

# THE PLATTSMOUTH AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

# Communicator

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## Romanian Teen Sets a NEW CW Record

(ARnewsline 10/18/24) Congratulations were given freely in Tunisia to a young Romanian ham who set a new world record while competing in the 20th IARU High Speed Telegraphy World Championship. Thirteen-year-old Ianis Scutaru, YO8YNS, won a gold medal and broke the record he set last year in the category of Callsign Receiving. According to the competition's website, his total score of 311,192 points represent his maximum copy speed of 1,126 characters per minute - an equivalent just exceeding 225 words per minute.

An announcement on the championship's website said: "This remarkable achievement showcases not only Ianis's dedication and skill but also the talent of the Romanian ham radio community."

His father, Lucian, YO8SLC, told Newsline in an email that Ianis has been a ham for a little less than six years.

<http://arnewsline.org>  
<https://hst2024-tunisia.org>

## Arecibo to Reopen as a Science Education Center

(ARnewsline 10/4/24) In Puerto Rico, the site where the iconic Arecibo radio telescope once stood is being readied for a new role in the world of science.

Arecibo C3, the US National Science Foundation's educational science center, is preparing for a full opening soon at the site where the legendary Arecibo Observatory reigned until damages suffered in 2020 compelled the radio telescope's dismantling.

The new facility in Puerto Rico is formally known as the NSF Arecibo Center for Culturally Relevant and Inclusive Science Education, Computational Skills, and Community Engagement. According to its website, the center is building on the legacy of the radio telescope, serving as an epicenter of STEM education research and skill building. Conferences, meetings and workshops will be held there along with public science programs.

An assistant director of the science foundation, James L. Moore III, said in a public statement that the center will embrace all ranges of science from astronomy and radio science to biology, computer science and natural science. Students and educators visited the center this past summer to attend some of the programs that were launched on a pilot basis.

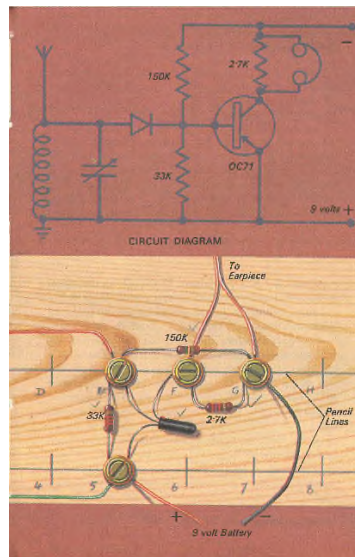
<https://www.areciboc3.org>

## Old Radios?—Old Radio Books!

Love old radios? Want to build that old radio set from your youth...or maybe your Dad's youth? Resources are available. Looking around on Archive.Org there are a number of books that can guide you back to yesteryear. Here are a couple of pages from books that can get you started.

The first is Making a Transistor Radio by G.C. Dobbs from 1972.

<https://archive.org/details/MakingATransistorRadio>



The second book is Build Your Own Transistor Radio by R.H. Warring from 1973.

[https://archive.org/details/148\\_20190823](https://archive.org/details/148_20190823)

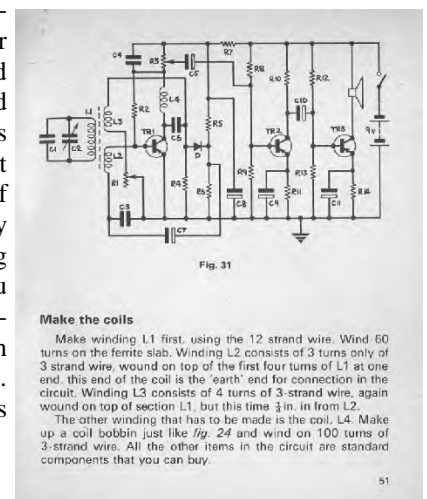
Both give lots of details to assist with construction by someone new to radio and there is some variety within each book.

If you want to go back further in history there are plenty of choices including First Radio Book for Boys by Alfred Morgan from 1941. Alfred Morgan wrote lots of "Boys" books and there is a whole selection available here starting with

the Second Book of Radio for Boys.

<https://archive.org/details/1stRadioBookForBoysMorgan>

Archive.org was just hacked and has just come back online but is still in the process of upgrading their systems. They had their scripts corrupted and some user lists stolen and then were hit by a huge denial of service attack. They are currently operating in read-only mode, you can't log in, and I noticed that their onscreen viewer isn't working. Downloading books does work just fine.



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*\*Charter Members #New Ham*

Note: Thanks to all who have paid their dues and those who have given additional donations. All donations are greatly appreciated. Please let me know of any corrections.



**Meetings are 8am the last Saturday of most months at Mom's Café in Plattsmouth.**

**Tuesday night get-togethers at Plattsmouth Burger King at 6 PM or so.**

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**MINUTES of the MEETING**

The September Meeting was held at Mom's Café on Saturday, September 28, 2024. The meeting was called to order by President Roger Behrns at 8:45 am.

Those in attendance were Roger (KBØOGO), Kevin (KIØPY), Ray (N5SEZ), John (KCØHYD), Shirley (KCØHYE), Jim (WØJRN), Derek (WØDBW), and Gary (WDØCFC).

The Minutes of the August meeting were approved on a motion by John and seconded by Kevin.

The Treasurer's report showed no changes from last month. This leaves \$492.55 in the General Fund and \$315 in the Repeater Fund for a total of \$807.55. The report was accepted on a motion by Ray and second by John.

Jim presented some information on a simulated emergency test to be held on October 5. You do not have to be an ARES member to check in.

It was noted that LaFiesta has moved one building south of their former location and they are planning on making a party room. We will have to see if it is ready for our annual dinner meeting in January.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 on a motion by Kevin and seconded by John.



**PLATTSMOUTH ARC MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM**

Name		Call Sign		Class	
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Membership Type <input type="checkbox"/> Primary(\$15) <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse (\$5) <input type="checkbox"/> Student (\$5) <input type="checkbox"/> New Ham		Donation for: <input type="checkbox"/> Repeater fund <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> General		Amount: <input type="checkbox"/> I prefer my donation to be anonymous.	
Any additional e-mail or cell phone #s?					

**Meeting Calendar**

**8am, Sat October 26**  
**8am, Sat November 30**  
**(No meeting in December)**  
**at Mom's Café.**