

Wavelengths

The official newsletter of **XWARN**

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Xenia Weather Amateur Radio Net (W8XRN)

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Meetings: 2nd Monday, 7:30PM, Greene County Fairgrounds, OSU Extension Office

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Happy Spring, XWARN! It's getting warmer and events are starting back up! I had a great time at the Xenia Marathon. Thanks to everyone who came out and helped.

We are getting closer and closer to Hamvention 2022! The t-shirts are on order. We will need your help taking a two hour shift to sell them at the big event. This is our biggest fundraiser and we've really missed it the last two years. Please come out and help the club!

Hope to see you all at the next meeting on April 11th at the Greene County Fairgrounds.

73.

Elizabeth KE8FMJ

MARCH MEETING MINUTES

Meeting started at 7:30 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Introductions.

Cracker Barrel: pi day

Minutes Approval: Motion to accept passed by Janese, Ron.

Treasurer's Report: We have money, please contact Treasurer for details. Motion to accept by Janese and Ron.

Secretary's Report: n/a

Public service:

April 3: Xenia full and half marathon. Volunteers are needed. Email KC8GLE@earthlink.net

Volunteer registration for the Air Force Marathon opens on May 1.

Trailer: Planning to get it out this weekend and make sure everything works for the marathon.

Repeater: n/a (side note: Jim Simpson received amateur of the year at Hamvention).

Website: Travis is doing a great job with it. Any content can be emailed to officers.

Membership: We have a total of 44 members. Inquire for more detailed information.

Facebook: Any content can be emailed to officers.

Newsletter: Jim Delph is doing a great job. Reflector is having some issues. Any content can be emailed to officers.

Old Business:

4-H Club: Next meeting is next Monday

We have a flag now

Amazon Smile: If you don't use it, please sign up. Link is on website if unsure how.

New Business:

Hamvention T-shirts: We have volunteers to help sell t-shirts, but are still looking for more.

Statewide tornado drill next Wednesday at 9:50. If you could check in on the XWARN weather net, that would be great.

Skywarn training: Next one is next Thursday, online, 6-8 P.M.

Virtual advanced class on April 30 (Time unknown)

Meeting presentation.

Next meeting: April 11, same time, same place.

Meeting adjourned at 8:14 P.M.
Motion by Janese.

REMEMBERING THE 1974 XENIA TORNADO

Forty-eight years ago on April 3rd at approximately 4:40 in the afternoon an F5 tornado tore through Xenia, Ohio destroying more than 300 homes, killing 32 people, and forcing another 1,300 to seek treatment at Greene Memorial Hospital.

This was part of a Super Outbreak of tornadoes that was the most violent and the second largest on record for a single 24-hour period, leaving more than 300 people dead in its wake.

Ohio, Kentucky, and Indiana were among the worst hit of 13 states and reported 167 deaths.

Everywhere you looked trees were uprooted, vehicles overturned, power lines downed, telephone service disrupted, and homes destroyed leaving

hundreds upon hundreds of people homeless and in shock.

The National Weather

Service reported that in all, 148 tornadoes were documented from this event, 95 of which were an F2 or stronger and 30 that were an F4 or F5.



XWARN member Samantha, KE8PZC, volunteering at the Xenia Marathon 4/3/22.

Photo by Elizabeth Kline, KE8FMJ

WAVELENGTHS

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 P.M. at the OSU Extension Service building at the Greene County Fairgrounds. You can find additional information about our organization at www.xwarn.net. We welcome new and experienced Amateur operators, and those interested in becoming an Amateur operator, to attend our meetings.

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