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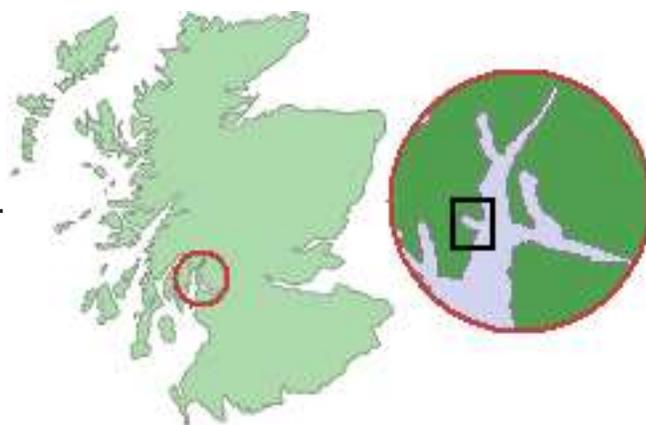
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CW the Military Way

By Don Wade, W8DEA

Our neighborhood friend growing up was Bob Fain KC8PX when we lived on 15th SW Massillon. He was licensed in 1964 and the year I graduated at Massillon High School . I was later drafted into the military. I went into the Navy on a delayed program but after boot camp ended up at Pensacola , FL for Communications Technician Radio School . After school my orders were for Holylock, Scotland, for 2 years then back to the US at aboard the USS Harry E. Yarnell DLG 17.





I got out in 1973. After leaving the Navy and back in Massillon Bob caught up with me and said I should get my ham license. I put him off for several years. I finally gave in the middle of 1976. Got my novice ticket as WD8DEA . The rest is history . The majority of my time in the Navy was using many R 390a's but I was taught the code military style typing 20 WPM with max error of 5 characters out of 250 to pass test at Navy school . Oh this was done also in the dark pitch black room. Got my General at FCC testing site.

65 Great Things About Amateur Radio

CQ Magazine

1. It works when nothing else does
2. It makes you part of a worldwide community
3. The opportunity to help neighbors by providing public service and emergency communications
4. Some of the nicest people you'll ever meet
5. Some of the smartest people you'll ever meet
6. Some of the most interesting people you'll ever meet
7. Some of the most generous people you'll ever meet (along with some of the cheapest!)
8. Lifelong friendships
9. Friends around the world (including those you haven't met yet)
10. The opportunity to go interesting places you might not otherwise go to
11. The opportunity to do interesting things you might not otherwise get to do
12. The opportunity to expand your knowledge of geography
13. The opportunity to expand your knowledge of earth and space science
14. Practical uses for high school math
15. Practical uses for high school physics
16. A good way to practice a foreign language
17. A good way to keep in touch with faraway friends and relatives
18. A good way to get driving directions when visiting someplace new (with or without GPS)
19. A good way to find the best places to eat when visiting someplace new (with or without GPS)
20. Finding "non-touristy" off-the-beaten-path places to stay, eat, visit, etc.
21. A good way to learn about virtually any topic
22. A good way to bridge the generation gap
23. A good way to keep tabs on elderly/infirm people
24. People named Joe (Walsh, Rudi, Taylor)
25. How many of your non-ham friends have actually talked to someone in some remote place such as Cape Verde or the Seychelles?
26. How many of your non-ham friends might have talked to an astronaut aboard the space station?
27. How many of your non-ham neighbors might have a satellite uplink station in their basements—or in the palms of their hands?
28. How many of your non-ham neighbors might have a TV studio in their garage?
29. What other hobby group has designed, built, and had launched its own fleet of communication satellites?
30. Where else can you play with meteors?
31. Moonbounce
32. Informal way to improve technical skills
33. Informal way to improve communication skills
34. Introduces a variety of career paths
35. Offers unparalleled opportunities for career networking
36. Opportunities for competition in contesting and foxhunting
37. A good way to collect really cool postcards from around the world (despite the growth of electronic confirmations)
38. Nearly endless variety of different things to do, on and

off the air

39. Hamfests

40. Dayton

41. Field Day

42. Working DX

43. Being DX

44. DXpeditions

45. Contesting

46. Award-chasing

47. Double-hop sporadic-E

48. Worldwide DX on 6 meters (once or twice every 11 years)

[The current extended sunspot minimum has shown that mechanisms

other than F2 propagation can offer intercontinental DX on the "magic band" at any point in the solar cycle.]

49. Tropospheric ducting

50. Gray-line propagation

51. TEP, chordal hops, etc.

52. Getting through on CW when nothing else will

53. Unexpected band openings

54. Building your own gear

55. Using gear you've built yourself

56. Operating QRP from some remote location

57. Experimenting with antennas

58. Working DX while mobile or while hiking

59. Experimenting with new modes and new technology

60. The opportunity to help build an internet that doesn't rely on the internet

61. DXing on your HT via IRLP and Echolink

62. Contributing to scientific knowledge about propagation

63. Keeping track of other people's GPS units via APRS

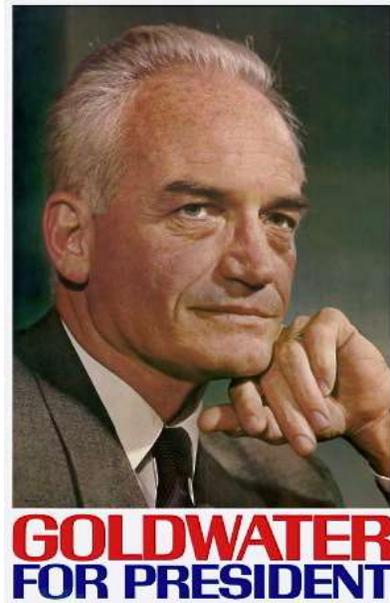
64. Ham radio balloon launches to the edge of space, and as always...

