



The

FLASH



The Official Newsletter of the Mad River Radio Club

June/July 1994

MRRC CALENDAR

June 4 - 6

- ARRL June VHF QSO Party

June 10 - 12

- ARRL National Convention: Arlington, TX

June 26 - 27

- ARRL Field Day

July 9 - 10

- IARU HF World Championship
- CQ World Wide VHF WPX Contest

August 6

- 3rd Annual KN8Z BBQ/MRRC Meeting

From the 'Big Fish'

By Goose Steingass, WD8LLD

Greetings to all!!! First of all I would like to thank **Steve, WD8IXE** for his leadership of the Mad River Radio Club for the past two years. I only hope that I can fill the big shoes that the Mad River Orient Express has railroaded me into and I will do the best that I can. I would also like to add my congratulations to the MRRC group for the FB showing that we made in Sweepstakes this year. What do we do for an encore? LET'S WIN THE GAVEL THIS YEAR!!! We now know we can do it.

While I am passing out kudos here I would like to thank **Mike, AA8FE** for the excellent job that he did running the suite at Dayton again this year. It is a lot of hard work getting things together and lining up bartenders, etc. Mike has volunteered to arrange the suite again next year. Next time you see Mike let him know that you appreciate his efforts. This has always been an excellent way to show off our club at Dayton! As a matter of fact I was stopped in Hara Arena on Friday afternoon by KC1EO and the first words out of his mouth were "are you guys doing a suite again this year?" and "I will see you there tonite." So it really works!

As all of you who attended the meeting already know, **Bill, N8ET** asked about the possibilities of obtaining a meeting room for the Dayton meeting next year. I approached Steve to check on this with the Hamvention committee. However, as expected, the committee does not seem to be very receptive to this idea. Steve has again offered to check back with them in six months and see if they have had a change of heart. A friendly reminder, your MRRC dues are now due. They are \$12 and can be sent to **Tim, KE8OC**.

In some other business I was approached by **Tim, K3LR** asking whether we are still interested in still being one of the sponsoring clubs for the contest banquet at Dayton next year. He was a little concerned about the low attendance from Mad River at this year's dinner. His point is that since we are the home contest club at Dayton, it is kind of a bad reflection on our club to have a low turnout at the banquet. I really don't have a problem with whatever the club decides on this matter, however I feel that if we are going to remain a sponsoring club we should have a definite presence in the planning of the banquet, which has not been the case in the last two years. Please let me know how you all feel about this at the next meeting, on the net, or contact me directly. I will then pass on our decision to Tim. He also mentioned that there is another club that wants to get in on the sponsorship also although I can not remember who it is right now.

June is here which also signals the coming of Field Day. As in the past two years, **Jim, K8MR** and I are planning our annual trek to the park for the Mad River to defend our wining 1A effort. Confirmed rumor has it that we will be joined this year by **Jeff, KU8E**. I would like to issue an invitation to all members to revive the MRRC 1A interclub competition. I remember this competition from several years back and this is a lot of fun. Besides interclub competition is a good way to keep the contest skills sharp during the summer months. Remember there is a MRRC plaque for this event so get your 1A group together and take the plaque away from the K8MR crowd!

Jim, KC8MK sent me an interesting idea that he has come up with for this year's ARRL 160 contest. During the past two years there has been much club discussion about the possibilities of combining the scores from North Coast and MRRC in this contest with the goal of beating the East Coast guys. I asked Jim to submit his idea to the

NEXT MRRC MEETING

The next meeting of the Mad River Radio Club will be on Saturday, August 6, 1994 at 12:00 Noon at the QTH of Doc Sheller, KN8Z. For more details, see the map in this newsletter.

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☆ OH, and serves the surrounding states. Membership in the MRRC ☆
☆ is open to anyone. Dues are \$12 per year, payable to club ☆
☆ treasurer **KE8OC**. Please make checks out to **Tim O'Sullivan**. ☆

☆ In addition to six in-person meetings per year, MRRC has an ☆
☆ informal net every Monday evening at 8:30 PM Eastern time on ☆
☆ 3825 KHz ± QRM. Everyone is welcome to check in for the latest ☆
☆ club news and information. ☆

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'Big Fish' (continued)

FLASH about this and we can discuss it at this summer's meetings. Sounds like a pretty good idea to me! Unfortunately I won't be able to make much of a showing in that contest since I will be on the way back from VP5 land during that weekend following my trip there with Don, K8MFO and Doug, WD8AUB to participate in the CQWW CW Contest. More on this as the time approaches.

