

ARRL - Indiana Section <u>September 2019 Newsletter</u>

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"To promote and advance the art, science, and enjoyment of amateur radio".

Remembering friends that we'll miss....Thoughts and prayers for their family and loved ones



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Greetings from the Section Manager's desk...

Greetings Indiana Ham's,

Good month for amateur radio in August and September, lot of great events. Thanks to area hams across Indiana for supporting the hobby, much appreciated. Please see the list of hamfests in the newsletter, as there are still a lot going on across Indiana over the next few months.

73, Jimmy Merry, KC9RPX IN Section Manager Jmerry@arrl.org Welcome to meteorological fall!

Once again it was great to see many of teams with activities in August. Keep up the good work.

I am still looking for volunteers for EC and DEC positions throughout the state. Also, there are several counties that do not have an ARES Team. It would be great to see some additional counties added to the section ARES team.

The ARRL has released new updates to the ARES Connect program making the program much easier to use. If you have not already done so, please go to: https://arrl.volunteerhub.com/lp/IN/ and create an account. Once we have migrated our accounts to ARES Connect, administration of the program will be much easier.

Thanks for your service to our communities!

Jim Moehring, KB9WWM

Section Emergency Coordinator Amateur Radio Emergency Service Indiana Section

******ARES VOLUNTEERS NEEDED********

Current Open District Emergency Coordinator Positions: District 1, District 4, District 9 and District 10. If you are a current EC in one of these districts, or have past experience in the ARES field organization, please consider stepping up to serve your community with your hobby.

Current Open Emergency Coordinator Positions: Adams, Benton, Blackford, Carroll, Crawford, Dubois, Elkhart, Fayette, Floyd, Fountain, Franklin, Fulton, Gibson, Greene, Huntington, Jefferson, Knox, LaGrange, Lake, Lawrence, Martin, Ohio, Owen, Perry, Pike, Porter, Posey, Pulaski, Rush, St. Joseph, Shelby, Sullivan, Switzerland, Tippecanoe, Union, Wabash, Warren, Washington and White.

EC's are the backbone of the ARES organization. I would like to fill as many of these county openings, as possible. If you are interested in filling a vacant County EC Position, please contact me at KB9WWM@arrl.net to express your interest.

Reporting DEC's
N1LL, KB9WWM, KC9RVL, K9DUR
Reporting EC's (34 of 47)

KB9WWM, K9JAJ, W9DBA, KB9OIC, W9EEU, K9PLG, KC9ELU, KD9KMG, n9gtl, N9MOX, N9CWW, KB9DJA, K4BXX, N9JIN, N9SIU, AB9ZA, Kc9gfo, W9GNR, W9SOX, WD9GIU, K9TEM, N9ZTB, N9JPX, W1MKZ, AD0TY, KB9RZK, WR9G, W9DRB, KC9GUY, w9dac, W9COD, W9VKD, KT9B, ab9hp, Reporting Official Emergency Stations

NA9L, KC9TYA, KA9QWC, N1LL

District Emergency Coordinator Reports

<u>Jim Moehring – KB9WWM – District 3</u>

We have 2 large PSEs in the district coming up. On September 28th in Fort Wayne the ARES Team will be supporting the Fort4Fitness Fall Festival. This event includes a full marathon, half marathon, 10K Run and 4 mile run/walk.

On October 12-13th we will be supporting the IT-100, a 100 mile trail run, at Chain O'Lakes State Park near Albion Indiana. This event requires operation for 36 hours and is a great way to practice our EMCOMM craft.

If interested in helping for either event, please contact Jim Moehring, KB9WWM at KB9WWM@arrl.net.

Marv Gilliand - KC8RVL - District 6

Attended Monthly Muncie Area and EmComm ECI ARC meetings. Final planning underway for White River Cleanup event, to be held September 21st. We provide comms for this event. I have completed nearly all required ARES course training, just waiting for access to test for EC-016 course.

Emergency Coordinator Reports

Jim Moehring-KB9WWM-Allen Co.

A quiet month in Allen County. The team did meet and ARES Connect update were presented and the team was urged to submit their hours into the system. This report was generated from the data submitted into ARES Connect. It is much easier to tabulate the report using the system.

<u>Jeffrey A Jones – K9JAJ - Bartholomew Co.</u>

We had 4 weekly net sessions and one short Skywarn net lasting only 45 minutes on Aug. 20th. On Saturday, Aug. 31st several team members participated in the first day of the Midwest Tandem Rally, providing communications and SAG support. Thanks to all who gave freely of their time!

Scott Nelson- W9DBA-Brown Co.

During August there were 5 scheduled ARES nets conducted on 147.300 + PL 136.5 with 50 check-ins lasting for 95 minutes.

Wes Temple - KB9OIC - Clark Co.

Clark County ARES had our first successful ARES Setup Day. It was held at on Saturday at our local state park for participating ARES members. Our mission was to test individual equipment setup and tear down times in simulation of an emergency and moving to a new location. This was not a Field Day simulation giving notice to setup and make contacts. Our purpose was prefaced on individualization because of the unknown time or day when the call comes and they may be the only one available. After the setup some members made contacts but equipment utilization was the focus. This was the first ARES Setup Day in 94 degrees and 90% humidity. Hopefully the conditions will be better for our next one, hopefully later this year from lessons learned.

