# NOARS Log

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## Prez Sez

Elections are over and NOARS has a new Vice President. Before I get to that I would like to thank Elaine, KC8FOS, for her dedication and work the past few years as Vice President and everything else she does for the club. I would like to welcome Andrew, KE8WMS, as the new NOARS Vice President. I look forward to what the new year holds. As this year comes to an end, I would like to thank everyone who made NOARS the best club around. Thanks to all those who planned events, showed up to help at them, ran committees, showed up for lunches and events, kept the nets going, participated in nets and everything else. I will say it again, the club is for

everyone and would be nothing without everyone's participation to keep it going.

From the shack - I participated in the ARRL SSB Sweeps Contest and used dxlog.net, a new free logging software. Although log4om2 allows contest setup for some with long exchanges, I found it a little cumbersome and had to spend time converting the ADIF export to Cabrillo. Using dxlog.net, I was able to send the log entries in real-time to log4om2, which then uploaded to QRZ and LOTW. The software also had features like showing the rate of contacts and what ARRL/RAC sections

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## NO MEETING THIS MONTH

### **Nets**

NOARS nets are Tuesday nights at 8 PM on 28.370 MHz, Wednesday nights at 7 PM on 146.700 MHz, PL 110.9, and Thursday nights at 8 PM on 146.700 MHz, PL 110.9. All licensed amateurs are welcome. Participation is encouraged and appreciated.



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I had worked for multipliers. I had 79/85, which I thought was not bad and only missed SB, UT, ONS, ONE and NB, which was surprising as I didn't think those would be the hard ones. I worked the non-assisted category and didn't get to use any of the spotting features of the software which may have helped. I may use that category on the next one. I have also downloaded N1MM, but it does not support OmniRig, which I use interfaced with my FT-991A from multiple programs at the same time. I could

set it up directly to the FT-991A but then could send the log entries to log4om2 without exporting the ADIF from N1MM and doing an import in log4om2. I was looking for the easiest to use without a lot of other work, although I may try it out just to compare.

I hope to see everyone at the NOARS holiday party on 12/7. Remember there will not be a December monthly meeting.

73'

John W8LYO

### The Social Committee Rolls On

### by Elaine, KC8FOS

With the change in NOARS Vice President comes a change in leadership of the Social Committee, which is a good thing. I've been the Chair of the Social Committee for seven years, which in that time has worked together to institute Tuesday Lunches, Weekend Lunches, Antenna Days, Fox Hunts, and POTA events. The Social

Committee is a vital part of NOARS, which is a club, after all, uniting people who like to communicate with other people on the air and in person. We look forward to events developed under the leadership of Andrew, KE8WMS, the new Vice President of NOARS. Knowing Andrew, and the committee members, they will be outstanding.

## **New Members and Upgrade**

New Members: Carl Utrata, KT8M of Grafton, OH. Glenn Williams, AF8C of North Ridgeville.

Upgrade: John Baurer, KF8BNF upgraded to General at the November test session.

NOARS offeres a free one-year membership to NOARS

for passing the Tech test. New members who joined from the November test session are Andra Bellamy, KF8CNO; Allen Fitch, KF8CNG; Mark Richards, KF8CNJ; Mark Mueller, KF8COA. Some of you met Mark, KF8COA at the November meeting.

Welcome, everyone!

## **November Amateur Radio License Test Results**

The NOARS VE Team had nine candidates at the November 2 test. There were five successful Technician candidates and three successful candidates who upgraded to General. One of those upgrades was NOARS member John Bauer, KF8BVF. You may have heard him on the nets. Congratulations, John!

Four of the Technician candidates took advantage of the

free one-year membership to NOARS. They were Andra Bellamy, KF8CNO; Allen Fitch, KF8CNG; Mark Richards, KF8CNJ; Mark Mueller, KF8COA.

The Graders were: Scott Emery, KE8VOX; Ed Gale, KA0MRD; John Dolinar, W8LYO. The Greeter was Paul Sultan, KE8WHG.

### **December 2024 Social Events**

Tuesday Lunch will be on Dec 3 at noon at Golden Corral in Elyria, 1519 West River Rd. All are welcome!

