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### President's Message de Rita McConnell, NE0DB

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#### What's On Your Bookshelf?

I have spent considerable time during the past few years reading the archives of the YLRL. The information about YLs is abundant. Whether the information is from the world's YL organizations; YLRL, BYLARA, CLARA, YL Beam, just to name a few,

much of the history is only a mouse click away. Starting at the top of the list, and most user-friendly, is the YLRL.net website. The League has evolved during the years as can be seen from the following good reads in ARRL's QST magazine. Good reads only come about by good authors and each of the YL authors during the years have been exceptional writers. Diane, K2DO, was the last YL to write for QST magazine and is a current member of the YLRL. The earliest articles I could find in the QST archives started in 1934 and continued into the 2000s.

Louisa Sando's CQ-YL is a thorough history of the story of women in amateur radio from 1939 - 1958. Don't forget the <u>YL Harmonics</u> archives on the website. These publications contain a smorgasbord of pictures of YLs donning the fashion trends of the day complete with cat eye glasses, beehive hairdos, the popular permanent wave, pocket books, petticoats, high heels and oxfords, corsages, white gloves and my favorite – the poodle skirt.





### Vice President's Message de Carol Laferty, K4SAF

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Hello YLRL Members,

Fall is approaching and we have had a taste of fall weather in Kentucky. I hate to see my petunia flowers withering, reminding me summer is ending. Many of us HF (High frequency) operators will be glad to see 160 and 80 meters open better and quieter again. Winter is a good time to work on some of the YLRL and ARRL awards, especially those bands.

Two YLRL awards have been earned recently. Suzanne Snape, VE7IM, from Courtenay, British Columbia for the Great-Grandmother Certificate, #1 and Donna Van Blaricom, WB9TFF, from West Allis, WI qualified for the Worked All Continents, WAC-YL. Congratulations to both. YLs, look through your confirmed contacts to see if you qualify for some of our certificates. I will be trying to complete DXCC (100 countries) on 160 meters this winter. Fortunately, with much dedicated operating time, I have finished DXCC on eight bands now. Just finished 12 Meters today. I also reached the ARRL DX Challenge 1000 points recently. Awards were never important to me until just the last two years. That's how ham radio is—interests and pursuits change as the decades roll by.

Many residents in eastern and northeastern Kentucky live by streams, which are called creeks and branches in our region. Far southeastern Kentucky had flooding of historic proportions in July. Fortunately, my county was NOT affected. But many SE counties were hit hard, and 40 people lost their lives and countless others lost their homes and businesses completely or partially. One of our YLRL members, Amber Combs-Smith, KN4TBY, of Fisty (pronounced as Feisty) in Knott County, was left with the creekbank washed out from under part of their home. Her place of employment, an insurance agency, had severe damage. It is in the small town of Hindman, which was practically washed off the map. We wish her and her neighbors well as they recover and rebuild.

Fall is my favorite season and will be filled with Bluegrass Music festivals/shows and some traveling in the Appalachian Mountains. That is a beautiful place to be in the Fall. My ham friend, Danny, WØJMP, and I hope to operate in some of our Kentucky state forests and parks as a Parks on the Air (POTA) station. I hope that you can enjoy the season in your part of the country. Stay well and keep YLs well represented on the bands.





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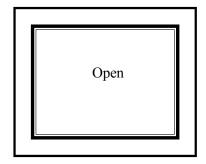
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Look for these new members on the air and on QRZ for more information.



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Contributions to this fund support three annual YL Scholarships in the pursuit of higher education. Now The Foundation for Amateur Radio (FAR) administers the amateur radio-related scholarships including those sponsored by YLRL. Applications are submitted to FAR in April of each year and the scholarship winners are selected in June/ July and announced in the November/December YL Harmonics. Information about FAR can be found at the following web site: <a href="http://www.farweb.org">http://www.farweb.org</a>

#### Morse Code Classes on Zoom

The Long Island CW club teaches Morse Code and other ham radio topics on Zoom with 75 classes. It has 3100 members in 50 states and 47 countries. More info can be found at https://longislandcwclub.org

It also has a weekly "Boat Anchor" Zoom forum on Saturdays during which they have outside speakers give presentations on vintage gear topics.

