



# ARRL - Indiana Section

## July 2020 Newsletter

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"To promote and advance the art, science, and enjoyment of amateur radio." ~ Hiram Percy Maxim

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### Remembering friends that we will miss



No Silent Key announcements for the month of July 2020

For silent key notice to be placed in the newsletter, please forward a copy of the obituary notice directly to Jimmy Merry, Indiana Section Manager at [jmerry@arrl.org](mailto:jmerry@arrl.org). For Silent Key notice inclusion in QST, INARRL will submit the Silent Key notice to ARRL headquarters so there is a record of the submission, for record keeping purposes. National Silent Key Archive <http://www.silentkeyhq.com/>

Thoughts and prayers for their family and loved ones.

## Indiana Field Services Appointments Resignations & Cancellations

### New Appointments:

**MARK A SWYGMAN, K9ATP Official Relay Station**

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### Resignations and Cancellations:

Find Indiana ARRL on the web:

[www.inarri.org](http://www.inarri.org) \* [Facebook: ARRL – Indiana Section](#)

Discover all you can do with your amateur radio license in *On the Air* magazine!

*On the Air* magazine is the newest ARRL member benefit to help new licensees and beginner-to-intermediate radio communicators navigate the world of amateur radio. Delivered six times a year, the magazine will present articles, How To's and tips for selecting equipment, building projects, getting involved in emergency communication as well as spotlighting the experiences of people using radio to serve their communities, and those using it for enjoyment.

Whether you just passed your Technician exam or have been licensed for years but never got around to making contacts or starting a project, *On the Air* can help you take your interest in radio to the next level with clear, useful information. For information: <http://www.arrl.org/on-the-air-magazine>

### Meet the Indiana ARRL State Section staff:

**Jimmy Merry, KC9RPX, Section Manager & Affiliated Club Coordinator**

**Brian Jenks, W9BGJ, Asst. Section Manager & Section Traffic Manager**

**Thomas Busch, WB8WOR, Technical Coordinator**

**Jim Moehring, KB9WWM, Section Emergency Coordinator**

**Barry Palencer, KC9WMS, Public Information Coordinator**

**Andrew Murray, N9AWM, Section Youth Coordinator**

**Dave Spoelstra, N9KT State Government Liaison**

# The Section Manager's Desk

Greetings,

Beginning on August 8th, some hamfest across Indiana will begin to open back up. This is exciting news, but we still need to remain alert when attending the hamfests. There is several hamfest over the next three months. I would like to remind clubs that will be hosting hamfests and those attending the hamfests that social distancing guidelines must continue to be followed that have been set-up by the CDC, as well as the recent new laws that are in effect by state of Indiana that pertain to wearing of face masks. We are all anxious to get out and look for that special bargain and socialize with our fell amateur radio friends.

It will be at the discretion of individual Indiana section staff members if they will be attending the hamfests as there are concerns for everyone's health and safety.

As always please feel free to contact me with your concerns. Email will probably work best.

73,

Jimmy Merry, Jr., KC9RPX  
ARRL – Indiana Section Manager  
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## Section Emergency Coordinator Report

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Greetings all!

It is hard to believe that we are halfway through 2020. The Pandemic seems to have sped things up.

Speaking of the Covid-19 crisis, Indiana appears to be keeping the infection rate fairly steady. Thanks to all of you that are following best practices in regards to preventing spreading the virus. As a high-risk individual, I appreciate all that you do!

It has been very interesting in regard to activities related to ARES the past few weeks. The SECs have begun meeting on a weekly basis to discuss various topics related to ARES. Among the discussions have been ARES Connect, Training, Use of Digital Modes and more.

I would like to remind everyone to try and complete the 4 FEMA courses (IS-100, IS-200, IS-700 and IS-800). These seem to be becoming mandatory courses to support FEMA and DHS.

Soon, the ARRL will be hiring a new Emergency Services Manager. This will breathe new life into the organization, and I expect some improvements coming down the line.

Hope to see many of you in person as face to face contacts become more acceptable down the road.

Stay Safe and Well!

Thanks for all you do!

73

## **Jim Moehring, KB9WWM**

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### **\*\*\*\*\*ARES VOLUNTEERS NEEDED\*\*\*\*\***

**Current Open District Emergency Coordinator Positions:** 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, Clinton, Crawford, Dubois, Elkhart, Fayette, Floyd, Fountain, Franklin, Fulton, Gibson, Greene, Huntington, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Knox, LaGrange, Lake, Lawrence, Marshall, Martin, Noble, Ohio, Owen, Perry, Pike, Porter, Posey, Pulaski, Rush, Shelby, Sullivan, Switzerland, 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](mailto:KB9WWM@arrl.net) to express your interest.**

## **District Emergency Coordinators Reporting (5/7)**

KB9WWM (District 3), N9UN (District 5), KC9RVL (District 6)

K9DWO (District 7), N9KL (District 8)

## **Emergency Coordinators Reporting (35/48)**

KB9WWM, K9JAJ, W9DBA, KV9N. KB9OIC  
W9EEU, KC9ELU, N9JFH, WD9GC, KC9RVL  
N9GTLI, W9MSK, KD9GHS, N9CCW, KD9DHJ  
N9JIN. KB9MGG, N9SIU, KD9EDR, W9GNR  
WD9GIU, KC9EVU, KD9BKH, KD9BKH, N9JPX  
KB9RZK, KC9PJX, WR9G, W9DRB, KC9GUY  
W9DAC, N9QVQ, K9DWO, AB9HP, K9EJS

## **District Emergency Coordinators Reports**

### **Jim Moehring – KB9WWM – District 3**

There are still 5 counties in the district without ECs. As we begin to open up the state from the Covid-19 restrictions, I will begin to actively pursue volunteers for these positions. If you are interested in volunteering please contact me at [KB9WWMatARRL.ORG](mailto:KB9WWMatARRL.ORG).

### **Tony Stokes – N9UN – District 5**

I was able to check into several ARES nets throughout district 5 in June. I visited Field Day sites in both Hendricks and Morgan counties and was able to operate in Marion County from the Salvation Army EDS Radio Room.

### **Marv Gilliland – KC9RVL – District 6**

The Randolph County ARC did hold an in-person Field Day event this year. Most Field Day events around District 6 were limited to individuals either running their own station, or small gathering with fellow amateurs.