Weekend Lunch will be on Saturday December 14 at 12:30 PM at Between the Bun, 34445 Center Ridge Road, North Ridgeville. All are welcome!.

# Small World Made Smaller by Ham Radio and NOARS



Chuck Reich, W8CGC, on the left, whom some of you have heard on the NOARS 2M nets, approached Dan, W8AJF, at the NOARS November Tuesday Lunch. He had heard that Dan was the guy to go to about POTA.. In part, Chuck told Dan about his POTA experience at Camp Belden the previous Sunday, where he made 104 contacts. Bill Easterday, KB8FU, on the right, came to the lunch with Chuck and joined the conversation. As it turns out, Chuck is friends with Bill, N8JET, a NOARS member who can also be heard on the nets and who serves as a VE on the NOARS VE Team.

## **Interesting ARRL Machinations**

### By Tom, N8FDY

From the ARRL announcement "Proposed Changes to ARRL By-Laws 42 and 46 November 19, 2024" at <a href="https://www.arrl.org/by-laws-update">https://www.arrl.org/by-laws-update</a>

"Like many other states, Connecticut State Statute does not allow an elected Board to remove a member of that Board without taking legal action or asking the membership to recall that member. However, the ARRL By-Laws already include "ineligibility" of a Director. ARRL Corporate Counsel has determined that affirming that a Director is ineligible is not removal. Rather, it results from actions on the part of the Director to render themselves ineligible. The Office of the Connecticut State Attorney General has indicated to ARRL Connecticut Counsel that it would be extremely unlikely to initiate an investigation or pursue litigation regarding the legality of this provision under its ultra vires (violation of an organization's authority) policing authority."

Why do you think the ARRL is doing this?

## **December Birthdays**

Bob Gardner, WA8JBT Chris Durkin, KE8MMY

Corey Brooks, KE8PQW

Dan Wadsworth, W8AJF

Gerald Rutter, WY8F

Jeff Evans, KB8ZUN

Judi Squires, WD8ASV

Ken Robinson, K8SCA

Michael Herdmann, KF8BNF

Robert Coates, WA8THF

Ron Bodman, N8EGZ

Sara Torok, KC8KSU

Tom Brennan, KB8NKM

Tom Porter, W8KYZ

Tom Wisnor, K8PPZ

If your birthday doesn't appear here it's a good chance that it's not in our database. Please contact Carl, W8KRF so we can wish you a Happy Birthday!



# November 18, 2024 Membership Meeting Attendance

In Person	Connie, K8CCS	John, W8LYO	Tom, W8KYZ
Andrew, KE8WMS	Dan, W8AJF	Ken, K8SCA	Tom, N8FDY
Ann, KA8ZEP	Ed, KA0MRD	Mark, KF8COA	Will, KE8WHM
Benjamin, KF8CMM	Elaine, KC8FOS	Michael, KF8BNF	Via Zoom
Bill, KE8WHP	Eric, KE8VZA	Paul, KE8WHG	Bob, W8NNC
Bill, K2WJS	Gordon, AI8Y	Pete, KE8NQK	Chuck, K8CVM
Bob, W8OOT	Jeany, KC3QND	Rich, KE8YUP	Mark, KC8FQV
Carl, W8KRF	Jim, N8DST	Sara, KC8KSU	

### **Heard on the Nets in November**

Alan, KF8PM	Chris, KE8MMY	Fred, N8AHS	Mark, KC8FQV
Ann, KA8ZEP	Chuck, WB4AIZ	Gordon, AI8Y	Michael, KF8BNF
Anthony, VA6ANW	Chuck, W8CGC	Janice, W8MTR	Mike, W8TTF
Bill, N8JET	Chuck, K8CVM	Jeany, KC3QND	Nick, KD8SLG
Bill, W8LXY	Carl, W8KRF	Jerry, K8CMI	Paul, KE8WHG
Bill, K2WJS	Dan, K8AGW	John, KF8BVF	Rick, K8RYK
Bill, N8WS	Dan, W8AJF	John, W8LYO	Ryan, AD2Q
Bill, W8WWJ	Dan, W2DLB	John, W8VBT	Sara, KC8KSU
Bob, W8OOT	Denis, N8PDF	Josh, KE8YUG	Scott, KE8VOX
Bryan, W8JMI	Elaine, KC8FOS	Ken, W8KH	Tom, N8FDY
Charles, WB4AIZ	Eric, KE8VZA	Marie, KF8ANS	Tom, W8KYZ

