



Newark Amateur Radio Association



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Business Meeting Minutes

August 19, 2023

Call to Order

The meeting was held at the Newark Red Cross and a Zoom session was hosted by Ken K8DQ. The meeting was called to order by Jeff N8ADX at 6:00pm. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, members and guests introduced themselves to the group. Twelve (12) members and guests attended the meeting in person or online.

A moment of silence honored our beloved friend and member Connie Barsky, WD8ODC, who went silent key on Saturday, August 12, 2023.

Attendance

Ken K8DQ	John N8ALB	Jeff N8ADX	Alan N8CJ
Rob W8KOU	MaryBeth KD8OMU	Weldon K8NQ	Terry KE8UUO
Don KE8OUJ	Steve N8WL	Mike KD8DZ	Ron WE8V

Minutes of the Last Meeting

Before the meeting, the minutes of the July 2023 NARA business meeting had been posted on the NARA Website and electronically distributed to the members. No additions or corrections to the minutes were noted. A motion to accept the minutes as published was made by MaryBeth KD8OMU and seconded by Don KE8OUJ. Following a vote, the motion was passed.

Treasurer's Report

Ken K8DQ read the Treasurer's report provided by Beau KD8FVV, which provided an accounting of the current balance of all bank accounts. A motion to approve the statement was made by Don KE8OUJ and seconded by Mike KD8DZ. Following a vote, the motion was approved.



Presidents's Report

Ron WE8V (delivered by Jeff N8ADX):

1. We should have a monument of silence in memory of Connie Barsky WD8ODC who passed away Saturday August 12th.
2. Ohio State Parks on The Air (OSPOTA) is held each September. Sponsored by Portage County Amateur Radio Service (PCARS). --- This year's event will take place **Sept 9, 2023**, from 1400 UTC to 2200 UTC (**10 am to 6 pm ET**). Your club can pick from one or more of the 75 Ohio State Parks. --- Contacts can be made on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters using SSB. All contacts have the same point values. (See included list)
3. NARA Picnic
 - a. From the survey that I made of parks in Newark and Heath, it appears that TJ Evens Park may fit out needs for a 2023 NARA family picnic other than the normal one held during the Field Day event.
 - b. We had talked about having a NARA family picnic because we did not have a club Field Day event. Since it is getting late in the year, we may want to forego a picnic and hopefully we have a club Field Day event in 2024 that includes a family picnic.
4. Sunday, September 10th - - **Findlay Hamfest** --- Location: Findlay, OH --- Sponsor: Findlay Radio Club --- Website: <http://findlayradioclub.org>
5. August 26th – 27th ---- Ohio QSO Party
6. Strong aurora openings are predicted on the 6-meter band during the 2023 fall Equinox. SSB and CW will be the best modes for making aurora contacts. FT8 will have difficulty decoding aurora signals because of the Doppler Shift.

Vice President's Report

Jeff N8ADX

No report



Committee Reports

❖ Membership & Attendance

Ken K8DQ:

As of 8/19/2023, there are 60 active members on the club roster.

❖ Repeater Management

No report

❖ ARES / Emergency Management

Alan N8CJ

Progress on the restoration of the emergency communications trailer continues. Currently, the team is testing many of the modifications and additions to the equipment.

❖ CERT

No report

❖ History & Archives

No report

❖ Social & Reception

No report



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❖ Education & Programs

Upcoming Programs:

August: **Power Pole & PL-259 Connections – Weldon Mathews, K8NQ****

September: **The Carrington Event – A Short Documentary**

October: **Power Pole & PL-259 Connections – Weldon Mathews, K8NQ**

November: **2-Meter Radio Antenna Homemade**

December: **Annual Holiday Part & 2024 Elections**

* Programs / schedule subject to change. If you have a program idea, or would like to present a program, please contact Ken K8DQ

** Due to sparse attendance, and some equipment malfunctions, which prevented full sharing of Weldon's workshop this evening, the scope of our August program was limited to a pared-down presentation on Power Pole connections. The full program & workshop will be conducted in October.

Old Business

No location has been selected for the club picnic, and it has been suggested that we consider moving it to 2024, as summer will soon come to a close in central Ohio and there is limited time for planning and communication this year.

New Business

No new business



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Swap & Shop

FOR SALE: Telex Hy-Gain heavy duty 55' free-standing crank up tower, Ham IV Tail Twister rotator and Mosley Pro-57 beam. Equipment and tower must be taken down and removed from the premises. Please contact Fritz WD8E or [leave your contact information here](#) and we will forward it to Fritz.

FOR SALE: Icom IC-718 with box, mic cords, LDG-PAC cable, Raskcal GLX Mark V, OPC-599 and small fan that hooks up for extra ventilation when operating digi. \$500.

Ameritron AL-811 with new tubes \$600.

Pick it up, try it out. Contact Darrin KB8ECF (740) 404-6367

Announcements

- The Findlay Hamfest will be held September 10, 2023 at 1017 East Sandusky Street, Findlay, Ohio details are available at <https://findlayradioclub.org/hamfest>.
- NARA, Tuesdays at 21.00, 146.88, pl 141.3 (On the last Tuesday of the month the NARA net will be on 444.50, pl 141.3.)
- ARES, 1st & 3rd Wednesdays at 21.00. 146.88, pl 141.3
- Buckeye Net: Multi-Mode, Thurs, Sat & Sun at 13:00, 60M Ch. 4
- Central Ohio Traffic Net, Central Ohio Radio Club (CORC), daily net at 7:15pm 146.970, pl 123.0
- COOKEN, Thursdays at 20:30, 50.500MHz, SSB
- Fairfield ARES Nets, Mondays at 19:00, 146.700 pl 94.8
- Fairfield County ARC Net, Mondays at 21:00, 147.030 pl 71.9
- Mt. Vernon ARC Nets, Sundays at 21:00, 146.790 pl 71.9
- Ohio ARES HF Net, Tuesdays at 19:00, 3.902 MHZ
- Popular central Ohio Simplex frequencies: 145.70, 146.46, 145.55

Adjournment

Weldon K8NQ made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Terry KE8UUO followed by a vote. The meeting was adjourned at 6:13 PM.



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Program

[Stealth HF Antenna the HOA Will Never Find](#)

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