As was the case for last month's report, planning continues for the East Central Indiana Hamfest at the Randolph Co Fairgrounds 1855 US Hwy 27, Winchester Indiana. The event will be held Saturday, August 15th from 08:00 to 16:00.

All parking, Admission, and Indoor and Outdoor spaces are FREE. Numerous door prizes will be given away, with the Grand Prize being an ICOM 7300. This is an ARRL sanctioned event coordinated with 9 Amateur Radio Clubs: Randolph Co, Jay Co, Muncie Area, EmComm ECI, Grant Co, Adams Co, Whitewater Valley, (all of Indiana) and Darke County Ohio. Talk in frequency is 147.300 with Tone 110.9

Food will be available provided by Randolph Co 4H Shooting Sports. Camping is also available for a small fee of \$25. There will be VE Test Sessions at 10:00 and 14:00. Contact info: WD9EXZ@gmail.com - [www.facebook.com/rcarcindiana](http://www.facebook.com/rcarcindiana) Spread the word and mark your calendars!

### **Alan Scott – N8KL – District 8**

Very strange year for Field Day - watching livestreams on Facebook. Looking forward to being able to tour sites next year in person.

conducted on the Brown County KA9SWI 2-meter repeater 147.300 MHz PL 136.5 with 46 check-ins lasting 106 minutes giving operators an opportunity to test the capabilities of their equipment and practice net protocol.

### **Emergency Coordinator Reports**

#### **Scott Nelson – W9DBA – Brown Co.**

During May there were 4 scheduled ARES nets conducted on the Brown County KA9SWI 2-meter repeater 147.300 MHz PL 136.5 with 46 check-ins lasting 106 minutes giving operators an opportunity to test the capabilities of their equipment and practice net protocol.

#### **Dan McDonald – KV9N – Cass Co.**

Regular Skywarn net times 4 events with a total of 31 check-ins - total time 96 minutes

Our club is W9VMW and we normally conduct a group field day at our local site at our county EMA building operating as an "F" contact. This year, due to the SARS-CoV-2, we operated individually, mostly as "D" contacts. We asked our members to submit their activity. 6 members have done so and the following is the reported contacts by those 6 members for Field Day:

4 contacts on 2M FM  
1418 contacts by phone (SSB)  
19 contacts CW

If I receive more information I will update this report next month

#### **JW (Wes) Temple – KB9OIC – Clark Co.**

Clark County ARES participated in the Field Day Event and now that some of the COVID restrictions have lifted, we will participate in outdoor activities, providing proper spacing can be obtained.

Participated in Monthly Nets held via radio for Muncie Area ARC and EmComm ECI ARC. Participated in 4 of Muncie ARC weekly Nets, and 4 EmComm ECI ARC weekly nets. I was Net Control for one of the EmComm ECI Nets.

### **Gary Adams – W9EEU – Clay Co.**

We had a very good Field Day event this year operating 3A from the Cory Community Center. Our educational activity was a group build of a 1:1 current balun. Everyone enjoyed the build.

### **Gabe Creech – WD9GC – DeKalb Co.**

We activated a SKYWARN net on June 10th due to a large storm that produces high winds. We had reports of several tree limbs that had fallen in Garrett Indiana. We will be having a parking detail for the Classic City Hamfest on July 11th.

### **Marv Gilliland – KC9RVL – Delaware Co.**

EmComm ECI ARC was able to resume in-person meetings this month. Muncie Area ARC held their monthly meeting via radio, as the Muncie Public Library, where their meetings are held remained closed to meetings.

Field Day was limited to small gatherings in Delaware County due to COVID concerns. We did not have a Club sponsored larger event this year.

### **George Boaz – KD9GHA - Hancock Co.**

At the request of the EMA Director, we assisted with the testing of the tornado sirens in the county. The Director was very pleased with our ability to report in real-time, rather than by e-mail or Facebook. She mentioned to the RACES Officer that she would like to involve our group on a monthly basis.

Field Day was a lot of fun this year. We were trying to set up antennas and a large tent in heavy rains, a lot of lightning, and wind gust over 50 MPH. From an EC point of view, it was a tremendous success. During the dry spells, we had quite a few visitors brave the swamp to see what we were doing and wish us well. Next month the club will start planning for 2021.

During the month of June, we held five (5) ARES Skywarn practice nets with a total of 112 check-ins.

### **Clark Whitehouse – N9CWW – Harrison Co.**

5 scheduled nets for the month, conducted on 146.820 PL 103.5. Had to move net from Monday night to Sunday night. Total of 37 check-ins and 84 minutes of airtime.

## **Don Somerville – KD9DHJ – Hancock Co.**

So far, the second monthly report for me seems to be rather low on content due to the ongoing covid-19 restrictions but has given us time to brainstorm some new ideas for the group to consider and work.

**AM Radio Station:** As mentioned last month we, Hendricks County ARES, have been very busy in assisting in setting up and moving the County Health Department's AM broadcast radio station around the county in support of the covid-19 pandemic. The Hendricks County AM radio station, WQSY 847, has been moved to the Hendricks Regional Health Hospital in Danville, IN. on top of their "Penthouse", approximately four (4) stories up off the ground. It is no longer broadcasting and will be in storage mode until needed for the next emergency. In the meantime, we continue to work with the county health department in looking at ways to increase the broadcasting distance of this AM station as well as continuing in working on reducing the "muffle-ness" of the audio (this is produced when the announcer's voice is being recorded to an mp3 file through a cell phone).

**Emergency Repeater:** The HERO team has obtained all the major components to build a new emergency repeater and are in the final stages of planning for assembling and installing the equipment on a tower in Danville, IN. The plan right now is that once we have this repeater set-up and operating, we will be transferring our HCARES Weekly Tuesday Net over to our new repeater in the county. We are also continuing work on plans to bridge communications with surrounding counties (other ARES groups and hospitals).

**Weekly/Monthly Nets:** We have continued with our weekly Tuesday night ARES Nets and did not encounter problems during June.

Our monthly hospital nets have been cancelled until further notice due to the Covid-19 Pandemic and the procedures instituted at our local health care facilities. Once we return, we will let everyone know.

As many of you know, there has not been any community/outgoing events due to distancing restrictions instituted by the governor. We hope that ends soon but right now we are working on plans to press on with Field Day 2020 in one form or another.

