QSO Party	1800Z, Oct 1 to 1800Z, Oct 2
+ RSGB DX Contest	0600Z-1800Z, Oct 2
+ UBA ON Contest, SSB	0600Z-0900Z, Oct 2
+ Peanut Power QRP Sprint	2200Z-2359Z, Oct 2
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	0000Z-0100Z, Oct 3
+ German Telegraphy Contest	0700Z-1000Z, Oct 3
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1300Z-1400Z, Oct 3
+ OK1WC Memorial	1630Z-1729Z, Oct 3
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1900Z-2000Z, Oct 3
+ RSGB 80m Autumn Series, CW	1900Z-2030Z, Oct 3
+ Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest	0100Z-0159Z, Oct 4
+ ARS Spartan Sprint	0100Z-0300Z, Oct 4
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	0300Z-0400Z, Oct 4
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Oct 4
+ Phone Weekly Test	0230Z-0300Z, Oct 5
+ A1Club AWT	1200Z-1300Z, Oct 5
+ CWops Test	1300Z-1400Z, Oct 5
+ VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	1700Z-2100Z, Oct 5
+ Mini-Test 40	1700Z-1759Z, Oct 5
+ Mini-Test 80	1800Z-1859Z, Oct 5
+ CWops Test	1900Z-2000Z, Oct 5
+ 432 MHz Fall Sprint	1900 local - 2300 local, Oct 5
+ UKEICC 80m Contest	2000Z-2100Z, Oct 5
+ Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest	0000Z-0100Z, Oct 6 and 0200Z-0300Z, Oct 7
+ CWops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Oct 6
+ CWops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Oct 6
+ NRAU 10m Activity Contest	1700Z-1800Z, Oct 6 (CW) and 1800Z-1900Z, Oct 6 (SSB) and 1900Z-2000Z, Oct 6 (FM) and 2000Z-2100Z, Oct 6 (Dig)
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Oct 6
+ SARL 80m QSO Party	1700Z-2000Z, Oct 6
+ SKCC Sprint Europe	1900Z-2100Z, Oct 6
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Oct 7
+ NCCC Sprint Ladder	0230Z-0300Z, Oct 7
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	2000Z-2100Z, Oct 7

+ QRP ARCI Fall QSO Party	0000Z-2359Z, Oct 8
+ Makrothen RTTY Contest	0000Z-0800Z, Oct 8 and 1600Z-2400Z, Oct 8 and 0800Z-1600Z, Oct 9
+ Nevada QSO Party	0300Z, Oct 8 to 2100Z, Oct 9
+ Oceania DX Contest, CW	0600Z, Oct 8 to 0600Z, Oct 9
+ Microwave Fall Sprint	0800 local - 1400 local, Oct 8
+ Scandinavian Activity Contest, SSB	Cancelled for 2022
+ SKCC Weekend Sprintathon	1200Z, Oct 8 to 2400Z, Oct 9
+ Arizona QSO Party	1500Z, Oct 8 to 0500Z, Oct 9
+ Pennsylvania QSO Party	1600Z, Oct 8 to 0400Z, Oct 9 and 1300Z-2200Z, Oct 9
+ South Dakota QSO Party	1800Z, Oct 8 to 1800Z, Oct 9
+ PODXS 070 Club 160m Great Pumpkin Sprint	2000Z, Oct 8 to 2000Z, Oct 9
+ UBA ON Contest, CW	0600Z-0900Z, Oct 9
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	0000Z-0100Z, Oct 10
+ 4 States QRP Group Second Sunday Sprint	0000Z-0200Z, Oct 10
+ 10-10 Int. 10-10 Day Sprint	0001Z-2359Z, Oct 10
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1300Z-1400Z, Oct 10
+ OK1WC Memorial	1630Z-1729Z, Oct 10
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1900Z-2000Z, Oct 10
+ Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest	0100Z-0159Z, Oct 11
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	0300Z-0400Z, Oct 11
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Oct 11
+ NAQCC CW Sprint	0030Z-0230Z, Oct 12
+ Phone Weekly Test	0230Z-0300Z, Oct 12
+ A1Club AWT	1200Z-1300Z, Oct 12
+ CWops Test	1300Z-1400Z, Oct 12
+ VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	1700Z-2100Z, Oct 12
+ Mini-Test 40	1700Z-1759Z, Oct 12
+ Mini-Test 80	1800Z-1859Z, Oct 12
+ CWops Test	1900Z-2000Z, Oct 12
+ RSGB 80m Autumn Series, Data	1900Z-2030Z, Oct 12
+ CWops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Oct 13
+ CWops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Oct 13
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Oct 13
+ EACW Meeting	1900Z-2000Z, Oct 13
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Oct 14
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Oct 14
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	2000Z-2100Z, Oct 14
+ JARTS WW RTTY Contest	0000Z, Oct 15 to 2400Z, Oct 16
+ ARRL EME Contest	0000Z, Oct 15 to 2359Z, Oct 16
+ 10-10 Int. Fall Contest, CW	0001Z, Oct 15 to 2359Z, Oct 16
+ New York QSO Party	1400Z, Oct 15 to 0200Z, Oct 16
+ Worked All Germany Contest	1500Z, Oct 15 to 1459Z, Oct 16
+ Feld Hell Sprint	2000Z-2359Z, Oct 15
+ Argentina National 7 MHz Contest	2130Z-2230Z, Oct 15
+ Asia-Pacific Fall Sprint, CW	0000Z-0200Z, Oct 16
+ UBA ON Contest, 2m	0700Z-1000Z, Oct 16
+ Illinois QSO Party	1700Z, Oct 16 to 0100Z, Oct 17
+ RSGB RoLo CW	1900Z-2030Z, Oct 16

+ Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	2300Z, Oct 16 to 0100Z, Oct 17
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	0000Z-0100Z, Oct 17
+ ARRL School Club Roundup	1300Z, Oct 17 to 2359Z, Oct 21
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1300Z-1400Z, Oct 17
+ OK1WC Memorial	1630Z-1729Z, Oct 17
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1900Z-2000Z, Oct 17
+ RSGB FT4 Contest	1900Z-2030Z, Oct 17
+ Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest	0100Z-0159Z, Oct 18
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	0300Z-0400Z, Oct 18
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Oct 18
+ Phone Weekly Test	0230Z-0300Z, Oct 19
+ A1Club AWT	1200Z-1300Z, Oct 19
+ CWops Test	1300Z-1400Z, Oct 19
+ Mini-Test 40	1700Z-1759Z, Oct 19
+ VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	1700Z-2100Z, Oct 19
+ Mini-Test 80	1800Z-1859Z, Oct 19
+ AGCW Semi-Automatic Key Evening	1900Z-2030Z, Oct 19
+ CWops Test	1900Z-2000Z, Oct 19
+ Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest	0000Z-0100Z, Oct 20 and 0200Z-0300Z, Oct 21
+ CWops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Oct 20
+ CWops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Oct 20
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Oct 20
+ NTC QSO Party	1900Z-2000Z, Oct 20
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Oct 21
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Oct 21
+ Telephone Pioneers QSO Party	1700Z-2000Z, Oct 21 (CW/Dig) and 2200Z, Oct 21 to 0100Z, Oct 22 (SSB) and 1700-2000Z, Oct 22 (SSB) and 2200Z, Oct 22 to 0100Z, Oct 23 (CW/Dig)
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	2000Z-2100Z, Oct 21
+ YBDXPI FT8 Contest	0000Z, Oct 22 to 2359Z, Oct 23
+ UK/EI DX Contest, SSB	1200Z, Oct 22 to 1200Z, Oct 23
+ YLRL DX/NA YL Anniversary Contest	1400Z, Oct 22 to 0200Z, Oct 24
+ Stew Perry Topband Challenge	1500Z, Oct 22 to 1500Z, Oct 23
+ North American SSB Sprint Contest	0000Z-0400Z, Oct 23
+ Classic Exchange, CW	1300Z, Oct 23 to 0700Z, Oct 24 and 1300Z, Oct 25 to 0700Z, Oct 26
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	0000Z-0100Z, Oct 24
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1300Z-1400Z, Oct 24
+ OK1WC Memorial	1630Z-1729Z, Oct 24
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1900Z-2000Z, Oct 24
+ Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest	0100Z-0159Z, Oct 25
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	0300Z-0400Z, Oct 25
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Oct 25
+ SKCC Sprint	0000Z-0200Z, Oct 26
+ Phone Weekly Test	0230Z-0300Z, Oct 26
+ A1Club AWT	1200Z-1300Z, Oct 26
+ CWops Test	1300Z-1400Z, Oct 26
+ Mini-Test 40	1700Z-1759Z, Oct 26
+ Mini-Test 80	1800Z-1859Z, Oct 26
+ CWops Test	1900Z-2000Z, Oct 26

