



# CoCoRaHS Collections

## “Because Every Drop Counts”

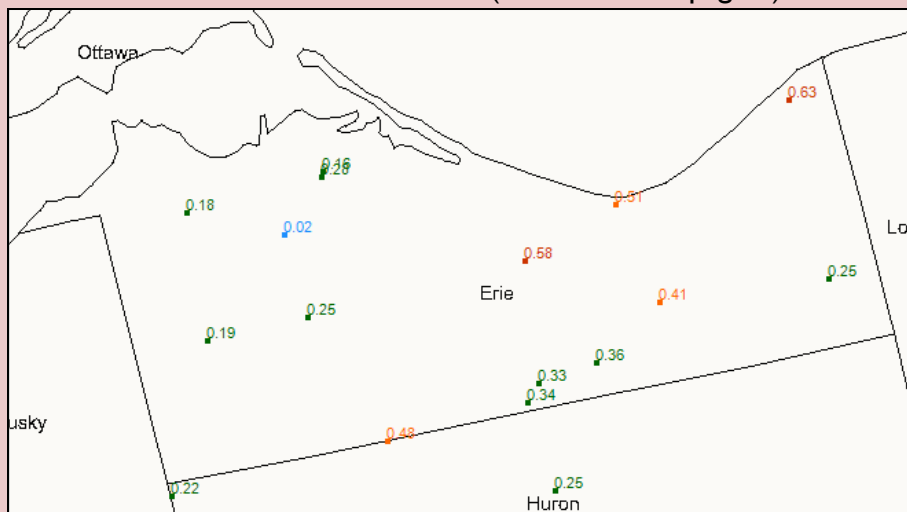
The Ohio Newsletter

Spring 2018

### May 2018- Variable precipitation, not so variable temperatures

If we ever needed a reminder of how important CoCoRaHS observations are, whether in counties with a lot of CoCoRaHS observers or counties where maybe you are the only observer, look no further than May 2018. Above normal temperatures throughout almost the entire month (and in some locations the entire month) fueled several days of thunderstorms and several days of severe weather. These thunderstorms created a highly variable precipitation pattern. In many instances portions of a county received very little rainfall next to portions of the county where a half inch to sometimes several inches of rainfall occurred. Below and on page 4 are a few of the several examples where higher rainfall values have occurred close to locations with very little rainfall during May.

As mentioned above, the highly variable precipitation was not the only story of the month. Here are the rankings of several cities across the region for highest average May temperature warmth on record: Cincinnati 1st, Columbus 1st, Cleveland 1st, Youngstown 1st, Dayton 2nd, Akron 2nd, Mansfield 2nd, and Toledo 4th. In fact, every day during May in Cincinnati, Dayton, and Columbus experienced above normal temperatures. This streak was broken in early June with multiple days of below normal temperatures. June precipitation remained variable as can be seen on the CoCoRaHS website thanks to the many dedicated observers across the state. (Continued on page 4)



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-NWS Regional  
Coordinators for Ohio

-NWS Website and  
CoCoRaHS website



Is there a topic that you would like to hear about in a future newsletter?

If so, please contact:



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## New Regional Coordinators

2018 has brought a lot of change to CoCoRaHS coordinators in Ohio. Thank you Jim Kosarik, Bob Coblentz, and Brian Haines for your service to CoCoRaHS in Ohio!

**Northern Ohio:** Long time coordinator Jim Kosarik recently retired from the National Weather Service and passed the CoCoRaHS coordinator torch onto Sarah Jamison (Sarah.Jamison@noaa.gov) and Zachary Sefcovic (Zachary.Sefcovic@noaa.gov). Retirement plans for Jim Kosarik include continuing on as a CoCoRaHS observer.

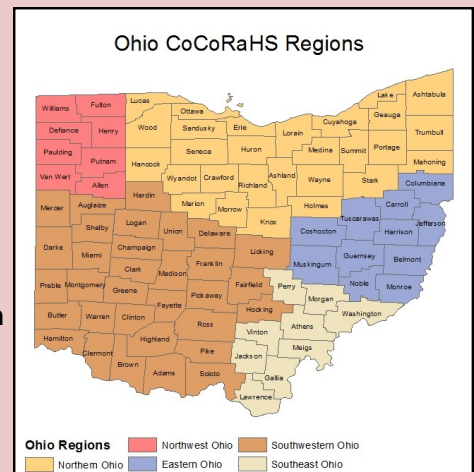
**Southwestern Ohio:** Coordinator Brian Haines took a promotion with the National Weather Service out of state and since then Kevin Kacan (also southeast Indiana coordinator) and James Gibson (also the northern Kentucky coordinator) have both taken on the role of coordinator in counties across southwestern Ohio.