**County News:** Some of you know that the Hendricks County Skywarn repeater is located on the tower located on the county property across from Hendricks Regional Hospital (HRH). Well, HRH has purchased that property and that tower will be going away, we are just not sure of the timeframe right now. HCARES are starting to look at options for us to replace this repeater so that we do not negate the coverage within the county. We will keep you updated on this status.

**Field Day 2020:** Field Day this year was quite different from the past due to covid-19. The turnout at the fairgrounds was not as high as we would have liked to see it, but people still came out including young kids. Covid-19 was the main reason as people decided to participate from home, but we also had heavy rains that occurred all day long.

Last, I wish everyone a Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July! Enjoy the day and be thankful for our freedoms.



### **Justin Johnson – N9JIN – Howard Co.**

Several ARES members of the Kokomo Amateur Radio Club were on the air for Field Day 2020 from the Greentown Fair Grounds' Pioneer Village. Using a mesh wireless network with VoIP capabilities and centralized logging, 4 HF transmitters with an additional VHF station were on the air. KARC members and public guests alike enjoyed dropping by the fast-paced event. Many CW, Phone, and Digital contacts were made, proving once again how effective amateur radio can be when called upon for communications help. Though storms took them off the air out of an abundance of caution for about an hour, it was still one of the best Field Days for KARC yet.

### **Robert LaGrange – KB9DJA – Johnson Co**

Members of Johnson County ARES/RACES participated in ARRL Field Day working from their QTH or remote locations. The unofficial total of contacts made during Field Day was almost 800. This number of contacts seemed good to me due to the weather conditions and very poor propagation on HF frequencies, the bands were not cooperating. Everyone that participated reported they did have a good time with Field Day. We all hope things will be different next year.

### **Brian Sexton – KD9EDR – Kosciusko Co.**

We were able to have a small group that came together for field day. As expected, not as much participation this year, but a good time for those that were out there.

### **F. Gary Sherman – W9GNR – Madison Co.**

With the state starting to open up, activity in Madison County is beginning to be on the rise. Propagation may not be the best but activity on our county-based nets is coming to life. Field Day of course brought a lot of hams to life. Summer Field Day was the first stress test on our Emergency Communication Center since it was relocated, and many problems were encountered. With Hams being Hams, problems were determined, solutions agreed upon and many hands and tools rectified all the problems. Field Day operations were disrupted for less than an hour.

Madison County's 145.39 repeater was investigated and found that the Motorola repeater had a failure. The repeater operation has been transferred to the ICOM back up repeater with reduced power but operating on the same frequency. Decisions will be made at the next Madison County Amateur Radio club meeting in July whether to repair or replace.

Since the Governor has begun opening up the state, Madison County Amateur Radio Club had its first face to face meeting on June 2nd followed by the Madison County Communication Division meeting on the 3rd. We will of course be resuming our club meetings at the Madison County EOC with social distancing until that restriction is lifted. Also, during June, Madison County Hams completed 7 more FEMA courses. Two Amateur Radio Operators were certified as Level-1 ARES Task requirements and two Amateur Radio Operators were certified as Level-2 ARES Task requirements

Madison County holds a Storm Net check in every Sunday at 2000hours [8pm] on the 146.82 repeater with a PL Tone of 110.9Hz.

The Madison County Amateur Radio Club holds a net every Wednesday at 2000hours [8pm] on the 145.39 repeater with a PL Tone of 151.4Hz.

**George Edenfield – KB9RZK – Putnam Co.**

K9XT, John, has acted as Net Control for an informal noontime “wellness” net on the RACES 147.330 repeater since most of the Putnam County hams and ARES members are sheltering in place at their homes. For May 14 hams have participated in the noontime wellness net for a total of 7 hours of talk time.

**Michael Anglin – KC9PJX – Saint Joseph Co.**

The Scott County EMA Group conducted a VE Session Saturday, June 13th at the EOC. We had seven candidates come in for testing. Three successfully passed the Technician test. One took their general exam and passed and two took the extra class exams and passed. The next testing session is scheduled for August 8th 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 and is ADA accessible. For more info email: [steve@wr9g.net](mailto:steve@wr9g.net) or visit [www.wr9g.net/links](http://www.wr9g.net/links). 73, Steve WR9G

**Steve Jewell – WR9G – Scott Co.**

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**Peter Crasher – W9DRB – Spencer Co.**

5 analog and 5 digital nets

**Mark Tritch – KC9GUY – Steuben Co.**

Team participated via Skywarn for two severe weather with damage events.

**Len Schmitt – N9QVQ – Vanderburgh Co.**

During June Vanderburgh County ARES held our first (virtual) meeting since the start of the pandemic lockdown with 9 members in attendance. Members were encouraged to sign up for ARES Connect as a means to allow ARRL to justify our spectrum allocations based on ham radio's service to the community. We also reviewed our participation in the May 30th Red Cross drill. Several new members joined our

ranks this month. Information was passed on how to use Winlink Express to create a Radiogram FD message to the IN ARES SM. Many thanks to our volunteers and Happy Fourth of July.

### **Edward Scott – K9EJS – Whitley Co.**

Still calm and quiet in Whitley County due to COVID-19 Restrictions. Most events and meetings are on hold. Hope everyone stays healthy and active

### **Official Emergency Station Reports**

#### **Jimmy Merry, Jr – KC9RPX – Monroe Co.**

Hours for June = 7 hours, 0 minutes - June 2020 - On June 5, I conducted the monthly warning siren test net in Monroe County at 12 pm. NCO for the Monroe Co. ARES net on June 15. Accepted morning CoCoRah's reports for the NWS Indianapolis office, 5 mornings each week from 7:30 AM to 7:45 AM. NCO for the Owen Co. weekly ARES net during 2 sessions in June. I Assisted Sam Emery, KA9ZAI with the weekly Greene Co. ARA net and 1 session as the NCO and 4 sessions as the back-up NCO.

#### **Don Evilsizor – KA9QWC – Whitley Co.**

June 2020 certainly brought about a continuation of adjustments for ham radio and our personal lives dealing with so many changes. And the June Field Day operation was certainly one of the rare adjustments for me operating 1D from home. I certainly missed the social camaraderie and all the eats and treats when operating as a team. I am not a contester nor DX'er so to speak by normal activity. Operating 1D gave me some time to wring out both the plus and minus of the home radio station under a contest atmosphere. Some of the wild phonetics heard on voice was quite entertaining at times.

