



# *TMRA Amateur Radio Beacon*

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## Tech Classes

Technician (entry-level) classes are scheduled for Saturday, August 23rd and Saturday, September 6th, 8am to 5pm at the Lucas County CERT Training Center. There is no charge for the class itself, but you should have a textbook (The ARRL Ham Radio License Manual) that you can obtain beforehand from the ARRL or from us for a nominal fee (about \$25.00.) Check on the cost when you contact us. When it is time to take the test at the end of the class, there is a charge of \$14.00 to cover expenses for the test. Please have exact cash. Also, bring a valid picture ID and copies of any other previous licensing or CSCE's you may have with you.

Note: Morse Code is no longer a requirement for any Amateur License.

Contact Mike, WA8SYD at 419.476.2947 or Steve, KC8TVW at 419.467.3734 to express your interest in the class.

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## OHIO QSO Party Aug 23

Make sure you have the correct date for OHIO QSO party.

This is a short note to all ARRL members in Ohio that there has been misinformation about the dates of the Ohio QSO Party. It is Saturday, August 23 to Sunday, August 24. Here is a short note from Jim Stahl, K8MR, about misinformation which I repeat for everyone - many other ham radio sources may make this mistake as well.

Joe Phillips, K8QOE  
Ohio Section Manager

The Calendar of Events in the August 2008 "CQ Magazine" (page 96) erroneously lists the Ohio QSO Party as being on August 30-31. It is actually on Saturday, August 23, to Sunday, August 24. There are no contests listed for the weekend of August 23-24. I suspect there are wrong dates for several of the others listed for August 30-31.

I hope to see you all in the OQP on SATURDAY, AUGUST 23! Full info at [www.oqp.us](http://www.oqp.us).

Jim Stahl, K8MR

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*Next TMRA meeting is on Wednesday, August 13.*

## ARRL Membership Newsletters, Bulletins And Notifications

Did you know the ARRL offers more newsletters than The ARRL Letter? One of the many ARRL membership benefits includes other newsletters, such as the ARRL Contest Update (a bi-weekly contest newsletter), the ARES E-Letter (sent monthly, containing public service and emergency communications news), the ARRL Club News and the ARRL Instructor/Teacher E-Letter

You can also elect to receive news and information from your Division Director and Section Manager (keep in mind that not all Divisions/Sections send notices), as well as W1AW bulletins that relate to DX, propagation, satellites and Keplerian reports. The ARRL also offers a free notification service to members, letting them know when their membership and license are due to expire.

Sign up for these newsletters, bulletins and notifications on the Member Data page of the ARRL Web site <<http://www.arrl.org/members-only/memdata.html>>.

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### July VE Test Session

At the July 12th Test Session in Maumee, Thomas, KD8IZV and Tim, KD8IZU, both earned their Technician License. Congrats to both.

Thanks to the VE's who volunteered.

73,  
Stacey NS8W

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**Adrian Hamfest is September 14  
at the Lenawee County Fairgrounds.**

### OTHER TOLEDO AREA AMATEUR RADIO ORGANIZATIONS

#### **ARES**

Lucas County Amateur Radio Emergency Service meetings are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month in the "Private Dining Room" in St. Luke's Hospital, at 9:00 AM. You are welcome to meet in the cafeteria for breakfast before the meeting. Alternate meeting locations and information will be announced on the daily 6:40 PM net. Contact Bill, WN8RUG, at 419-882-7337. **ARES NTS and Training Net** meets daily at 6:40 PM. 146.940- Alternate frequencies are: 147.375+ or 147.270+. **Lucas County SKYWARN Net** as needed by the NWS, 147.270+ Alternate frequencies are 146.835-, 146.940- or others announced by "net control". **District SKYWARN Net** on 147.375+, Alternate frequencies are 146.610- and 147.345+.

**GTARA** (146.610-, 147.120+ 103.5) Meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at the Red Cross Building, 3100 W. Central, 7:30 PM. Contact Martha, K8AAC.

**TRAC** (147.375+, 146.940-) Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month at the Springfield Twp. Hall, 7617 Angola Rd. at 7:30 PM. Contact Becky, KC8ZNX, 419-290-3511.

**QCWA Chapter 142**, meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month at The Big Boy Restaurant, 1402 Reynolds Road, Maumee. (next to Hampton-Inn hotel )

**FRAT** (52.360, 146.835-, 224.280-, 444.650+) Meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month. FRAT net follows the Rain Dialup and Amateur News Weekly on Thursday nights starting at 8:30 PM.

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## TMRA Swap 'N Shop

Contact me to create, remove, or edit a listing at [kb8pai@arrl.net](mailto:kb8pai@arrl.net) or by phone at 419-724-8672.