They are currently looking for speakers. If you are interested in presenting on any topic that inspires you (or know someone), please contact Ai at <a href="mailto:boatanchor@use.startmail.com">boatanchor@use.startmail.com</a>.

#### **District News**

#### District 1

#### From Joan W1DLC:

Our club, the Ellsworth Amateur Wireless Association, held its first POTA event in August at Thompson Island in Acadia National Park. It was fun to be on the "Activation" end of a POTA (Parks on the Air) station rather than a "Hunter". On September 17th I will be attending the Alexander, Maine Hamfest and will represent the "Women Radio Operators of Maine".

#### From Karen Olsen, K4IRS:

This past weekend, I participated with the Williamson County Amateur Radio Emergency Services site/booth/pop-up tents at the Scout Jamboree on Saturday, September 10, 2022. Attached are some pictures and a write-up from their website.



"WCARES took part in the Scouting event this past weekend in Franklin. Jeff Schwartz, KC1DWP, who headed up the WCARES effort had this to say after the event:

"I want to thank you all for turning out on a very rainy day and providing an engaging experience for the scouts, their parents, and the scout leaders who stopped by our three pop ups. In spite of the challenging conditions, we were able to get all of the planned stations up and operational and even had some of the Scouts make their first on-air contacts."

Nick Darnell, Cubmaster for Pack 131 was asked to coordinate getting all of the public safety departments to attend. He was the Scouts event contact for WCARES, met with WCARES at the site on Wednesday before the event, and provided the site needed to set up all of the gear, especially the antenna field.

Nick shared the following with Jeff after the event:

Thank You and everyone that came out. I heard a lot of talking about the "radio men". I thought that was an awesome title. Some of the boys were so intrigued that everything was running off batteries. WCARES made a great impression, maybe next time it won't rain all day."

From Anne WB1ARU and Barb KC1KGS:

YLs at Northeast HamXposition 2022

YLRL and WRONE (Women Radio Operators of New England) co-sponsored a booth and a Forum at the event held in Marlborough, MA from August 26 - 28. Close to 50 YLs signed the guest book at the booth and about 30 YLs attended the Saturday afternoon Forum. There was a lively discussion at the 2-hour Forum, which was co-hosted by Ria, N2RJ; Barb, KC1KGS; and Anne, WB1ARU. One of the highlights was the opportunity for each YL present to introduce herself and share a bit about her particular interests and activity in the hobby. This led to some brainstorming on what kind of activities YLs from the New England/New York area would like to participate in and how we can do a better job of networking. One popular idea was an outside event such as POTA involving just YLs. Tying YL get-togethers to other hamfests was also suggested. There was interest in creating podcasts and YouTube videos so a tutorial will be available in the future. Making contacts via satellite was another topic. One member suggested having resources guiding YLs to new products. As one YL com-

Barb shared that there will be a ham radio presence at the "Big E" (September 16-October 2) for the first time in 10 years. The Big E, formally known as The Eastern States Exposition, and billed as "New England's Great State Fair", is the largest agricultural event on the eastern seaboard and the fifth-largest fair in the nation. For all 17 days of this giant 6-state event, there will be a booth dedicated to attracting new people to the hobby. One feature at the event will be an ARISS contact on one of the days. Volunteers, including Barb and Anne, will be staffing the booth.

Some of the history of YLRL was shared, especially the name "Young Ladies", which had been a point of confusion for some of the YLs. Door prizes were given to several attendees.



mented, we want ham radio to be a fun activity for all.

Anne, WB1ARU; Barb, KC1KGS; Ria, N2RJ



YLs at Northeast HamXposition 2022

#### **District 4**

Angie Nash, KM4FAI, and husband Rob, K3RFP provided amateur radio support for the annual Grindstone 100 mile foot race. The race starts at Camp Shenandoah, a Boy Scouts of America camp in Swoope, Virginia and proceeds through mountain trails in the George Washington National Forest. The local radio clubs Valley Amateur radio (VARA) Massanutten Amateur Radio (MARA) provide amateur radio support with net control located at Camp Shenandoah and amateur radio operators stationed at each of 14 aid stations throughout the event lasting from Friday, September 16 to Sunday, September 18, 2022. KM4FAI and K3RFP operated at Lookout Mountain aid station, Stokesville, VA. We operated QRP with a deep cycle marine battery, a vertical antenna, a Yaesu 7250, and a couple of handhelds.