### **INDIANA ARES BY THE NUMBERS (ONLY 35 ECs REPORTING!)**

**Total ARES Members reported: 706**

**Number of reporting ARES EC's: 35**

**Number of reporting OES's: 2**

**Number of reporting DEC's: 5**

**Number of ARES Nets: 185**

**Number of Nets with NTS Liaison: 75**

**Number of exercises, and training sessions: 48**

**Person Hours: 1618.74**

**Public Service Events: 8**

**Person Hours: 269.73**

**Emergency Operations: 1**

**Person Hours: 4.5**

**SKYWARN Nets: 10**

**Person Hours: 91.35**

## ARRL SECTION TRAFFIC MANAGER INDIANA SECTION

Greetings everyone and welcome to summer! Even with all the restrictions in place this year did manage to hear quite a bit of activity for Field Day and got a good amount of operating time in myself. Ran 2B grp this year made 112 contacts and had a lot of fun! Hope many of you got the same opportunity. Traffic count has been on the uptake and things are holding steady so thanks to everyone for the continued hard work it's much appreciated! Until next month 73 and enjoy summer propagation.

Brian W9BGJ

INDIANA STM REPORTS JUNE 2020					
HF NETS					
NET NAME	SOURCE	QNI	QTC	QTR	SESSIONS
INDIANA SECTION AREA	KC9TYA	20	0	57	2
IDTN	K9JAJ	194	81	498	22
ITN	N1LL	1746	101	1270	60
QIN	K0TQ	82	49	259	28
INDIANA WINLINK	KC9TYA	57	0	855	4
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>2242</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>2117</b>	<b>123</b>
NETS REPORTING	5				

INDIANA STM REPORT JUNE 2020							
PUBLIC SERVICE HONOR ROLL							
STATION	SESSIONS	MESSAGES	APPTS	PUB SVC	EMG RES	DIGITAL	TOTAL
W9BGJ	5	40	30	0	0	10	85
KA9QWC	40	40	30	0	0	10	120
K9DUR	40	4	30	0	0	20	94
AB9ZA	40	40	10	0	0	0	90
N1LL	40	40	30	20	35	20	185
W9EEU	40	5	30	0	0	20	95
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>632</b>
STATIONS REPORTING	6						

INDIANA STM REPORT JUNE 2020						
ORS AND SAR STATION REPORTS						
STATION	TYPE	ORGINATED	RECEIVED	SENT	DELIVERED	TOTALS
W9BGJ	ORS	0	154	154	2	310
KA9QWC	ORS	0	15	35	13	63
AB9ZA	ORS	0	65	58	16	77
K9DUR	SAR	0	4	45	1	50
W9MGB	ORS	1	1	0	0	2
K0TQ	SAR	20	61	69	150	300
N1LL	ORS	6	186	138	2	332
NA9L	ORS	2	1	1	1	5
W9EEU	ORS	0	1	3	1	5
W9PC	ORS	1	8	10	5	24
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>49</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>1170</b>
STATIONS REPORTING		9				

INDIANA STM REPORT JUNE 2020					
VHF/UHF NETS					
NET NAME	SOURCE	QNI	QTC	QTR	SESSIONS
BARTHOLOMEW CO ARES	K9JAJ	30	0	100	4
CASS CO ARC	KA9YBN	47	0	81	4
CLAY COUNTY	W9EEU	54	2	90	6
CROSSROADS DMR	K9NQW	128	0	136	5
D STAR NET	K9NQW	79	0	130	4
DEKALB CO ARES	WD9GC	73	0	188	5
HOOSIER HILLS ARC	WD9EWF	55	0	29	5
HUNTINGTON CO NET	K9BME	72	0	164	5
IMO NET	K9SKS	576	1	321	31
JEFFERSON CO	N9XVB	18	0	45	4
KOSCIUSKO CO EMG NET	KC9AYT	111	0	68	4
MID STATE ARC	K9DY	206	0	171	4
MONROE CO ARES	K9TEM	86	0	85	5
MORGAN CO ARES	N9JPX	77	0	92	4
SCOTT CO ARES/RACES	WR9G	92	2	143	5
SOUTH CENTRAL AREA	KA9OPL	87	0	153	5
TARS EVANSVILLE	KE9YK	171	3	248	13
TRI STATE 2 METER	W9OU	460	0	624	23
WCARC SUN NET	KA9QWC	37	4	84	4
WHITLEY CO ARES	W9NNH	32	0	102	4
21 REPEATER GROUP	KA9QWC	37	4	66	4
		2973	17	3557	165
NETS REPORTING	21				

## North East Indiana Packet Net (NEIPN)

North East Indiana Packet Net (NEIPN) Sundays @ 9

PM EDT via BPQ Chat on the KA9LCF-11 BPQ Chat Node

This Net is accessible via any BPQ Chat Node (it is locally direct accessible on 145.53 MHz in NE Indiana/NW Ohio & SE Michigan) But can be accessed via other frequencies in that same area or other areas through other nodes.

QNI =

QTC =

QTR =

Sessions =

Reported by: Don Evilsizor KA9QWC NEIPN Net Manager

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Dan M. Dahms N9WNH

Indiana Section ARRL Packet Net Manager

# Indiana DMR & D-Star Nets

## DMR

<u>Date</u>	<u>Net Control</u>	<u>QNI</u>	<u>QTC</u>	<u>QTR</u>	<u>Time Began</u>	<u>Time Ended</u>	<u>Freq</u>
06/01/20	KC9OYW	28	0	26	20:00	20:26	442.750(+)
06/08/20	KC9OYW	25	0	25	20:00	20:25	442.750(+)
06/15/20	K9NQW	19	0	24	20:00	20:24	442.750(+)
06/22/20	W9DDX	28	0	32	20:00	20:32	442.750(+)
06/29/20	K9NQW	28	0	29	20:00	20:29	442.750(+)
Sessions:	5	Total: 128	Total:	Total: 136			

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## D-Star

<u>Date</u>	<u>Net Control</u>	<u>QNI</u>	<u>QTC</u>	<u>QTR</u>	<u>Time Began</u>	<u>Time Ended</u>	<u>Freq</u>
06/04/20	K9NQW	18	0	25	20:00	20:25	443.400(+)
06/11/20	K9NQW	24	0	28	20:00	20:28	443.400(+)
06/18/20	KA9OPL	17	0	40	20:00	20:40	443.400(+)
06/25/20	KA9OPL	20	0	37	20:00	20:37	443.400(+)
Sessions:	4	Total: 79	Total:	Total: 130			

# Technical Specialist Coordinators Report

## Pete Ostapchuck N9SFX

Most of my time is spent doing yard work but I did get to the MARC field day site in Mishawaka a couple of times. The past Elkhart County Sheriff wanted to meet me there so I could explain what was going on. Brad Rogers is running for Elkhart County Commissioner and his ties to Emergency Management made him interested in what role amateur radio could play in an emergency situation. He was impressed with the delta loops in the trees. He had a good time despite there being no food because of the pandemic situation.

