



TMRA Amateur Radio Beacon

June 2015



The Prez Sez

We have our Yaesu Fusion repeater. The Tech Committee will keep members informed about its installation.

The Nominations Committee (Ron, NRLH; Glenn, W8MUK, and myself) are still taking nominations for Officers for our year July 2015 – June 2016. You can nominate yourself, or with their permission, other members. Voting will be at the June General meeting.

Also at the June meeting we will be reviewing the proposed budget for our Financial Year 2015-16, and voting on that.

Glenn, W8MUK, has made some recommendations on our By-Laws, and the Executive Committee supports the proposed changes, and these will be presented to the membership at the June meeting for a vote: the proposed new wording is published elsewhere in this edition of the newsletter.

Glenn is taking over as Editor of the newsletter, starting with the July issue: many thanks go to Chuck, KB8FXJ and Brenda, KB8IUP, for their many years of editing the newsletter.

From what I'm hearing, this year's Field Day is generating more interest than usual. Steve, W8TER and Glenn, W8MUK, are the co-organizers – so contact one of them for more information, and if you're interested in setting up a station at the site: even if you are not setting up a station – come out and spend some time operating – we operate under the TMRA's club license and call W8HHF. We'll be at the Wolcott House grounds in Maumee again. The June LCARES meeting will be held there too, starting at 9:00am.

73, Brian

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**TOLEDO MOBILE RADIO ASSOCIATION
SUMMARY OF PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE BY-LAWS**

May 13, 2015

Prepared by Glenn Ingersoll, Trustee

Note: *Changes are in italics.*

ARTICLE V. MANAGEMENT

The general management of the affairs of this corporation shall be under the control, supervision and direction of the ***Executive Committee, which shall function as the corporation's board of directors.***

SECTION V. BOARD OF TRUSTEES

2. The Board of Trustees shall meet *as part of the Executive Committee.*
6. ***The Board of Trustees shall have authority to call the Executive Committee into a special session if the President shall be unwilling or unable to call an Executive Committee meeting within a four (4) month period.***
13. [DELETE]
14. [RENUMBER]

SECTION VI. OFFICERS

5. The Secretary
 - e. ***Shall receive, review, and approve all requests for disbursement of Association funds as follows:***
 - 1). ***Shall obtain receipts and/or other proofs that the expense was undertaken for the benefit of the Association.***
 - 2). ***Shall, in accordance with part 1)., above, give written authorization to the Treasurer to disburse funds, provided the expense is authorized by the Budget or by the Executive Committee, and maintain a record thereof.***
 - 3). ***Shall refer any requests for disbursement not authorized by the Budget to the Executive Committee for review and approval.***
 - 4). ***Shall design and utilize an "Authorization for Disbursement" form, subject to Executive Committee approval, upon which the Treasurer shall rely for authorization to disburse funds.***

- f. **Shall receive all bank statements and shall, monthly, reconcile the checking account statement(s) with the Treasurer's check register, and with the Authorization for Disbursement forms issued to the Treasurer.**
- g. **Shall provide a copy of all bank statements to the Treasurer if the bank(s) is not doing so.**
- h. **Shall maintain an accounting of all approved expenditures, corresponding disbursements, and status of the Budget.**
- i. **Shall report at each regular Association meeting and each Executive Committee meeting all approved expenditures and the status of the Budget.**
- j. **Shall submit all financial books for audit to the Auditing Committee.**
- k. **Shall prepare a year-end financial report on the budget for presentation at the Annual Business Meeting of the Association.**
- l. **To be acceptable to the Nominating Committee, the nominee shall:**
 - i). **Be bondable**
 - ii). **Express a willingness to seek re-election at the end of his/her one (1) year term of office.**
 - iii). **Have acceptable business/accounting experience.**
 - iv). **Have a familiarity with computerized spreadsheet/financial programs suitable for maintaining the Association's budget records. A suitable computer program, if needed, will be provided by the Association to the Secretary in order to maintain the Association's financial records.**
- m. **Shall be a member, ex officio, of the Budget Committee, having an equal vote.**

6. The Treasurer

- c. Shall hold all monies in the name of the Association and disburse said funds as **authorized by the Secretary** or as stipulated elsewhere in these By-Laws.
- d. Shall keep regular accounts of all **authorizations for disbursement**, receipts, and disbursements.

