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2010 Field Day Now "In The Books"

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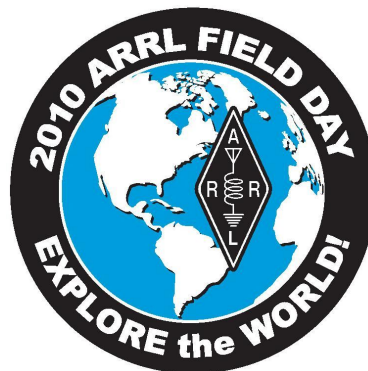
EDITOR

Dale Lamm NX8J

ARRL Field Day was June 26-27 this year. Canton ARC once again set up temporary facilities at Frank Dearman's farm. Operating on generator power, we continuously ran four stations.

Two stations were the main "point getters", running HF CW and SSB. A third VHF-UHF station gathered many contacts, mostly at 6 meters. Finally, a GOTA (Get On The Air) station served as a "radio ambassador" to inactive hams, newly licensed hams and non-hams alike.

Karen Myers did an outstanding job making sure all hams were well fed. There was PLENTY of sustenance available. Durane Duncan contributed by preparing a tasty Sunday buffet.



Scott and Les are to be commended for cleaning out the club's RV, to be used as the 80-20 meter station.

Jerry made the computers sing. Thanks to his efforts, we had quality computers with high-reliability power sources keeping track of our contacts.

Numerous others helped set up tents, trailers, towers and antennas.

Thanks to all who helped set up, operate, cook, and tear down! We had great fun this year, and are looking ahead to the Ohio QSO party late this summer, where we can once more operate "in the wild".

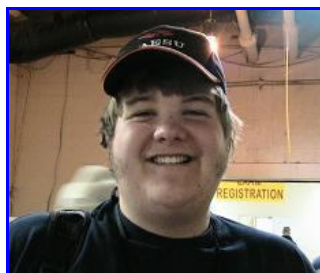
Check out the inner pages of this newsletter for many candid shots taken by our first-class publicity director, Dennis Moriarty.

*Editor's note: In the electronic edition of FEEDLINE, you can **click on URL's** to take your computer to the site.*

Venturing Crew 73 Activities

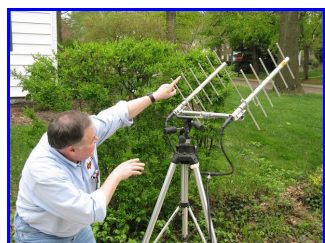
Two youth members accompanied advisor NX8J to the Dayton Hamvention in May. While there, Andy upgraded from technician to general license, and Ryan passed his technician license. Both young men were extremely anxious to pass their tests. Some late night study with N8PW helped. Our Scouts were the very first people in line at the VE session, being issued folders "001" and "002".

Advisor NX8J waited patiently for them to emerge from the testing room. I felt like an expectant father once again! They left the room after about an hour, then waited a bit longer to hear their results. Grins ear-to-ear when the examiner informed both of them they had passed! To make the day complete, Tim Duffy K3LR invited Crew 73 to the Contester's Dinner as guests at the ICOM table. It doesn't get much better!



April was a good month for EME. Friendly scientists at Arecibo Radio Observatory used their 1000 foot dish antenna to beam UHF signals to the moon. It was purported to be a "slam dunk" to raise them on a two-way QSO, but only if you could break the huge pileups. We managed to hear a few voice signals, but no joy getting them to hear us. N8PW hosted.

The fun is in the journey, not the end of the journey!



June brings the ARRL VHF QSO Party. On Sunday 6-13-10, Crew 73 secured permission to operate portable from atop Thunderbird Hill on the Seven Ranges Scout Reservation outside Kensington. With an elevation of 1380 feet above sea level, this is the highest point in Carroll County. (BTW, Stark's highest point is near Paris at 1360 feet) Operating with two stations (6M and 2M SSB and AM) and Yagis on a 30 foot mast, we made over a hundred combined contacts. The best 2M contact was to the Smoky Mountain region. 6M worked well deep into the south and southwest, as it always seems to do.



