

Dayton Meeting:

Seems like it was only last weekend that the World of Amateur Radio graced Dayton, Ohio. With Dayton Hamvention, comes the most important activity to the Midwest Contest Contingent...The Mad River Radio Club Meeting. There were 26 persons in attendance. This number is reflective of the slow decline throughout the past few years: The 1977 Dayton meeting had 54; more than double!

Nuff said, things are looking brighter in 1980 and a few words of encouragement to past members will boost the attendance down the log.

During the meeting, subjects regarding a club field day, Multi-Multi competition, and in person meetings were discussed. The Club will not have an official field day as such this year. Seems as though previous commitments and soaring gas prices prevented enough interest. The Shenango Valley Field Day Group/Mad River Western Pa. Extension, will participate in 2A from high atop Prospect Ridge in suburban Transfer, Pa.

The K8LX crew brought discussion of Multi-Multi contesting. A controversial subject as of late. This is one of the few groups that participate M/M in Mad River territory. These guys are doing better every time, and I'm sure our support is behind their efforts!

In person meetings were given insight during the discussion, of which a vote was taken in favor of two Hamfest oriented meetings, and two House gatherings. Remaining in 1980 are three meetings. Number two will be held at the Shack/Antenna Farm of the well-known media contestor AC8E on June 21, 1980. Detailed instructions and times will be mailed one week previous to the meeting. Numbers' three and four will be at the Warren, Ohio Hamestand and the K8 Mad River Third Annual Christmas Bash in Cleveland Heights; respectively.

Callsigns Missed:

The Dayton meeting had its' share of missing callsigns, those of notable mention: Val, W8KIC; Tom, K8AZ; Kevin, WA8ZDT; Dave, K8BPX; Mike, W9RE; and Lamar, W9LT. Hopefully they will show their faces at the meetings in the future.

Down The River:

K8NZ, K8AZ (no zip - all zip) are continuing to rebuild with 40 meter beam going up soon. Congrats to NZ on the fine CQ WN CW 10 meter single band score! AD8I and K8ND are still working on the Columbus Super Station. N4AR is putting tower #8 in concrete this week (Oh My!!). K8MR is getting set-up for the September Sprint and making headway as chairman of the C.A.C. AF3P, WB3EUR, and K3LR are doing freelance tower construction as Smuckatelli Erection Co.

Congrats:

To outgoing Big Fish AC8E. John deserves a big thanks for the job he did in keeping the club going last year. We will be looking forward to more activity in the contests now that John has all his efforts directed towards the home station.

NCJ:

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It's nice to know someone reads these newsletters. See you in The All Asain.

73 for now,
Tim K3LR

P.S.:

Dues for the 1980 year are payable to me, or to Ron, K8NZ.