*Current as of July 20, 2008*

### *For Sale:*

William, 419-467-3814 or [willpwatkins@juno.com](mailto:willpwatkins@juno.com) , Kenwood TM-733A dual band 2 meter / 440 MHz transceiver (\$300.00, OBO,) Alinco DJ-C1T Frequency Coverage: VHF TX: 144 - 147.995 MHz RX: 118 - 173.995 MHz (\$60.00, OBO.) They were bought new, work fine, and have had little use.

Wayne, KB8NGA, 419-340-2738, Roof mount tri-pod antenna mount, brand new in the box (\$25.00)

Jeff, KD8HYU, [kd8hyu@gmail.com](mailto:kd8hyu@gmail.com) , Acer Aspire 3680 laptop, running Vista Home, 3 Gb memory, 60 Gb hard drive, DVD/CD-RW, built-in wireless. (\$650.00 o.b.o.)

### *Looking For:*

Josh, KD8ENQ, [penguin\\_621@sbcglobal.net](mailto:penguin_621@sbcglobal.net) , Older version of the Icom 706 and a used Buddi-Pole antenna

Ted, W8PDY, 419-729-3980, Integrated Circuits: Number CA3055 or RCA3055

Fred, WD8ADG, [fjmelick@aol.com](mailto:fjmelick@aol.com) ,(Sandusky) Heathkit SB-200/201 amplifier

Brian, KD8IIS, 419-392-4669, Used HF transceiver to copy CW (or contact Steve, KC8TVW at 419-467-3734)

Brian, W8PH, 419-260-7811 or [brianv@bex.net](mailto:brianv@bex.net) , Kenwood TS-530S in good operating condition or would settle for a TS-520S

Tony, N8WAC, [natewac@aol.com](mailto:natewac@aol.com) (put in the subject line 1.2 Ghz) 1.2 Ghz transceiver and two 1.2 Ghz yagi antennas

### *Free for the Taking:*

Chuck, N8NIR, 419-729-3484, Ferrite core toroids and some connectors

James, WD8IOL, 419-382-4233, Standard Radio SR-C851T00 VHF Mobile 12 channel transceiver, has 152-155 Mhz range crystals presently installed, telephone style microphone, external speaker, no manual

The TMRA Swap 'N Shop is a service of the Toledo Mobile Radio Association, and open to all amateurs or interested persons in the coverage area of the repeater, newsletter, or website. The TMRA reserves the right to decline to accept any listing. Any descriptions of items listed are those of the person listing the items. Items are kept on the Swap 'N Shop list for a period of four weeks, or five Sundays on the air after which they are dropped from the list. Renewals are welcome, but please notify me promptly when there is no longer a need to continue a listing. When the TMRA Amateur Radio Beacon is published each month, the then current Swap 'N Shop listings are included in the newsletter (at the editor's discretion.) Prices are not mentioned over the air, but if known, will be shown in the newsletter or on the website.

There are several ways to list items of Amateur Radio interest: Check into the Swap 'N Shop Net Sunday evenings after the Information Net (approximately 9PM EST.) on 147.270 Mhz repeater.

E-mail me at [KB8PAI@ARRL.NET](mailto:KB8PAI@ARRL.NET)

Call me at 419-724-8672

Mail the information to me through the USPS

73 de Tom, KB8PAI

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## Events coming up

On August 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> there is The Sylvania Superkids on Sat. and The Sylvania Tri-athlon on Sun. Both events are based at Olander Park in Sylvania. Lots of operators are needed for Sunday.

Please contact Rick, K8RKS, at k8rks@arrl.net or call 471-0573 to help out.

THE TOLEDO MOBILE RADIO ASSOCIATION P.O. BOX 9673, TOLEDO, OH. 43697-9673

President, Brian, WD8MXR; Vice-President, Steve, W8TER; Secretary, Ron, N8RLH;

Treasurer, Chuck, N8NIR; Public Information Officer, Steve, KC8TVW.

Board Members: Dave, KB8EH; Howard, W8NEE; Chris, KC8UFV; Steve, KC8TVW; Tom, KB8PAI

TMRA Home Page [www.tmrahamradio.org](http://www.tmrahamradio.org) Webmaster, Tom, KB8PAI.

TMRA W8HHF Repeaters; 29.680-, 147.270+, 224.140-, 442.850+ (TMRA 2 meter, 220, and 440 repeaters operate with a 103.5 "PL", or a touch-tone access code of 1-2-3) Please "ID" before using phone-patch.

(10 digit dialing, \*up and #down)

TMRA W8HHF Packet BBS Frequencies 51.780, 145.690, 223.480, 441.060

The TMRA meets at 7:30 PM every second Wednesday in

The Electrical Industry Building, Lime City Rd. Rossford, Ohio.

The TMRA Q & A net meets every Sunday night at 7:30 PM, followed by the TMRA "Information & Swap 'N-Shop" net at 8:30 on the 147.270+ repeater. All amateurs are invited to check-in.