

The Ragchewer

August 2011

The monthly newsletter of the
Lancaster & Fairfield
County Amateur Radio Club

On the Web: www.k8qik.org

Club Meetings :

1st Thursday of every month at
7:30 PM at the clubhouse.

VE Testing:

Typically even numbered month.
See ARRL.ORG for date. Register
and testing at 10:00 am. Tests also
upon request.

Clubhouse Location:

Near Lancaster on State Route 37
North (Granville Pike) next to
Beavers Field.
Across from campus Ohio
University-Lancaster

Nets:

Mondays at 9:00 p.m. 147.03
MHz (+.6)
146.70 MHz (-.6) Alt. Freq.
443.875 MHz (+5)
Sunday at 8:00 p.m.
443.875 MHz (+5)
UHF linked system

Packet BBS 145.53MHz
K8QIK-1 BBS
K8QIK-2: Ohio53

Weather Spotter Net:

146.76 Repeater with 123Hz tone
Tuesday at 7:30 PM
Alt frequency 147.24 MHz

Thursday Night Radio Night

Radio night is every Thursday at 6:00 p.m. (except the
first Thursday which is the club monthly meeting). Work
a little HF, maybe build something? How about a hot cup
of coffee. We'll have them all waiting for you.

ARRL Membership

When you join the ARRL, or renew your membership
through the club, we retain \$15 for each new membership
OR lapsed membership (of two years or more), and we
retain \$2 for each renewal. Please support our club, it
doesn't cost any more. Send or give all paperwork to
Treasurer with your money.

August 2011 VE Test:

The next test has not been scheduled. Call Allen KB8JLG
(740) 654 – 8167 for details.

Free Swap and Sell

If you have anything ham radio related, you can swap it or
sell it here. List your items for free. Give a price and
how to contact you. Send the list to
Webmaster@K8QIK.ORG or Ragchewer Editor at
ASELLERS1081@att.NET

HAMFESTS

Cambridge, OH	08-28-2011
Findlay, OH:	09-11-2011
K8QIK Swapmeet	10-01- 2011

2010-2011 Officers

President:

George Lambert, KB8USP

Vice President:

Robert Ruffner, KD8DXC

Treasurer:

Ed Campbell Sr., WD8PGO

Secretary:

Mary Travis, KD8EEI

Trustee:

John Hilliard, W8OF

Station Engineer:

John Hilliard, W8OF

Education:

Allen Sellers, KB8JLG

Activities Manager:

Sandy Snider, KD8FTX

Public Relations:

Mark Urbine, KC8TUW

Flower Fund:

Ed Bennett, SK 7-2011

Web Master:

John(K9ULO)/Carol Dolske
Webmaster@K8QIK.ORG

Editor:

Allen Sellers, KB8JLG
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August 4, 2011 Meeting Minutes

At 7:30 p.m. the monthly meeting was called to order by President, George Lambert, KB8USP who lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were 14 members present.

Officer Reports

Secretary Report: Mary Travis, KD8EEI

Minutes for the July meeting was posted in the Ragchewer. Motion to accept minutes was made by Charlie, N8KZN and seconded by Ray, W8FLX . Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Ed Campbell, Sr., WD8PGO

Ed gave the treasurer's report and Robert, KC8PSW made motion to approve, seconded by Gary, W8GTS. All in favor.

VP Report: Rob Ruffner, KD8DXC

Rob absent, no report.

Trustee Report: John Hilliard, W8OF

No report but Mary, KD8EEI read email sent that the 146.70 repeater is back in operation and will be up and running 24/7 with no codes needed to gain access.

Committee Reports

Webmaster: Carol Dolske

No report.

Chairman Educational Committee: Allen Sellers, KB8JLG

No report. Editor's Note – There will be an Extra license class starting in September 2011. Details are not set at this time but contact Allen KB8JLG if you want to be included. The ARRL Extra License Manual will be used, it will last about 10 Saturday mornings with interruptions for Allen's activities. I recommend the TI-30- II calculator.

George also reported that Allen would like to find someone who would be willing to take over the VE Exam Liaison. If interested, please contact Allen.

Monday Night Net

Aug. 8th John Rader, KD8PAF
Aug 15th John Dolske, K9ULO
Aug. 22nd Rob Ruffner, KD8DXC
Aug. 29th John Lawson, W8AGS

Ragchewer: Allen Sellers, KB8JLG

George reported that Allen would like to find someone who will take over as editor of the Ragchewer. If anyone is interested, please contact Allen.

Emergency Coordinator: Ed Campbell, WD8PGO

Ed thanked all workers who helped with the bicycle

Tour de Cause and also read a thank you from the committee. The event raised more than \$60,000 and they had 750 riders. The money raised will help our community recovery center for opiate addiction.

