



TMRA Amateur Radio Beacon

December 2014



The Prez Sez

This seems to be a good time to remind everyone that if there is a snow emergency declaration of Level 1, 2, or 3 in Lucas County and/or Wood County at 5:00pm on the day of a scheduled TMRA General meeting, TMRA Executive Committee meeting, or TMRA Technical Committee meeting a, that meeting is cancelled. This should avoid any confusion as to whether or not a meeting is still on, and who decides, and when, to cancel a meeting. While announcements of cancellations may be made on our 147.270 and 442.850 repeaters, please monitor local TV stations or any other source of information regarding a county sheriff's declaration.

The Snow Emergency Classifications in Ohio are *:

LEVEL 1: Roadways are hazardous with blowing and drifting snow. Roads may also be icy. Motorists are urged to drive very cautiously.

LEVEL 2: Roadways are hazardous with blowing and drifting snow. Roads may also be very icy. Only those who feel it is necessary to drive should be out on the roads. Contact your employer to see if you should report to work. Motorists should use extreme caution.

LEVEL 3: All roadways are closed to non-emergency personnel. No one should be driving during these conditions unless it is absolutely necessary to travel or a personal emergency exists. All employees should contact their employer to see if they should report to work. Those traveling on the roads may subject themselves to arrest.

* <http://www.weathersafety.ohio.gov/snowemergencyclassifications.aspx>

The club's Christmas party will held on our regular meeting night December 10, but note it will **start at 6:30pm**. Sandy, KD8HYS, is the organizer and will have more details elsewhere in this newsletter.

Thanks to Mike, WA8SYD and Steve, KB8TVW, for another Technician license class – only 4 persons attended and took the test, with 2 new amateurs and Club members from the class.

Steve, KC8TVW, had an interesting program at the November meeting featuring photographs of the amateur stations of some members, and Steve is still collecting photographs and when he has enough for another presentation, he'll show the PowerPoint at another club meeting – so send Steve photographs.

There will not be a Technical Committee nor an Executive Committee meeting in December. The next Tech Committee meeting will be the 2nd Monday in January, and the Exec Committee will have a meeting on the 4th Wednesday. Both meetings are held at the Maumee #2 Fire Station on Dussel Drive.

73,

Brian, WD8MXR

Results from Tech Class/VE Session

New Hams

Lucas KD8ZYI Tech
Rick KD8ZYH Tech
Elijah KD8ZYJ Tech
Josh KD8ZYG General

Upgrades

Robert KD8ZVI General
Nathan KD8ZLX General
Mike KD8ZLV General

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CW Practice net

If you have been listening Sunday nights at 7:30, we have been running a CW training net. This net lasts until 8:00 with about 15 minutes of actual CW transmissions. This is your chance to learn or improve your CW skills

Christmas Potluck/CW show and tell. As part of the Elmer and Newcomers net along with the CW net, if you have a straight key or paddle and/or keyer you would be willing to bring to the potluck, please do. We have a lot of new hams that do not know much about the CW world and its equipment. Please help us show them what is out there.

Steve, KC8TVW

Newcomers and Elmers Net

Newcomers and Elmers Net for 11/30/2014 ran from 2001 – 2200 hrs, and had **17** CHECK-INS. The topic: CW, CW, and More CW. This was another great net. Thanks to the elmers who checked in to answer questions!

Announcements:

TMRA General Meeting Christmas Party 12/10

CW Net Sundays 1930 hrs by KC8TVW

No December Tech Meeting

FLDIGI N & E Net December 7th and 14th KC8TVW download the FLDIGI Program now

Listen to recording of the Sunday Nets by KC8UFV on the web [Http://WWW.Tmra.altervista.org](http://WWW.Tmra.altervista.org)

We made the OH-KY-IN Newsletter: http://www.ohkyin.org/tmra_net.php

Net Controls Needed For December 21st And 28th

email KD8EVN at buellshug@bex.net

A Thanksgiving Message..

Hi Gang, and Happy Thanksgiving to you ALL..

I Just wanted to pop-in right before your holiday celebration and say Happy Thanksgiving to you and yours. I hope that you and your family will have the opportunity to sit down to a dinner/supper that is filled with everything that one could imagine. And, with that I'm also sure that everything will be devoured, the turkey, the mashed potatoes, yams, the table that the food was placed on, the dishes, and virtually everything that could be consumed. This is the day to eat everything. Diets? Those were just a thought in passing. Football will definitely be watched and hopefully your team will win.

With all seriousness, in this season of "Thanks" please take a moment or two and remember what America's Thanksgiving is truly all about, giving "Thanks" for everything that we have. Yes, things could always be better, but remember this, they could easily be a lot worse too. As Americans we ARE blessed to be able to have the freedoms that we have.

Oh, don't forget to give a special thanks to those who are serving in uniform, and not just the soldiers in the fields around the world, but also those who are here at home that are protecting us (police / fire) as well.

73, and blessings to All..

Janie, KB8YPW and Scott, N8SY..

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Christmas Party Time Dec. 10, 6:30 p.m.

This year we will be having a potluck, the club will not be supplying a meat dish. So if you wish to bring a meat dish of some sort please do. The club will be supplying drinks and table service. Please bring a dish to share. Call Sandra, KD8HYS at 734-847-1208 and let her know what you will be bringing and how many will be attending. Please call by Dec. 8 so she can prepare for the number attending.

Rohn tower 20G for sale

I have for sale, on the ground, used tower sections. Two top sections, two short bottom sections, and six middle sections. (2 - 40 ft towers) The tower sections are known as Rohn 20G. They are 10 feet long each. They are your typical TV tower. They are used and in fair condition. They are suitable for UHF and VHF antennas. \$20.00 a section. No bolts. The sections are separated. Need to have them picked up by December 12th.

Contact Steve / W8TER 419-367-1200 or w8ter@arrl.net

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TMRA W8HHF Repeaters;
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)

D-Star Repeater: 442.750
APRS: 144.390

The TMRA meets at 7:30 PM
on the second Wednesday of
every month in
The Electrical Industry
Building, Lime City Rd.
Rossford, Ohio.