Well that about wraps it up from here. Warm wx is approaching and it is time for the WD8LLD tower crew to get all the antenna work done that we have planned for this year. Don't forget to get you articles in to Dave, K8CC for the FLASH. I would also appreciate any input that you as members have for the direction that MRRC should take for the next year. I have already received a few really good ones! You can air them on the net, send them to me on packet (WD8LLD @ W0CG), or for those of you on the information superhighway, my email address is "gooster@delphi.com."

73, Goose, WD8LLD

From The Editor

By Dave Pruett, K8CC



Greetings, MRRCers! Let me start out by apologizing for the delay in getting out this issue of the *FLASH*. The best laid plans of mice and men often go awry, and this was certainly true with the desktop computer upgrade at K8CC. What started out as a simple RAM increase from 8MB (which ran successfully in the same computer for two years) to 16 MB (which would not boot) took over a month to resolve. Microsoft Windows may be a wonderful thing, but it doesn't like to operate without a lot of RAM. The fix was a new motherboard, which led to a new video card and hard disk adapter...at work we have a term for this sort of thing: creeping elegance...

As usual, one thing that contributed to the delay in producing the *FLASH* was the shortage of stuff to print. Several organization items were promised and not delivered, which raises havoc trying to organize the pages to print. On the other hand, several people made a serious effort to get stuff in on time - to these people, I am grateful.

With the start of a new MRRC year, let me remind everyone of the publishing schedule for the *FLASH*. The deadline for a given newsletter is the first day even numbered months, with the goal of having it printed and in the hands of the members by the middle of that month. This schedule works out pretty well for having newsletters come out right before an upcoming MRRC meeting.

For example, the deadline for the next issue is **August 1**, and we hope to have the newsletter in your hands by **August 15**. In all likelihood, it will probably come out towards the end of the month due to the delay in printing the current issue. Nonetheless, we must get the issue in the hands of the membership by early September to announce plans for the Findlay Hamfest meeting.

I've said it before and I'll say it again, folks. This is YOUR newsletter, and without your submissions this will be a pretty dry newsletter. MRRC exchanges newsletters with a number of the major contest clubs, and the ones that are the most interesting are the ones that include a variety of items about operating, technical articles, etc. in addition to the local club reporting. We have a number of people in our club working on, or doing, some really interesting stuff. SIT DOWN AND WRITE ABOUT IT!

In the absence of stuff that's fit to print, we will publish the newsletter anyways because it is important to keep the communication pipeline flowing. Let's not waste the opportunity of the printed page.

73, Dave, K8CC

MRRC Club Scores

MICHIGAN QSO PARTY

K8CC	387-85	39,695
N8CQA	284-80	

CQ WPX CW

WD8LLD	1291-568	1,583M	20M
KV8Q	401-255	163K	80M
WD8AUB	363-236	103K	15M
N8CQA	214-173	87K	QRP
K8DD	164-147	60K	
K8MR	42-39	4	

JUNE VHF QSO PARTY

K8MFO	305-113	39,324	50/144/432
K8MR	224-79	17,696	50/144
K8CC	114-49	6,614	50/144/432

Jim, K8MR is the official club scorekeeper. If you're going to use the USPS, send the score to Jim. Also, if you can get into the Ohio PacketCluster system, send the score to Jim. If you are connected to the Great Lakes PacketCluster System (which covers MI and NW OH), send your score to K8CC.