We operated Aid Station 4 from the start of the race Friday night at 6:00 pm until the last runner came through at 4:30 a.m. Saturday morning. After a short break and nap, we opened back up as Aid Station 10. Our first runner arrived on the return pass back through Lookout Mountain at 6:18 a.m. We then operated, taking turns on the air, until 8:30 Saturday night when the last runner arrived at our aid station on their way to the next and about 30 miles away from the finish.

The communications network in place that we are a part of helps ensure the runners safety and well being throughout the event. We receive communication from net control regarding runners who drop the race, the last five runners from the previous aid station and any other important information. We communicate the last five runners from our aid station to net control to ensure all runners arrive to the next aid station safely. If there is a runner who is struggling or needs immediate medical assistance we communicate the necessary information to net control who is in communication with the race director and local Emergency Management Services as needed. There are also two doctors with ham licenses at this event who respond to locations as needed. If one of the last five runners doesn't show up at an aid station then volunteers are sent out to find them. As far as I know, there were no major injuries or unaccounted for runners this year.

This is a commitment but Rob and I enjoy being up on the mountain, working with the other workers at the aid station who provide food, water, and medical support from the Charlottes-ville Area Trail Runners (CATS) and getting to meet the amazing runners who've trained hard for this tough event.





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#### From Carol Laferty, K4SAF

Some of you may have heard about the flooding of historic proportions in southeast Kentucky in July 2022. The Governor announced that 40 people in several counties lost their lives, and damage was widespread over the region. One of our YLRL members was affected by the floods in her home county of Knott. Amber Combs-Smith, KN4TBY, of Fisty, KY, wrote about her situation. That town is pronounced as "feisty", which means determined and courageous. That is descriptive of what the people have had to be. Our best wishes to Amber and her family and everyone as they strive to recover and rebuild.

Amber, KN4TBY, writes: "My area was one of the hardest hit, from where I work out to where we live, which is about 15 miles apart. We (my OM,Travis, KN4QDE and I) have sustained minimal flood damage, but the creek has washed away the soil from the foundation and the house is currently on the edge of the creek bank. We also have structural damage and electrical problems as well due to the lightning that accompanied the torrential rain. We may not have our water restored for another week or more. I know we are lucky as we have had friends and neighbors lose their lives in this catastrophic event. The town and county I knew and lived in for 43 years were gone on Thursday morning. We have been praying for our area as well as others around us that got hit hard by the storm. Thank you for reaching out."

Carol Laferty, K4SAF, completed the DXCC award on 12 Meters in September. That is the 8th amateur radio band she has earned DXCC on, and one of the most difficult so far.

#### District 5

Hi! It is great to have Fall here with some cooler temperatures because Dallas, TX has been so hot and dry all summer.

By the time you read this the Hamarama in Ardmore, OK will be over. Several of us from the Dallas area are driving up to set up a YLRL table and host a YL Forum. I hope we get to meet many YLs and sign up more for YLRL. More news and pictures next time.

Please join me weekly on 3.947Mghz for the Thursday 8am TX Young Ladies Round Up Net (TYLRUN). Several of us are not so young any more. We are losing our members left and right. We hope you can join us for lively conversation!! Judi Jaksa, W0JJ

5<sup>th</sup> District Chr.

I will be at the Hamarama in Ardmore, OK taking orders for hats to be stitched with call signs.

Vonnie, KE5RKC



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We've been living back in Texas a little over a year now. No radio activity. The family of hams I met have no interest in renewing their license. The main phone service fails at least twice a month and people on Facebook make jokes about carrier pigeons and smoke signals. I suggested ham radio and got no positive response. Did not make it to Field Day because of illness; maybe Winter field day will be good.

Seems I have a "she shed" now. Most of the stuff in it is mine along with my craft materials and projects. The old man has filled the garage with his stuff. My shed is well insulated, has an AC in a window and a space heater when needed. Lots of electrical outlets. Might put my bean bag chair out there in case I want to recline.

