

Wavelengths

June 2020

Xenia Weather Amateur Radio Net

XWARN (W8XRN)

147.1650+ (123.0) (Analog Only)

443.1000+ (123.0) (Analog + System Fusion)

Meetings: Temporarily on the 147.165 repeater at 7:30 pm second Monday of each month due to COVID-19 pandemic.



President's Message

Calendar of Events

All events are currently cancelled or postponed. For a list of postponed and cancelled events, please refer to March's newsletter, which specifies which events are cancelled and which are postponed.

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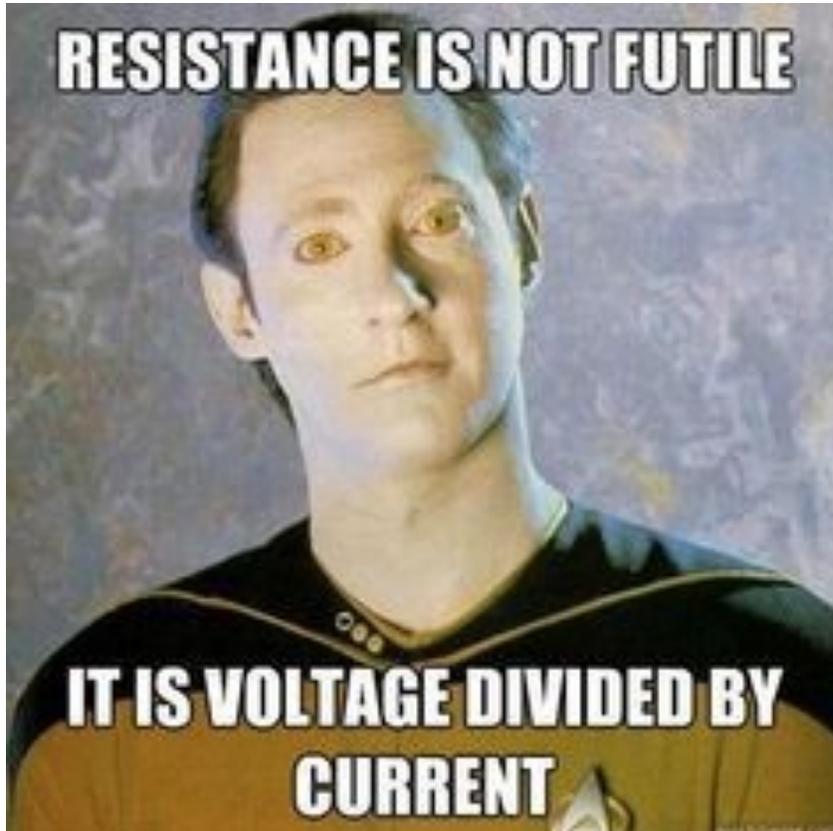
July Meeting Minutes

Once again, our meeting was through the XWARN repeater. I hope that everyone is safe and well, and I cannot wait to get back to seeing everyone. Of course, under the current situation we are unable to, and although I hate to be pessimistic, sadly it doesn't look like that will happen anytime in the near future. The meeting ran smoothly as usual with our great net controller ;)

Mode of the Month

Ah, CW. The classic mode always associated with hams. All of those exam questions devoted to the mode, but learning it isn't even a requirement anymore! However, although you may not *need* to learn it, it's a fun thing to try when you have some free time! There are many great programs out there for learning Morse code. On our computers we have the Koch method Morse trainer from G4FON. You can adjust the amount of letters, the speed, and the length according to how you want to learn, and you can set a delay speed so that you have time to avert your eyes or move to a different area so that you don't see the answers! In addition, you can change the settings so it doesn't even show the letters until the cycle finished. Especially when many people cannot or choose not to leave their homes, learning this mode is something fun to try. Some programs do make CW decoders. As a family we have found that most do not work very well and your ears are just as good and usually better than a computer. It all depends on how strong the signal is from the ham on the other end of the conversation. About a month after I received my license I was able to make a QSO using fldigi, though I found out later that KD8AZO, who I talked to, was only a few miles away. I hope this encourages you to try learning this new mode!

Ham Radio Humor!



XWARN Mission

The mission of the Xenia Weather Amateur Radio Net (XWARN) amateur radio club is to conduct weather spotting nets during severe weather and other communication services for the City Of Xenia and all other Greene County communities.

In this capacity, we are set up to provide communication services as required to the Greene County Ohio Public Service Agencies and other local government entities. The communications services provided to the supported agencies may be for emergency purposes or to simply enhance their communications abilities. On an as needed basis XWARN provides similar services to various government entities of our surrounding counties.

Additionally, XWARN provides communications support to various community organizations in support of marathons, 5K runs, 10K runs, bicycle events, etc. to provide health and safety assistance to the participants and sponsors of said events.

In support of these goals, XWARN operates and maintains amateur radio repeaters and other equipment in Greene County.

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Wavelengths is published monthly by the Xenia Weather Amateur Radio Net. Our meetings are currently held on the 2nd Monday of each month at **7:30 pm** at the Greene Memorial Hospital Auditorium. You can find additional information about our organization at www.xwarn.net. We welcome new and experienced Amateur operators and those interest in becoming an Amateur operator to attend our meetings.