Get to know your coordinator! Here is more background on Kevin Kacan: Kevin received his B.S.E with a Meteorology Concentration in 2015 from the University of Michigan. He became a NWS Pathways Student Intern at NWS New York in 2015 then NWS Albany, NY in 2016. Meanwhile, Kevin also studied out west, eventually earning his M.S. in Atmospheric Science in 2017 from the University of Wyoming. He later joined NWS Wilmington in October 2017. Outside of weather, Kevin enjoys hiking, biking, running, golfing, and traveling.

**East Central Ohio:** Bob Coblentz will be retiring later this summer. Thank you to Bob for your many years of service to the National Weather Service and to CoCoRaHS. John Darnley (John.Darnley@noaa.gov), who is already a coordinator for portions of West Virginia and Pennsylvania will be taking over for Bob in east central Ohio.

**Northwest Ohio and Southeast Ohio:** Northwest Ohio coordinator Sam Lashley and southeast Ohio coordinator Nick Webb continue on as coordinators in those regions.

To see the exact list of counties please visit:  
[https://www.cocorahs.org/Content.aspx?page=coord\\_OH](https://www.cocorahs.org/Content.aspx?page=coord_OH)



## Golden Raindrop Award 3000 Daily Precipitation Reports



Congratulations to our new Golden Raindrop Award members! These individuals have reported over 3000 daily precipitation reports. You should receive your award certificate in the mail within the next month!



OH-CN-6

OH-LC-1

OH-PT-9

OH-PT-10

OH-PT-12

OH-WN-1

## Silver Snowflake Award \* 2000 Daily Precipitation Reports

Congratulations to our new Silver Snowflake Award members! These individuals have reported over 2000 daily precipitation reports. You should receive your award certificate in the mail within the next month! Thank you for your daily dedication to CoCoRaHS!

OH-HM-17

OH-LS-1

OH-OT-4

OH-TS-4



## Bronze Observer Award- 1000 Daily Precipitation



Congratulations to our new Bronze Observer Award members! These individuals have reported over 1000 daily precipitation reports. You should receive your award certificate in the mail within the next month! Thank you for your daily dedication to CoCoRaHS!

OH-HD-19

OH-HY-9

OH-MY-39

OH-PT-17

OH-HM-23

OH-MY-9

OH-PL-1

OH-SM-26

## 500 Club!

OH-AL-8

OH-DR-19

OH-BR-8

OH-RC-7



Congratulations to our newest 500 Club members! These observers have submitted at least 500 daily precipitation reports since becoming a CoCoRaHS observer. We look forward to adding onto this list with the next newsletter. Way to go!

## Spring 2018 Honor Roll



From March 1, 2018 through May 31, 2018, these Ohio stations reported everyday. Here are those stations who get a thumbs up for their dedication!



Not listed below, but thought you reported everyday? You can check your reports. There are multiple ways to do this. You can go into your account and click on list/edit my daily precipitation reports. This will show your reports everyday. You can also go into 'view data' at the top of the page and click on 'station precipitation summary report.' Input your station and the period of interest. The missing days will be shown with dash marks. If there are additional questions e-mail [Ashley.Novak@noaa.gov](mailto:Ashley.Novak@noaa.gov).

OH-AL-5  
OH-AS-5  
OH-AT-1  
OH-AT-3  
OH-AT-16  
OH-AT-21  
OH-AZ-15  
OH-BR-8  
OH-CB-2  
OH-CB-8  
OH-CC-1  
OH-CM-7  
OH-CN-6

OH-CN-10  
OH-CN-16  
OH-CW-1  
OH-CW-3  
OH-CY-16  
OH-CY-24  
OH-CY-39  
OH-DL-8  
OH-DL-10  
OH-DL-12  
OH-DR-1  
OH-DR-7  
OH-DR-8

OH-DR-17  
OH-ER-8  
OH-ER-11  
OH-ER-18  
OH-FR-3  
OH-FR-8  
OH-FR-34  
OH-FR-59  
OH-GG-4  
OH-GG-7  
OH-GG-11  
OH-HD-14  
OH-HM-13

