

Portage County Amateur Radio Service, Inc.



Ohio State Parks On The Air



Ohio State Parks On The Air Contest - September 12, 2016

The 2016 Ohio State Parks On The Air (OSPOTA) contest is in the history books. The logs have been received and reviewed and the results are out.

**First - On behalf of the OSPOTA contest committee:
CONGRATULATIONS to the WINNERS !!**

Second - CONGRATULATIONS to ALL that participated !!

This year's contest was hampered by foul weather throughout much of Ohio but a number of you got out there and got your stations on the air. The true amateur radio spirit was shown in being able to overcome weather and other difficulties to set up a portable station and make contacts. Your efforts are applauded.

Each year OSPOTA is growing and more amateur radio operators both in and out of Ohio State Parks are becoming involved.

This particular contest is not only a fun event for most amateur radio operators, it helps to promote the adaptability of hams to showcase their expertise in being able to set up a portable communications center and make contacts.

What better way to show the general public that amateur radio operators can be called upon during an emergency when the need arises? So, this is not only a contest, it's also a practical exercise to keep our gear ready for when an emergency occurs and we may be called upon to assist in emergency communications.

The Portage County Amateur Radio Service (PCARS) - located in Ravenna, Ohio is proud to sponsor this contest and we thank you for your participation.

Visit PCARS on the web at www.PORTCARS.org

We'll be looking for you again on September 9, 2017 for OSPOTA 2017 !!

2017 will be the TENTH annual OSPOTA !!!

Until then - Take care & 73

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Greetings to the OSPOTA 2016 (Ohio State Parks On The Air) Participants

From the Portage County Amateur Radio Club's OSPOTA Committee, we would like to extend our appreciation for your participation in the eighth annual Ohio State Parks On The Air contest. You are now part of OSPOTA history and our hope is that it will be a long and rewarding one.

The OSPOTA contest was conceived with three main goals in mind: **1.** Promoting public awareness of ham radio and Ohio's beautiful State Park system; **2.** Contribute to the recognition that Ohio has a very diverse and wonderful ecology; and **3.** Promote camaraderie within the ranks of Ohio's Amateur Radio Operators. It has been with your participation that we believe those goals were achieved.

To those of you who placed in the top three spots in each category, congratulations on your efforts. You deserve your awards for your operating skills. It was a bit windy and wet during OSPOTA 2016. We are counting on better weather and having everyone do even better in OSPOTA 2017.



So until September 9, 2017 - 73!

Tom - KB8UUZ, OSPOTA Chairman
Chuck - W8PT, **Joe - W8KNO**,
John - KD8MQ, **John - KB8UHN**
 OSPOTA Committee Members



OSPOTA Web Site: <http://www.ospota.org>

OSPOTA is sponsored by the **Portage County Amateur Radio Service, Inc. (PCARS)**

PCARS Web Site: <http://www.portcars.org>

OSPOTA September 12, 2016 General Information:

50 parks activated	9 parks activated did not submit log	67 logs submitted
13 out of state logs submitted	24 Clubs represented	Top Score this year - 9,790
727 QSOs on 80 Meters	1142 QSOs on 40 Meters	319 QSOs on 20 Meters

(QSO Stats from cabrillo files only)

24 Participating Clubs

Alliance Amateur Radio Club	Hamilton Amateur Radio Club	Milford Amateur Radio Club
Ashtabula County Amateur Radio Club	Highland Amateur Radio Association (2)	Portage County Amateur Radio Service (5)
Athens County Amateur Radio Association	Hocking Valley Amateur Radio Club	Pottstown Area ARC (PA)
Bellbrook Amateur Radio Club	Jackson County AMC	Shelby County ARES (2)
Cambridge Amateur Radio Association	Lakeland Amateur Radio Club (FL)	Sunday Creek Amateur Radio Federation
DeForest Amateur Radio Club	Lancaster-Fairfield County Amateur Radio Club	Triangle Amateur Radio Club
Fulton County Amateur Radio Club	Mahoning Valley Amateur Radio Association	Warren Amateur Radio Club
Goodyear Amateur Radio Club	Medina 2 Meter Group (3)	Warren County Amateur Radio Association

OSPOTA 2016 - Scores

Multi Op-Multi-Radio-High Power - In a Park

Call	Park Name	Score
-	No entries in this category	-

Multi Op-Multi Radio-Low Power - In a Park

Call	Park Name	Score
AB8DD	Kiser Lake - KLK	9790
W8DGN	John Bryan - JOB	5940
W8MRC	East Fork - EFK	5929
K8HO	Rocky Fork - RFK	4696
K8IV	Tinkers Creek - TCK	3420
W8VP	Blue Rock - BLU	2336
N8TUW	Great Seal - GSL	2262
K8W	Wingfoot Lake - WLK	1949
K8GE	Adams Lake - ADA	1845
W8VTD	Mosquito Lake - MST	1495
K8BLP	Guilford Lake - GLK	1140
WC8EMA	Caeser Creek - CAE	1083
K8QIK	A.W. Marion - AWM	920
K8BXQ	Harrison Lake - HLK	816
K8LGN	Lake Logan - LOG	735
K8CY	Geneva - GEN	271
W8QLY	Lake Milton - LML	Check Log

Multi Op-Single Radio-High Power - In a Park

Call	Park Name	Score
KC8AAV	Burr Oak - BUR	2577

Multi Op-Single Radio-Low Power - In a Park

Call	Park Name	Score
W8UKE	Strouds Run - SRN	2371
KC8OKJ	Pike Lake - PLK	2032
W8AJT	Hueston Woods - HUE	403
K8ZUK	Lake Loramie - LOR	144
KA8OCG	Buck Creek - BCK	Check Log