I was licensed in 1995 and passed the General in 2007. I have almost 100 countries on HF, but the only equipment I have now is 2 handhelds. The old man has no interest in it. Tuesday and Thursday are my evening exercise class days. Monday, Wednesday and Thursday morning are a different exercise class. Besides church on Sunday mornings, I go to a different church Sunday night and a 3rd church twice a month for an evening ladies Bible study. I volunteer at the public library randomly.

This week our church is hosting a traveling Tabernacle replica. If you get a chance to go through it, I recommend it.

Beth, KC5RWW

I want to get to 3000 in the ARRL DX Challenge. I have credit right now for 2980 and have about 6 more QSL cards ready to submit. I was lazy about sending for QSL cards in the past and am paying the price; I need some UA cards that are now unavailable. I am also busy rag chewing on CW and enjoying the one-hour CWOPS contests. Susan King, K5DU

Our club has had monthly meetings...we do have monthly VE sessions.

We are recruiting volunteers for the Veterans Day Parade in Midwest City, OK where our club is based. This will be our 11th year. We have had a few years cancelled but still lol Our club does the staging, net control, grand stand, etc. This year I am taking on a volunteer role with the city to be in the know of the entries. This is our biggest event we participate in as a club

That's what the Mid-Del ARC is doing. Plus We will be at Hamarama in Ardmore, OK Leah, W3LEO

#### District 7

From Jeanne, AA7JN: I have only recently become involved with my local HAM radio group - COARECT. COARECT means Central Oregon Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Team - this is my local group. ICS stands for Incident Command System - this is the system that public agencies use to manage emergencies. ICS classes are taken through FEMA and are the first step to becoming involved with ARES (the ARRL arm of emergency radio services) and RACES (the government arm of emergency radio services). Because I have an Amateur Extra license, the Vice President of the group encouraged me to take the Volunteer Examiner test. I did and I passed! J ust today I received my certificate and badge. I'm very excited to be able to help administer tests!

Also, when I expressed my interest in emergency communications, one of my fellow group members encouraged me to take the ICS courses. So, I've started those as well! COARECT is the group that handles the emergency communications for our area. It will be nice to be able to actually help out. Every year, we have a lot of wildfires in our area and HAMs are often called upon to assist. This was the main reason why I became a HAM and why I got my Extra

license. This October 1st, Central Oregon is having its First Annual High Desert Ham Fest. COARECT is a co-sponsor. I'm hoping I'll be able to attend. I'll be having surgery around that time, so we'll see how I feel. Hopefully we have a good turnout. If I go, I'll try to get some pictures. I am really enjoying being a part of my local HAM community. They have all been incredibly warm, welcoming and are some of the kindest and most generous people I've ever met

33! Jeanne, AA7JN

From Barbara, KI7BR: It has been a busy past few months, testing me on just how many plates I can keep spinning! In June I helped organize Sea-Pac as this year's Vice-Chair, and am now preparing to serve as Sea-Pac Chair in June 2023. In July, I began the roll-out of a pet project at work I've been developing for over a year to pilot accessible technology "kits" at five sites all over Oregon to make state offices a welcoming and accessible place for Deaf and hard of hearing people. The kits include on-demand access to sign language, captioned speech, and a device for speech amplification. From coast to desert, north to south, I've been road-tripping to the five selected pilot sites, getting reacquainted with my home state! At home, Grandma and I have been going to concerts in the local parks, bingo at the casino on the coast, and other mischief. The back patio of our new house is finally landscaped, two years after we moved in, and we're starting to host people (outside where possible for social distancing and safety). I 'm continuing to study CW, and will pick up the next round of CW class (Basic) in CWOPs this September.

33 to all de KI7BR!