## **Ed Valasek K3HTK**

June was essentially busy with relocating from Noblesville to Arcadia, IN. My repeaters and station have all been torn down and currently working on getting things back in a position to get back on the air more regularly. With that, was able to participate in Field Day in June using some newly installed antennas consisting of the MFJ 1848 Hex Beam, 160 Meter long wire with a 9:1 balun, and a 160 Home-built loop using a 4:1 balun and 450 Ohm Ladder Line.

The 160 Meter loop antenna has been an absolute winner for all the bands and thought I would share the website I used to get the ideas from and experiment with. Some really good advice on this site for those interested in building any HF loop, not just 160 Meters. Reference:

<http://www.k5rcd.org/hor%20loop%20instruct.htm>

My repeaters will hopefully be coming back on the air soon. I am working with the IRC on getting everything updated and making sure I am good on all frequencies, as well as add a few more. I am also working on bringing D-Star back in the mix for the Indy area. Currently have VHF, UHF and 1.2 GHz modules to get setup and tested. More elevation at the new location and tower work in progress to extend the height from before. More to come....

## **Dan Caesar NI9Y**

The W9AB field day was a success operating as 3A. We installed two all band loops and an off center fed dipole.

I operated an ICOM-7610 on 40 meters CW and the SSB rig was a TEN-T EC JUPITER. The third rig was a brand-new FLEX 6600 Signature.

No food as in previous years o only coffee. And no Sunday morning pancake breakfast Witt sausage.

## **Mark Skowronski K9MQ**

I was able to help two local amateurs this month. One had some questions about the current status of DMR in the area/state. They also wanted to know about six-meter activity such as SSB and FM repeaters, and what type of results that you could expect using a vertical antenna on six meters.

The second person is relatively new to using WSJT-X for FT8. He was manually logging his QSOs into a separate logbook application. I was able to help him set up the JT Alert X utility which allows you to sync WSJT-X with your existing logbook (in this case, N3FJP's AC Log). Now when you hit log QSO in WSJT-X, it goes directly to N3FJP. It also alerts you to stations that you have previously worked and highlights a station if it is a state/entity/grid that you need. I highly recommend the JT Alert X utility if you're using WSJT-X. I also helped with a minor LOTW configuration problem with [QRZ.com](http://QRZ.com).

I spent a lot of the month working 6M. I was able to work and confirm my 45th state, Washington, on 6M. I also worked my 200th grid square and submitted my application for my VUCC 200 grid square endorsement.

### **Roger McEntarfer N9QCL**

For the month of June, I continued dealing with knee surgery and therapy. Look to go back to working from home around July 20, 2020. I continue working with the Whitley County Amateur Radio Club board trying to figure out how to deal club activities and COVID-19.

I did get FT8 set up and working and was able to make over 100 FT8 contacts during our Field Day event.?

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### **Lou Kruzinga N7BBW**

Due to repeater time outs caused by mobile units getting dead keyed, I have been visiting known two-meter radio nets and passing the word to set up their time out timers.

In this day and age, I find more operators buying radios but failing to read the book. I stress the fact that once they get their HAM ticket that now the real learning starts. Sometimes Elmer's are asked questions, but they consist of "can you program this for me?" I know many "ole hams" are asked the same types of questions.

Remember " a mind is a terrible thing to waste".



## **Jeff DeLucenay KB9QG**

Due to the Covid-19 issue we have not had any technical nights or training.

Our June meeting was held on the W9OU repeater and I was the net control. We had 28 check-ins.

I assisted two operators with building J-pole antenna for the 2 Meter/70cm bands. The J-pole antenna increased their signal quality and range for the local repeaters.

I am also helping to support the use of Morse code and planning a class for learning the code.

The Northeastern Indiana Amateur Radio Association is still preparing for a ham fest in July. We will be having it at the Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg museum in Auburn Indiana. There will be no fee to attend the ham fest.

We have 56 tables for the ham fest vendors. We have had several Zoom meetings for the ham fest planning.

Field day 2020 was a success. Ken Strock KD9HMS was the coordinator for the event. We were 3A Indiana site this year. The results were good, and everybody had an enjoyable time. Ken did an excellent job.

We had license testing on June 30th with the following results: Extra Class; Troy Bunguard KD9NZK

## **No Activity to Report**

Tom Busch WB8WOR

## **INARRL Affiliated Club Coordinator Report**

Thanks to all clubs for reviewing the "Club Report", aka "Annual Report" on the ARRL.org website. We still have a little work to do in getting all the reports updated with current information. As mention at least 100 times before this information is very vital. I would like to bring the Indiana Section up to 100% in the reports being current. A list of clubs that need to review the report is below. Along with a "How to Update Your Club Report". I also would like to hear from all clubs across Indiana periodically. Just a paragraph or two would be appreciated, to let us know what is happening with clubs. Photos are always welcome to.

### **How to Update Your Club Report**

The club update area is now active. This section allows you to edit information in your club record and upload photos of your club activities.

The club update is your annual report. You must update your club record at least once per year even if nothing changes. The club update is how we know that the club is still in business and keeps the contact information current for ARRL and prospective hams to get in touch with your club.

Should two years pass without an update your club will be listed as inactive and possibly removed from the ARRL website.

