

Wavelengths

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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

May is complete and so is Hamvention. It went really well and most people enjoyed themselves fully. Our t-shirt sales were incredible; we sold almost all our inventory, including six boxes of 2019 sweatshirts. I would like to give a huge thank you to all the volunteers in this sale. We couldn't have done it without you. Another job well done to Committee Chair Janice Crawford (and Mike). Now that Hamvention is complete, it is time to look forward to Field Day, June 25-26 at BTDF Station 61. We need people to operate, and people to help set up and tear down the picnic. It is a great time to try out new equipment, modes, and bands. Bring an interested family member or friend and let them see the fun of contacting all over the world.

73,

Elizabeth KE8FMJ

MAY MEETING MINUTES

Meeting started at 7:36 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Introductions

Cracker Barrel:

Nigel says it looks like there will be another repeater for Hamvention (462.600).

Hamvention committee members get a 20% off discount for Applebee's the week of Hamvention.

Minutes approval: Motion to approve minutes by Jim and Mark.

Treasurer's report: We have money. Please contact us for details. Motion to approve by Jim and Janese.

Secretary's report: n/a

Public Service:

It looks like a new event is scheduled for October 9th, sort of like Young's charity bike ride. It is the same day as River Corridor Classic usually is, so we may have to do both.

AF Marathon: Registration open for volunteers.

August 20-21 Abi Khan Horse Challenge.

Trailer: Will be out for Hamvention.

Repeater status: We have one; please contact us for details.

Website: For some reason email reflector does not want to send newsletter. Please email recommendations, content, etc.

Membership: We have members; contact us for details.

Newsletters: Jim is doing. If you have content please let us know.

Old Business:

4H club will have a booth at Hamvention.

Remember to sign up for Amazon Smile. It's free.

New Business:

Field Day: DARA turned down offer to run joint event, but will allow us to use truck and support financially.

No presentation.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M. by Janese and Dan





SILENT KEY



Jim Beller (KC8OKU)

On June 2nd we lost our good friend and fellow XWARN member, Jim Beller (KC8OKU).

Jim was an army veteran, but he would be well described by the Marine Corps motto "Semper Fidelis" (Always Faithful). Those who knew Jim saw a man who was dedicated to family, church, and community. He was active as a leader in scouting for many years.

Professionally, Jim was a computer systems analyst. His technical background and participation in scouting led to his obtaining an amateur radio license. In just a few years, Jim advanced to the highest license class available. He became active in XWARN (Xenia Weather Amateur Radio Net), a club who's focus is supporting the National Weather Service

by providing trained weather spotters and the equipment to facilitate collecting severe weather reports over amateur radio. XWARN is also very active in supporting the community by providing volunteer-staffed radio networks that help with logistics and safety for a number of events. Jim seldom missed any of these events.

Recently, Jim was a part of the safety team in support of the Xenia Marathon. He was the first volunteer to sign up for the upcoming Air Force Marathon.

Jim served as XWARN vice president, president, and membership chairman. In recognition of his exemplary service to XWARN, Jim was inducted into the XWARN Hall of Honor in 2011.

Everyone who knew Jim are really going to miss him. He was a good friend and a good man.

Rest In Peace, Jim.

Submitted by Bob Baker, N8ADO,
XWARN Vice President.

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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