OH-HM-23  
OH-HM-26  
OH-HR-2  
OH-HY-9  
OH-KN-4  
OH-LC-1  
OH-LK-9  
OH-LR-2  
OH-LR-8  
OH-LS-14  
OH-LS-22  
OH-LS-23  
OH-MC-7

OH-MD-1  
OH-MD-2  
OH-MD-10  
OH-MH-10  
OH-MM-1  
OH-MY-5  
OH-MY-17  
OH-MY-18  
OH-MY-34  
OH-M-Y-39  
OH-PT-2  
OH-PT-8  
OH-PT-12

OH-RC-7  
OH-SD-2  
OH-SH-11  
OH-SH-14  
OH-SM-5  
OH-SM-22  
OH-SN-3  
OH-TR-4  
OH-UN-4  
OH-WD-14  
OH-WD-19  
OH-WL-5  
OH-WR-14

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## Helpful Links for Ohio CoCoRaHS Observers

**Obtain replacement or extra equipment from our official suppliers:**

<http://www.weatheryourway.com/cocorahs/store.html>

<http://www.ambientweather.com/strgloteprra.html>

**For climate outlook information:**

<http://www.cpc.noaa.gov/>

**For current forecasts and severe weather warnings:**

<http://www.weather.gov>

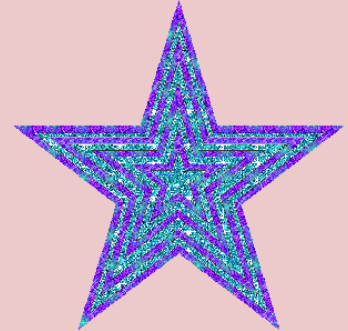
**For river information:**

<http://water.weather.gov/ahps/>

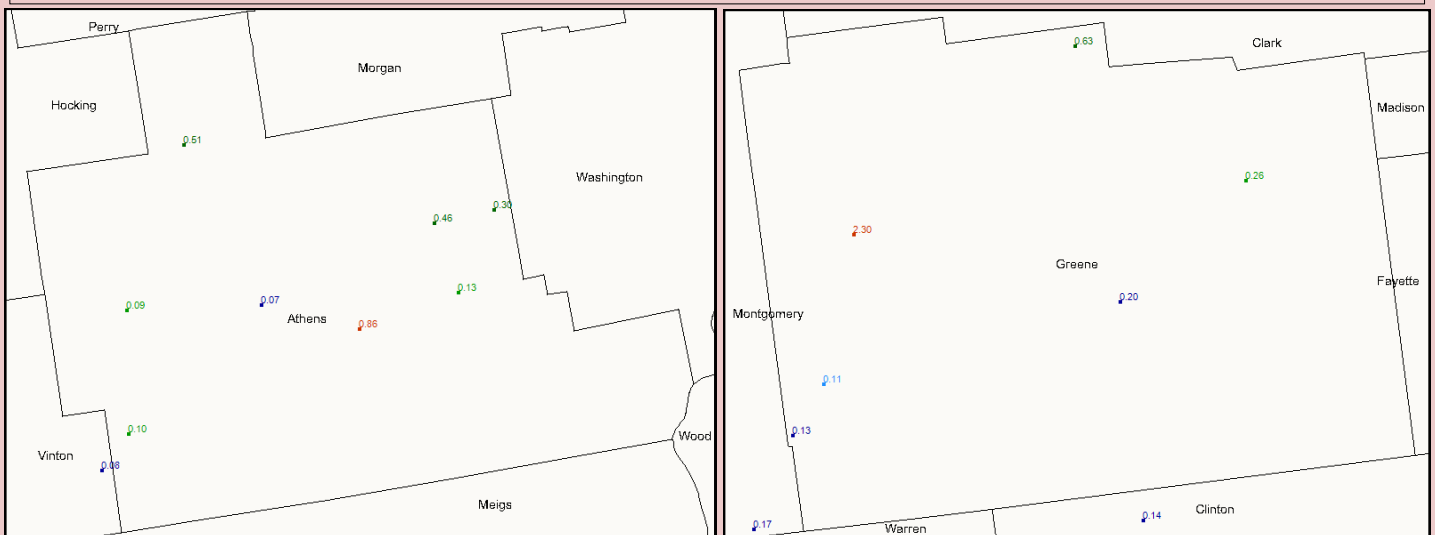
**For drought information:**

<http://droughtreporter.unl.edu/>

<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/>



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Here are two more examples of highly variable precipitation that occurred during the month of May.