Gary Adams – W9EEU – Clay Co.

Our group attended our local LEPC exercise. While they did not have a role for amateur radio we attended for the purpose of visibility. Our county expects the retirement of our EMA Director at the end of the year, so our challenge will be to gain introduction and favorability with the new Director in 2020.

Paul Goslin - K9PLG- Dearborn Co.

4 Races / ARES training nets...

Michael McCoy - KC9ELU - Decatur Co.

8/20/2019 severe thunderstorm warning for Decatur County. 3 base and 1 mobile ARES weather spotters involved. Some damage in the town of St. Paul reported.

Clark Whitehouse- N9CWW- Harrison Co.

Four net this month ,75 mins and with 30 check ins

Ron Burke-KB9DJA- Hendricks Co.

On August 24, HCARES assisted the McCloud Park staff with auxiliary amateur radio communications at their Honeybee Festival.

On October 19 HCARES will host an Special Event station using the callsign: K9B during the park's Fall Colors Festival. Special QSL cards will be furnished to every contact the group makes. (For further details go to the Hendricksares.org web.)

This group will also be assisting the McCloud Park's staff in the Festival itself with providing auxiliary radio communications.

HCARES will be a participant in the Hendricks County Emergency Communications Seminar on the 10th

of September. Here since we are in the County's Emergency Plan we will be displaying some of our amateur radio equipment, setting up the County Health's portable AM radio station, and presenting our role during an emergency/disaster to those agencies who also will be at the emergency/disaster.

<u>Jeff Davis – K4BXX - Henry Co.</u>

We had our first group training session this month on the topic of the fundamentals of operation and behavior while deployed. While this was generally review for everyone in attendance, it brought about a very good discussion on the subject with some excellent tips for success from the veterans. This was taken in part from EC-001, and served as an introduction for those who have not taken that class.

Robert LaGrange- N9SIU-Johnson Co.

This has been a busy month for Johnson County ARES. There were two SkyWarn activations for severe weather in Johnson County. Johnson County ARES and members of the Mid-State Amateur Radio Club assisted with public safety for the Greenwood Community Band Festival in Greenwood on Saturday August 24th for a duration of eight hours during the event. There were eleven members that helped with this event. All went well and Johnson County ARES was thanked for helping provide safety and traffic direction for those attending.

Mark Gregory-AB9ZA- Kosciusko Co

On Saturday, August 24, we held an unscheduled ARES Call-Up Net in conjunction with an exercise the LEPC was doing. Including the Net Control Station, 10 amateur radio operators checked into the Net. Stations checked in from as far away as Rochester, Indiana, which is about 27 miles from Warsaw.

F. Gary Sherman - W9GNR - Madison Co.

August kept the Madison County Communication Division active. We successfully had two Storm Net activations deploying several storm spotters to designated sites while the rest reported conditions from their QTH. Madison County Communication in conjunction with Madison County EMA had a highly visible presence at both the Elwood Glass Festival and the Pendleton Safety day. The Madison County Communication Division established an impromptu remote Storm Net as heavy storms rolled into the Elwood Glass Festival area with cloud to ground lightning coordinating information with the Festival administration to maintain a safe environment with all the vendors and citizens. The Festival was temporarily shut down for two hours until the danger passed.

Thomas E. (Tom) Myers- K9TEM-Monroe Co.

Several Monroe County ARES members attended the Bloomington Amateur Radio Club meeting on Friday, August 2. There were four weekly ARES Monday Night nets, a monthly county warning siren test, and a SKYWARN net for a severe thunderstorm warning.

Chad Wilson- W1MKZ-Newton Co

On September 17th my team participated in the 2nd Annual "Seekers N Sneakers" 3K Run - Walk. The race was delayed by 5 minutes due to a brief thunderstorm and wrapped up fifteen minutes before another round of rain passed through. Served agencies and the organizers were immaculately prepared for every contingency. My guys operated with the utmost professionalism.

On October 5th in Morocco we will be hosting training session covering the uses of System Fusion radios (FT2DR, FT3DR, FTM400, and FTM100) in a SAR (Search and Rescue) situation. Everyone is welcome to attend. Exact time and location TBD. Please contact me if you intend to participate. 219-208-9755 or kuriosyesous at yahoo.com

Steve Jewell- WR9G-Scott Co

The Scott County EMA Group conducted a VE Session Saturday, August 10th at the EOC. We had two candidates come in for testing. One successfully passed the Technician test and the other passed the general exam. The next testing session is scheduled for October 12th at 11:00 AM. Walk-ins are always welcome. The testing location is at the Bacala Center, 69 E Wardell St, SE Corner of Courthouse Square, Scottsburg IN 47170. For more info email steve@wr9g.net. 73, Steve WR9G

Peter C. Crasher W9DRB-Spencer Co.

4 nets analog, 4 digital

Mark Tritch - KC9GUY - Steuben Co

Continued discussion with Steuben County Emergency Manager regarding expanded ARES role.