Of course, a much better alternative is to turn in the score live on the

TEN GREAT THINGS ABOUT VHF CONTESTS

By Jim Stahl, K8MR

Early June is to the VHF guy what late October is to the HF contester - time for the big one, the June VHF QSO Party. This year the big one got moved a week earlier to accommodate the ARRL national convention in Texas. But normally the second weekend in June is the main event for those who operate the nosebleed frequencies. It's a different cup of tea than the HF contests, but now without some advantages. Such as:

1. You get to operate 3 more contests per year. Or more if you count the CQ VHF WPX, ARRL VHF Sprints, UHF Contest, EME Contest, etc.
2. You can leave the radios for 30 seconds without losing your frequency, or getting screwed if you do lose it.
3. You can put up very competitive antennas without having to arrange a major crew to help.
4. 150 watts makes you a big gun. A kilowatt makes you a really big gun.
5. You can go on a contest expedition in your car, and probably get there on less than one tank of gas.
6. If you work everyone you can go to a new grid square and start all over.
7. You can get a night's sleep. You don't care when the sun comes up in Europe.
8. The casual operators actually like the contest. They're on several days before and after talking about the it. Nobody complains about the extra contest activity.
9. If the solar flux isn't 250, who cares what it is?

MAD RIVER RADIO CLUB

1994-95 ROSTER

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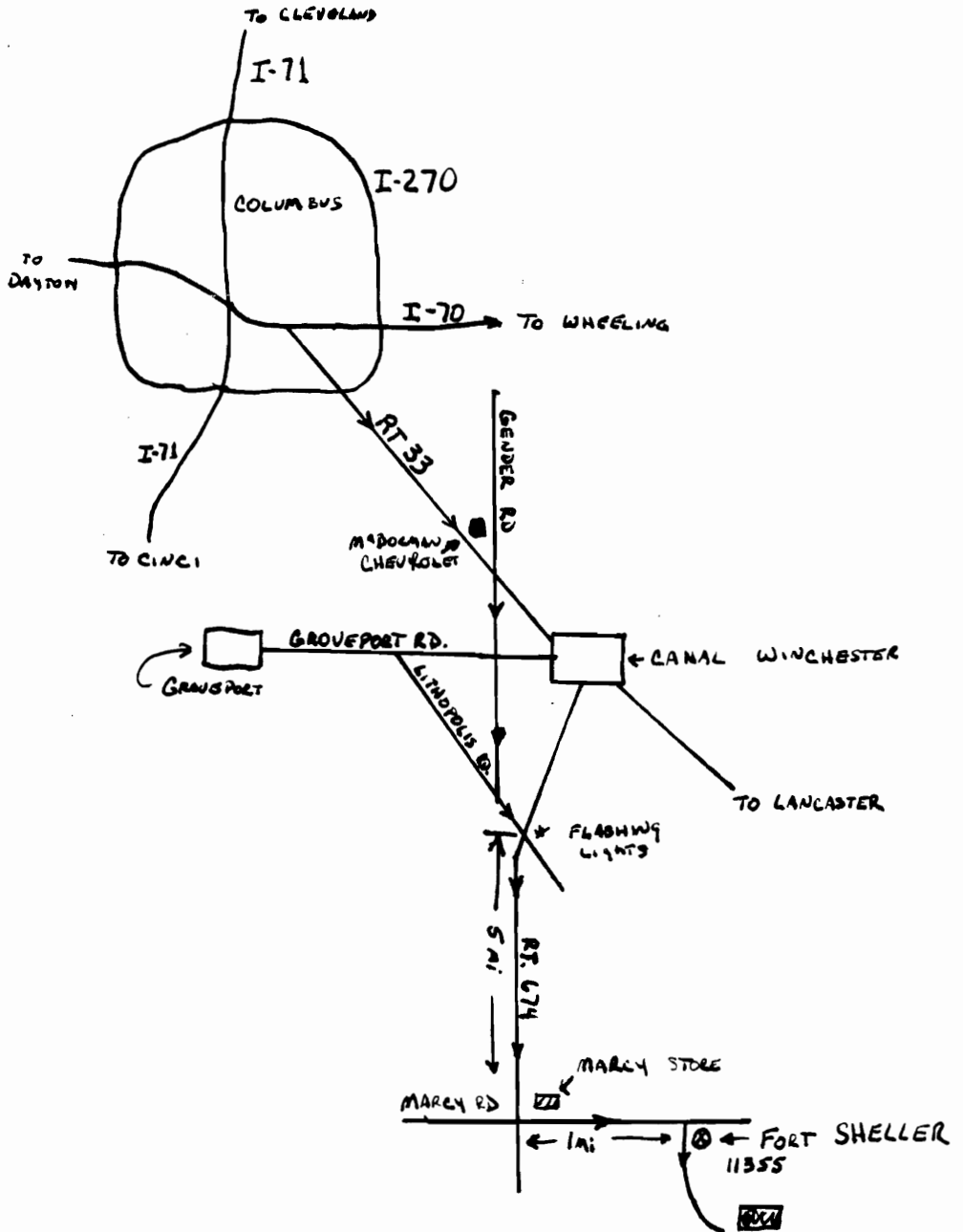
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KB8ECG	Dave Gafner	3720 S. Britton Hwy	Britton	MI	49229	(313) 451-2079	pd
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KD8B	Terry Osborn	508 Dalton Rd.	Jackson	MI	49201	(517) 784-2398	pd
KE8OC	Tim O'Sullivan	39991 Finley Drive	Canton	MI	48188	(313) 397-9732	pd
KF8QE	Matt Murphy	4555 Rives Junction Rd.	Jackson	MI	49021		
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KG8CO	Brian Sarkisian	139 N. Main	Adrian	MI	49221	(517) 265-1537	
KG8CW	Mike Flynn	107 N. Quick St.	Blissfield	MI	49228		pd
KG8EF	Chuck Hannemann	4123 Seneca Hwy	Clayton	MI	49235	(517) 445-2570	pd
KN8S	John Sullivan	45736 Danbury Ct.	Canton	MI	48188	(313) 981-2641	
KN8Z	Doc Sheller	495 Main Street	Groveport	OH	43125	(614) 837-1468	pd
KS8S	Dean Scarbrough	505 Butternut St.	Deshler	OH	43516	(419) 278-2162	