# December, 2024

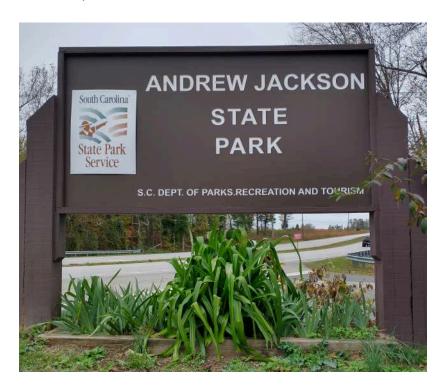
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 NOARS Lunch at Noon 10M Net 8 PM Josh, KE8YUG	<b>4</b> Food Group 7PM 2M Josh, KE8YUG	<b>5</b> 2M Net 8 PM Eric, KE8VZA	6	<b>7</b> Holiday Party 5 PM
8	9	<b>10</b> 10M Net 8 PM Tom P, W8KYZ	<b>11</b> Food Group 7PM 2M Dan, K8AGW	<b>12</b> 2M Net 8 PM Tom P, W8KYZ	13	14 Weekend Lunch 12:30 Between the Bun
15	16	<b>17</b> 10M Net 8 PM Eric, KE8VZA	18 Food Group 7PM 2M Sara, KC8KSU	19 2M Net 8 PM John, W8LYO	20	21
22	23	<b>24</b> 10M Net 8 PM Dan, W8AJF	<b>25</b> Food Group 7PM 2M Dan, K8AGW	26 2M Net 8 PM Elaine, KC8FOS	27	28
29	30	31 10M Net 8 PM Jeany, KC3QND				

## Dan's Visit to Daughter in North Carolina and POTA

While visiting daughter, Andrea, KC8SHA and her husband in South Carolina, Dan and Andrea did some father and daughter POTA at Raven Rock State Park in North Carolina, US-2751. Using a hamstick, Andrea worked 17 M on FT-8. Dan says there was lots of DX that day, which along with being with Andrea, made for a great POTA day.

When Andrea had to get back to work, Dan went to

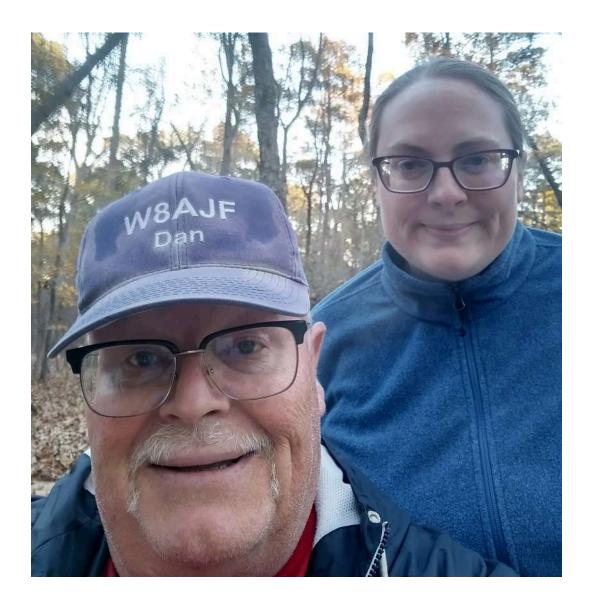
Umstead State Park, North Carolina to do more POTA. While making contacts, Dan had an entire high school track team hovering around him for twenty minutes or so. They came back later, while he was using CW, and asked more questions. What great serendipitous outreach! The next day he made it to Andrew Jackson State Park in South Carolina, IS-2883, where he made 16 FT-8 QSOs, followed by 21 more on CW.











## **November Weekend Lunch – Delicioso!**

This group of attractive folks met at Cozumel in Westlake for good food and company. We hope you can join us at the December Weekend Lunch on Saturday, December 14 at 12:30 at Between the Bun, 34445 Center Ridge Road,

North Ridgeville. Everyone is always welcome at the NOARS social events. Membership in the club is not necessary.





