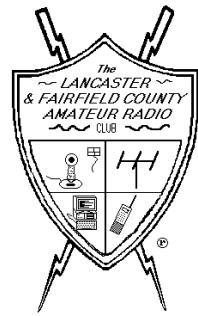


The Ragchewer



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The Monthly
News Letter
of The
Lancaster &
Fairfield
County
Amateur
Radio Club

Club Meetings:

1st Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Club House on State Route 37 (Granville Pike) next to Beavers Field.

Radio Night:

Every Thursday of every month (Except 1st Thursday) at the Club-house, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on State Route 37 (Granville Pike) next to Beavers Field.

Net:

Mondays 8 p.m.
147.030 MHz (+.6)
146.700 MHz (-.6)
Alternate Freq.
443.875 MHz (+5)

Club Packet BBS:
145.53 MHz
K8QIK-1 BBS
K8QIK-2: OHIO53
(Club Node)

Campout 2001

(See more on Page 4)



REPEATER HOUSEKEEPING.....

On Wednesday, August 15 at about 4 pm, the repeater was keyed lasting until approximately 6 am the next morning. As a reminder, this is illegal use of amateur equipment and can be subject to fines from the FCC by way of OO's (Official Observers). Please, as a precaution, activate your radio's APO (Automatic Power Off) option if you have it and set it for three minutes. If your using a mobile rig and you don't have APO on it, put your mike on the hook (the one that comes with most radios and that is attached to the dash or the rig). This prevents the microphone from laying on the seat and getting lost down between the cushions and accidentally keyed. When you leave the car, take the "mic" in the house with you. That way the radio can't be keyed or used by anyone else. Thanks!

Larry Wright, KB8AHK, V. President & Fred Stutske, W8FZ, Editor

AWARDS.....AWARDS.....AWARDS.....

Tom Moore – KB8USK

The VHF/UHF Century Club is the League's newest award for working and confirming VHF/UHF contacts in 2 degree x 1 degree grid square locators on all V/U/SHF bands from 50 Mhz to 300 Ghz. Satellite and Laser contacts count too. Individual certificates are issued per band to those meeting initial qualifying levels, with an extensive endorsement program beyond the initial certificate. All cards must be checked by ARRL VHF Awards Managers -- contact HQ for the Awards Manager near you. A VUCC lapel pin is available at a nominal charge.

Happy Birthday....

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

KC8HAU - Judy Beck - 4th
KC8OLJ - Jasiah Derry - 12th
WB8DHJ - William Migley - 14th
KC8MZA - Debra Bruckelmeyer - 16th
KB8PWI - Michael Sigler - 17th

WX7C - Edward L. Campbell - 19th
KC8MTV - Kevin Numbers - 20th
KB8WS - Richard Finke - 22nd
KB8AHK - Larry Wright - 24th
WA8STF - Henry "Hank Robinson - 28th
WD8PCF - Donald Stephenson - 28th
W8AEY - Robert Sparrow - 28th
KB8GWB - Kelly Snoke - 30th

VE TESTING

Here are the results from our testing session, August 19, 2001. There were two technician, two General and two Extra Class licenses earned. September 22, 2001 is the next VE Exam in Newark, Ohio at the library. Details are on the ARRL website.

I am thinking about conducting a General Class license course at the clubhouse Sunday afternoon's sometime this fall. I am wondering how many people would be interested in attending. The class would be free and the book would probably be the ARRL's license manual. Interested persons can leave a message on my answering machine. If there is enough interest I will contact everyone to determine final details.