Ed reported that he needs some more workers for the Sweet Corn Festival . The following members have volunteered. George, KB8USP, Gary, W8GTS, Ray, W8FLX, and Paul, KD8DDD

Ed also reported that Matthew, KD8OEG has asked for people to assist with the Central Ohio Pelotonia bicycle ride which will be a 2 day event on August 20 and 21st. They need a total of 15 -20 hams to work. The medical team will be in a van which will go to Athens on Saturday and they will need 12 people to stay overnight in Athens and leave on Sunday to return to Columbus. George, KB8USP volunteered to work on Saturday. Mary will send separate email to our members asking if anyone is interested.

Safety: Scott Snoke, WD8IXO

No report.

Station Engineer: John Hilliard, W8OF

No report.

Activities Co-Managers: Sandy Snider, KD8FTX and Connie Snoke, N8LPC

Connie reported that Sandy would like to have the money we approved for the Christmas party so she can start purchasing items for the drawings.

Flower Fund: Connie Snoke, N8LPC

Connie reported that she will be willing to do the flower fund for the rest of the year since Ed, KD8EEJ passed away. There was no drawing tonight for flower fund since we needed the money to pay for the flowers which were sent to Ed's wife.

Charlie, N8KZN made motion to discontinue the 50/50, seconded by Ray, W8FLX. 13 for and 1 no.

Jack, AE8P made motion to discontinue the flower fund, seconded by Ray, W8FLX. 13 for and 1 no.

Old Business:

George reported he has established a nominating committee consisting of: Susie, KD8PKU; Gary, W8GTS; Ray, W8FLX; and Mark, KD8IMT.

Robert, KC8PSW reported that he will be installing the steps we approved last month sometime in September. Once Robert has some dates established, Mary will send an email to the membership asking for helpers to assist Robert.

Mark, KD8IMT reported he has two people signed up to be "Elmer's". He has also developed a form which members can fill out if they would like to give a presentation on a particular subject or help by being an Elmer.

New Business:

Charlie, N8KZN reported that for the month of August there will be no food prepared for radio night. Attendance has not been enough to pay for cost of food. Anyone who plans on attending radio night, feel free to bring your own food or possibly stop at Happy Penguin and pick something up.

Ray, W8FLX made a motion to establish a bereavement committee (consisting of 4 or 5 members) who would be available to assist family members who are not in amateur radio with disposal of equipment when there is a death in the family. This committee would also set up guidelines for other items such as cards, etc. when someone is in hospital or sick at home. Jack, AE8P seconded the motion. All in favor.

David, WB9PXH presented a hooded sweatshirt that his wife had our logo screen printed on pocket. Members were pleased with the logo. David again stated that he or his wife Jeanne will take orders for items either embroidered or

Olivedale Meeting for prospective hams
- Allen Sellers KB8JLG

The meeting was held 09AUG11 as advertised with ten club members and one interested non-ham William Thompson and Mike Siglar, an Olivedale member and former member of the club. If there is no further interest, Ray K8FLX will arrange tutoring for Mr. Thompson.

Aladdin Temple hamfest – Allen Sellers KB8JLG
06AUG11 - The rain held off but it was super hot. Once again it was a small event with four rows of cars in the parking lot and a few vendors inside. The CRES ARC held the VE testing with about 20 candidates. The nice thing about this hamfest is that they do not charge for fleamarket or inside (air-conditioned) selling spaces.

Ed Bennett Jr. KD8EEJ - SK
- Allen Sellers KB8JLG

Ed passed away recently and will be missed as he was very active in working at the clubhouse. I remember how he worked to obtain his General license in my last class and that he passed and was ready to get on the air... I talked to him the day before his passing

screen printed with call letters to **Embroidery Barn at Carter Evans Farm, 591 Hill Rd N, Pickerington, OH 43147**. These printings can be on shirts, jackets, hats, etc. David will deliver the items to members at club meetings or radio night. He has left a catalog at the clubhouse for members to look at if interested in ordering items. Members can purchase their own product elsewhere and have their call letters done by them. If interested, you can contact David at 614 837-5467.

If you prefer you can go to the **Embroidery Barn** in Pickerington to have the work done. Phone numbers for Embroidery Barn are **614 920-2276 or fax at 614 920-2277**. **Email address is www.embroidery-barn.com**

Robert, KC8PSW made motion that we should select an item, i.e., shirt, jacket, vest, etc., and a color for the club so that the members who are interested in getting the logo put on, we would all look the same and be more professional when working events, etc. Ray, W8FLX seconded the motion. All in favor.

Robert, KC8PSW made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Gary, W8GTS Meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Travis, KD8EEI, Secretary

and I agreed to act as his Elmer as soon as he got home.