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KV8Q	Tom Hain	2573 Home Rd.	Powell	OH	43085	(614) 881-5881	pd
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N8ATR	Pete Michaelis	12224 E. River Road	Columbia Station	OH	44028	(216) 236-5428	pd
N8CC	Jeff Benson	9325 M-66	Nashville	MI	49073	(616) 758-3529	pd
N8CEO	Maunce Schietecatte	P.O. Box 72	Sandwich	IL	60548-0072		pd
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N8HTT	Ed Gassman	12614 Snyder Church Rd.	Baltimore	OH	43105	(614) 862-4441	
N8JEC	Michael Price	998 McLeod Park	Pickerington	OH	43147		pd
N8MSF	Rob Hayes	9192 Bender Road	N. Ridgeville	OH	44039	(216) 327-4710	
N8QZO	Alec Miller	224 E. Berry St.	Adrian	MI	49221	(517) 265-4723	
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VE3ZTH	Ted Hughes	968 Germain St	Samia	ONT	N7S1M1		pd
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W8IQ	Kurt Meyers	2376 Dana Street	Toledo	OH	43609	(419) 385-8437	
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W8WD	Brian Petku	8909 Sashabaw Rd.	Clarkston	MI	48348	(313) 620-1127	pd
WA8OSE	Don Price	8600 Mohawk Tr.	Pickerington	OH	43147		pd
WA8UWQ	Andy Hubbell	8823 Shepherd Rd.	Onsted	MI	49265	(517) 467-7875	
WB8RNY	Gerry Gomas	35741 Ronald Rd.	Romulus	MI	48174-3362	(313) 941-1593	
WB8VMN	Tom Pruett	521 Larchmont	Westland	MI	48185		pd
WB8WTS	Jim Galm	3559 Townley Rd.	Shaker Hgts.	OH	44122	(216) 295-8458	
WD8AUB	Doug Klein	164 Third Street	Wadsworth	OH	44281	(216) 335-3700	pd
WD8IJP	Tim Mitchell	6016 Granville	Sylvania	OH	43580	(419) 882-1149	pd
WD8IXE	Steve Miller	220 Freyn Dr.	Centerville	OH	45458	(513) 433-8090	pd
WD8LLD	Goose Steingass	1690 N. Honeytown Road	Wooster	OH	44691	(216) 262-6866	pd
WD9INF	Ken Rogner	2520 Centennial Road	Toledo	OH	43617	(419) 841-8781	pd
WE8Z	Denny Boydston	2383 East Clearview	Adrian	MI	49221	(517) 265-8054	
W18L	John Miller	16831 Stephens	East Pointe	MI	48021	313-773-8943	pd
WM4T	John Themes	60 Locust	Covington	KY	41017	(606)331-0331	pd
WS8T	Pat Tendam	10213 Columbus Grove Rd.	Bluffton	OH	45817	(419)358-8945	pd
WU2B	Joe Warden	702 South Sixth Street	Columbus	OH	43206		pd
WU8A	Mark Floyd	P.O. Box 185	Lancaster	OH	43130-0185	(614)653-5863	
WX3M	Don Chisholm	6801 Braun	Centerline	MI	48015	(313)755-1463	
WX8T	Rick Lafamme	2080 Sioux Dr.	Circleville	OH	43113	(614)474-8312	pd
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MAD RIVER RADIO CLUB MEETING
12:00 NOON, AUGUST 6, 1994
The THIRD ANNUAL KN8Z BARBEQUE

