



# Third Quarter 2008 Smoke Signals INDIAN HILLS RADIO CLUB

The Indian Hills Radio Club

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Wickliffe, OH 44092

## Club meets Monday, Sept. 8 *Our 2008 Field Day report featured*

Indian Hills Radio Club begins its 2008-2009 year on Monday, Sept. 8th at 7:15 p.m. in the Wickliffe Library. The program will be a report on the club's 2008 Field Day effort plus the chance to check on how your fellow members spent their summer.

Good news: the usual club dues of \$10.00 are being waived for current members, but you're encouraged to donate something for the coffee and doughnut fund.

Please note on your calendar the following meeting dates and tentative programs:

- ▶ October 13: Show and Tell (Bring an interesting item or radio equipment.)
- ▶ November 10: Antenna Night (What's your favorite? Details welcome.)
- ▶ December 8: Holiday Social (Bring some cookies or goodies, please.)
- ▶ January 12: Classic Radio. (A review by a proud owner/restorer.)

Meetings are held at the Wickliffe Public Library, 1713 Lincoln Road, starting at 7:15 p.m. Do bring a friend! ■

## Club enters new era; informal, Volunteer-directed approach

With the club's limited membership, and the approach of resignations by several officers, a new era begins. Call it "Radio Club Lite," but the future is bringing a more informal approach to meetings and programs. But the emphasis on fellowship and enjoying regular get-togethers continues. We ask that members offer to help whenever they can so that Indian Hills Radio Club will continue into its second 50 years. ■

## The club's 2008 Field Day Was fun in the sun and rain

Despite a small, but enthusiastic crew, the Indian Hills Radio was represented in the 2008 ARRL Field Day. Using David's call, W8DDD, the stalwart crew of dedicated communicators set up shop at the Lake Farmpark on Route 6 and enjoyed all the comforts of a mobile home provided by Ross, KB8JTZ.

A mix of sunshine and a period of driving rain and wind marked the 24-hour marathon. Two stations were in operation: one for SSB and PSK, the other specializing in CW and some SSB.

Operators included Herb, K8AZW; Dee, W1HEO; Ross, KB8JTZ; with special antenna assistance from David, W8DDD, and Jim, WD8PFK. Despite back problems prior to his successful back surgery, David supplied his usual antenna expertise with bow and arrow. Jim also proved adept at solving a bad balun problem on an inverted vee during set up.

Details of the club's FD performance will be revealed at the September 8 meeting, so do come and cheer on the modest, but capable crew! ■

## Indian Hills Contact Information:

Information on the Indian Hills Radio Club, its meetings and activities is on the Internet at: < [www.hac.org/ihrcc](http://www.hac.org/ihrcc) >. Questions should be referred to Don Ritchie, K8ZGW, at: < [dritchie@dr.com](mailto:dritchie@dr.com) >

**Friday lunch bunch: Meets each Friday, 11:30 a.m., at the Firehouse Grill & Pub, 2768 Stark Drive. Located behind the Wright Place West of route 91 and on route 6. Everyone is welcome.**