Official Emergency Station's Reports

Mark Thienes-KC9TYA-Vanderburgh Co

I was able to get my 80m loop reworked and new ladder line installed. It seems to be doing a great job. The local TARS Club is working hard on the 2nd Hamtoberfest which will be held again this year in Lynnville, IN, close to the I-64 and Hwy. 41 area of southwestern Indiana. 28 of 30 tables sold out. We will be raffling off a Yaesu FTM-400 XDR, a C4FM rig. The date is October 26th. Hope to see many of you there.

Hope everyone has a great September.

Donald L. Evilsizor-KA9QWC-Whitley Co

Attended the Angola ham-fest on August 10th and after closing a Packet Radio interest group met to discuss various operations with both Michigan and Indiana present.

Attended the August 19th RACES/CERT meeting in the EMA conference room at Albion Indiana. The topic of the meeting was a after action review of the 4-county exercise on July 31st. By Sara/K9ITC the RACES Officer and CERT Coordinator/Instructor.

September will be a interesting packet radio month starting with N1LL at the Hoosier Lakes Radio Club Thursday, September 5th, at 7:00 PM in the basement of the Justice Building in Warsaw. Lyle / N1LL is scheduled to talk about Packet Radio, and should address practical issues such as the use of TNC's,

what cables are needed, software versions of TNC's, and available features and their uses. Since most Packet is run on VHF / UHF frequencies, this could open up a whole new area of interest for new Technicians, or older hams that have never bothered to look into packet.

The following week Whitley County Amateur Radio Club (WCARC) General Meeting will be held on Thursday, September 12, 2019 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. The meeting will be held in Community Room A & B of the Peabody Library 1160 E. State Rd. 205 -Columbia City, Indiana. The be Program for the evening will be on Packet Nodes and K-Nodes presented by Dan Dahms, N9WNH.

INDIANA ARES BY THE NUMBERS

Total ARES Members reported: **749** Number of reporting ARES EC's: **37**

Number of reporting OES's: 4 Number of reporting DEC's: 5 Number of ARES Nets: 143

Number of Nets with NTS Liaison: 49

Number of exercises, and training sessions: 67

Person Hours: **1052.88**Public Service Events: **14**

Person Hours: 475

Emergency Operations: 0

Person Hours: **0** SKYWARN Nets: **7** Person Hours: **41.2**

Note to all EC's, DEC's and OES's: Monthly reporting is very important so that we can demonstrate our contributions to the community. Monthly reports must be submitted by the 8th of the month whether ARES activities take place or not. Continue reporting using the Google form until the ARES Connect system is up and running.

ARRL SECTION TRAFFIC MANAGER INDIANA SECTION

Greetings everyone! Well here we are in the month of September and summer is rapidly drawing to a close and we now to go into the Autumn time of the year which i happen to like I just don't care for the season that comes after it! This is also the point of where propagation switches to winter conditions and the lower bands come into their own including my new favorite band 160M, Traffic count is holding steady and I have also been in touch with the MI Section Manager about reviving traffic in their section .If anyone is interested in generating some traffic for the Michigan Section I'm sure they would greatly appreciate it! Lastly i am now back on a day shift schedule which finds me catching up on things I had gotten behind on, So look for yours truly to be active on some of the evening traffic nets and of course I'm off on Fridays so i have no doubt that will be Net day. Come and join us on one of our several traffic nets it's great fun and teaches valuable skills and you will meet a great bunch of operators and friends!....73 until next month

BRIAN G JENKS W9BGJ ARRL ASSISTANT SECTION MANAGER INDIANA SECTION ARRL SECTION TRAFFIC MANAGER INDIANA SECTION ARRL OFFICIAL RELAY STATION

w9bgj@arrl.net

INDIANA STM REPORTS AUGUST 2019 HF NETS	July 2019				
NET NAME	SOURCE	QNI	QTC	QTR	SESSIONS
INDIANA SECTION ARES	KC9TYA	24	0	78	4
IDTN	K9JAJ	188	66	445	22
ITN	N1LL	1409	110	1232	62
QIN	K0TQ	69	24	212	31
TOTALS		1690	200	1967	119
NETS REPORTING	4				

PUBLIC SERVICE HONOR ROLL									
STATION	SESSIONS	MESSAGES	APPTS	PUB SVC	EMG RES	DIGITAL	TOTAL		
W9BGJ	8	40	40	0	0	10	98		
KA9QWC	40	40	30	0	0	10	120		
K9DUR	40	12	30	0	0	20	102		
AB9ZA	30	40	20	0	0	0	90		
N1LL	40	40	30	10	0	20	140		
W9EEU	40	16	30	0	0	20	106		
TOTALS	158	172	150	10	0	60	550		
STATIONS REPORTING	6								

INDIANA STM REPORT AUGUST 2019										
ORS AND SAR STATION REPORTS										
STATION	TYPE	ORGINATED	RECEIVED	SENT	DELIVERED	TOTALS				
W9BGJ	ORS	0	185	185	4	374				
KA9QWC	ORS	0	15	34	10	59				
AB9ZA	ORS	0	62	52	14	128				
K9DUR	SAR	0	5	8	1	14				
W9MGB	ORS	4	4	6	6	20				
KOTQ	SAR	61	105	113	24	303				
N1LL	ORS	8	141	136	1	286				
W9PC	ORS	0	10	10	1	21				
W9EEU	ORS	1	4	11	0	16				
NA9L	ORS	0	3	2	2	7				
TOTALS		69	527	544	61	1404				
STATIONS REPORTING		10								

