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CORC operates repeaters on 146.76, 146.97, 147.33 and 444.200
In addition, CORC affiliates with repeaters on 145.49 and 442.800

Some of the features include:

Autopatch access to Columbus, Delaware and West Licking County and Newark area.
Rapid access dialing to public service or member telephone numbers.
Repeaters used by the Weather Net in Central Ohio in support of The National Weather Service.
PL used on all repeater outputs. Multiple receiver sites on in Franklin, Licking, Delaware and Logan Counties to ensure Excellent coverage throughout Central Ohio

General Membership allows you and all amateurs in your family at the same address full use of the CORC facilities, an OPERATING MANUAL, and subscription to the CORC Newsletter, and a vote at the annual meeting of the corporation.

Associate memberships are available to non-amateurs and to amateurs who are occasional users of the CORC facilities AND live outside the general coverage area of the repeaters.

1 Year Member Dues	\$18 per year	\$ _____
2 Year Member Dues	\$32 for 2 years (save \$4)	\$ _____
3 Year Member Dues	\$45 for 3 years (save \$9)	\$ _____
Associate Member	\$9 per year per member	\$ _____
Optional Repeater Maintenance Contribution		\$ _____

PLEASE PRINT

MARK ONE: *New Application* _____ *Renewal Application* _____

Call Sign _____ Name _____ E-mail _____

Call Sign _____ Name _____ E-mail _____

Call Sign _____ Name _____ E-mail _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip+4 _____

Home Phone () _____ Alternate () _____

How many listed above are ARRL Members _____ Check to request Autodial for Home Phone _____

Check to Request Newsletter to be E-Mailed _____

Make check payable to CORC. Please place call sign on check. Mail check and application to:

Joe Hahn, W8NBA, Membership Chairman, PO BOX 398, Pataskala, Ohio 43062-0398

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Thank You for your Membership and Support

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Repeaters

146.16 / .76
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146.37 / .97
W8RRJ

147.93 / .33
W8NBA

444.200

449.200

W8RXX

Associate

145.49 / 4.89

442.8/447.8

W8CMH

CORC Annual Meeting Announced!

The 35th Annual Meeting of the Central Ohio Radio Club, Inc. will be held on Sunday, May 7, 2006. This year we are back to The Genoa Township Hall. The Pot Luck Dinner will start at 6 pm. A flier with a map is enclosed with this newsletter. The club will provide the soft drinks and coffee, paper plates and plastic ware. Please bring a covered dish and serving utensils. We are also giving away a Brand New Yaesu 1802M 2-Meter Mobile Transceiver. Like previous radio raffles, any paid up MEMBER present, is automatically entitled to one ticket. Additional tickets can be purchased at the door for \$5.

Election of directors, whose terms are expiring, will take place as well as an overview of the last year's operations. Those directors are: William "Trigg" Tabor, K8NIO; Joe Hahn, W8NBA; John Perone, W8RXX and Phil Carter, WD8QWR.

Anyone wishing to nominate a member for a board position should contact K8VKA, Ed Schleppe, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, in writing, at least ten days prior to the meeting. Letters of Intent can be mailed to: Ed Schleppe, K8VKA, 5900 Bowen Rd. Canal Winchester, Ohio 43110 or can be e-mailed to ED, at: ejs@comtech-ohio.com. Any member can nominate or be nominated for a board position. Be sure to have the nominee present a letter of consent with your nomination.

For your information, and according to the by-laws, printed below is Article V, Section 10 "Election of the Board" from the CORC Constitution.

The election of Directors to replace those whose term has expired shall take place at the Annual Meeting of the Members, or at a special meeting called and held for that purpose. At least twenty (20) days prior to the date of which such an election is held, the Board of Directors shall appoint a Nominating Committee consisting of three (3) persons who may but need not be directors. Such committee shall prepare a list of candidates to fill the Board of Directors and nominate such candidates at the meeting. Other nominations may be made from the general membership; however; any candidate's name so placed in nomination must be submitted in writing and accompanied by written consent of the nominee to the Nominating Committee and least ten (10) days prior to the meeting. A director's failure to attend two (2) consecutive meeting may result in declaration, by simple majority of the directors, the position vacant...

Membership Update

By Joe Hahn, W8NBA
Membership Chairman/ Newsletter Editor

CORC now has a total of 190 full pay members and 5 associate members. In addition, there are 35 family members and 10 life members. Since the last newsletter was printed in January, the following persons have joined CORC.

Bob Mahlman	KD8CJD	Dan Baughman	N8XYJ
Pete Miller	W1DOD	Jim Parks	KD8DBH

Please welcome them when you hear them on the air!

CORC members and other individuals continue to donate time, talent and extra money to assist the club with its operating expenses. The following individuals have donated since the last newsletter was printed in January.