Follow this link for an instructional overview -

[http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Clubs/Club%20Update%20Online\\_20150806.pdf](http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Clubs/Club%20Update%20Online_20150806.pdf)

Jimmy Merry, Jr.  
SM and ACC

**Indiana clubs that have club reports that over 1 year since last update:**

Daviess Co (Mar 19)

ARC of Notre Dame (April 19)

**Indiana clubs that have club reports that are over 2 years  
or soon will be over 2 years since last update:**

Tri County HF (Feb 17)  
Clinton Co (March 18)

Hoosier Repeater Builders (Jan 17)  
Ripley Co (March 18)

Ohio Valley (June 18)  
Kokomo ARC (Aug 18)

## Public Information Coordinator's Report

### DeKalb County PIO Report Jack Dold, W9OWO

Field Day 2020 was the primary activity in June for the Northeastern Indiana ARA and our local newspaper, the Auburn Star provided us with some good coverage. (See attached)

COVID 19 continues to capture the headlines in Indiana. Governor Holcomb has created "Phase 4.5" of our Back on Track program. As of July 4, we were planning to be in Phase 5 but the Governor decided to retain some Phase 4 restrictions.

Fortunately, the limitations do not affect the plans for our Auburn Hamfest, to be held July 11. We're expecting a good turnout and I'll have some pictures for next month's report. At this writing, we have more than doubled last year's table sales and have added several commercial vendors. A rather intense e-mail campaign has produced a very good response.

73 to all,  
Jack Dold, W9OWO

### Hamilton County PIO Report Joe March, KJ9M

As with nearly 40,000 other ham radio operators across the United States and Canada, licensed members of ARES, RACES and the Central Indiana Amateur Radio Association (CIARA) spent their "off-the-grid" time setting up antennas, hooking up HF transceivers and contacting as many fellow hams as band

conditions would allow using voice, CW and other digital modes from the Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds in Noblesville on Field Day.

Because of the threat of strong weather, the club scrapped putting up the Drash (Deployable Rapid Assembly Shelter) and took up the kind offer of Hamilton County Emergency Management to use the HCEM Command Truck which provided full generator power for the full 24 hours of operations. We were able to use both ends of the truck for proper social distancing with masks due to COVID-19 and operate 2 Alpha. A number of members chose to operate from home as 1 Delta or 1 Echo. The ARES-RACES team also operated a second stations from the Emergency Operations Center using the second call sign N9EOC, debuting the QSL card below.



*AROs featured in the card (l to r) are Steve Haston, KD9LXN; Jim Floyd, W9KID; Dane Dillon, KD9CEH and Joe March, KJ9M.*

While our media advisory did not receive wide pickup, social media garnered one couple who showed up interested in getting their license. Naturally, they were provided a (masked) tour and all the pamphlets and information to do just that, including the next CIARA VE exam session on Sept. 11 at the EOC in Noblesville.



*One of two Field Day operating positions in the HCEM command truck at the Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds. Amateur Radio operators Patrick Gawthrop,*

*W9GGG makes contacts as Dick Davis, W9EKD takes care of the logging (KJ9M Photo).*

This year, we engaged social media more extensively, thanks to Emergency Management Executive Director Shane Booker, K9SAB, who tweeted and Facebooked a number of messages into the ether during the event:

### Facebook

Hamilton County Emergency Management released a number of tweets to the public about ARRL Amateur Radio Field Day and Facebook postings such as the one below:



**Hamilton County Emergency Management**

@HamiltonCoEOC

Today is the start of the annual ham radio ARRL Field Day. Our dedicated volunteers have the ability to communicate throughout the county, state, & even the world. We are happy to partner with the Central IN Amateur Radio Association to operate three locations for the event. [#ARRLFD](#)



**WWW.ARRL.ORG**

Even with the stormy weather on day one, COVID-19, and a paucity of media pickups, our brave contingent of dedicated hams showed up, worked hard to set up and take down the various antennas we tried out, all managed to have fun, learn new techniques both technical and operational, and enjoy the camaraderie that only Amateur Radio does so well.

After Field Day, six members of CIARA/RACES served on the July 4<sup>th</sup> Fireworks event in Noblesville, riding the transport trollies using APRS tracking and one of the two repeaters in the county for coordinating and emergency communications. (Fortunately, there were no accidents / emergencies, and all had fun with the first public service event since COVID 19– N95 masked, of course). One local television station, WTHR, Channel 13 News, was on-hand covering one of the few open to the general public July 4 Fireworks events in the area. Great to get out and serve again in accordance with health dept. directives.

The next physical presence with social distancing meeting of CIARA will be Saturday, August 1 at 1000 hrs. in the training room of Noblesville Fire Station 6 at 16800 Hazel Dell Road.

All radio amateurs interested in joining either CIARA/ARES or Hamilton County RACES or anyone interested in obtaining an amateur radio license are welcome to attend this or any meeting or contact myself or each group's representative(s) by email.

73,

**Joe March, KJ9M**

**ARRL** Public Information Officer

Hamilton County

Indiana Section

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### **Hendricks County ARES PIO report June 2020 Jake Stellmack KI6PKV**

#### **Completed events:**

The scheduled weekly W9HCA Hendricks County ARES net was held every Tuesday night at 1930 hrs. HCARES is still using the 147.060 repeater until the 147.015 is available. We want to thank the Morgan County Repeater association for graciously allowing the use of their repeater.

The HCARES monthly Hospital nets remain cancelled.

The HCARES QSY net is cancelled until further notice.

The portable AM radio station ( 1610 ) has a permanent location at the Hendricks Regional Hospital in Danville IN.

The Hendricks County Amateur Radio Society hosted this year's FIELD DAY at the Hendricks County Fairgrounds on June 26-27. The weather was wet on Saturday but cleared up later in the day and the rest of the weekend. Despite the COVID-19 restrictions, several club members came out to help set up a couple of antennas and operate the radio station.





## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

### **JULY:**

The scheduled weekly W9HCA Hendricks County ARES net will still be held on the 147.060 MHz repeater, thanks again to the Morgan County Repeater association.

The Portable radio station -AM 1610 is not operating at this time awaiting any future needs for announcements to the general public.

The H E R O group will sponsor a TAILGATE-HAMFEST on Saturday August 8 at the AVON Methodist Church 6850 East Highway 36, Avon, IN. Set up will be at 0800. The event will be from 0900 to 1300 (9am to 1pm). Tickets are \$5 at the gate, no set up fee, and free parking. Children and FCC licensed under 18 are admitted free. DOOR PRIZES will be given away during the event. For more information contact Ken Kayler, KC9QSD at (317) 874-7068 or at [kakayler64@hotmail.com](mailto:kakayler64@hotmail.com).