INDIANA STM REPORT AUGUST 2019					
VHF/UHF NETS					
NET NAME	SOURCE	QNI	QTC	QTR	SESSIONS
BARTHOLOMEW CO ARES	KA9OPL	25	2	92	4
CASS CO ARC	KA9YBN	26	0	77	4
CLAY CO ARES	W9EEU	95	2	114	9
CROSSROADS DMR	K9NQW	44	0	63	3
D STAR NET	K9NQW	62	0	145	4
DEKALB CO ARES	KD9KMG	70	0	91	5
HOOSIER HILLS ARC	WD9EWF	46	0	24	4
HUNTINGTON CO NET	К9ВМЕ	55	0	142	5
IMO NET	W9BGJ	224	4	218	31
JEFFERSON CO	N9XVB	14	0	27	4
KOSCIUSKO CO EMG NET	KC9AYT	94	0	76	4
KOSCIUSKO CO ARES	KC9NWM	60	0	224	10
MADISON CO ARES	W9GNR	26	0	94	4
MID STATE ARC	K9DY	244	0	339	6
MONROE CO ARES	К9ТЕМ	88	0	158	6
MORGAN CO ARES	N9JPX	64	0	81	4
NE INDIANA PACKET NET	N9WNH	25	3	180	3
OWEN CO ARES	К9ЕОН	25	0	36	4
SCOTT CO ARES/RACES	WR9G	55	4	84	4
SOUTH CENTRAL AREA	KA9OPL	54	0	128	4
TARS EVANSVILLE	КЕ9ҮК	83	3	230	6
TRI STATE 2 METER	W9OU	194	1	281	13
WCARC SUN NET	KA9QWC	33	4	100	4
WHITLEY CO ARES	W9NNH	30	0	106	4
21 REPEATER GROUP	KA9QWC	33	1	69	4
			24	2970	140
NETS REPORTING	25				

North East Indiana Packet Net (NEIPN)

Sunday's @ 9 PM EDT via BPQ Chat Mode (locally on 145.53 Mhz)

QNI=25

QTC=3

QTR=180

Sessions=3

Reported by: Don Evilsizor KA9QWC NEIPN Net Manager

73,

Dan M. Dahms N9WNH

Indiana Section ARRL Packet Net Manage

DMR & D-Star Nets

DMR

	Net				Time	Time	
Date	Control	QNI	QTC	QTR	Began	Ended	Freq
08/05/19	No Net						442.750(+)
08/12/19	KC9OYW	16		21	20:00	20:21	442.750(+)
08/19/19	W9DDX	10		17	20:00	20:17	442.750(+)
08/26/19	K9NQW	18		25	20:00	20:25	442.750(+)

63

Sessions:

44

D-Star

	Net				Time	Time	
Date	Control	QNI	QTC	QTR	Began	Ended	Freq
08/01/19	K9NQW	13		28	20:00	20:28	443.400(+)
08/08/19	K9NQW	12		32	20:00	20:32	443.400(+)
08/15/19	KA9OPL	16		35	20:00	20:35	443.400(+)
08/22/19	No Net				20:00		443.400(+)
08/29/19	KA9OPL	21		50	20:00	20:50	443.400(+)

Sessions: 62 145

Technical Specialist Coordinator

Tom Busch, WB8WOR

Tom Busch WB8WOR

I am still prepping for the Monroe County Hamfest and I attended the Spencer Hamfest.

Roger McEntarfer, N9QCL

The month of August I worked with Ken Maier, Steve Holzinger and Gene Languel in replacing the 444.550 WC9AR Repeater with a Motorola RKR-1225 increasing our repeater output from 17 watts to around 40 watts. With this update we also changed the PL Tone to 141.3

I also worked on replacing my 2M/70CM magnet mount antenna on my 2005 Trail Blazer as it over the years disintegrated. Also working on ordering parts to redo the antenna setup on my 2019 Jeep Grand Cherokee. I'm looking at adding a motorized luggage rack antenna mount as with me being vertically challenged it is hard to reach the antenna to fold it over to get the vehicle into the garage.

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The meeting will be held in Community Room A & B of the Peabody Library

1160 E. State Rd. 205 - Columbia City, Indiana.

The be Program for the evening will be on Packet Radio Digipeaters, KA Nodes and Network Nodes presented by Dan Dahms, N9WNH.

All WCARC General Meetings are open to the Public.

The next W5YI Test session will be held on Saturday October 26, 2019 from

9:00 to 11:00 AM, In Community Room A and B of the Peabody Library 1160 E. State Rd. 205 - Columbia City, Indiana.

For additional information visit the Whitley County Amateur Radio Club Web Page at www.wcarc.org, or the Whitley County Amateur Radio Club Group Facebook Page

Mark Skowronski K9MQ

Most of the help that I provided this month was a result of the Gary UHF repeater switching over to a different c-bridge. The new c-bridge had a different talkgroup configuration requiring everyone to reprogram their radios.