Matt Gilbert	K8KDR	Bill Carpenter	AA8EY
Michael Strautz	KA8RTI	Ron France	N8LPX
Mark Cotrill	KA8FLI	Clayton Jenkins	W8HUE
John Hull	W8RRJ	Trigg Tabor	K8NIO
Laura Perone	KA8IWB	Phil Carter	WD8QWR
Jim Gifreda	W8MAP	Ed Schleppi	K8VKA
Steve Robeano	WD8JKX	Joe Hahn	W8NBA
Tony Fabro	N8RRB	John Perone	W8RXX
Jim Parks	KD8DBH		

This n' That...

Did you know that Stew Banks, W8FEH, won the 50/50 at the Groundhog Day Dash held in February.

That the Power Point Presentation from W8RXX will be running before & after the General Meeting on CORC sites & equipment for those who have not seen photos of receivers, transmitters & control points of the three CORC 2 meter repeaters.

That the W8RRJ 52.94 in / 52.70 out 6 meter repeater is being brought into the 21st century. (Sorry John, no tubes to keep your hands warm) The project is progressing with the main transmitter and receiver crystallized & tuned. UHF link work & antennas are next. Keep an ear open or better yet a receiver tuned to 52.70 Mhz. this summer. You may even want to find & dust off that old transmitter...

e TRAVELIN' TONY'S TIMETABLES

by: Tony Fabro N8RRB
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May is the beginning of a new fiscal year for CORC. It is an excellent time for us as a club to review where we are in terms of our system health, finances, and pending projects. It is also a good time for us to look to the future to see what we will need to do in terms of maintenance, and what we would like to do to improve the system.

In addition, it is also an excellent time to query the membership to see what you want the club to focus on in the future. This is your club, and by all means you have a voice in how the club spends its money. While the CORC Directors are a fine group and come up with many ingenious ideas for the club, even they sometimes run out of ideas and need input in how to think outside the "project box".

The club currently has been working on a number of projects. We have upgraded all 2M transmitters to newer solid state equipment thus making them more reliable. We have put the 147.330 repeater back on the air and reactivated the autopatch. We are currently very close to putting IRLP on the 146.970 repeater. We are also going to repackage the north receive site and reinstall in a climate controlled building thus improving the reliability of this receiver. Hopefully by the time this goes to press the reinstallation will have taken place.

There are many other things we need to do. Although we've put the 147.330 repeater back on the air, a lot of work needs to be done on the receive site in Pataskala. We also need to work on our downtown receive site for all repeaters as the current site is not working to the level we would like. Audio work needs to be done on the 146.970 repeater to even the levels between receivers. And much, much more.

As you can see, we have quite the laundry list of projects on the table. However, we are always open to your ideas and feedback regarding the club. What should we focus on as a club? Where should we spend our time and money?

I would encourage as many of you as possible to e-mail the Directors and attend the Annual Meeting to let us know what you feel is important for CORC to focus on in the future. It is your club, and the more we all put into it, the more the club and the ham community in Central Ohio will get from it.

Have a safe day.

It's That Time Again !!!

And I'm not talking about April 15 and tax time. No its time to re-new your membership with the Central Ohio Radio Club. For most of you, April is month that your membership payment is due. Some are using the multi-year discount system and saving a few dollars each year. One-year dues are \$18, two years are \$32 and three is \$45. Everyone is being mailed a newsletter this time so you can see when your dues are due. We have also tried to make it easy by putting the membership application on the other side of the mailing page, so all you have to do is send that page with your check. You do not need to fill anything out unless anything has changed.

One other quick thing, if you know of someone that is a frequent user of the repeaters and not a member, please invite them to join. Membership applications are either on line at www.corc.us or available at Universal Radio in the front of the store. You can also call the membership chairman, Joe Hahn W8NBA, at 740-927-9040, fax your request to 740-927-6701 or e-mail at membership@corc.us. Thanks!

SUITSAT

Heard any strange signals on 145.990 Mhz recently?

Suitsat is a Russian idea to make use of an outdated spacesuit by turning it into an orbiting satellite. All that is needed is a radio and some batteries to keep it alive for a couple of weeks before it reenters the atmosphere. A 500-milliwatt FM transmitter was used.

SuiteSat-1 was a Russian space suite, which has been declared surplus due to exceeding design limits. It was not cost effective to return the suit to earth for refurbishing.

The messages were sent on 145.990 were recorded by school children across the world, in 5 different languages.

It was launched on February 3rd and was expected to reenter the atmosphere around March 16th. The batteries powering the transmitter were to only last approximately a week.

Some stations on earth did hear the signal. The best recordings have been posted on the web at www.aj3u.com/blog

There is another launch being planned for 2007.

Additional information on this program is at www.suitsat.org

CORC ANNUAL MEETING and Pot Luck

SUNDAY

May 7, 2006

6:00 PM

The Geneva Township Hall

CORC WILL PROVIDE

Soft Drinks

Coffee/Tea

Plastic Ware

Cups, Plates

\$\$ 50-50 Drawing \$\$

Grabbags and Other Surprises

BIG RADIO GIVE-A-WAY

Yaesu FT-1802M 2-Meter Mobile Transceiver

Must be present to WIN

Now that you know about it . . . Here's how you get there!