SECTION VII. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 4. **The Executive Committee shall have control of the property and affairs of the Association as guided by the Board of Trustees. The Executive Committee shall have power to suspend, censure and take all necessary and proper steps to carry out the principles of this Association and promote its best interests. It shall also review, discuss and recommend to the Association matters of concern, practice and /or policy.**

7. ***The Executive Committee must approve any expenditure of the Association in excess of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) that is not included in the budget.***
8. ***To conduct business, a meeting of the Executive Committee must have at least three (3) members of the Board of Trustees present.***
9. ***The Board of Trustees shall have authority to call the Executive Committee into a special session if the President shall be unwilling or unable to call an Executive Committee meeting within a six month period. The Vice President shall preside or the Board of Trustees shall select a Trustee to preside at the special session. The Executive Committee in this special session shall have all the powers and responsibilities of the Executive Committee as if it were called by the President. The notice and attendance requirements of this Section shall be followed.***

SECTION VIII. BUDGET AND FINANCE

4. Any financial obligation or expenditure not budgeted, in excess of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) , ***must first be approved by the Executive Committee, and then*** must also be approved by two thirds (2/3) majority of the Association in attendance at a regular meeting before the ***Secretary may authorize*** the Treasurer to expend Association funds.

What do we need for the Field day event...?

We need people who know how to:

HAVE FUN

ADVERTISE

COOK FOOD

SETUP TENTS

SETUP WIFI

TOW, FUEL, AND START GENERATORS

HAUL TOWER SECTIONS, CLUB TENT AND TOW GENERATORS TO THE SITE

DEPLOY ANTENNAS, AND ERECT TOWERS

ERECT TENTS

OPERATE RADIO EQUIPMENT AND LOG CONTACTS.

PICKUP TRUCKS ARE HELPFUL

Field day is once a year. We need all the help and talent we can get!

Friday June 26 we will meet at the Wolcott house at 1031 River Road Maumee at about 3:00 PM to set up the club tent, set up our logging program, and discuss strategy and lay out of the field day site.

Saturday June 27 we will meet at about 9 AM for the ARES meeting and then continue setting up and laying out the site. We will have lunch provided by the club. Usually submarine sandwiches and potato chips with soda pop or water. The field day event starts at 2:00 PM. We need operators and loggers. License is not required. We will be using the club's call. 6:00 PM is the evening meal. We ask club members to bring what they can. We will be asking for a list of food to have donated by members or they can bring a favorite dish to the table. If you are like me, a terrible cook, you do not have to bring anything. Bringing food is NOT required.

We operate all night or as long as you dare without falling asleep on the key. 7:30 AM Sunday morning usually comes early and some food may be consumed as breakfast is normally unceremonious. We operate as long as we can or until 2:00 PM which is when the contest ends.

2:00 PM Sunday We dismantle the field day sight and return the tent and other objects to their point of storage.

Remember June 27th and 28th Field Day at the Wolcott House.

Any questions contact Steve, W8TER or Glenn, W8MUK, [TMRA Field Day Coordinators]

Terry Recommends

Terry, WB8YRS, has suggested some articles and information on the internet that you may find useful. Take a look at these and see. 3rd Planet Solar / KC9ON | Welcome to my shack!

<http://kc9on.com/>

Nice ham radio site
Interesting
Signed
Terry
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Dale's Tales for June

Greetings everyone, welcome to "Dale's Tales" for June 2015.

Honors: Michigan Section Manager Larry Camp WB8R and I recently had the opportunity to attend The Auto State Young Ladies (TASYLs) 50th Anniversary luncheon in Holt, MI. We were able to present congratulatory letters from the Section Managers from Ohio, Kentucky and Michigan as well as a Congratulatory Certificate from the Michigan Section and a Commemorative Plaque from the hams in the Great Lakes Division. TASYLS presented several awards, honoring Charter Members and long serving members. Beverley Stoner K8ZJU, was recognized as a Founding Member and honored as 50 year members were: Rosemary Davidson WA8VXE, Myriam Gregg K8ILN, and Verline Ferris KI8V. TASYLS holds a regular weekly net for YLs on 3940 kHz, each Thursday at 0900 local time.

Convention: The "target" is Columbus, OH for the ARRL 2015 Great Lakes Division Convention. The date is August 1. The Voice of Aladdin Amateur Radio Club will serve as hosts this year. Forums will include DX, NVIS, Digital Voice, ARES, HF Sound Card Modes, OSSBN/NTS and there will be on-site VE testing. Check the Division Web pages at <http://arrl-greatlakes.org/> for updates.

Special Event: The Museum Ships on the Air Special Event will occur over a 48 hour period on the weekend of June 5-7, 2015. The times are 0000 Z June 6 thru 2359 Z June 7. There will be a collection of over 75 actual Ships and Museum

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James, WD8IOL: Dan, KE8UE;
Dave, KD8EVN.

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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
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.

Sites from around the world participating. Included are many of World War II Historical Vessels with the Battleship New Jersey, NJ2BB, sponsor of the event. Working 15 different participating ships will earn you a certificate. Additional information about the Museum Ships Operating Event can be found on The Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Station's website <http://www.nj2bb.org/museum/>

A Michigan Club, The Ships Amateur Radio Club, will be sponsoring a Special Award during the event. It requires contact with the 5 ships representing the Great Lakes. The WAGL Award, "Worked All Great Lakes" is commemorating the Light Ship Huron (K8H), SS Col Schoonmaker (K8E), SS Milwaukee Clipper (K8M), SS Edmund Fitzgerald(K8S) and the US Army LT-5 Tug Boat (K8O). Information is available at <http://ships-wagl.com/> or on QRZ for those call signs. 21 Hams will be operating portable style for up to 16 hours each day at 5 different Great Lake sites either where the ships are located or at the Great Lakes Shipwreck Historical Society.