From Marilyn, AF7MM: Hello to all YLs, I hope you've had a good summer. Ours has been eventful. For me, during Covid, I decided that as I was in lockdown anyway I would take CW lessons. I heard from one of the OMs in my club that CWA (CW Academy) existed; I had never heard of it before. I was able to join a class and start that following month. I checked out all the classes and decided that the one goal I would finish would be to go through all of them and get my CWA number, which you can get once you finish the classes and get nominated by one of the teachers or associates. I was able to finish last Fall. The first thing I did was email the OM that told me about CWA and gave him my number. I never told him I was going through the classes so he was surprised and happy for me that I finished. Since then I've spent time on the air rag chewing with people I find on the air doing code at my speed. And I'm getting faster. CW was one of my goals 15 years ago when I got my license so I feel like I really accomplished something. I hope you've had a good year and summer too.

We are marrying two of our daughters this year, one wedding is done and we have one to go. We're still busy with getting things moving for the wedding. Our first daughter got married on Field Day so I wasn't able to participate, but the wedding was really nice! I hope the next few months are good ones for you and have a great rest of the summer! 33, Marilyn, AF7MM

From Robin, KJ7BI: Today is 9/13/22 and I'm loving the advent of Fall weather - rain and 67 degrees!

#### **District 8**

Ai, Al8Al wrote: I am still working on my CW and now participating in the CW marathon contest. It's already been two years since I became a Ham. Please see my article about the Long Island CW Boat Anchor Zoom where we are looking for speakers.

Nancy, KC4IYD wrote: I had another month of fun at the monthly Space Crafters weekend Zoom session held on Aug 12-14 with attendees: Annette, KC8SQM; Dawn, KC8SQN; and four other friends. We get together via Zoom and six of us scrapbook while the seventh quilts. It's a great way to stay in contact with each other. This month for scrapbooking, I was working on the trip my daughter and I took to the Wizarding World of Harry Potter at Universal Orlando in 2019 and had fun scrapbooking all the pictures from Diagon Alley, the Hogwarts Express, Hogwarts Castle, Hogmeade and more. Nancy, KC4IYD/8

#### District KL and KH

#### Meghan Crocker:

September 24th is our annual SPARC club event held at North America's Most Westerly Highway Point. We rent campsites at the campground at the beach and set up for the weekend. A few people bring radios and antennas but it's pretty casual. Thomas always brings jambalaya which he makes himself and it is excellent. There's usually a fox hunt. It can be quite fun, but this time of year is very rainy so the weather plays a big part in how enjoyable it is. We were recently loaned some old electronics equipment that had been in a disused storage closet. There were some interesting things including old power supplies, oscillators and oscilloscopes. My friend AL7JX had fun showing my daughter different wave forms on the oscilloscopes.

It's moose hunting season up here. One of our neighbors got one yesterday. Lots of people showed up to help which is good because the moose managed to wander pretty deep into the muskeg before expiring. It was also in the evening, which added an extra challenge. Eventually, with the aid of four wheelers and winches and ropes and extra hands it was loaded onto a trailer. I'm always trying to convince my neighbors to get their radio licenses and it certainly would have been handy last night.

Hello everyone! June was a very busy month in terms of youth and YLs in amateur radio! June 25th and 26th were field day, and I had a great time getting on the air with other young YLs! My youngest sister (not licensed yet) got the chance to get on the air and made her first HF contacts, and my other younger sister, KE8TYU, also got to operate at a few if our local club's field day setups.

Additionally, during the week of June 12th through 17th, the second YOTA (Youth On The Air) Region 2 summer camp was held at the Voice of America museum in Ohio. I had the opportunity to attend the camp along with about 20 other young hams, and it was an amazing week! Some of the activities that the young campers got to partake in included kit building, antenna building, a high altitude balloon launch, VHF and UHF contests at Kings Island amusement

If you'd like to learn more about YOTA camp 2022, you can visit <a href="https://youthontheair.org/cincinnati-2022/">https://youthontheair.org/cincinnati-2022/</a>

Sharon Groomer: 9-10-22, was the Matanuska Amateur Radio Association's annual Hamfest. It was held at the Lions Club recreation center in Big Lake. I didn't count the attendance but it seemed to be slightly smaller than past years. I rented a table to sell a few items and I made enough to pay for the table rental, food and entrance fee plus a small profit. Despite staying close to the table I met several hams I've heard of or spoken with on the nets I check into. I'm hoping that some conversations may lead to selling of more items.

