Hamvention Preview

Hamvention is nearly here and TAPR will be present in full-force! The biggest ham radio convention of the year runs from May 20 to May 22 at the Greene County Fairgrounds in Xenia, Ohio and TAPR has plans to fill your Hamvention weekend.

**TAPR Booths**

TAPR’s booths will be in Building 5 where we will show what we have been up to lately. You can visit our booths 9 AM to 5 PM on Friday and Saturday and 9 AM to 1 PM on Sunday.
TAPR Forum

Friday at 9:15 AM, Scotty Cowling, WA2DFI, will moderate the TAPR Forum in Greene County Fairgrounds Forum Room 1. This year’s speakers and their topics include:

- Scotty Cowling, WA2DFI, TAPR President, “TAPR Activities Update”
- John Ackermann, N8UR, “SynthDO GPS Disciplined Oscillator Project”
- John Hays, K7VE, “ARDC Grants”
- Jonathan Rizzo, KC3EEY, “The Whistler catcher, a VLF module for the TangerineSDR”

TAPR/AMSAT Dinner

The 14th annual AMSAT/TAPR Banquet will be held at the Kohler Presidential Banquet Center on Friday, May 20 at 18:30 EDT. This year’s banquet will honor the life and accomplishments of amateur satellite and amateur packet pioneer Bob Bruninga, WB4APR, who passed away in February.

The Kohler Presidential Banquet Center is located at 4548 Presidential Way, Kettering, Ohio – about 20 minutes away from the Greene County Fairgrounds. You can register for the banquet online at www.amsat.org/product/amsat-tapr-joint-hamvention-banquet-registration/. (Banquet tickets must be purchased in advance and will not be sold at the AMSAT or TAPR booths.)

The Gang

The folks behind the scenes at TAPR will be at Hamvention, so you will have an opportunity to say “Hello” and have an eyeball QSO with the TAPR gang.

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09:15 – 09:35 AM
Presenter: Scotty Cowling, WA2DFI, TAPR President
Title: “TAPR Activities Update”

09:35 – 09:55 AM
Presenter: John Ackermann, N8UR
Title: “SynthDO GPS Disciplined Oscillator Project”
Abstract: An update on the novel design of the TAPR “SynthDO” time and frequency reference used in the TangerineSDR and as a standalone device for hams and time-nuts. The SynthDO provides multiple frequency outputs locked to the atomic clocks in the GPS system, as well as highly accurate GPS time and location data.

09:55 – 10:15 AM
Presenter: John Hays, K7VE
Title: “ARDC Grants”

Abstract: Amateur Radio Digital Communications has been transformative with its grant making ability. A quick review and learn how to apply for grants for your next project.

10:15 – 10:35 AM
Speaker: Jonathan Rizzo, KC3EEY
Title: “Whistler Catcher VLF Module for the TangerineSDR’
Abstract: The Whistler Catcher is a data acquisition module for the Tangerine SDR that allows GPS timestamped capture of both the VLF and ULF spectrum. Using the right software, it’s possible to automatically detect and record natural radio events such as whistlers and chorus as well as lightning (sferic) analysis and detect Sudden Ionospheric Disturbances (SIDs) using VLF transmitters. Lastly, it is also possible to receive amateur transmissions of GPS-locked carriers and coherent BPSK in the Dreamer’s band, below 9 kHz.

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2022 ARRL / TAPR Digital Communications Conference

Make your reservations now for three days of learning and enjoyment at the Hilton Charlotte Airport Hotel. The Digital Communications Conference schedule includes technical and introductory forums, demonstrations, a Saturday evening banquet and an in-depth Sunday seminar. This conference is for everyone with an interest in digital communications—beginner to expert.

September 16-18
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Write Here!

Your PSR editor is working on the next issue of PSR and hopes to find a few good writers, particularly ham radio operators working on the digital side of our hobby, who would like to write about their activities and have them published here in PSR.

You don’t have to be Hiram Percy Maxim to contribute to PSR and you don’t have to use Microsoft Word to compose your thoughts.

Your PSR editor can handle just about any text and graphic format, so don’t be afraid to submit whatever you have to wal lou@tapr.org --- she can handle it!

The deadline for the next issue of PSR is June 15, so write early and write often.

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On the Net

By Mark Thompson, WB9QZB

Facebook

As you may know, TAPR has a Facebook page, www.facebook.com/TAPRDigitalHam.

However, I also created a TAPR Facebook Group, www.facebook.com/groups/TAPRDigital/.

If you have a Facebook account, “Like” the TAPR Facebook page and join the TAPR Facebook Group.

If you join the group click on the Events link and indicate you’re Going to the events.

On Twitter, Too

Access the TAPR Twitter account at www.twitter.com/taprdigital.

Also on YouTube

TAPR now has its own channel on YouTube: the TAPR Digital Videos Channel: www.youtube.com/user/TAPRDigitalVideo.

At this time, there are a slew of videos on our channel including many from the TAPR-ARRL Digital Communications Conference (DCC) that you may view at no cost, so have at it!

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Submission Guidelines

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