Jake Stellmack KI6PKV

[JAKESTELL@AOL.COM](mailto:JAKESTELL@AOL.COM)

HCARES PIO

**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 WJHS 91.5 FM (Whitley County Joint High School) radio station, 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 scheduled for June 11, 2020, the of the WCARC Board Meeting scheduled for June 26, 2020, the and Whitley County Amateur Radio Club (WCARC) Field Day scheduled for June 27 & 28, 2020, the Whitley County Amateur Radio Club (WCARC) General Meeting scheduled for July 9, 2020 and the cancellation of the Whitley County W5YI Test session is scheduled for Saturday July 25, 2020.

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73

Roger McEntarfer/ N9QCL

Whitley County Amateur Radio Club President

Whitley County Amateur Radio Club Technical Specialist

Whitley County Amateur Radio Club Public Information Officer

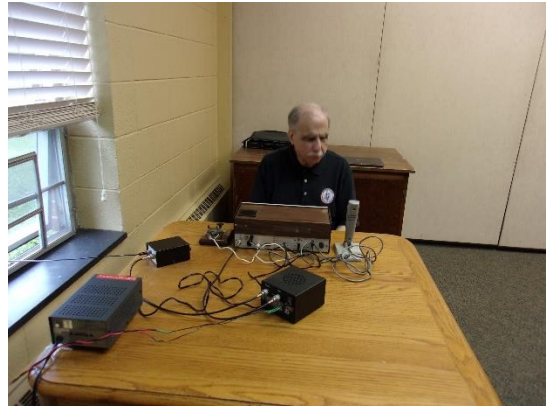
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# Field Day Photo's

Photo's submitted by Noel N9CJT  
Columbus ARC



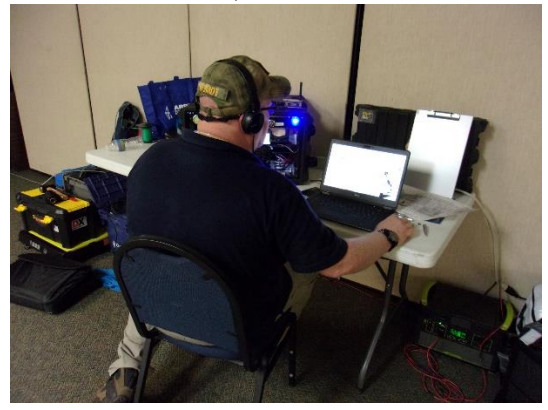
Ashley KD9PJO operating N9KVX station



Joe, KA9OPL



N9KVX & W9MDT



Mike's Go-Box



Photos from Tri State ARS  
Submitted by Len N9QVQ



## 2020 Indiana Hamfest Schedule

August 8 – Elkhart East Hamfest – 9 am (Canceled)  
Northern IN Event Ctr. – Elkhart, IN  
<http://www.elkharteasthamfest.com>

August 8 – Angola Hamfest  
Gateway Comm. Church – Angola, IN

August 8 – Hendricks Co. Emergency Radio Operators Tail Gate – Hamfest  
Avon United Methodist Church  
6850 East US 36 – Avon, IN  
8 am – 12 pm

August 15 - East Central Indiana Hamfest  
Randolph County Fairgrounds – Winchester, IN

October 17 – Hamtober Fest - Lynnville, IN

<http://hamtoberfest.com/>

November 7, 2020 - Hoosier Hills Hamfest  
Lawrence County 4H Fairgrounds - Mitchell, IN  
just off of US-50, west of SR-37

<http://www.w9qyq.org/hamfest>

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## **ARRL - Central Division Convention**

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November 14 - 15, 2020 – Ft Wayne Hamfest & Computer Expo  
Allen Co War Memorial Coliseum  
Ft. Wayne, IN

<http://www.acarts.com/hfmain.htm>

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November 28 - Wabash Valley ARA Turkey Fest  
Brazil – Clay Co. Fairgrounds

[www.w9uuu.org](http://www.w9uuu.org)

SEARCH THE ARRL HAMFEST CALENDAR : <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/search>

HAMFEST APPLICATION: <http://www.arrl.org/hamfest-convention-application>

(Note: The ARRL hamfest calendar on the ARRL website is how INARRL Staff learns about events, so be sure to register your clubs hamfest with the link below. So INARRL can post and share information about your hamfest on social media and the Indiana section newsletter.)

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# 48<sup>th</sup> FORT WAYNE HAMFEST

Host to the  
**2020 ARRL CENTRAL DIVISION 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 Central Division Convention Banquet**

**Saturday, November 14, 5:00PM**

Buffet with two entrees, salad, vegetable,  
starch, roll & dessert.

Attendance limited to first 70 Registrants  
\$25 Reservations Available October 1 thru November 6

- 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 All Indoors
- Main & Hourly Door Prizes
- 3 Rooms of Special Interest Forums All Day Saturday  
SKCC \* AMSAT \* ARES \* NTS \* Indiana Repeater Council
- Youth Lounge (under 12 accompanied by adult)
- Equipment Check-out | Test Purchases on-site
- Tables: \$25 Regular, \$50 Premium, \$33 Electricity  
Drive Directly to Your Table for Setup

**November  
14 & 15  
2020**

**SAT 9 AM to 4 PM**

**SUN 9 AM to 2 PM**

**Admission: \$6 Sat & Sun**

**Sunday only FREE!**

**Children under 12 free**

**(with adult)**

Talk-in Radio Frequency 146.880 (-)



**Allen County**

**War Memorial Coliseum**

**4000 Parnell Ave**

**Fort Wayne, IN**

**73,000 sq. ft. Comfort Arena**

**(Coliseum Parking \$6 per vehicle)**

Get the latest information at

**[www.fortwaynehamfest.com](http://www.fortwaynehamfest.com)**

**[www.facebook.com/FTWAYNEHAMFEST/](https://www.facebook.com/FTWAYNEHAMFEST/)**

Contact (260) 579-2196 , PO Box 10342, Fort Wayne, IN 46851

# FORT WAYNE HAMFEST SPECIAL NOTICE

The COVID-19 Pandemic has upset many aspects of our daily lives. We hope our Hamfest vendors and amateur radio friends are safe and well during this national emergency. Subject to government guidelines and orders, we still expect to deliver a high quality Hamfest again this year and are pleased to host the ARRL Central Division Convention in November. We will continue to monitor health professional recommendations as the Hamfest date nears. All plans are moving forward, but we will decide on September 1 if the risk to our patrons and vendors necessitates the prudent decision to cancel.