73, Allen Sellers, KB8JLG

**Drop in and see us on Radio Night,
Thursday evenings at 6:30 PM.**



Upcoming Central Ohio Amateur Radio Exams:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>
Sep. 8 Walk-ins allowed	9:00 AM	Columbus	Capital Univ. Law School 303 E. Broad St. Rm. 229/230	Frank Piper, KI8GW	614-833-1926
Sep. 22 No Walk-ins	10:00 AM	Newark	Newark Library 101 W. Main St.	John Mellett, W8NM	740-587-5264
Oct. 21 Walk-ins allowed	9:30 AM	Lancaster	Red Cross – Rear 121 W. Mulberry (Rear)	Allen Sellers, KB8JLG	740-654-8167

**The Lancaster
and Fairfield
County Amateur
Radio Club**

**2000/2001
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N8KZN

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Activities:

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KC8NQG

Station Engineer:

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W9ZZX

Flower Fund:

Marie Moore,
KB8VOL
653-9092

and

Connie Snoke,
N8LPC
654-4582

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Co-Editor:

Tom Moore,
KB8USK

Field Day Chairman:

Chuck Bruckelmeyer,
W8LCT

Public Service Communications



**Edward Campbell, WD8PGO
Fairfield Co. EC**

Hello Everyone!

Thanks in advance for everyone's help with the Millersport Sweet Corn Festival. The Club's support is appreciated.

Edward Campbell, Sr.
Emergency Coordinator – Fairfield County

ARRL OHIO SECTION NEWS....

Please mark your calendars for an important date in the ARRL Ohio Section for mid-September. On Saturday, September 15, all Ohio hams are invited to the Ohio Section Conference which, this year, will include a special demonstration of PSK-31 mode (PSK-31 For Dummies).

It begins 9 a.m. at the Ohio Emergency Management Agency facility located at 2855 West Dublin-Granville Road or Ohio 161 in Northwest Columbus. There will be new tours of Ohio EMA's recent additions. The event will feature a pizza party for lunch sponsored by the Ohio Section.

Joe Phillips, K8QOE
Ohio SM ARRL

The Club has found a Newsletter Editor! Bob, N8UTE, will pick up the job with the November Issue. Yours truly will be resigning as Publisher/Editor of this Newsletter after the October issue. Thanks to Bob.... W8FZ

Check out our Club Web Site at: www.qsl.net/k8qik

CW LEARNING NET

The CARA CW Learning Net is Every Friday night at 8:00 P.M. on the K8NIO repeater 145.490 (-). Portion of 2 hour net is devoted to letter learning and the balance to QSO designed to promote speed development. Carl, AA8YY is Net Control.

SLOW SCAN TV NET

The COSSTV (Central Ohio Slow Scan TV), <http://www.qsl.net/n8tut/sstv>, Net is the first Sunday of every Month at 7:00 PM. The group meets on the K8NIO repeater 145.490(-). All you need is a 2m radio, a computer with a sound card, and the W95SSTV software. The Software is available on the internet at <http://www.siliconpixels.com/W95SSTV/W95dload.htm>.

CLUB CAMPOUT 2001 (continued from Page 1)

The weekend of August 3rd, 4th and 5th was the camp out for our club. Members camping were Charlie (N8KZN) and Connie Snoke (N8LPC), Ed (WD8PGO) and Carolyn Campbell (KB8ZBV), Harry Vollmer (W8LXC) and Larry (KB8AHK) and Candy Wright (KC8NQG). Tom (KB8USK) and Marie Moore (KB8VOL) came for the wieners and brats cookout Friday night. On Saturday, Gene Smith (N8BUS) and Jeremy Burgess (KC8OOM) came to the campout. An HF station was set up; there were some contacts made on CW and phone; thanks to Harry (W8LXC) for bringing his (Alinco), his antennas and everything else to set up the station. We had a great time even though there was just a few of us.

There was a nice breeze by the water and a lot of good food. Charlie and Ed even fixed breakfast and that was some good cooking. On Saturday night we had more wieners and brats and the ladies who camped made extra food. We sure didn't go hungry. There was no charge to attend the campout; only if you camped. It would have been really nice to see more of the club members attend; even if you couldn't stay very long; but just to drop in and visit. I know that everybody is busy in the summertime. The things we do in the club are for all of the members; IT'S YOUR CLUB!, so let's try to attend more of the functions that are planned. I would like to thank Tom (KB8UVJ) for getting the okay from the owner of the camp to allow us to spend the weekend. We are hoping to be able to do this again next year. Thanks again Tom!

