



The

FLASH



The Official Newsletter of the Mad River Radio Club

August/September 1994

MRRC CALENDAR

September 10-11

- September VHF QSO Party
- NCJ North American Sprint (CW)
- MRRC Pre-Findlay Hospitality Suite
- Findlay Hamfest and MRRC meeting

September 17-18

- NCJ North American Sprint (SSB)
- Scandanavian Activity Contest (CW)

September 24-25

- Scandanavian Activity Contest (SSB)
- CQWW RTTY Contest

From the 'Big Fish'

By Goose Steingass, WD8LLD

Well it's hard to believe that it is August already and we still don't have all the antenna work underway that we had planned for this year. Guess it has something to do with "Honey-Do" projects and the like. We just extended the big tower to 140' and have the bottom 40' almost ready to go up. It will be nice to have stacks on that band!! Maybe Doug and I can get the rest done before the snow falls. There have also been reports of other ambitious antenna projects by several other Mad River types on the net.

A big congratulations is due to all the MRRC members that submitted scores for the 1994 edition of the CQWW 160 Meter Contest. Mad River made the top five in the high claimed club scores which is quite an accomplishment! Also, N8ATR and WD9INF appear near the top of the pack on SSB while KN8Z is right up there in the CW scores. Kudos to all who participated. We keep getting better and better and sooner or later we're gonna win!

It was good to see all the members at Doc's 3rd Annual GF&B Bash! Thanks to all for your support while I am learning the ropes as Fish. As I have said before, feel free to let me know in what direction you would like to see the club go over the next year. After all this is your club and we can accomplish great things if we all pitch in and get involved. A simple way to get involved is by getting articles, no matter how small, to K8CC for the FLASH. Dave does a lot of hard work to prepare this newsletter and all articles that are sent to him are greatly appreciated.

Congratulations to all the MRRC members that participated in Field Day '94. The K8MR group was out in force again this year and from the FD scuttlebutt that has been on the Internet, it looks like we are #2 in 1A behind N2IC/0. Ops were K8MR, KU8E, NZ4K, W8KIC, myself, and several of the locals from the area. We had a lot of fun even though we got pretty wet! W8TK with WD8AUB turned in another excellent performance in 1B-2 from W8TK's farm near Delaware.

K8MR informs me that John Bostwick, AC8E is in the process of resurrecting his station in Brunswick, OH. Those of you that have been long time MRRC members, probably remember some of the fine Phone Sweepstakes scores that were turned in from that station. KU8E says that was one of his favorite places to operate from in those days. Good luck to John, and maybe we can reactivate his membership in the club.

Don't forget the MRRC weekly net. We meet on 3825 at 8:30 pm each Monday. The attendance has been a bit sparse of late (I have been guilty of missing a few myself). With all the summer activities, and summer QRN, it is obviously more difficult to make the net. But if you can spare a few minutes each on Monday night stop by and say hi. We would like to hear from you.

Well that's about it from here for this time. Good luck on all your antenna projects and will see you on the net!

73, de Goose, WD8LLD
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NEXT MRRC MEETING

The next meeting of the Mad River Radio Club will be at 12:00 noon on Sunday, September 11, 1994 at the Findlay, OH, Hamfest. See the announcement in this newsletter for further details.

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- ☆ The FLASH is the official newsletter of the Mad River Radio Club, ☆
 - ☆ and is published six times per year in even-numbered months. ☆
 - ☆ Submissions of material for the FLASH are welcome, and may be ☆
 - ☆ sent to the editor at the address of the last page. ☆
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 - ☆ The Mad River Radio Club is an ARRL-affiliated club of amateur ☆
 - ☆ radio contesting enthusiasts. The club area is centered on Findlay, ☆
 - ☆ 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. ☆
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 - ☆ 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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From The Editor

By Dave Pruett, K8CC



Golly, didn't we just do this? The terrible thing about being behind is that the condition continues to propagate until one buckles down and drags himself kicking and screaming back on schedule. That was the plan, but a week of personal downtime with a nasty cold and some business travel slowed things down a bit. Hopefully, we'll be back on schedule by October.

Part of the problem has been several QTH upgrades in the works here at K8CC. We started the summer finally installing central air conditioning, which had the unfortunate side effect of reducing the propensity to go outdoors and work on antennas. Recently, we signed up a contractor to construct a pole barn to house my Ford 2000 tractor and allow my Jeep to reside in the garage (finally!). While not as large as the pole barn at KN8Z, it will be of similar construction. This month we also get natural gas (goodbye LP tank!). And last week, a flyer was left on my door saying that the township is gonna be wired for cable...amazing! What does all this have to do with radio? Nothing, I suppose...

At the KN8Z meeting, **Everett, WZ8P**, volunteered to publish the *FLASH* for a cost somewhat less than we have been spending recently in that department. Due to the late schedule getting this issue out, we did not have time to capitalize on his offer, but things should be in place for the October/November issue. To give us time for logistics between he and I, we'll have to truly stick to our "first of the month" deadline. ***PLEASE*** (notice the oversize bold print, underline, and italics - every effect I've got) send something for the next *FLASH* by October 1.

73, Dave, K8CC

DON'T FORGET!

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

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

MRRC Club Scores

ARRL FIELD DAY

	KW8N (1B-1 battery)		K8MR (1A) (+WD8LLD, KU8E,NZ4K)		W8TK (1B) (+ WD8AUB)	
	cv	ssb	cv	ssb	cv	ssb
160			3	0		
80	173	103	276	127	259	40
40	239	44	441	307	467	44
20	146	43	293	190	436	27
15	52	24	41	0	59	0
10	8	37				
6			11	75		
2			10	68	17	35
Packet			19			
Satellite			1			
Total	618	251	1095	767	1238	146
	7,435 + bonus		5914 + 800 bonus		????	

