

Portage County Amateur Radio Service, Inc.



Ohio State Parks On The Air



Ohio State Parks On The Air Contest - September 8, 2018

The 2018 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.

2018 was the *11th* annual OSPOTA !!



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



Second - **CONGRATULATIONS to ALL that participated !!**

This year the weather was a bit rainy and windy in most of Ohio. The OSPOTA contest was fun for all that were out in wild or in a warm dry radio room at home. Many stations were on the air and activity was fantastic. We had hoped for a lot of activity and all of the participants made it happen. Your efforts in setting up, getting on the air and making contacts are applauded.

Each year OSPOTA is growing and more amateur radio operators both in and out of Ohio State Parks are becoming involved. Let's keep that going in future years.

This particular contest is not only a fun event for most amateur radio operators, it helps to promote the adaptability of hams and to showcase their expertise in being able to set up a portable communications center to make contacts in any weather. OSPOTA is not just a fun contest, it's also a practical exercise to keep our gear ready when called upon to assist local services for communications during an emergency.

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 7, 2019 for OSPOTA 2019 !!
Until then - Take care & 73

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Greetings to the 2018 OSPOTA (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 11th 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 again this year.



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. The turn out for OSPOTA was great and we are counting on having everyone do even better in OSPOTA 2019.



So until September 7, 2019 - 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 2018 General Information: Top score this year - 8209

35 Parks activated **10 Parks activated did not submit log** **9 Out of state logs submitted** **53 Logs submitted**
24 Clubs represented **47 States were logged** **106 DX contacts were logged**
1020 Contacts on 80M **1047 Contacts on 40M** **170 Contacts on 20M**

(contact info from cabrillo files only)

24 Clubs Represented

Ashtabula County Amateur Radio Club	Highland Amateur Radio Association (2)	Portage County Amateur Radio Service (7)
Athens County Amateur Radio Association	Hocking Valley Amateur Radio Club	Shelby County ARES
Central Ohio Operators Klub Extra-Novice	Lake County Amateur Radio Association	Steubenville-Weirton Amateur Radio Club
Cuyahoga Amateur Radio Society	Mad River Radio Club	Sunday Creek Amateur Radio Federation
Delaware Amateur Radio Association	Medina 2 Meter Group	Toledo Mobile Radio Association
Drake Amateur Radio Club	Milford Amateur Radio Club	Union County Amateur Radio Club
DX Engineering Employees Radio Club	Mount Vernon Amateur Radio Club	Warren Amateur Radio Association
Fulton County Amateur Radio Club	North Coast Contesters	West Chester Amateur Radio Association

OSPOTA 2018 - Scores

Overall High Score

K8IV - 8209

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

Call	Park Name	Score
K8IV	PUNDERSON	8209
W8VTD	MOSQUITO LAKE	6451
W8UCO	ALUM CREEK	4549
K8UU	CAESAR CREEK	3942
K8CY	GENEVA	2260
N8BC	HEADLANDS	1988
W8H	MAUMEE BAY	1690
K8HO	ROCKY FORK	672
K8EEN	MOHICAN	602
K8LGN	LAKE LOGAN	589
K8BXQ	HARRISON LAKE	473
W8CWO	JEFFERSON LAKE	441

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

Call	Park Name	Score
KC8AAV	BURR OAK	2776

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

Call	Park Name	Score
KC8OKJ	PIKE LAKE	3211
W8UKE	STROUDS RUN	2405
K8ZUK	LAKE LORAMIE	686
WC8VOA	CAESAR CREEK	241

Single Op-High Power - In a Park

Call	Park Name	Score
W8NET	WEST BRANCH	95

Single Op-Low Power - In a Park

Call	Park Name	Score
WB8CPG	DELAWARE	6328
K8RGI	OAK POINT	3165
K8FH	FINDLEY	3085
K8MD	VAN BUREN	2519
W8ERJ	MALABAR FARM	2407
NF8O	MALABAR FARM	1456
KA4VNK	FORKED RUN	459
N8WCP	WINGFOOT LAKE	415
AA8GP	STONELICK	376
K8ZT	PORTAGE LAKES	220
KD8MSZ	VAN BUREN	99
N8QQQ	LAKE HOPE	CHECK LOG

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In Ohio - Not In Park

Call	Score
KS8U	649
KB8UUZ	525
NX8G	483
KB8UHN	443
KD8TNS	313
KD8MQ	221
W8EOT	168
W8RGE	144
KD8CGH	64
W8BVH	55
N2OPW	41
KD8UPX	25
WA8UWV	4
N8DXE	1



Outside of Ohio

Call	Transmitting From	Score
N3CU	PENNSYLVANIA	853
N4NY	SOUTH CAROLINA	805
W9AV	WISCONSIN	676
K2RYD	NEW YORK	221
NO2C	NEW YORK	221
KC4FLB	VIRGINIA	106
KM4IAJ	VIRGINIA	89
WB3AFS	PENNSYLVANIA	36
N5UOV	GEORGIA	16