Robyn Walters: I've been looking for Europe each evening once the 77 solar panels shut down. I did work South Africa on 15 meters last evening. 12,006 miles with 150 watts to my two element minibeam.

#### Youth

Audrey McElroy, KM4BUN, an 18-year-old student who recently started her studies at Georgia Institute of Technology (Georgia Tech), will be presented with the 2022 Bill Pasternak WA6ITF Memorial Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year award at the Huntsville Hamfest. In July, the ARRL Foundation awarded McElroy a \$25,000 scholarship, sponsored by Amateur Radio Digital Communications (ARDC).



#### **VE News**

It was with great shock and sadness that we all heard the news that our dear Queen, Queen Elizabeth II, had passed away. At the age of 96 and with her recent health issues I suppose it was to be expected but it was a shock, nevertheless. She has always just been there and now she is gone. She was a great lady and carried out her duties as our Head of State for 70 years with great grace and dignity. Her eldest son, Charles, will succeed her and has become our King Charles III. He will be a good King as he has had the benefit of his mother's example and invaluable advice. He was ahead of his time when speaking about Climate Change long before it became a reality to most people!! I have been watching the events unfold in the UK. The Pomp and Pageantry of a State Funeral will be carried out with great colour and flair as only the British can do!!!

On a happier note I must tell you that I have completed and received my certificate for contacting and logging 15 Great Grandmothers !!! Certificate #1 !!! It took me 10 years to find 15 Great Grandmothers on the air !! I started my log in 2012 with Martha, K0EPE !!! Remember dear Martha on the 20M Tangle Net ?? The last (15<sup>th</sup>) on my log is Minnie, VE3DBQ, who became a Great Grandmother in August 2022 !!! I think it took me about 3 days to complete my Grandmothers Log but Great Grandmothers are more difficult to find... Hihihihi... I love these little challenges even though I only have EchoLink, now.

Our weather on the west coast of British Columbia has cooled from the summer heat and now we have sunny, September days that have just a little nip in the early morning air. At present, we have smoke filled days from the forest fires still burning in the Interior of our Province. They will end soon when the rainy season begins. My best to you all. Take care and stay well. 33 Suzanne, VE7IM

Ann, VE3HAI, writes: I really am saddened by Queen Elizabeth II's passing. She was the one constant in a very troubled world. My parents and grandparents were strong supporters of the monarchy. It is only natural, I suppose that I too support them. I admired the way she admitted her mistakes and kept her composure while her family (like many) endured through thick and thin. The "thin" was so very public that I can only imagine how awful it was for everyone in her family, but especially the queen. She was an example of composure at all times. I remember being in the grandstand representing my company at an evening event when the horses pulling her open carriage bolted. In the few seconds before her outriders reacted she remained calm and when it was over, carried on. The collective "Oh my Goodness" is etched in my mind. I know I would have gotten out and walked past the reviewing stand, but she rode on as if nothing unordinary had taken place.

#### **DX News**

Tuulikki OH7XX (Finland) Happy news from Finland.

During over two decades I have written to my friends about our granddaughter Heidi and grandson Nico. On 14th of May we had a great joy to have wedding when Heidi and her groom, Joonas, were married. The wedding ceremony was in a beautiful old church built in the middle of 14th century.

33 Tuulikki OH7XX

#### Rosel DL3KWF (Germany)

SYLRA Meeting 2022 - From 18th till 21st August 2022 the meeting of the Scandinavian Young Ladies Radio Amateurs (SYLRA), which was planned for 2021, could take place now in Turku. 1 7 YLs and 6 OMs was following the invitation of Marita OH5KIZ. The Programm started on the Friday with the guided Tour of Turku. In the afternoon the Official SYLRA meeting took placed in the club house of OH1AA with a Finnish grill/salad dinner and the special SYLRA call OH1SYL was going on the air. After a Cruise on the M/S Marina to Naantali and the Gala dinner at Marina Palace hotel restaurant on the Saturday evening the meeting was finished on the Sunday.

A group of seven YLs and three OMs started for three days to the optional Tour: the YLpedition to the fortress island Katanpää in the Bothnian Sea National Park (IOTA EU-096, OHFF-40, KP00OO).