IARU HF CHAMPIONSHIP

	KU8E	202-63	41076	mobile whip on car!
WDBAUB/XL9		62- 13	2418	
WDBAUB/CI2		49- 6	990	

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 MRRC net on Monday evenings, 8:30 Eastern Time on 3825 KHz.

de K8MR

The Contest Blues

By Doug Zwiebel, KR2Q

(Reprinted from the Frankford Radio Club Newsletter)

I wanted to win (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 Didn't know what to do (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 Got on 14200 (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 Couldn't make one damn Q (dit-dah, dit-dah)

So I talked with the boys (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 To find what to buy (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 I bought me a tower (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 It went to the sky (dit-dah, dit-dah)

With a KT34 (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 I knew I could win (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 But the damn East Coast (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 Wouldn't let me squeeze in (dit-dah, dit-dah)

I needed more hardware (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 And a brand new rig (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 Some Heliac coax (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 And an amp that was BIG (dit-dah, dit-dah)

In CQ World Wide (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 I had lots of fun (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 I found lots of mults (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 But I just couldn't run (dit-dah, dit-dah)

So I put up more tower (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 I hired a crew (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 I bought CT 10 (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 And the DVP too (dit-dah, dit-dah)

I knew I was ready (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 To make the Top Ten (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 But during the battle (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 I got stood up again (dit-dah, dit-dah)

Oh just what can it be (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 I've done it all right (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 Maybe change the rules (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 To even the fight (dit-dah, dit-dah)

I'll talk it up on E-mail (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 And get lots of support (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 I'll send it to Dorr (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 He'll make a report (dit-dah, dit-dah)

They gotta do something (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 To change contest law (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 Don't they know I can win (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 But I'm stuck in Zone Four (dit-dah, dit-dah)

Oh what can I say (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 Oh what can I do (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 Fin'ly got an award (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 Thanks to KU2Q (dit-dah, dit-dah)

So without propagation (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 And no runs to JA (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 I gotta work Sweepstakes (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 And contest Field Day (dit-dah, dit-dah)

But I gotta work lids (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 And get no respect (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 This just ain't no fun (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 Working all no-code techs (dit-dah, dit-dah)

I thought I would quit (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 But quittin' won't do (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 So I'll type and complain (dit-dah, dit-dah)
 'Cause I am so blue (dit-dah, dit-dah)

MAD RIVER RADIO CLUB

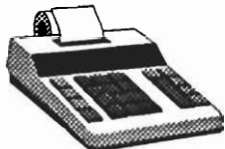
1994-95 ROSTER

*** PRELIMINARY ***

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AA8IV	Rich Flowers	2333 Foxmoore	Findley	OH	45840	(419) 422-0831	
AA8U	Bruce Lallathin	9221 Ford Rd.	Rives Junction	MI	49277	(517) 569-2763	
AC8W	Stan Arnett	801 Range Road	Marysville	MI	48040	(313) 384-8874	pd
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AF8A	Gary Mikitin	6389 Eastondale Road	Mayfield Hts.	OH	44124	(216) 461-8679	pd
K1LT	Vic Kean	5423 Crawford	Columbus	OH	43229	(614) 436-5370	pd
K8AEM	Walt Wilson	14249 Eden St.	Marshall	MI	49068	(616) 781-5035	pd
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KF8TY	Barry Schieferstein	1682A Lakeview Dr.	Newark	OH	43055	(614) 522-5824	pd
KG8CO	Brian Sarkisian	139 N. Main	Adrian	MI	49221	(517) 265-1537	
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KN8Z	Doc Sheller	495 Main Street	Groveport	OH	43125	(614) 837-1468	pd
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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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N8TIB	Alan Back	324 S. Main Street	Adrian	MI	49221	(517) 263-2672	
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WD8JP	Tim Mitchell	6016 Granville	Sylvania	OH	43560	(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) 282-6866	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	pd
W18L	John Miller	16831 Stephens	East Pointe	MI	48021	(313) 773-6943	pd
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WU8A	Mark Floyd	P.O. Box 185	Lancaster	OH	43130-0185	(614) 653-5863	pd
WX3M	Don Chisholm	6801 Braun	Centerline	MI	48015	(313) 755-1463	
WX8T	Rick Laflamme	2080 Sioux Dr.	Circleville	OH	43113	(614) 474-8312	pd
WZ8P	Everett Jackson	5075 Dresden Rd.	Zanesville	OH	43701	(614) 452-7971	pd

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 7/94 \$610.06

Income

Dues collected at KN8Z Meeting \$108.00

Dues via direct mail \$87.00

Expenses

Checking Account Maintenance (Jul-Aug) \$6.00

Balance 9/94 \$799.06

1993 was a year of fiscal transition for MRRC, and yet we finished in the black thanks to the contributions of the members. Attendance at the Dayton MRRC 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

MRRC MEETING AT THE 1994 FINDLAY HAMFEST

The next MRRC meeting will be Sunday, September 11, 1994, at the Findlay Hamfest. The meeting usually takes place in the central meeting tent around noon, but this has not been confirmed as of press time. Further information will be available from public address announcements during the hamfest.

MRRC will also host an informal hospitality suite beginning at 7:30 PM the night before the hamfest at the Findlay Knight's Innm right off I-75. Room number is unknown at press time, but it should be one of the end rooms. The evening is being hosted by Hank, K8DD and Ted, K8AQM, who will have snacks and beer on hand, but anything stronger is BYOB. The atmosphere will be "very" informal.ds like a pretty good idea.

This meeting is a good opportunity to get in your second meeting for ARRL Affiliated Club Competition, and to participate in discussions concerning our club entries in the 160M contests this fall. Hope to see everyone there.



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