



Sinewaves



STONEWALL JACKSON AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION

Meetings: 3rd Thursday of each month, 1930 hrs at Saint Marks Lutheran Church RT19/98 Clarksburg
SJARA Tuesday Night Net

This net meets each Tuesday evening at 2100 hours utilizing the N8FMD Repeater on
146.685 Mhz with PL Tone of 103.5

May 13, 2013

Net Control	Date
1. K8WWW.....	April 30, 2013
2. K8TPH.....	May 7, 2013
3. K8WWW.....	May 14, 2013
4. K8TPH.....	May 21, 2013

Next Meeting will be May 16, 2013 Please try to attend

Meeting Minutes April 18, 2013

Stonewall Jackson Amateur Radio Association meeting was called to Order by the Secretary, N8YPE at 7:40 PM at St. Marks Lutheran Church... Minutes of September meeting were read by N8YPE and accepted as read.

Treasurers, K8TPH, report a balance of \$ 2114.76 with \$ 1519.78 in the general fund and \$ 595.00 in the equipment fund.

There was no old or new business: Discussion: K8TPH has distributed the field day list. Supper on field day will be a covered dish like last year. Net controls were assigned and the meeting was adjourned.

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Sessions.....	5
Total check-ins.....	57
Total Time.....	75 Mins
Traffic.....	0



DXCC

Dayton Hamfest

Bill Moore, NC1L, reports "The 2013 Dayton Hamvention is rapidly approaching and once again ARRL Awards staff will be on hand to check applications, not only for DXCC, but all ARRL awards: DXCC, WAS, VUCC, WAC and Extra Class Certificate.

"While we will be there all weekend we suggest that you not wait until Sunday to have your application checked." A detailed PDF file is available to help guide you through the card checking process so that everything

proceeds smoothly. Click on link: [Dayton DXCC](#)

If, after reviewing the PDF file and you have questions, send an E-mail to Bill Moore, NC1L, at: bmoore@arrl.org

Hamfest

Mon County Amateur Radio Club

Saturday June 15, 2013

Saint Mary Pavilion

Star City, WV

8 AM to 2 PM

\$2.00 Tailgate

\$5.00 per Table

Contact KD8BMI

Talk-in 147.075 Rpt

LALK92@COMCAST.NET

FCC

QRM on 160

The FCC has issued a Citation and Order to Ruben D. Lopez Jr of Pomona Park, Florida. The Citation, issued April 23, was in

response to several complaints concerning a well pump at Lopez's residence that was acting as an incidental radiator and causing harmful interference to local radio amateurs. In July 2010 and February 2011, the FCC received complaints from radio amateurs regarding interference on the MF and HF Amateur Radio bands. Upon investigation, the FCC found that a well pump at Lopez's residence was causing the interference, and advised Lopez of the complaints and of the rules regarding interference to licensed radio services. The FCC instructed Lopez to resolve any interference. In October 2012 -- in response to another interference complaint coming from Lopez's residence -- FCC agents used direction finding equipment to identify Mr Lopez's well pump as the source of transmissions on the frequency 1800 kHz.



Field Day Order [ARRL Store](#)

Clubs, order early! Collect orders from club members, and place a single order (only \$12.50 shipping within the US for shirt orders over \$50). I have placed an additional cost on each item to cover S/H.

Shirt cost \$12.95 your cost \$14.00

Pin cost \$5.00 your cost \$5.50

Hat \$9.95 your cost \$11.00

Patch \$3.00 your cost \$3.50

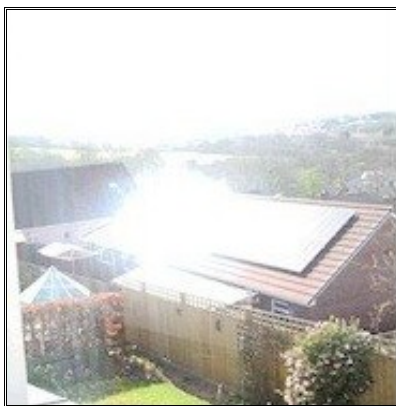
Mug \$10.00 your cost \$11.00

I must have orders by the May 16, 2013 meeting. You can pay at the meeting but I will order and collect money at the June meeting. If money is not rendered by the 2 PM I will place unclaimed items up for sale to anyone.