65. Reading CQ!

K7UGA in Canton

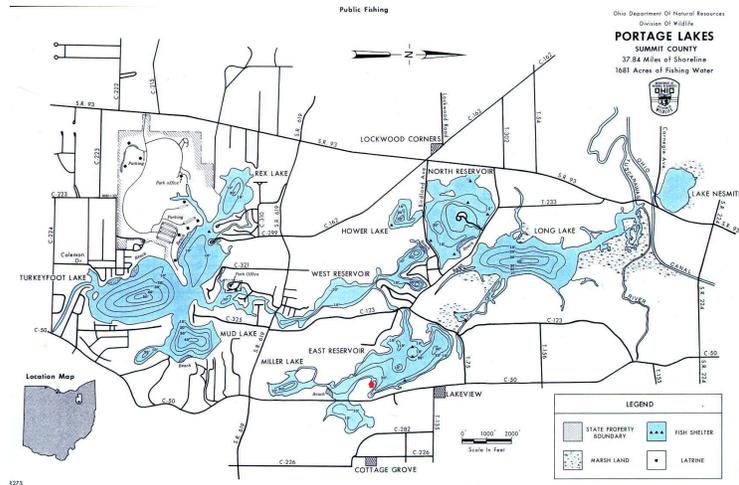
When Senator Barry Goldwater stopped in Canton during his 1964 bid for the presidency, Henry (W8OYV) McLaughlin presented him with an honorary membership in their chapter. K7UGA presented awards to 50-year veteran operators – again by by call sign. “There are 12,500 years of amateur radio operation represented in this room,” he said.

Carlson, Bill (1973, April 22) “Barry hams it up here”, Journal Harold, April 22, 1973, page 1.



Upcoming Event

After a few hot days, its time to cool off on the Portage lakes. On August 11th starting at Noon we should all meet at Martha and Mel Vye’s home at 71 Whitefriars Drive, Akron OH 44319. Weather permitting we will go by pontoon boat to a nearby restaurant. In case of rain we will convoy by car.



Ragchew

Don't forget the monthly ragchew at Tim's Tavern at Noon on the last Wednesday of the month. The address is 3323 Parkway Street NW, Canton Ohio 44708. All are invited. For you information that is July 25, August 29, and September 26 for the next quarter. Add these dates to your calendar.

Some Local Hamfests

07/21/2018 | NOARSFEST

Location: Elyria, OH

Sponsor: Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society

Website: <http://noars.net>

07/22/2018 | Van Wert Hamfest

Location: Van Wert, OH



Sponsor: Van Wert Amateur Radio Club
Website: <http://w8fy.org>

07/29/2018 | Portage Hamfair '18

Location: Ravenna, OH
Sponsor: Portage Amateur Radio Club
Website: <http://hamfair.com>

08/04/2018 | 2018 Columbus Hamfest / Ohio Section Conference

Location: Grove City, OH
Sponsor: Voice of Aladdin Amateur Radio Club (W8FEZ)
Website: <http://columbushamfest.com>

08/12/2108 | Cuyahoga Falls ARC's 10th Annual Tailgate Hamfest

Location: Stow, OH
Sponsor: The Cuyahoga Falls Amateur Radio Club
Website: <http://www.cfarc.org/tailgate.php>

09/09/2018 | Findlay Hamfest

Location: Findlay, OH
Sponsor: Findlay Radio Club
Website: <http://www.findlayradioclub.org>

09/22/2018 | OH-KY-IN ARS Hamfest

Location: Cincinnati, OH
Sponsor: OH-KY-IN Amateur Radio Society
Website: <http://www.ohkyin.org>

09/23/2018 | Cleveland Hamfest and Computer Show

Location: Berea, OH
Sponsor: Hamfest Association of Cleveland
Website: <http://www.hac.org>

Minutes

The minutes for the 2st Quarterly meeting of QCWA #21 are as follows:

The meeting was called to order on 12 May 2018 at the Crossroads Restaurant in Magnolia, OH. The attendance was 15 people with 11 members. The meeting was called to order by John Demuth, K8CQA, the club's President. Jim, N8PZL, requested articles for the next Newsletter. Les Myers, KK8K, report \$562.28 in Huntington account and \$25.00 in cash for at total of \$587.28

There was no old business or new business so the meeting was closed. Mel Vye made a presentation on "Panama and the Canal".

If there are any additions or corrections, please contact the secretary at N8PZL@arrl.net.