## **November Tuesday Lunch**

Look at all these folks having a great time at lunch! Don't you wish you had been there? Joining us for the first time were Chuck, W8CGC and Bill, KB8FU. Join us at December's Tuesday Lunch on December 3, and you can have a great time, too! The Tuesday Lunch is the first Tuesday of each month, unless Christmas or New Year falls on that day. It's always at the Golden Corral in Elyria, 1519 West River Road at noon. We hope you can join us. See the Small World article elsewhere in this issue for Chuck and POTA









# NOARS Membership Meeting Minutes November 18, 2024

### **Submitted by Connie, K8CCS**

The meeting was held in person at North Olmsted Public Library and via Zoom. It was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by club President John, W8LYO.

Total number of people in attendance: 29 (26 attended in person; 3 attended via Zoom).

There was no Pledge of Allegiance as there was no flag in the room.

Introductions and roll call of all in attendance.

A motion to accept the October meeting minutes as published in the NOARS Log was made Ann, KA8ZEP; seconded by Ed, KA0MRD. Minutes accepted.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Treasurer – Eric, KE8VZA

Deposits: A Deposit for NOARS dues (four) was made - \$60.

Expenses: A reimbursement to Tom, W8KYZ of \$6.38; Windstream monthly internet/telephone bill - \$80.

Motion to accept the treasurer report was made by Paul, KE8WHG; seconded by Ken, K8CSA. Treasurer report was accepted.

Membership – Carl, W8KRF – We are currently at 141 members. We have four new VE members, Mark, KF8COA, Allen, KF8CNG, Mark, KF8CNJ, and Andra, KF8CMO. They received one-year free memberships to NOARS.

<u>Hamfest</u> – Carl, W8KRF – there will be a meeting next week.

Repeater – Carl, W8KRF – Software has been updated. The firmware update will be made in the future. Carl needs to be at the repeater in order to do that.

<u>Club Property</u> – Carl, W8KRF – No change in club property. Let Carl know if you would like to borrow them.

<u>Parliamentary</u> – Tom, N8FDY. We will be voting for a new Vice President. Articles for the newsletter must be submitted by November 25, 2024.

Social Committee – Elaine, KC8FOS

NOARS Tuesday Lunch will be December 12, at noon, Golden Corral in Elyria. Everyone is welcome. Newsletter editors' correction – (The Tuesday Lunch will be December 3).

<u>Holiday Banquet</u> – Saturday, December 7, at Houlihan's in Westlake. Andrew, KE8WMS will be taking reservations up until November 30. There will be an optional gift exchange.

NOARS Weekend Lunch will be Saturday, December 14, at 12:30 pm at Between the Bun, 34445 Center Ridge Road, North Ridgeville, Ohio. You will receive emails regarding the lunch and location.

<u>VE Team</u> – Elaine, KC8FOS - Mark, KF8COA is here tonight and has accepted a one-year free membership to NOARS from the November VE test.

Nets – Jeany, KC3QND – Thank you to all the net controllers, you are doing a great job. We have a new member, Dan, K8AGW, in Avon Lake. We have openings on Christmas Day evening and New Years Eve. If you are interested in being net controller for either of these dates, contact Jeany. Check the NOARS website calendar for the schedule for the nets and who the net controllers will be. We also have a Face Book page and discord server. If you are interested in the discord server, contact John, W8LYO for more information.

<u>Sunshine</u> – Tom, W8KYZ – Sandy Whitney, W8KYS appreciated the birthday card signed by dozens of club members for his 95<sup>th</sup> birthday. Dave O'Connor, KE8MXE, a police officer in Westlake, went back to

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work. He is recovering from a serious cancer operation and will begin chemo in the new year.

<u>Programs</u> – Paul, KE8WHG – The January program will be Elaine, KC8FOS and Tom, N8FDY – emergency preparedness. February program will be Josh, KE8YUG – discord server. March will be Eric KE8VZA, net logging.

<u>Election Committee</u> – Paul, KE8WHG – A ballot vote was held for Vice President. Voting was also allowed online – there were seventeen votes cast online. After counting all votes, Andrew, KE8WMS was the winner.