AREA NETS

STARK CO ARES NET
TUESDAY
FM 7:00 PM 147.120

ALLIANCE ARC
THURSDAY
CW 8:00 PM 28.400
SSB 8:30 PM 28.400
FM 9:00 PM 145.370

CUYAHOGA FALLS ARC
MONDAY
FM 8:30 PM 147.270

PORTAGE COUNTY ARS
THURSDAY
FM 8:00 PM 146.895

LAKE ERIE ARA
THURSDAY
FM 8:00 PM 146.760

GOODYEAR ARC
THURSDAY
FM 7:30 PM 146.985

WOOSTER ARC DX GRP
THURSDAY
FM 8:00 PM 147.345
(110.9 PL)

WEST STARK INFO NET
THURSDAY
FM 8:00 PM 147.180

MASSILLON RADIO NET
SUN, TUE, THU
CW 7:30 PM 3599.5
8:30 PM DURING EDT

HOMELAND SECURITY NET
LAST TUE OF MONTH
FM 8:00 PM 147.51
(SIMPLEX)

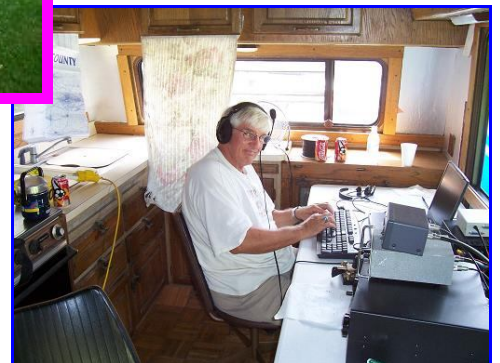
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Field Day 2010 Photographs

We are most grateful to have Dennis Moriarty in our club as our Publicity Director. Field Day photos are his handiwork.



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We should all be very
thankful that Justin
Corner W8JKC has volun-
teered to maintain the
club's web site. Visit
our site and notice the
many improvements.
Good job!

The Elmer Speaks

This issue, Elmer reprints very interesting predictions from HFpack. The original was published December 17, 2009 on their web site at <http://hfpack.com>. Visit the site for some great ham information. I especially like the antenna "shootouts".

Psychic Propagation Predictions for 2010 (reprinted with permission)
by Bonnie Crystal VR2/KQ6XA

My prediction visionary credentials are humble; as an oracle, I carry the burden of The Transmission Of The Esoteric High Frequency Dharma, having been passed down to me in secret ceremonies through the unbroken lineage of Great HF Oracles, witnessed by The Ancient Order Of The High Frequency Nuns, in the innermost faraday anechoic chambers of the exalted stone observatory overlooking the ionosphere. For Year 2010 I henceforth predict...

Good News for Solar Cycle 24

In our great and long HF journey of lifetimes... having passed our darkest hour in March 2009; having dwelt in the deepest chasm of the second valley of the bottom of Olde Sol 23; from this point into future years of four; we shall venture upward on the Slope of Flux!

Joy and Relief in March-May 2010

We shall climb the steep steps of the Mountain Of New Sol 24 together, with ever greater momentum and strength. By the moon of April 2010 we shall reach the average Solar Flux heights of 80 or more! The Fast Tiger of the east shall rise and pounce gracefully upon the waves of 18MHz, yielding a time of spring health among the Strong Portables and Quick Mobiles; The Pedestrians shall play in the meadow again. With each sunset and sunrise, The Pack shall rejoice in the DX of Higher Frequencies, taking leaps and bounds on the trail of double hop. The Guardians of The Towers shall open The High Gates of Ten Metres; The Pedestrians shall tread softly on the sand of the beach in the realm of The Giants of Twenty.

Uncertainty in June-August 2010

By July 2010, the Feeble Bear of the summer west shall obscure the gains of the previous moons; The Portables shall quest for more DX; yet few sweet drops of the Elixir of Great Propagation shall satiate their thirst. Driven from the Highest Bands, The Portables shall again wander the land, seeking nourishment from 14MHz short hops, and taking flight with The Fleeting Bird of trans-equatorial 21MHz multi-hops. In the midst of despair, The Great Clouds Of The Sporadic-E shall unexpectedly appear over the fields, irrigating the planet with ions; strong and powerful voices shall grow, with even the Weakest Of Watts being rewarded on 21MHz and higher!

Greatness in September-December 2010

The eager Fast Tiger shall devour the tired Weak Bear. By November 2010, the Warriors and Sages who fought so triumphantly in the Battle of the Plateau shall find victorious comfort in the multi-hop DX gardens of 14 to 24MHz. Having climbed past the Solar Flux of 90, The Pack shall bask in the light of propagation contentment, feasting daily on the green flora of 18MHz. Mobiles and Portables shall roam the hills, exploring even the peaks of 28MHz. Guardians Of The Towers shall breathe easier, having found solace running barefoot through the wide open 5MHz and 7MHz bands; they shall turn their beams on 21MHz; they shall chase the beast of Spectrum Maximus and slaughter whole bands with Split Rare DX Pileups. The Morseponders and the Digirati shall seek freedom and fortitude in 10MHz throughout the night, and dream yea verily into the dawn of early morning! The Emcomms shall drink ALE from The Chalice Of The High Frequency.