If you can not attend the May meeting you can email me at the Club address: k8dfsjara@aol.com

ARRL News

Did you know there is a feature on the SJARA Web Site? It is a crawl of the news bulletins put out by ARRL. Go to SJARA Web Site and scroll down to [ARRL News](#)



Blinding

I know being an Amateur Radio Operator, we are exposed to all kind of neighbors that don't like our antennas and complaining about causing interference on their Televisions. Well, with new technology in digital TV that problem seems to be no longer but here is something where new

technology causes problems. Last month I wrote about the new light bulbs causing some interference to Hams. In a small town in England a neighbor says that because of the slope his neighbor's house sits on and the angle at which the solar panels were installed, the intense light is pointed directly at his home. "If you go into the garden, there's this huge wall of light pointing straight at you from 12 meters away," he said.. "It's worse than looking directly at the sun. If you look at it and turn away, you'll have blobs in front of your eyes for 10 minutes. I'm really worried it's causing us retinal damage." The problem is, you can't change the sun and your panels must face the sun. Anyone have any suggestions?

Boston Strong

There were approximately 240 Hams working the Boston Marathon and they were scattered all across the 26 mile route of the Marathon. It is reported that the hams were mostly stationed at each First Aide shelter along the 26 miles course where runners could get water, and any medical aid available to make the run was successful. The closest any ham came to the bombing was at the shelter of Net Control which was located about 400 feet from the finish line. It was reported that after both bombs went off the cell phone service was cut off in the area of the finish line just in case cell phones were being used to set off the bombs. After that mostly

what the hams did was stop runners from continuing the run and then they also used their net to notify the location and names of the runners located. at each shelter. Most of the shelters were out of the cell phone blackout so they also loaned cell phones to the runners to contact love ones to assure them that they were safe. My hat goes off to anyone that can muster that many hams and control a net work without major difficulties.



NN4INK only man with out a tie

FEMA/ARRL

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Administrator Craig Fugate, KK4INZ, met with ARRL leadership at FEMA Headquarters in Washington, DC last month. Fugate, an ARRL member, spoke with ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN, and ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, as well as ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, and ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey, KI1U, about Amateur Radio's role in public service and disaster communications. Fugate wrote on his [BLOG](#) about the meeting: "For those of you that are not

familiar with Amateur Radio, or ham radio as it is sometimes referred, it is the use of certain radio frequencies as a hobby, to exchange non-commercial messages, as a tool for education and experimentation and for public service community activities, including assisting in emergency communications. As a radio amateur, I enjoyed talking with [the ARRL] about the contributions that hams can make in times of disaster 'when all else fails.'" We're looking forward to their annual Field Day, coming up in June, where I will test my own field gear. It is a great event to encourage first responders and citizens to think about how to prepare for disasters and how to develop a plan for themselves and their communities. And perhaps it will inspire more to consider this great hobby that also has a long and legendary history of public service to the nation. We're grateful to our friends at ARRL and look forward to partnering with them in exercises and efforts to plan, prepare, respond and recover from future events that we may face.

NASA

NASA is inviting members of the public to submit their names and a personal message online for a DVD to be carried aboard a spacecraft that will study the Martian upper atmosphere. Scheduled for launch in November, the DVD will be in NASA's Mars Atmosphere and

Volatile Evolution (**MAVEN**) spacecraft. The DVD is part of the mission's Going to Mars Campaign coordinated at the University of Colorado at Boulder's Laboratory for Atmospheric and Space Physics (CU/LASP). The DVD will carry every name submitted. The public also is encouraged to submit a message in the form of a three-line poem, or haiku*. However, only three haikus* will be selected. The deadline for all submissions is July 1st. An online public vote to determine the top three messages to be placed on the DVD will begin July 15.

*1. A Japanese lyric verse form having three unrhymed lines of five, seven, and five syllables, traditionally invoking an aspect of nature or the seasons.

*2. A poem written in this form.

Maybe you are a poet and don't know it!

Hurricane Watch Net

The ARRL reports that, with the 2013 hurricane season approaching, the National Hurricane Center (NHC) in Miami and the Hurricane Watch Net (HWN) are gearing up for what could be a very active storm season. In preparation for the upcoming season, the HWN is currently seeking new members who can serve as net control stations. For more information go to:[HWN](#). HWN normally operate on 14.325 MHz



UV-5R VHF/UHF 2mtrs/70cms



SOLAR POWERED BATTERY PACK.
Used for charging Cell phones and other
hand held devises



WR-111B Emergency Ambient Weather
Radio w/hand crank

These 3 items will be raffled from now to Field Day. The drawing will be on the evening of Saturday during the evening meal. The item at the top is for licensed Amateur Radio Operators, but can be used on FRS and GRS frequencies. The Solar battery charger can be used to charge cell phones and other electronic devices. The WR-111B can be used to listen to NOAA weather/Commercial Radio and is a crank charger to be used with a power failure. Chances are \$2,00 each or three for \$5.00. Tickets will be available at the May 16th meeting and the June 20th meeting. Also you may contact Dick K8TPH at k8dfsjara@aol.com or by phone at 304 629 4302