Candy Wright, Activity Manager



**The Lancaster & Fairfield County Amateur Radio Club
Monthly Meeting Notes
August 2, 2001 19:35 EST.**

- Pledge of Allegiance** Lead by Richard Schleiffer – W9ZZX
- Trustee**
Richard Schleiffer – W9ZZX Richard said that the club received a QSL card from a Field Day contact and suggests that a reply be sent.
- President**
Charlie Snoke – N8KZN Charlie hasn't heard anything yet on tower space at Sugar Grove School for the 146.700 repeater.
- Secretary Report**
Kevin Numbers – KC8MTV Report read from July 5th, 2001 meeting.
Motion to accept made by Jackie G. Smith, Jr, N8BUS.
Seconded motion made by Larry Wright, KB8AHK.
- Treasury Report**
Ed Campbell Sr., - WD8PGO Report read for the month of July 2001.
Motion to accept made by RICHARD A. SCHLEIFFER, W9ZZX. Seconded motion made by Tom Moore, KB8USK.
- New Member**
Stephen Harley, KC8RJC was voted in as a new member.
- Activities**
Candy Wright – KC8NQG Club Campout is August 3rd & 4th 2001.
- V.E. Testing**
August 19th, 2001 in Lancaster at the Red Cross.
- Net Control**
Brenda Van Dyke – KC8OYP Brenda is in need of volunteers for the net at least once per month.
- Flower Fund**
Marie Moore – KB8VOL Winner is CHARLES J. BRUCKELMEYER, W8LCT.
- Emergency Coordinator**
Ed Campbell Sr., - WD8PGO Ed received a letter on how the MS Walk this year was a success. Ed also received a letter from NORMAN E. STOUT, N8MGM.
Sweet Corn Festival is coming up and volunteers are once again needed.
- Repeater**
John Hilliard – W8OF The weather link has been disabled due to the fact that it keeps getting activated even though there is no severe weather.
Charlie, N8KZN says that the PL tone situation for the 147.030 repeater needs to be addressed next month.
- Club Reporter**
Fred Stutske – W8FZ Fred says that he would like to finish up the September and October Ragchewer and then turn it over to someone else.
Charlie Snoke, N8KZN asks for volunteers and newly retired Bob Bickel, N8UTE volunteers.

OLD BUSINESS

CHARLES J. BRUCKELMEYER, W8LCT has received the 2001 Field Day Pins.

Charlie Snoke, N8KZN received a thank you letter from The Lancaster Festival for the clubs participation.

Larry & Candy Wright need an idea on how many people are going to show up at the club campout. They need to know how much food is needed. Activities (set-up) start around 4:00 pm on Friday, August 3rd. Friday night will be Hot Dogs and Saturday evening will be Pot Luck. Cost is \$3.00 per person for entrance fee.

NEW BUSINESS

Charlie Snoke, N8KZN asks for volunteers for a committee to make phone calls for Club Officer nominees. There are no volunteers!

50/50 Fund

Candy Wright – KC8NQG

NORMAN E. STOUT, N8MGM had his name drawn but since he was not present, the winnings go back into the pot.

Refreshments for Club Meetings are suspended for Sept. & Oct. due to lack of volunteers!

Motion to close meeting made by THOMAS L. MOORE, KB8USK.

Seconded motion made by Jackie G. Smith, Jr, N8BUS.

CLUB OFFICER NOMINATIONS.....

I would like to ask that you make an extra special effort to attend the September 6th meeting. This is an important time of the year for the club due to the fact that the Club Officers positions are once again open for nominees. Even if you do not want to run for a position, please come and show your support and interest in the club by attending this meeting. What makes a successful club like ours is the participation of its members. Please, come and join in that success on September 6th @ 7:30 p.m. at the Club House across from OU-L, on RT. 37 in Lancaster.

Sincerely, Secretary: Kevin Numbers – KC8MTV

FOR SALE.....

Yaesu FT-890 100 watt transceiver with automatic antenna tuner and SSB filter. Matching speaker and matching Yaesu power supply. \$600.00 for the radio and \$100.00 for the speaker/power supply.

Drake LB-4 amplifier. This amp is super clean and has new tubes. Not used much and the tubes have at best, two hours on them. The face plate is brand new and literally the last one they had in stock. That new face plate cost nearly \$40.00 itself. \$700.00 for the amp firm.