A High School engineering teacher and his class contacted me and asked if I would provide help with tracking their high altitude balloon. I previously assisted this teacher with four launches in the past. We are currently in the early planning stages.

No Activity to Report Lou Kruizinga N7BBW



Jimmy Merry, Jr.
Affiliated Club Coordinator
jmerry@arrl.org

Greetings to all, there is still a lot happening in 2019. Clubs are urged to keep reporting their happening each month to me at kc9rpx@arrl.net . I don't hear from many clubs though. Please send items for events, testing, classes, and other special events to me in a word attachment, as sometimes I might miss things in club newsletters. Still some clubs that need to review their club page on the ARRL website and make sure it contains current information.

Indiana clubs that are over 1 year since last update:

White County (Feb 2018), Henry Co. (March 2018) Clinton Co (March 2018) Central Indiana ARA (Dec 2017) Ripley Co (March 2018) Hoosier Lakes (Jan 2018) Bloomington HS S (June 2018) Indiana Masonic Home (June 2019) Ohio Valley (June 2018) RCA ARC (Aug 2018) Kokomo ARC (Aug 2018) Land of Lakes (Aug 2018) Porter Co (Jan 2018) Indiana clubs that are over 2 years since last update:

Blackford Co (March 2017) Hoosier Repeater Builders (Jan 2017) Tippecanoe Co (March 2017) Purdue Univ (Feb 2017) Terre Haute North HS (Dec 2016) Tri County HF (Feb 2017)

Muncie AREA ARC to sponsor a Technician Licensing Class

October 11 – 13 at the Delaware Co EMA Office. Cost is \$45 includes the course book and testing fee. To sign up contact wb9hxg@gmail.com or call 765-273-3101. Must register by October 2.

Hendricks County ARS



<u>Hendricks County : Courtesy of Ron Burke W9DJA, EC</u>

2019 Honeybee Festival. HCARES members assisted the park staff at McCloud Park in providing auxiliary amateur radio communications on August 24. On October 19, this group will return to the park's Fall Colors Festival. Not only will they provide the same radio service as before. But will also operate a special event station K9B during the event. Already got an approval from the park to set up and operate the station, and to send a special QSL card to those who contact this station.

Plainfied, IN Quaker Day Parade - Sept 21

Sept. 21,2019 HCARES assisted the Plainfield Chamber of Commerce sponsored the Quaker Day Parade. Along with the Chamber, we assisted the Plainfield Police Dept with blocking some alleys,

etc, and provided auxiliary amateur radio communications.

The parade had close to 100 parade entrants which made the parade lasts almost two hours.

We also used Bob Burns W9BU who was our Severe weather observer during this event.

Many thanks to those hams who help made this event a safe and pleasurable experience to the community.



Hendricks Co ARES

73, Ron Burke KB9DJA Hendricks County ARES

Interested in Ham Radio? NOW is the time!

Earn your first Ham Radio license the easy way with EmComm ECI and the Muncie Area Amateur Radio Club

> During our two-weekend course, you will learn everything necessary to become a licensed Amateur Radio operator

No prerequisites, all persons age 13+ are welcome to join

When: Fri October 11, 2019

6:30pm - 8:30pm (Kickoff Meeting) Sat October 12, 2019 9:00am - 6:00pm (Class Session 1 & 2) Sun October 13, 2019 2:00pm - 6:00pm (Class Session 3)

Sat October 19, 2019 9:00am - 3:00pm (Review & Testing)

Where: Delaware County Emergency Operations Center 210 South Jefferson Street in Downtown Muncie

Cost: \$45.00 which includes your textbook (\$30) & FCC Admin/Filing fee (\$15)

If you already have a copy of the ARRL Ham Radio License Manual, 4th Edition or prefer to buy your copy elsewhere (Amazon, R&L Electronics) use that and save \$30!

To sign up, please call or email the Muncie Area Amateur Radio Club:

(765) 273-3101 • wb9hxq@gmail.com

Please register by Wednesday October 2, 2019 if you need a textbook







PIC Report

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Well we are now in the midst of September, and looking forward to the upcoming JOTA (Jamboree on the Air). This Public Information Outreach Barry Palencer, KC9WMS Public Information Coordinator event is next month in October, now is the time to reach out to your local scout troops, to see if we cannot help them, get their scouts on the air. This is a great opportunity to show off our hobby to the future generations.

We will have more information next month but for those who are interested more information can be found here: https://www.scouting.org/jota/. Another great way to show what Amateur Radio can do, is helping with Halloween Activities in your local area. Has your club or group ever participated?

Reach out to your local police, and or City/Town Hall, to see if you can organize, a group of Ham's to help out monitoring areas as the goblin patrol. Public Safety appreciates the added help, and it is a great way to show our communication skills, to the public.

If you are a club or group PIO, and are not already an Indiana Section PIO, please consider becoming one. We are always looking for interested individuals, who have a passion for spreading the word about amateur radio, and what we can do for our communities. If you would like to join as a PIO please reach out to myself at kc9wms@arrl.net or to Jimmy Merry at kc9rpx@arrl.net

Thanks for all you do for Amateur Radio,

73,

Barry Palencer, KC9WMS

ARRL - Indiana Section - Public Information Coordinator

PIO Reports

Hendricks County PIO Don Somerville, KD9DHJ

HCARES has the following completed and upcoming events.