+ UKEICC 80m Contest	2000Z-2100Z, Oct 26
+ CWops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Oct 27
+ CWops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Oct 27
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Oct 27
+ RSGB 80m Autumn Series, SSB	1900Z-2030Z, Oct 27
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Oct 28
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Oct 28
+ Zombie Shuffle	1600-2400 local, Oct 28
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	2000Z-2100Z, Oct 28
+ CQ Worldwide DX Contest, SSB	0000Z, Oct 29 to 2359Z, Oct 30
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	0000Z-0100Z, Oct 31
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1300Z-1400Z, Oct 31
+ QCX Challenge	1300Z-1400Z, Oct 31
+ OK1WC Memorial	1630Z-1729Z, Oct 31
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1900Z-2000Z, Oct 31
+ QCX Challenge	1900Z-2000Z, Oct 31

DX Operating Information

Dave Fairbanks N8NB

Credit for the below information and further information on these operations and others can be found at the following website: <http://www.ng3k.com>

October						
2022 Oct01	2022 Oct15	Marquesas	TX7G	Auto QSL	DXW.Net 20220622	By F6BCW fm Hiva Oa; 80-10m; CW SSB, perhaps FT8 RTTY
2022 Oct02	2022 Oct17	Maldives	8Q7TD	IK1TTD (B/d)	IK1TTD 20220915	By IK1TTD fm Fasmendhoo I (IOTA AS-013); mainly 20m; end-fed wire, vertical; spare time operation
2022 Oct05	2022 Oct17	Comoros	D60AE	LoTW	DXNews 20220506	By F4AJQ F1ULQ F2DX F4AZF F4ESV F5AGB F5NTZ F8AVK F8EFU F8GGV DL3GA HB9GWJ ON7RN EI5GM EI9FBB fm IOTA AF-007; 160-10m; CW SSB RTTY FT8 FT4 + QO-100 satellite; dedicated to F5NQL (SK); QSL via Club Log OQRS, F5GSJ
2022 Oct06	2022 Oct13	Mariana Is	AH0	LoTW	DXW.Net 20220906	By WA7WJR as AH0/WA7WJR fm Rota I (IOTA OC-086) HF; QRV fo Oceania DX CW; will try to activate K-9713 thru K-9716; QSL via WA7WJR
2022 Oct08	2022 Oct17	Madagascar	5R8FG	IZ6BRJ (B/d)	DXW.Net 20220916	By IK6QON fm Nosy Be and Nosy Iranja (IOTA AS-057), and Diego Suarez; HF; CW SSB; 100w; vertical; holiday style operation
2022 Oct11	2022 Oct22	Madagascar	5R8	LoTW	TDDX 20220902	By PA3EWP as 5R8WP, DL2AWG as 5W8WG, DK2AMM as 5W8MM, PG5M as 5R8CG fm Nosy Be I (IOTA AF-057); 160-6m; CW SSB RTTY FT8; 2 kw stns
2022 Oct13	2022 Oct20	Montserrat	VP2	Home Call	TDDX 20220907	By K7NM as VP2MLB, AC7ZN as VP2MZN, WA5POK as VP2MOK, KM4TYV as VP2MYV, K5LDA as VP2MDA, KD6XH as VP2MXH fm Gingerbread Hill; 160-6m; CW SSB FT8 FT4

2022 Oct14	2022 Oct26	Benin	TY0RU	LoTW	DXW.Net 20220319	By RA1ZZ + team; 160-6m; CW SSB FT8; QSL via Club Log OQRS
2022 Oct20	2022 Oct23	Monaco	3A	LoTW	TDDX 20220803	By DL2SBY as 3A/DL2SBY; 30-10m; FT8, perhaps CW; QSL via Club Log OQRS or DL2SBY direct
2022 Oct19	2022 Oct23	Belize	V3E	LoTW	TDDX 20220426	By V31DX V31US V32PC XE2AA XE1AY fm Mauger Caye (IOTA NA-123); 80-10m; CW SSB FT8; 100w; Spiderbeam; QSL via Club Log, IZ8CCW
2022 Oct25	2022 Nov04	Saba & Sint Eustatius	PJ5	LoTW	W5JON 20211230	By W5JON as PJ5/W5JON; 60-6m; SSB FT8; yagi, verticals; QSL also OK via W5JON direct
2022 Oct26	2022 Nov03	Cocos Keeling	VK9CM	EB7DX	VK6VY 20211208	By VK6VY VK6SJ VK6CQ; 80-10m, some 6m; CW SSB FT8 RTTY; VK9C in CQWW DX SSB
2022 Oct27	2022 Oct31	Honduras	HR9	K6VHF	TDDX 20220914	By K6VHF as K6VHF/HR9 fm Roatan (IOTA-057); HF; SSB CW FT8; 100w
CQ WW DX Contest, SSB (Oct 29-30, 2022) Check here for pericontest activity too.						
2022 Oct25	2022 Nov10	Papua New Guinea	P29RO	LoTW	DL7VEE 20220901	By DL7VEE DL7JOM DL6KAC DL4SVA DL2RNS DL1KWK DK3CG DJ9RR DJ9KH DJ7TO DG2RON fm IOTA OC-240 (QI30pl); 160-6m; CW SSB RTTY FT8 (f/h); QSL via Club Log OQRS (your card not needed), see Web for full details
2022 Oct29	2022 Nov07	Djibouti	J28MD	LoTW	DXW.Net 20220417	By IZ8CCW IZ4UEZ IZ3GNG IZ2GNQ YO8WW AG4W IK4QJF DJ5IW DL6LZM DL8JJ KO8SCA DL8OBF NG7M IU8LMC fm LK11px; 160-10m; CW SSB RTTY FT8; QSL via IK2VUC (details)