A Heil microphone with both settings and a boom to hold the microphone that is matched to the FT-890. \$150.00 for the set.

All of the equipment is in excellent condition and all pieces very clean.

Tony, KF8MW 740-687-0582 or work number 740-687-5414.

➤ ALINCO *Alinco promotion ends 09/30/01.*

Order	Model	Regular	Comment	Price	Pg.
#4238	DJ-196T	\$139.95		\$139.95	66
#0729	DJ-G5TH	289.95		289.95	66
#0472	DJ-V5TH	229.95		229.95	66
#0222	DJ-X 2T	219.95		219.95	
#3610	DJ-X10T	329.95	Sale. Free Book #3301	329.95	15
#2020	DJ-X2000T	835.00	New item!	499.95	16
#1980	DR-135T	169.95		169.95	62
#4239	DR-135TP	269.95		269.95	62
#3621	DR-605TQ	349.95		349.95	62
#1387	DR-610TQ	439.98		439.98	62
#0033	DX-70TH	749.95		749.95	57
#3689	DX-77T	739.95		739.95	57

➤ AOR *AOR promotion ends 09/30/01.*

Order	Model	Regular	Comment	Price	Pg.
#3265	AR-8200MKIIB	\$559.95	Free Book #3301	\$559.95	15
#0860	AR-8600	\$849.95	Free Book #3301	\$849.95	16

➤ DRAKE

Order	Model	Regular	Comment	Price	Pg.
#0082	R8B	1348.95		1348.95	5

➤ GRUNDIG

Order	Model	Regular	Comment	Price	Pg.
#4040	MiniWorld 100	\$44.95	New lower price	\$29.95	21
#0800	Satellit 800	499.95		499.95	20
#0300	YB-300PE	79.95	New lower price	79.95	21
#0400	YB-400PE	169.95	New lower price	149.95	21

➔ Ask about our RECONDITIONED Grundig radios. Save big!

➤ ICOM *ICOM promotion ends 09/30/01.*

Order	Model	Regular	Comment	Price	Pg.
#1610	207H	\$299.95		\$299.95	61
#3450	706Mk2-g	1069.95	\$150 Off Coupon	919.95	58
#0718	718	699.95	\$125 Off Coupon	574.95	58
#0657	746	1469.95	\$200 Coupon & Log Book	1269.95	58
#4019	756 Pro	2699.95	\$250 Off Coupon	2449.95	58
#1256	2100H	179.95		179.95	61
#1153	2800H	539.95	\$50 Off Coupon	489.95	61
#3100	PCR100-12	239.99		239.99	13
#3628	PCR1000-02	399.99	\$50 Off Coupon	349.99	13
#2481	Q7A-05 BC	139.95		139.95	64
#2488	R 2-06	179.95	CSWHHRX & \$20 Coupon	159.95	15
#3333	R 3-26	469.95	Sale & \$100 Off Coupon	369.95	12
#3550	R10-05	349.99	CSWHHRX & \$50 Coupon	299.99	14
#0175	R75	779.95	Sale & \$200 Off Coupon	569.99	6
#1850	R8500-02	1699.95	Free Book #3301	1449.99	13
#3088	T2H	139.95		139.95	64
#3052	T7H	199.95		199.95	64
#3795	T81A	299.95		279.95	64
#0088	V8	164.95	New!	164.95	
#0838	W32A	259.95		259.95	64

➤ JAPAN RADIO CO.

Order	Model	Regular	Comment	Price	Pg.
#1545	NRD-545DSP	1799.95		1799.95	8

➤ KENWOOD *Kenwood promotion ends 10/31/01.*

Order	Model	Regular	Comment	Price	Pg.
#1575	TH-22ATK2	\$219.95		\$219.95	63
#1784	TH-79AKSS	369.95		369.95	63
#4211	TH-D7AG	419.95		419.95	63
#0066	TH-F6A	389.95	New! Expected 09/09/01	389.95	
#3699	TH-G71A(H)	269.95		269.95	63
#2164	TM-261A	169.95		169.95	60
#4116	TM-D700A	599.95		599.99	60
#0912	TM-742AD	629.95		629.95	60
#1621	TM-G707A	299.95		299.95	60
#3565	TM-V7A	429.95		429.95	60
#1862	TS-570D(G)	1099.95	Free Heil Mic	1049.99	54
#2519	TS-570S(G)	1299.95	Free Heil Mic	1249.99	54
#1978	TS-2000	2199.95	Free Heil Mic	2199.95	54
#2797	TS-2000X	2699.95	Free Heil Mic	2699.95	54
#1937	TS-B2000	2199.95	Free Heil Mic	1799.95	54