Completed

August 24th: The Hendricks County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (HCARES) participated in the HONEYBEE Fest held in McCloud Nature Park in Northwestern Hendricks County Indiana on Saturday Aug 24th, 2019. This is the second year we were invited to assist, although last year's event was cancelled due to weather. Hams attending were Bruce Jones N9DBJ, Wayne Michael AC9HP, Jake Stellmack KI6PKV, Verne Madden N9VAM and Ron Burke KB9DJA.

AM Radio Set: HCARES was instrumental in setting up and training on the new Hendricks County Health Departments portable AM Radio. This is a portable self-contained, modular unit that consists of four separate packages that is deployed in emergencies/disasters. The packages are the radio, antenna tripod, antenna and 50ft of antenna cable. The radio can transmit live reports or pre-recorded information stored on a thumb drive. It has a range of 10 miles and is broadcast on 1610Kz.

Upcoming

Note: Hendricks County ARES has a new call sign – W9HCA. Be sure to check in with us on our Tuesday night 1900 local check ins. The monthly meetings are also being moved to the first Wednesday of each month at the Hendricks County Government building in Danville. Time is still 1900-2100 local.

September: September is **Preparedness Month**. Each Week in September on the W9HCA Hendricks County ARES Net, the Net Controller will read a portion of the Preparedness for September. The Preparedness in September is designed to help keep you and your family safe in a disaster or an emergency. Please stay tuned to the W9HCA Hendricks County ARES Net for more information.

September 10th: There will be a **Free Emergency Communications Seminar** held at the Hendricks County 4H Fairgrounds located at 1900 E. Main St., Danville, IN 46122 that the Hendricks County ARES has been asked to participate in this because of the value Amateur Radio brings to emergency situations.

The event will be from 0900 to 1500 local. It will cover how events are handled by our county from times of "Blue Skies" to "Falling Skies". Those presenting will be:

- Indiana State of Department of Health
- Indiana DHS
- District 5 Healthcare Coalition
- Hendricks County ARES

They will demonstrate how they work together and assist local law enforcement, fire and EMS agencies. The 53rd WMD Civil Support Team from the Indiana National Guard and Integrated Public Safety Commission (ISPC) will also be there to present their roles in expanding communications capabilities.

September 14th: The **Hendricks County ARES** will be participating in a **Simulated Emergency Test (SET)** on September 14 from 9:00AM to 12:00PM. We will have HAMS operating from the county EOC, Hendricks County Fairgrounds, Hendricks Regional Hospital and IU West Hospital. Stay tuned for more information.

September 21st: The **Quaker Day Parade** is on the 21st this year from 0800-1000 hours local. This year's parade will change. It will **NOT** be at the Plainfield Middle School, instead, the staging area will be between Duke Energy and St. Susanna Church just North of US 40. We will need about 10 volunteers to assist with the parade and we may also be helping the Plainfield Police in being their eyes at different spots along US40. The Parade will start at the before mentioned place, then proceed West to Vestal Road, then down to the Soccer fields. This route can take up to two (2) hours to complete. Stay tuned for more information.

September 22nd: The **Brownsburg Safety Fair** will occur on the 22nd from 1100-1500 hours local. This is a fun and educational event. It will be at the Walmart parking lot in Brownsburg, 470 E Northfield Dr. We will have a booth next to Hendricks County EMA. Those who attended last year had a blast and talked several people about how ARES groups in other parts of the country helped them and their families during times of emergencies/disaster.

Recruitment: We at HCARES are still looking for information on any recruitment efforts that are going on in the Amateur Radio arena. We feel that in order to keep our hobby alive and volunteers plenty to support our communities in times of Emergencies/Disasters we need to stay active in recruiting new people who have an interest helping their community first then from there we can get them interested in Ham radio through volunteering. HCARES has been fortunate recently as we are now working with the Hendricks County Health's MRC (Medical Reserve Corp) Program in recruiting new prospects for us. This is a good step forward in finding new recruits but we still ask all of you if you know of any efforts underway or already in place, please send information to the Hendricks County EC Ron Burke KB9DJA at kb9dja@gmail.com





73,

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Jefferson County PIO Don Porter, W9JUN

Club news and activity: The Royal Rangers Amateur Radio Club put out a call to all interested in an upcoming Technician Class. The training will take place in Madison, IN at the Family Life Center of Madison Assembly of God Church

FEMA Training Participation: G0191 was held at the King's Daughters' Hospital in Madison, IN on August 14th. The workshop covered the ICS/EOC Interface. Several EMA Directors and first responders from other counties participated. I did get an opportunity to briefly share some thoughts about amateur radio.

Local School Requests Safety and Threat Assessment: Once again, amateur radio visibility played a part in the networking with local law enforcement and the EMA Director to work toward enhanced school safety. I sit on a school safety committee and look forward to the opportunities to utilize amateur radio as a possible school safety construct.