Single Op-High Power - In a Park

Call	Park Name	Score
N8OCJ	Deer Creek - DEE	793

Single Op-Low Power - In a Park

Call	Park Name	Score
K8MD	Middle Bass Island - MBI	1929
NF8O	Malabar Farm - MAL	1856
KD8BBK	Salt Fork - SFK	1801
K8FH	Findley - FIN	1761
WU8R	Lake Alma - LAL	1483
KB8UHN	Barkcamp - BAR	1465
KD8MQ	Beaver Creek - BEA	1169
W8WDS	Indian Lake - ILK	529
N8SUZ	Jackson Lake - JAC	353
NF8U	Muskingum River - MUS	297
N3JJT	West Branch - WBR	118
K8FEY	Pymatuning - PYM	108
N8OZB	Kiser Lake - KLK	91
KD8HHG	Scioto Trail - STR	81
AI8P	Portage Lakes - POR	16
AI8P	Quail Hollow - QHL	16
AI8P	West Branch - WBR	16
AI8P	Wingfoot Lake - WLK	16
AI8P	Lake Milton - LML	Check Log
WB3AFS	South Bass Island - SBI	Check Log
N3VQW	Sycamore - SYC	Check Log

In Ohio - Not In Park

Call	Score
W8GTS	727
W8FA	420
KB8UUZ	348
W8RGE	324
N8REQ	289
W8BVH	81
N4DLR	67
K3YP	61
W8EOT	26

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Overall High Score
AB8DD - 9790

Outside of Ohio Transmitting From

Call	Transmitting From	Score
N4NY	South Carolina	1788
WN4AFP	South Carolina	1545
AH6AX	Maryland	1017
N3CU	Pennsylvania	528
W4CHI	North Carolina	506
N3HWH	Pennsylvania	324
KD2GXN	New York	281
N8YHA	Wisconsin	272
N3KN	Virginia	221
WE5EE	Louisiana	106
KC0HPM	Missouri	81
KK4FEM	Florida	50
WZ6ZZ	California	1

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Ohio State Parks Activated during the OSPOTA Contests: 2008-2016

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Ohio State Park	ID	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Adams Lake	ADA					X	X	X		X
Alum Creek	ALU			X	X			X	X	
A.W.Marion	AWM	X	X	X				X		X
Barkcamp	BAR		X			X	X	X	X	X
Beaver Creek	BEA			X			X	X	X	X
Blue Rock	BLU	X		X		X	X		X	X
Buck Creek	BCK			X		X	X	X	X	X
Buckeye Lake	BKL	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Burr Oak	BUR	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Caesar Creek	CAE	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Catawba Island	CAT					X	X	X	X	
Cleveland Lakefront	CLE	X		X	X	X	N2	-	-	-
Cowan Lake	COW	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	
Deer Creek	DEE		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Delaware	DEL	X		X	X		X			
Dillon	DIL						X	X		
East Fork	EFK				X	X	X	X	X	X
East Harbor	EHB			X	X	X	X	X	X	
Findley	FIN	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Forked Run	FOR		X	X	X			X		
Geneva	GEN			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Grand Lake St. Marys	GLM	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Great Seal	GSL		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Guilford Lake	GLK	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Harrison Lake	HLK					X	X	X	X	X
Headlands Beach	HEA			X		X	X	X	X	X
Hocking Hills	HOC	X		X	X	X				
Hueston Woods	HUE		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Independence Dam	IDM				X	X	X		X	
Indian Lake	ILK	X		X	X	X		X	X	X
Jackson Lake	JAC	X						X	X	X
Jefferson Lake	JEF					X	X	X	X	
John Bryan	JOB	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kelleys Island	KEL	X				X	X		X	
Kiser Lake	KLK	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lake Alma	LAL	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
Lake Hope	LHO	X		X	X	X	X	X		

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Lake Logan	LOG			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lake Loramie	LOR			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lake Milton	LML	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lake White	LWT		X	X	X	X	X	N3	N3	N3
Little Miami	LMI			X	X	X	X	X		
Madison Lake	MLK	X		X		X		X	X	
Malabar Farm	MAL			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Marblehead Lighthouse	MHD					X	X	X		
Mary Jane Thurston	MJT	X		X	X		X	X	X	
Maumee Bay	MBY			X			X	X		
Middle Bass Island	MBI						X	X		X
Mohican	MOH			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mosquito Lake	MST	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mt. Gilead	MTG	X			X		X	X	X	
Muskingum River	MUS			X		X	X	X	X	X
Nelson Kennedy Ledges	NKL			X	X		X	X		
North Bass Island	NBI						X			
Oak Point	OPT							X		
Paint Creek	PTC			X	X	X		X	X	
Pike Lake	PLK			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Portage Lakes	POR	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Punderson	PUN	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
Pymatuning	PYM	X		X	X	X	X		X	X
Quail Hollow	QHL	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Rocky Fork	RFK			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Salt Fork	SFK	X		X	X	X	X	X		X
Scioto Trail	STR		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Shawnee	SHA				X	X	X		X	X
South Bass Island	SBI	X					X	X	X	X
Stonelick	STO	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X
Strouds Run	SRN	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Sycamore	SYC	X		X	X	X	X	X		X
Tar Hollow	TAR			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Tinker's Creek	TCK	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Van Buren	VAN				X	X	X	X	X	X
West Branch	WBR	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Wingfoot Lake	WLK	N1	X		X	X		X	X	X
Wolf Run	WRN	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
		36	20	57	50	60	63	64	55	50

N1-Wingfoot Lake became a State Park in 2010

N2-Cleveland Lakefront was dropped as a State Park in mid-2013

N3-Lake White State Park was closed by ODNR to work on leaking earthen dam-3 Sept 2014

Not all activated parks sent log in for scoring.

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Activated Parks 2008-2016