Hosted by:
 "Doc" Sheller, KN8Z
 11355 Marcy Road
 Canal Winchester, OH
 (614) 837-1460
 Talk In: 145.21 (-.600)

The party starts at noon, and lasts until the last person goes home. As usual, Doc will be cooking dogs, burgers, beans, etc., but everyone is asked to bring a covered dish to pass. and will supply pop and beer...hard stuff is BYOB. Everyone is welcome to bring their swim trunks if they desire.

**All MRRC
 members and
 friends are
 invited!**



The 1992-93 MRRC Championship

By Jim Stahl, K8MR

Three years ago the annual MRRC club championship was started, ranking club members by their results in the 21 major contests that occur each year.

The winner for 1992 - 1993 is **Bob Hayes, KW8N**. Bob's station has of course turning in big scores for years, but often they have been by guest operators who received the credit for the Club Championship. This year Bob did enough operating himself to do the trick - starting the year slowly, but coming in with strong finishes in the ARRL SSB DX, both WPX contests, and IARU to win by a comfortable margin.

Second place went to **Jim, K8MR**, who put in scores in 16 of the 21 contests. Not all were big, all the way down to 3 points accumulated in the January SSB NAQP.

Third place was **Bruce, AA8U**. Bruce piled up the points in the fall, making 2116 of his 2897 points in the contest-every-week fall rush. Must have worn him out for the rest of the year though!

Greg, K8GL, took the opposite approach from K8MR, making fourth place with only 3 contests. Greg ran up big scores in CQWW CW and both weekends of ARRL DX. This guy could be dangerous if he ever decides to operate a few more contests.

The biggest single contest point total was 1393 by **Steve, WD8IXE**, operating from KW8N in the ARRL DX CW. **Bill, N8ET** ran up 1028 of his 1049 points in one weekend as part of the VP9AD CQWW SSB multi-single effort. **Bob, KW8N** was the only person to max out a contest, earning 750 points for his third place world effort from KP2A in the WPX SSB. **Walt, K8CV** tied K8MR with 16 entries for most contests operated.

Dave, K8CC, who won the championship the past two years, finished back in the pack this time at 13th place, which shows what a busted 40M rotator can do to your contesting.

THE CHAMPS CQWW 1992 - SPRINTS 9/93

KW8N	3946	AF8A	803
K8MR	3242	WD9INF	761
AA8U	2897	KF8TY	736
K8GL	2879	WD8IJP	702
KF8QE	2806	N8CC	603
WD8IXE	2416	WA8OSE	521
AA8AV	2315	KC8MK	508
WD8LLD	2235	AC8W	470
NZ4K	1865	WA8RRR	379
WD8AUB	1700	W8UA	379
NZ8O	1561	K8MFO	314
K8MJZ	1561	AA8FE	280
K8CC	1453	WB8WTS	279
K8DD	1441	W8IQ	275
W8FN	1235	N8EA	247
KU8E	1228	KD8B	224
N8ATR	1179	K8JM	181
W8UPH	1110	NE8T	117
N8ET	1049	N8CXX	117
KN8Z	1011	N8BTU	117
N8JEC	996	N8HTT	116
K8CV	849	WX8T	110
N8CQA	842	AD8C	16
KE8OC	808	K8AQM	15

The 1993-94 MRRC Championship will count contests from the 1993 CQWW SSB through the September 1994 NCJ sprints. The 1994-95 competition will start with the CQWW SSB in October 1994. Keep those logs going in to the contest sponsors and rack up those points for MRRC!