Don Porter, W9JUN

PIO, Jefferson County, Indiana

Monroe County PIO Jimmy Merry, KC9RPX

The monthly meeting for the Bloomington ARC was held September 6. Discussion was held about digital radio and the upcoming hamfest on September 28. The Monroe Co. hamfest will be held at the Monroe County fairgrounds, located at 5700 W Airport Rd in Bloomington. See flyer in the INARRL monthly newsletter.

Jimmy Merry, KC9RPX INARRL PIO for Monroe Co.

Whitley County PIO Roger McEntarfer, N9QCL

I announced in the local newspapers: Columbia City Post & Mail, Churubusco News, IN Whitley County, and South Whitley The Tribune News, Local Web based News: Columbia City Talk of the Town. HF Nets: Indiana Traffic Net and several of the local 2M and 70 CM nets around the northern Indiana area about the Whitley County Amateur Radio Club (WCARC) General Meeting on August 8, 2019, the WCARC Board Meeting on August 22, 2019, the and the Whitley County Amateur Radio Club (WCARC) General Meeting on September 12, 2019.

The next Whitley County Amateur Radio Club (WCARC) General Meeting will be held on Thursday September 12, 2019 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

The meeting will be held in Community Room A & B of the Peabody Library

1160 E. State Rd. 205 - Columbia City, Indiana.

The be Program for the evening will be on Packet Radio Digipeaters, KA Nodes and Network Nodes presented by Dan Dahms, N9WNH

All WCARC General Meetings are open to the Public.

The next W5YI Test session will be held on Saturday October 26, 2019 from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, In Community Room A and B of the Peabody Library 1160 E. State Rd. 205 - Columbia City, Indiana.

For additional information visit the Whitley County Amateur Radio Club Web Page at www.wcarc.org, or the Whitley County Amateur Radio Club Group Facebook Page

Roger McEntarfer/ N9QCL
Whitley County Amateur Radio Club President
Whitley County Amateur Radio Club Technical Specialist
Whitley County Amateur Radio Club Public Information Officer
Whitley County W5YI CVE

2019 Indiana ARRL State Convention

Hosted by Allen County Amateur Radio Technical Society
November 16 & 17
Allen County War Memorial Coliseum, Ft Wayne, IN
ARRL – Dan Henderson, N1ND

2019 ARRL Central Division Convention

HRO Superfest
September 27 – 28, 2019
Ham Radio Outlet Milwaukee
5710 West Good Hope Road
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Guest: Howard Michel, WB2ITX, ARRL CEO

Statewide hamfests

September 28 – Monroe Co Hamfest – Bloomington, IN

October 5 - Hoosier Hills Hamfest - Bedford, IN

October 19 - Shelbyville Tailgate - Shelbyville, IN

October 26 - Hamtober Fest - Lynnville, IN

November 30 – Wabash Valley Turkey Fest – Brazil, IN

February 29 - Laporte Hamfest - LaPorte, IN

June 20, 2020 - East Central Indiana Hamfest - Randolph County Fairground

HOOSIER HILLS HAMFEST

At the Lawrence County 4H Fairgrounds Near Bedford Indiana October 5, 2019

Amateur Radio ~ Forums ~ Electronics ~ Computers ~ Foxhunt

Indoor Hamfest, All Vendors & Tailgating Inside & Outside Hourly DOOR PRIZES Including ARRL Store Gift Certificates \$200 Cash Grand Prize ~ Admission Price \$5

Vendor / Tailgate Set-Up

Vendor Building Open 6am - 8am Saturday vendor / tailgate set-up only. Please ask about early setup times when reserving spaces. Outside Tailgating Fee is \$5 plus admission Inside Vendor / Tailgating Fee is \$10 per table/space, plus admission Each 10' x 10' space includes 1 table "Quantity Discounts Available For Inside Only"

Hamfest Hours / Rules

Gates open to the public at 8am Saturday Admission \$5 per person (under 12 FREE) Breakfast and Lunch items will be for sale in the main hamfest building, concessions area. Tickets must be in the barrel no later than 12 noon to be eligible for the

\$200 GRAND PRIZE

ARRL VE Testing ~ Registration 9:30 - 10 am Test At 10 am Next To The Main Building

TALK IN ~ 146.73 MHz (-) PL 107.2 W9QYQ Repeater

Please Sign Up For Our Hamfest E-newsletter & Find The Latest Hamfest Information On Our Website: http://www.w9qyq.org/hamfest

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Contact Person: W.W. Warren - KB9TMP For Information, Text or Call: 812.675.2450 Or Email: hamfest@w9qyq.org



Hamfest Location 11265 U.S. Highway 50 West Mitchell Indiana 47446 – Please See Above Map
For The Latest Hamfest News, And Forum Listings Please Visit
http://www.w9qyq.org/hamfest

BLUE RIVER VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY



PLACE: SHELBY COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

500 FRANK ST. SHELBYVILLE, IN 46176

Talk-in Frequency: 145.48 MHz 88.5Hz PL DATE: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2019 TIME: 8:00AM to NOON

SETUP: 7:00AM SATURDAY (INSIDE AND OUT)

The Shelbyville Tailgate 2019 will be held on October 19 at the Shelby County Fairgrounds. We have use of the Family Arts Building so that folks can setup their tables on the inside or outside, weather depending. We will be open at 7:00AM for anyone wishing to setup their table space. At 8:00AM we will open to the general public, Admission is free. No charge for inside or outside vendor space. Soft drinks, Coffee and Sausage Gravy and biscuits available while supplies last. No charge but donations will be accepted. NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE PERMITTED BY THE SHELBY COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION. These folks own the property so we have to play by their rules. Your cooperation will be appreciated. We will be closing up shop around Noon.