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

Call	Park Name	Score
-	<i>No entries in this category</i>	-

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Certificate

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Ohio State Parks Activated during the OSPOTA Contests: 2008-2018

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Ohio State Park	ID	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Lake Loramie	LOR			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lake Milton	LML	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Lake White	LWT		X	X	X	X	X	N3	-	-	N3	
Little Miami	LMI			X	X	X	X	X			X	
Madison Lake	MLK	X		X		X		X	X			
Malabar Farm	MAL			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Marblehead Lighthouse	MHD					X	X	X			X	
Mary Jane Thurston	MJT	X		X	X		X	X	X		X	X
Maumee Bay	MBY			X			X	X			X	X
Middle Bass Island	MBI						X	X		X	X	
Mohican	MOH			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mosquito Lake	MST	X	X	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	X	
Nelson Kennedy Ledges	NKL			X	X		X	X			X	
North Bass Island	NBI						X					
Oak Point	OPT							X			X	X
Paint Creek	PTC			X	X	X		X	X		X	
Pike Lake	PLK			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Portage Lakes	POR	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Punderson	PUN	X		X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Pymatuning	PYM	X		X	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	X	X
Salt Fork	SFK	X		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	X	
South Bass Island	SBI	X					X	X	X	X		
Stonelick	STO	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Strouds Run	SRN	X	X	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		
Tinkers Creek	TCK	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Van Buren	VAN				X	X	X	X	X	X		X
West Branch	WBR	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Wingfoot Lake	WLK	N1	X		X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Wolf Run	WRN	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
		36	20	57	50	60	63	64	55	50	58	35

N1-Wingfoot Lake became a State Park in 2009

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

N3-Lake White State Park was closed by ODNR - leaking dam 2014 - reopen 2018

N4 - Jessie Owens State Park became a State Park in 2018 - Will be available for OSPOTA in 2019

Not all activated parks sent a log in for scoring.

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Activated Parks 2008-2018



Thanks goes out to all the operators and loggers that submitted logs this year

AA8GP	KB8UHN	KD8UPX	N8CUB	W8GPR
AA8HS	KB8USO	KD8VUY	N8GD	W8ILD
AB8KT	KB8UUZ	KD8VWF	N8HMK	W8JWL
AB8RJ	KB8VGD	KD8WVX	N8IG	W8KIW
AC8DZ	KC4FLB	KD8YGQ	N8KRO	W8KWH
AD8BD	KC8AAV	KD8ZCH	N8KZL	W8LGX
K1RQS	KC8CFI	KE8ANU	N8MIQ	W8LU
K2RYD	KC8EVS	KE8CZO	N8MWK	W8MHV
K8BAP	KC8FNJ	KE8EAS	N8NYI	W8MUK
K8BL	KC8KEB	KE8EPG	N8PEG	W8NET
K8EKG	KC8KSM	KE8EZT	N8PEN	W8RCH
K8FH	KC8OKJ	KE8GBX	N8PPF	W8RGE
K8FKH	KC8QDQ	KE8GXF	N8QE	W8VNL
K8IV	KC8RYM	KE8HGE	N8QQQ	W8ZL
K8IYO	KC8YDS	KE8IJU	N8RLH	W9AV
K8LES	KD8AAK	KE8IJV	N8UVM	WA8UWV
K8MD	KD8CGH	KE8IRN	N8WCP	WB3AFS
K8OBX	KD8DFL	KE8JEK	N8XM	WB8CPG
K8QDE	KD8EVN	KE8JEL	N8XWO	WB8LCD
K8QXO	KD8FRQ	KE8KBX	N8YFF	WB8PHI
K8RGI	KD8GMA	KE8RU	N9ACC	WB8RG
K8SBL	KD8HSA	KE8UE	NA1RB	WB8ZGH
K8ZT	KD8KBU	KG8JL	NF8O	WC8EMA
KA4VNK	KD8KNC	KI8N	NO2C	WC8VOA
KA8IIM	KD8KZG	KM4IAJ	NT8I	WD8AIG
KA8STM	KD8LYX	KS8P	NT8Y	WD8MXR
KA8WMF	KD8MQ	KS8U	NX8G	WD8RIF
KA8YTS	KD8MSZ	N2OPW	NX8Y	WD8RNG
KB8BKE	KD8ORN	N3CU	W8ALM	WD8SAB
KB8GAB	KD8PSB	N4NY	W8BVH	WE8N
KB8QPO	KD8SKL	N4QAD	W8EGL	WT8E
KB8SFC	KD8TNS	N5UOV	W8EOT	
KB8UAW	KD8TUR	N8BUS	W8ERG	