Antenna Connection Weatherproofing

By Goose Steingass, WD8LLD

Over the past several years we have been trying a number of different methods to waterproof the feedline connections to the antennas at the WD8LLD contest station. We have tried the infamous half roll of electrical tape, the extremely messy *Coax-Seal*, and a combination of the above ingredients. It has always seemed that you could not use enough tape or that you did not have enough Coax-Seal (or enough money to get lots of the stuff) to make the waterproofing job last. Furthermore, Coax-Seal is a pain to remove if there are service problems with the antenna in hot weather when it gets really gooey and in cold weather when it tends to get really stiff.

Well, we have finally come up with an excellent and relatively inexpensive solution to this problem. The product that I am referring to is marketed by electrical supply houses and is commonly known as *Duct Seal*. It is sold under different trade names such as *Sealflex*. We have used this on our antennas as well as recommended it to others in our area such as W0CG who also has antennas that reside in the stratosphere. The stuff is relatively cheap. I recently paid \$4.84 for a five pound block of it and this will last me over a year. It remains pliable in the cold weather and does not turn into the sticky mess that Coax-Seal becomes when the summer sun starts to bake it. This is the same compound that the power companies use to seal service entrances to meter boxes and/or houses. We merely apply a layer of Scotch 88 tape to the coax connection and then cover the connection with a generous layer of this product. A few minutes of working the duct seal around the connection makes a water tight connection that will not lose its consistency with temperature changes. Furthermore, it is not a big mess to remove. It can be sliced with a knife and peeled back without too many problems.

With antenna work coming up this summer for many of you, it would be a worthwhile investment to try this excellent product for your next waterproofing job.

MRRC LOGO ON QSL CARDS

By Dick Bennett, NZ8O

At Dayton, I gave QSL printer WX9X (advertises in QST, etc.) a copy of the new MRRC logo. It is now available on QSL cards that he prints. I do not believe there is any additional charge. WX9X gets my QSL printing work because his price, delivery time, and quality has always been excellent.

73, Dick, NZ8O

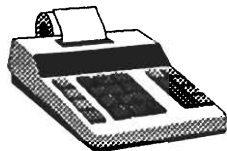
DON'T FORGET!

We need YOUR contributions for the next MRRC Flash - start working NOW on an article!

Deadline for publication: **AUGUST 1, 1994**

Treasurer's Report

By Tim O'Sullivan, KE8OC



Its difficult to report the current fiscal status of the Mad River Radio Club as of July 1994 without the results of the Dayton Suite (are you listening, Mr. Bruening?), but here goes::

Balance reported 4/94	\$163.06
Income	
Dues collected at Dayton 1994	\$556.00
LTA subsidy of Dayton Suite	\$50.00
Expenses	
Checking Account Maintenance (Apr-Jun)	\$9.00
ARRL Sweepstakes Plaques	\$100.00
Balance 7/94	\$610.06

1993 was a year of fiscal transition for MRRRC, and yet we finished in the black thanks to the contributions of the members. Attendance at the Dayton MRRRC meeting on Saturday was outstanding, with lots of people signing up and paying dues.

Although we don't have an official treasurer's report as of press time, indications from Dayton Suite coordinator AA8FE on Sunday looked promising that we would come close to breaking even.

Respectfully Submitted, Tim O'Sullivan, KE8OC

MRRRC PLANS FOR THE 1994 FINDLAY HAMFEST

In years past, MRRRC has had a official club gathering at the QTH of **Bill Kelsey, N8ET** the Saturday night before the Findlay Hamfest (which is usually the Sunday of the second full weekend in September). It is the editor's understanding that **Bill** will be out of town that weekend, hence we have no place to MRRCCers to gather. **K8DD** and some of the Port Huron crowd has suggested that we organize a hospitality suite at one of the local hotels to keep club members out of trouble (who, us?). Although **K8CC** can't be there due to another engagement (**I WILL** make the Hamfest on Sunday), it sounds like a pretty good idea. Let your opinion about this idea be known to either **K8DD** or **K8CC** on the MRRRC net or via packet and we'll see what can be put together.

In any case, there will be a MRRRC meeting at the Findlay Hamfest. Details will be coming in the next **FLASH**, so make plans now to attend!



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