The Fort Wayne Hamfest recognizes many hams have suffered job losses and economic stress this year. We have decided to make Sunday at the Hamfest FREE admission. We have no control over the venue provider's parking fee (currently \$6/vehicle), so we encourage carpooling. We will continue to have hourly door prize drawings on both Saturday and Sunday; however, the grand prizes will be drawn and awarded on Saturday at 3:30pm.

Hamfests are an amateur radio tradition which the Allen County Amateur Radio Technical Society (ACARTS) strives to keep alive. If the pandemic has subsided enough to permit travelling and gathering safely, then we hope you'll support the tradition and join us at the Fort Wayne Hamfest.

Save the Date: November 14 & 15.

**The Fort Wayne Hamfest Steering Committee**





*Tailgate-Fest is a great way for you to buy, sell, or swap amateur radio equipment*

**The H.E.R.O. group will sponsor a Tailgate-Hamfest on Saturday, August 8th.**

\*\*\* Food and drinks will be available. Tickets: \$5 at the gate. No set-up fee. Free parking.

\*\*\* Children under 16, and youth that are FCC licensed under 18 have free admission.

\*\*\* Hours will be 8am to 12pm, **DOOR PRIZES WILL BE GIVEN AWAY DURING THE EVENT.**

\*\*\* Location of this event is: 6850 East Hwy 36, Avon IN. 46123





## HENDRICKS COUNTY TAILGATE FEST



**ALL AMATEURS AND PUBLIC WELCOME**

**DATE** - August 8, 2020

**LOCATION** - Avon United Methodist Church  
6850 E. US Hwy 36  
Avon, Indiana 46123

**VENDOR SETUP** - 8;00 am - 9;00 am

**START TIME** - 9;00 am - 1;00 pm

**TICKETS** - \$5 a Person

**DOOR PRIZE** -

\$50 Certificate -  
Donated by DX Engineering

**BREAKFAST PROVIDED BY** - McDonalds Next Door

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT**

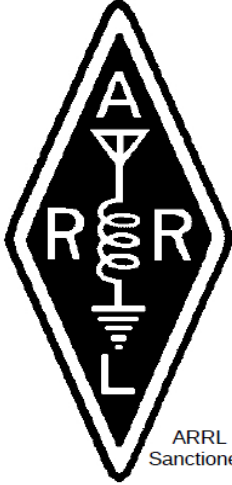
Ken Kayler - KC9SQD at  
317-874-7068  
Email - kakayler64@hotmail.com

East Central Indiana

# HAMFest

Saturday, August 15, 2020 – 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM Eastern  
Randolph County 4-H Fairgrounds  
1855 US Hwy 27, Winchester, IN 47294

WD9EXZ@gmail.com - [www.facebook.com/rcarcindiana](http://www.facebook.com/rcarcindiana)



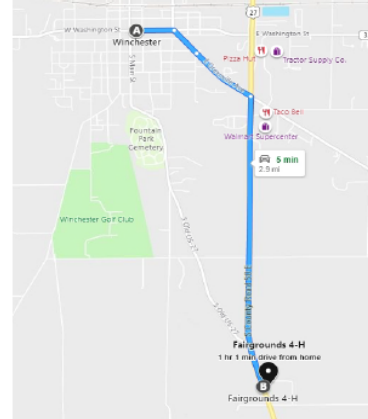
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Sanctioned

### Free:

- Parking
- Admission
- Indoor Spaces
- Outdoor Spaces
- Door Prizes

### Also Available:

- Breakfast \$
- Lunch \$
- Camping w/Electric - \$25
- Showers
- VE Test Sessions—10 AM & 2 PM



Talk-in Frequency  
147.300+ MHz  
PL: 110.9 Hz

### Door Prizes Include:

- Icom ID-4100A D-Star/Analog Mobile *MSRP \$329.95*
- Icom ID-31A+ D-Star HT *MSRP \$279.95*
- Icom IC-V86 7W HT *MSRP \$169.00*
- Grand Prize – Icom IC-7300 HF + 6M *MSRP \$1199.99*  
*Grand Prize drawing at 3 PM—Must be present to win - see details at door*

### Sponsors:

- Randolph Co. ARC
- Jay Co. ARC
- Blackford Co. ARC
- Muncie Area ARC
- EmComm ECI
- Grant Co. ARC
- Adams Co. ARC
- Whitewater Valley ARC
- Darke Co. ARC
- K9NZF Systems
- State Line Radio
- TNT Electronics



Breakfast and Lunch provided by  
Randolph Co. 4-H Shooting Sports



# SKYWARN

# 59<sup>TH</sup> Annual

## HOOSIER HILLS HAMFEST

At the Lawrence County 4H Fairgrounds Near Bedford Indiana November 7, 2020

### NOTICE: NEW DATE NOVEMBER 7TH 2020

**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**

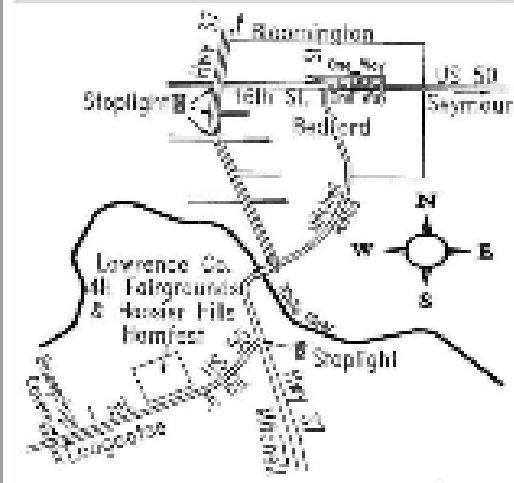
**ARRL VE Testing - Registration 9:30 - 10 am Test At 10 am Next To The Main Building**

**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>

Hamfest Chair: Nathan Lowery, KB9GMU  
Email: [kb9gmu@gmail.com](mailto:kb9gmu@gmail.com)

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



**Hamfest Location 11265 U.S. Highway 50 West Mitchell Indiana 47446 - Please See Above Map  
For the very latest Hamfest News Please Visit: <http://www.w9qyq.org/hamfest>**

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**The W8DXCC meeting and the Cincinnati (Milford) Hamfest**

**That was to be held on Saturday August 29, 2020. Has been canceled for 2020.**