➤ SANGEAN *Sangean promotion ends 08/31/01.*

Order	Model	Regular	Comment	Price	Pg.
#2181	ATS-404	\$89.95		\$89.95	22
#0505	ATS-505	129.95		119.98	22
#3319	ATS-606AP	119.95	Sale to 08/31/01	99.99	22
#0936	ATS-808A	119.95		119.95	22
#2754	ATS-818	149.95		149.95	22
#1069	ATS-818ACS	199.95		199.95	22
#1909	ATS-909	239.95	Free SR1BC AM/FM #4263	239.95	22

➤ SONY

Order	Model	Regular	Comment	Price	Pg.
#0841	ICF-2010	\$349.95		\$349.95	18
#0007	ICF-SW07	419.95		419.95	19
#0017	ICF-SW11	49.95		49.95	20
#2493	ICF-SW77	469.95		469.95	18
#0111	ICF-SW100S	359.95		359.95	19
#1994	ICF-SW1000T	449.95		449.95	18
#0360	ICF-SW7600GR	169.95	New!	169.95	

➤ YAESU *Yaesu promotion ends 09/30/01.*

Order	Model	Regular	Comment	Price	Pg.
#2786	FRG-100B	\$599.95	\$100 Coupon	\$499.95	11
#3070	FT-50RD-41	269.95	\$20 Coupon	249.95	65
#1242	FT-90R		\$30 Coupon	349.99	61
#3473	FT-100D		\$100 Coupon	999.99	57
#2319	FT-840	729.95	\$100 Coupon	629.95	56
#0817	FT-817	749.95	New item!	749.95	56
#1467	FT-847	1799.95	\$300 Coupon	1499.95	56
#1955	FT-920	1499.95	\$150 Coupon	1349.95	56
#2360	FT-1000MP-V		\$250 Coupon	2949.99	56
#2736	FT-1500M	214.95	\$15 Coupon	190.95	62
#3869	FT-2600M	219.95	\$20 Coupon	199.95	62
#3774	FT-3000M	399.95		399.95	62
#0071	FT-7100M	439.95	New!	439.95	
#0120	VR-120	199.95	Sale to 09/30	179.99	
#0500	VR-500	309.95	\$30 Coupon	279.95	15
#0050	VR-5000	889.95	New!	889.95	15
#3652	VX-1R	189.95		189.95	65
#1795	VX-5R	339.95		339.95	65
#3187	VX-150/64B	159.95		159.95	65



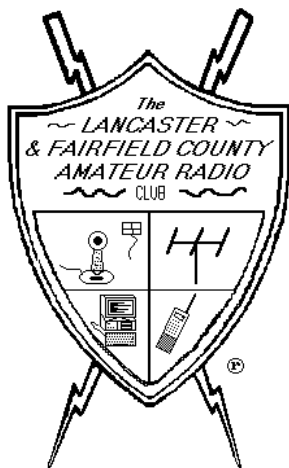
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Hancock County Fairgrounds
Talk-in: 147.15 (+) , 444.15 (+)
Contact Bill Kelsey, N8ET
3521 Spring Lake Drive
Findlay, OH 45840
Ph: 419-423-4604
Em: kanga@bright.net

October 7, 2001

Medina County Hamfest

www.qsl.net/m2m
County National Guard Armory
920 W. Lafayette Rd.
Talk-in 147.03 (+)
Contact Mike, N8TZY
Ph: 330-273-1519
Em: n8tzy@m3net.net

Here's the September 2001 Ragchewer!

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