<u>Old Business</u> – John, W8LYO – The constitution was amended to reflect the new terms for the officers will now be one year.

<u>VE</u> – Elaine, KC8FOS – ARRL wants us to do online testing starting in 2025. We are taking this conversion slowly forward because there is still a way to do it with paper that involves the internet. There is a way to do totally online testing. The VE team is looking at all options. The January VE test will be conducted as it was before.

Motion to Adjourn the meeting was made by Pete, KE8NQK; seconded by Tom, W8KYZ.

Meeting Adjourned 7:27 p.m.

The scheduled presentation did not take place.



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2-meter AEA Isopole. \$10.00

10-meter 3-element monoband antenna. Make offer.

440 Yagi 8-element antenna. \$5.00

Ten Tec VFO tunable module repair part kit. Make offer.

All antennas are down and available for pick up in Wellington, Oh.

Call Sandy, W8KYS, 440-647-2255.

## **Ad Submission Guidelines**

Electronic ads may be emailed to <u>noarslog@noars.net</u>. Printed ads may be sent to NOARS Log, 161 Herrmann Drive, Avon Lake, OH. 44Ø12. The deadline for submissions is seven days before the first day of each month. All must include: asking price, sellers name, call sign and phone number. Only ads from current NOARS

members, or paid advertisers will be accepted. If your items sell, please notify the Log editors at <a href="mailto:noarslog@noars.net">noarslog@noars.net</a> so the ad can be removed. All ads will be removed (unless updated) after four months. NOARS reserves the right to refuse any ads.

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## **NOARS** Information

#### Members of the Board of Directors

President: John, W8LYO

Vice President: Elaine, KC8FOS

Secretary: Connie, K8CCS Treasurer: Eric, KE8VZA

Others: Carl, W8KRF; Tom, N8FDY;

Andrew, KE8WMS

### **Others**

Net Manager: Jeany, KC3QND

Club Trustee for K8KRG: John, W8LYO

NOARS Log Editors: Tom, N8FDY; Elaine, KC8FOS

Volunteer Examiners: Elaine, KC8FOS; Glenn, AF8C;

Ron, N8EGZ; John, W8LYO; Dave, KD8MXE;

Bob, W8OOT; Bill, N8JET; Bill, K2WJS; Ed,

KA0MRD; Scott, KE8VOX

#### **Committees**

Parliamentary Committee: Tom, N8FDY Repeaters: Carl, W8KRF; John, W8LYO;

Pete, KE8QNK; Bryan N8OOF

Field Day: Carl, W8KRF Hamfest: John, W8LYO Sunshine: Tom, W8KYZ Membership: Carl, W8KRF

Club Property Committee: Carl, W8KRF Programs Committee: Paul, KE8WHG Chair;

Pete, KE8NQK; Jeany KC3QND; Scott, KE8VOX;

Elaine, KC8FOS

Social Committee: Elaine, KC8FOS;

Sara, KC8KSU; Eric, KE8VZA;

Andrew, KE8WMS; Will, KE8WHM; Ann, KA8ZEP

Public Relations Committee: Elaine, KC8FOS;

Michael, KF8BNF

### **Membership**

Membership is open to anyone interested in amateur radio. Dues are: Full \$15, Associate (non-licensed) \$7, Family members of a full member \$4 each. Membership and payment are available at www.noars.net. Make checks payable to NOARS and mail them to: NOARS Membership Committee, 20246 Drake Rd., Strongsville, OH 44149.



### **Meetings**

The third Monday of each month at the North Olmsted 7 PM. All are welcome.

### **Nets**

NOARS nets are Tuesday nights at 8 pm on 28.370 Library, 27403 Lorain Rd. at MHz, Wednesday nights at 7 pm on 146.700 MHz, and for more info or to register Thursday nights at 8 pm. on 146,700 MHz. All licensed welcome. amateurs are welcome

### **VE Testing**

Contact Elaine, KC8FOS at ewilkinson1951@gmail. com, or call 216-337-4235 for a test. Walk-ins

### **Net Control Stations**

Jeany KC3QND Eric, KE8VZA Sara, KC8KSU Tom, W8KYZ Dan, W8AJF Elaine, KC8FOS John, W8LYO Josh, KE8YUG