Fullness Then Bleakness in Years 2011-2020

Year 2011 shall bring more health to The HF Dwellers. The Pack shall climb to reach the Sol 24 Mountain Peak and summit it in 2014; then light shall shine on all who venture forth into HF Wilderness. The mountain peak shall not overlook the summits of past quests. By 2019 the Sojourners of HF shall descend down the path, and shall wallow in the depths of a deep canyon once again. Only the strong and brave shall remain.

Incantation Quatrain of the HF Oracle

Solaris Minimus, Mega Hertzus;
Solaris Maximus, Radiati Potentius!
Longitudis Latitudus, Saltus Aqua Ampliphius;
Altus Frequencius, Ionospheri Reflectus!

...and so it was written, by her hand, on 17 December 2009.

Bonnie Crystal VR2/KQ6XA, Psychic Propagation Prognosticator

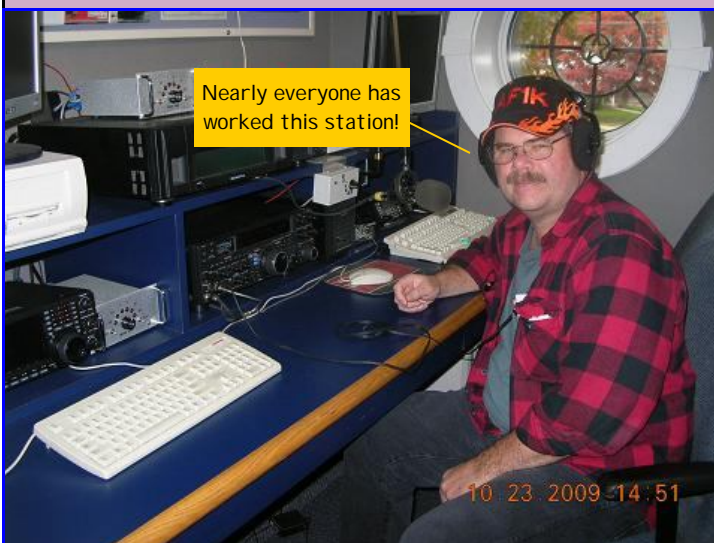
Can You Identify the QTH?

Below is a photo of AF1K, a friend of the editor's. Rich was on vacation visiting a relative, and took a side trip to an amateur radio station.

Can you ID the station's location or call letters?

First person with the correct answer is the winner. Results in next issue of FEEDLINE!

The winner will have the honor of seeing his/her name in **bold typefont** in the next FEEDLINE.



Hints

Picture above was taken in one of the thirteen original colonies. Unofficial state nickname is the "Nutmeg state".

Canton Amateur Radio Club extends it's deepest sympathies to two members who have recently lost close relatives.

N8YB Jerry Shrigley's father Jerry Shrigley Sr. passed on July 9. He lived in North Canton. He is survived by sons Jerry Jr and James, and daughter Stephanie, as well as numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren.

KC8WVH David L. Selby's father David W. Selby left this world July 17. He lived in North Canton, and is survived by his wife of 34 years Patricia and son David, brother Don, sister Joyce and a multitude of extended family members.

Both families used the services of Reed in North Canton. You may read more detailed obituaries by visiting the Reed web site and searching on a family name. The URL is

www.reedfuneralhome.com

Previous QTH Puzzle Results

Below is a genuine operating location.

Can you ID the location and operator?

WE HAVE A WINNER!

Gary Marks WD8ICX was the only person to correctly identify the operating position as the radio shack aboard the USS Cod in Cleveland harbor. This World War II diesel submarine is preserved as it was, without cutting large holes in the boat's hull to allow easy access. Jerry Shrigley's daughter is shown at the key. We understand she is an excellent ham operator.



Info about the USS Cod can be found here:

www.usscod.org

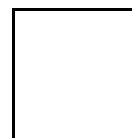


We meet on the second Saturday of every month at the Nazir Grotto, 1717 6th Street SW in Canton at 8:30 AM. Club members enjoy a generous breakfast at moderate cost.

This is a fine opportunity to socialize with your CARC friends, and help a worthy service organization.

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IMPORTANT CLUB DATES FOR 2010

Jul 21 - Wednesday meeting at Stark EOC, 7:30 PM

Aug 14 - Nazir Grotto breakfast 8:30 AM

Aug 18 - Wednesday meeting at Stark EOC, 7:30 PM

Aug 28 - Ohio QSO Party See www.ohqp.org

Sept 11 - Nazir Grotto breakfast 8:30 AM

Sept 15 - Wednesday meeting at Stark EOC, 7:30 PM

Oct 9 - Nazir Grotto breakfast 8:30 AM

Oct 20 - Wednesday meeting at Stark EOC, 7:30 PM

Nov 13 - Nazir Grotto breakfast 8:30 AM