This will be an old-fashion tailgate event where hams can get together, chew over old times and embellish their recollections of ham radio past. You can buy, sell or trade your ham related gear and visit with all of your ham radio friends. This tailgate event carries on in the tradition started by Ralph Polston, K9SEW, some years ago when he started having tailgates in his side yard. We are trying to maintain the spirit of those events and perhaps widen the circle of folks who might come visit with us. See you there. 73

www.brvars.com





Reminiscing back to when tailgates were tailgates.

Photos taken when tailgate was in Ralph's sideyard.

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR A GREAT TIME



Southern Indiana 2nd Annual Hamtober Fest

OCTOBER 26, 2019 LYNNVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER LYNNVILLE, IN

7:00 AM - 12:00 PM

N 38.19453; W87.30147

FREE ENTRY

DONATIONS APPRECIATED

Yaesu 400 XDR Transceiver Raffle

TABLES \$10 LIMITED AVAILABILITY

Flea Market, VE Testing, Food, Fellowship
Sponsored by Tri-State Amateur Radio Society www.w9og.net

Contact Us: hamfest@w9og.net

For more information www.hamtoberfest.com

Monroe County Hamfest 2019

Monroe County Fairgrounds, 5700 W Airport Road, Bloomington IN

Saturday September 28th 2019 9am-1pm EDT

Monroe County Club Sponsors:



SIARA

Southern Indiana Amateur Radio Association



Local Vendor Sponsor:



Youth/STEM Kit Soldering Sponsors:



Media and Kit Building Sponsor:



Admission: \$5

Tables Indoor \$5 (some have AC)

VE License Testing Onsite FREE

Vending indoors, please

Talk-in: 146.64 PL136.5

Food: Great Taco Truck

Hours: 9am-2pm EDT

Presentations Begin Af 9am EDT And Include

- * AREDN (>GHz) Amateur Digital Networking
- * ARRIS Amateur Radio on the Int'l Space Station
- * Southern Indiana Digital Radio Network
- * APRS Tutorial For Beginners
- * More to be announced

Activities:

- * Youth Kit Soldering
- * Fox Hunt (check website for details0

Hourly Door Prizes From (be present to win): Quicksilver Radio DX Engineering ARRL More

VE Testing begins at 12 noon sharp. Bring your ID, any credits, and a simple calculator to the testing.

Things change, please check BloomingtonRadio.org for updates.

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47th FORT WAYNE HAMFEST

Largest Hamfest in Indiana
2019 ARRL INDIANA SECTION CONVENTION



ARRL Forum - Saturday 10:00 AM

Kermit Carlson W9XA

ARRL Central Division Director

Carl Luetzelschwab K9LA
ARRL Central Division Vice - Director

James Merry Jr. KC9RPX ARRL Indiana Section Manager

ARRL Section Banquet - Saturday 5:00PM
Dan Henderson N1ND - Keynote Speaker
ARRL Regulatory Information Specialist

Buffet BBQ Beef Brisket and Sautéed Chicken Breast.
Ticket \$25. Attendance limited to first 70.
Reservations Open October 1, 2019
www.fortwaynehamfest.com

- Ham Radio License Testing All Classes (\$14)
 9 AM till 12 PM Saturday
- WAS & DXCC Card Checking and CQ Awards
- New & Used Ham Equipment Dealers
- Main & Hourly Prizes
- Equipment Check-out | Test Purchases on-site
- Talk-in 146.880-
- Tables:

\$25 Regular (8ft), \$50 Premium (8ft), \$33 Electricity (Coliseum Parking \$6 per vehicle)

November 16 & 17 2019

SAT 9 AM to 4 PM SUN 9 AM to 2 PM

Admission: \$6 Sat & Sun \$3 Sun only Children under 12 free (with adult)



Allen County
War Memorial Coliseum
4000 Parnell Ave
Fort Wayne, IN
73,000 sq. ft. all indoors

Get the latest information at

www.fortwaynehamfest.com www.facebook.com/FTWAYNEHAMFEST/



Wabash Valley Amateur Radio Association, Inc.

2019 TurkeyFest & Computer Expo

Commercial Vendors Saturday November 30, 2019
Indoor Event – Rain or Shine!

8:00 AM to 12:00 PM EST

Vendor setup begins at 6:00 AM

Clay County 4-H Fairgrounds 6550 North State Road 59 - Brazil, IN

(39° 29' 03" N, 87° 07' 30" W)

Talk-In: K9IKQ/R - 146.685 MHz - PL 151.4 Hz Admission \$7.00 (12 and under free)

FREE TABLES



Hourly drawings for Door Prizes Breakfast Served - DXCC/VUCC/WAS Card Checking More information: http://w9uuu.org or contact hamfest@w9uuu.org