Here would operated for two days in SSB and CW. The transceiver IC-7300 and the Windom antenna were provided by Jaakko OH1TX. In SSB was working Linda, G0AJJ; Anita, OH5FN; Marita, OH5KIZ; Inger, OZ7AGR; Anna, TF3VB; and Vala TF3VD. The CW operator was DL3KWR.

Our helpfull OMs were Hardy, DL3KWF; Richard, G6VOV; and Bjarne, OZ2UV. A total of 416 QSOs were logged: 182 in SSB and 234 in CW. QSL via OH5KIZ.

This activity was for all one unforgettable experience that ten people from five countries on the narrowest space can get by in amicable harmony with each other.

Rosel DL3KWR



## **Pictures**



Past President, Barbara Yasson, AC7UH, was presented with the Outgoing President's scroll

### **More Pictures**



Anne Manna, WB1ARU, and her OM, Tony, WA1ENO, at the Northeast Hamvention

Please plan to attend Katie's KE8LQR (YLRL Youth Representative)
presentation at the zoom meeting of Mahoney Valley ARA on
October 13 at 2300 UTC. As the zoom space is limited,
email requests will be honored first-come, first-served.
33 Rita NEODB, YLRL President



### The Mahoning Valley Amateur Radio Association

### Superstar

Our speaker for the October meeting of the Mahoning Valley Amateur Radio Association will be Katie Campbell KE8LQR. Katie is a freshman at Columbiana High School but has already packed more Ham Radio in than many of us do in a lifetime. Just to give you some samples, she logs contacts on QRZ and is showing over 632 contacts logged. They include Wales, Guyana, Peru, Portugal, and many others. She also has attained the United States Counties, the Grid Squared award, and the World Radio Friendship Award. She teaches CW for the Long Island CW clubs intermediate and Advanced Kid's classes. She is the Assistant Youth Coordinator for the Ohio Section of ARES and is the Youth Representative for the YLRL. Katie was the featured speaker at the YLRL forum in Dayton for 2022. Whoooo – I'm getting tired just writing about it. And this is just scratching the surface. Did we mention she was first licensed in 2019?

Katie will be joining us by Zoom on October 13th and we need your help making sure she has a packed house. Please do everything you can to spread the word about her presentation and particularly if you know any YL's/XYL's, encourage them to support Katie as part of the audience. Those outside our area can get a link to Zoom into the meeting by emailing the club at <a href="mailto:mvara.w8qly@gmail.com">mvara.w8qly@gmail.com</a>. Just put in the subject line "Need the Link to See Katie."

### Notes

#### Rules for All YLRL Contests

- 1. Check to make certain you are sending logs to the CURRENT Vice-President.
- 2. Logs must be postmarked no later than 30 days after each contest ends.
- 3. Scoring:
- 4. Phone and CW contests will be scored separately. Separate logs must be submitted for each contest.
- 5. One point is earned for each different station worked on each band. The same station may be worked on different bands. In the YL-OM contest only, YLs count OMs and OMs count YLs.
- 6. Multiplier will be the ARRL sections and/or DX countries, whichever is appropriate. Canadian provinces are counted individually. Multipliers are used only once on all bands when figuring the score.
- 7. Contestants running 5W or less will be considered QRP and earn a power factor of 3. Contestants running 5W to 100W will be considered low power and earn a power factor of 1.5. Contestants running over 100W will be high power. If no transmitter power is listed on logs, no power factor will be given.

Total scored claimed is calculated by multiplying the points times the multiplier times the power factor.

#### Logs

- 1. All logs must show the operator's ARRL section, VE province, or country to qualify for awards. Where applicable, logs must state whether or not the operator is a member of YLRL. For each QSO, logs must also state the power output. If you have 200 or more QSOs, submit a separate log for each band and submit a "dupe" sheet.
- 2. Please type or print. If you print a log from a logging program or photocopy your log book, be sure they include all the required information.
- 3. Logs must be signed and show claimed score. No logs will be returned. Entries in log must also show time, band, date and transmitter power.

### Exchange

Station worked, QSO number given and received, RS(T) given and received, and section/province/country.

### **Entry categories**

Single operator and YL clubs/groups