HAM RADIO HASHTAG OVERTAKEN BY RAP FANS



#hamr

By [K5KVN](#), on the scene

ATLANTA, Ga. — It was a case of Twitter trespassing yesterday as fans of rap artist M.C. Hammer and ham radio operators found themselves fighting over the hashtag #hamr.

Ham radio operator Kenneth Singlemyre said he first saw the crossover at 8:30 a.m. “I was at work and had my Twitter page up. I always monitor the #hamr hashtag and suddenly I saw a crazy tweet about baggy pants,” says Singlemyre. “I wasn’t sure what that was all about, so I dismissed it.”

But, he says the odd tweets kept coming. “Several more came in after that, talking about baggy pants or flashy dance moves.”

That’s when he replied back. “I typed ‘This is our hashtag. You can’t touch this.’”

What followed was a back-and-forth volley of harshly worded messages in 140 characters or less.

Twitter user @MCisMyMan tweeted to the ham radio operators, “U should quit, because you are not legit.”

In response, twitter user @RadioLuvur wrote, “We R 2 Legit to Quit.”

After several hours of arguing, fans of the rap artist finally agreed to stop using #hamr and began using #hammer. Ham Hijinks contacted the International Hammer Manufacturer’s Lobbying League for comment on the use of #hammer but did not receive a response before press time.

After the #hamr Twitter turf war was resolved, ham radio operators decided to commemorate the embarrassing event by establishing the 1st annual “M.C. #hamr Contest.” The CW-only contest mimics the style of telegraphs and begins on Saturday.

The exchange for the contest is: **[Signal Report] STOP. 73. STOP. HAMMER TIME.**

hamhijinks.com

ARRL Ohio Section Manger Tom's Notes for September 2022

Tom Sly, WB8LCD, ARRL Ohio Section Manger

I'm thinking to myself, there's an awful lot of "Stuff" going on in the Amateur Radio hobby! When you think about all the club meetings, activities both on air and off, zoom meetings, public service events, nets, Hamfests, things to be built and tested, studying to be done to pass the next test, or just remain up-to-date – it's easy to get sucked into where Amateur Radio becomes a defining aspect of your life! And there's nothing wrong with that!



Some people have declared that Ham Radio is Dead. Yet, how many days in a week are there some HAM activity you could participate in available to you? How about those days where you have to choose between two (or more) Ham Radio activities? What a fantastic dilemma for those of us who are really engaged with this "dead hobby" to be confronted with!

HAM RADIO has had a positive impact on and has been intimately involved with much (most) of the advancements that mankind has made in the last 100 years in the areas of Science and Technology. For much of that time, Hams were recognized as "the cool kids" because of the things we were involved with.

While we are still involved in those things today, society has come to take the advancements that have been made in Science and Technology for granted, and we have lost our "cool kid" status.

I see Science and Technology continuing to move forward and do so at a faster pace than it has in even the past 100 years. To put that in perspective, look at where we were in the early 1900's to where we are today. Now compare the advances we made between 1922 and 1972 versus the advances we have made from 1972 to present. Pretty amazing. To keep that moving forward, society needs us. Ham Radio is a "gateway" to the future. It's one of the last few places where we can teach, learn and apply some pretty advanced technology outside of a school or industrial setting, and have FUN doing it! Be a cool kid – even if everyone else just thinks you're a nerd.

FROM THE PIC / PIO and THE ACC:

As you can see – there are no photos here! These are 3 section level positions which are now vacant, and I am actively looking for volunteers to fill them. These are important positions to the continued growth of the Ohio Section, making the Ohio Section and Amateur Radio in general a well-recognized entity among the citizens of Ohio, and finally, maintaining our image as one of the BEST Sections in the ARRL! If you would like to be considered for one of these positions, or, if you would like to "nominate" someone for one of these positions, please contact me directly - WB8LCD@ARRL.ORG .

The Last Word

“Why do they call it rush hour when nothing moves?”
—Robin Williams

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