Additional Information is on their web page <http://ships-wagl.com/>. All QSL requests via W8CDB. For those energetic stations working all five ships with the K8* call, they will have a downloadable certificate, the "WAGL" (pronounced "Waggle") or "Worked All Great Lakes."

Special Event: The Alger and Lake Effect ARC's are joining forces during the weekend of June 6-7 to put on a Trails Day on the Air event at Muskallonge State Park, east of Grand Marais and NW of Newberry. Station N8T will be operating sideband and PSK-31 both days. The North Country Trail (NCT) actually runs through the park and the Superior Shoreline Chapter of the North Country Trail Ass'n. will have an information booth and be offering public hikes along the NCT. At least one hour of Hellschreiber is planned each day, too, for the really odd ducks out there. Maybe even some 6-meter if someone wants to try a sked.

And now, comments from our Vice Director, Tom W8WTD as he looks back on the Dayton Hamvention®:

Whatever trends are happening in ham radio, you can find them at the Dayton Hamvention. For that matter, you can find all the essential elements of ham radio there, as well. Emergency communications? The ARES forum, and many exhibits and vendors dedicated to making sure we're well prepared. Advancement of the radio art? Of course. New products, but in many more ways, hams teaching hams about new discoveries. Training? Lots of forums intended to help the new hams, as well as the more experienced, how to do things better. International Goodwill? Ohio Section Manager Scott, N8SY, had a map at his table showing 72 countries being represented.

At the heart of all of this is hams meeting other hams, some for the first time, some for the hundredth time, sharing information and friendship. I had a great time at the ARRL booth, getting to know more people from the Great Lakes Division, and hearing about what they do. Making sure we connect with each other on our projects is very important. Sometimes, information that people in one part of the Division might need is similar to what others from another part of the Division have already been working on. Dale WA8EFK will no doubt mention the importance of House Bill 1301, the "Amateur Radio Parity Act," and the impact it can make on ham radio for all of us. It was encouraging to see the number of people who stopped by the booth to sign a letter to their Congressman. If you didn't make it to Dayton, you can still help by going to the ARRL website and following the instructions there. I love working DX, and I don't do enough of it. It's even better to meet some people in person. Friday I had the chance for a nice chat over lunch with people from the Radio Society of Great Britain. Saturday, I met a young man from Argentina, and helped him find the right person to work on an issue with a certificate for a friend of his. And these were just a few of the many people with DX calls that I saw during the weekend.

We should all be grateful for the work done at the ARRL Lab. They provide a valuable service to the hobby by their rigorous testing and experimenting. I had a chance to work with some of them for a few hours on Saturday as they tested HT's. Most of the equipment tested fell within specs. They'll use some of their results to pinpoint problems with certain types of equipment.

Finally, you'll be hearing more about this soon, but remember to mark your calendars for the Division Convention in August. Interesting forums, a flea market, and another good chance to connect with your fellows hams in the Division.

73, until next month, Tom W8WTD

House Bill 1301: Current FCC Regulations allow homeowners in deed-restricted residences to install TV receive only (TVRO) antennas.

This includes both dish antennas and conventional over the air antennas. "Amateur Radio Parity Act" HB 1301 was introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives to direct the FCC to allow Radio Amateurs to have "parity" with the current TVRO antenna regulations and install reasonable ham radio antennas. At the recent ARRL EXPO at the Dayton Hamvention®, we were successful in preparing more than 800 signed letters from Radio Amateurs covering over 100 Congressional Districts. These will now be hand delivered to their Congressmen. The ARRL Web Page <http://www.arrl.org/hr-1301> contains the complete text of the bill.

Hamfesting: Here is the current Great Lakes Division ARRL Sanctioned Hamfest Schedule for the next few weeks. These swaps have received their sanctioning approval from ARRL HQ at the time of this publication.

June 6 - IRA Hamfest - Hudsonville, MI

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The ARRL Director, Vice Director and Section Managers are available to visit local radio clubs and give presentations about ARRL and what is happening in your Section or Division. Please feel free to invite any of us for an "ARRL Night" at your club. Most of the talks are prepared in a video presentation format and can include a Q&A session as well. Advance scheduling really helps and gives you an opportunity to publicize the event. See pages 15 & 16 of a recent QST for contact information.

73, see you on the bands.

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Monroe Hamfest and Computer Show

Father's day, June 21 7:30am to 1:00pm Talk-in 146.720-
Monroe County Fairgrounds
3775 S. Custer Road, Monroe MI (M50 at Raisinville Rd.)
www.mcrca.org

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