



**Indiana Section
American Radio
Relay League**

Newsletter

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Friends we'll miss

Chuck Emsweller KA9ZOP of Rushville

Corrie Scott W9CKS of Bloomington

David A. Byers N9VTF of Columbia City

For a Silent Key notice to be placed in the newsletter, and sent to the ARRL, please forward a copy of or a link to the obituary to the Bob Burns AK9R, ARRL Indiana Section Manager, at ak9r@arrl.org.

Affiliated Club Coordinator's Report

From Jimmy Merry KC9RPX

Bedford North Lawrence High School – KD9WTP

The newly formed Stars Amateur Radio Club at Bedford North Lawrence High School will host a mini-field day style event on the air on May 3, 2023. Bedford North Lawrence High School is located in Lawrence County. Grid Square EM68sv or 595 Stars Blvd, Bedford, IN

Listen for the Stars on the air and give the students a call. The club received their callsign from the FCC, KD9WTP.

Joachim Ladwig, KC9NVY is the faculty sponsor for the club.

Share your club happenings

All clubs are encouraged to share information each month about their club happenings. Please share special news, hamfests, stories about the club, or something special that a member has accomplished in the amateur radio hobby. Captioned photographs are always welcome. Please share with me for the upcoming section newsletter by the 1st of each month. Materials may be sent in anytime. Send to kc9rpx@arrl.net

Affiliated club updates

Affiliated Clubs must update club records at least once per year.

The club update area is now active on the ARRL.org website. This allows clubs to edit their club information such as club officers, meeting location and time, records, and also allows clubs to upload photos of club activities.

The club update is also known as the Annual Report. Clubs are required to update their club record at least once per year, even if nothing changes. The club update is how ARRL knows that the club is still in business and keeps the contact information current. This helps ARRL HQ, the Indiana Section Staff, and prospective amateur radio operators know how to contact clubs in their area.

Should two years pass, and no update is made to the report, the club will be listed as inactive, until the report is updated. Please complete all the required information.

Please feel free to contact me anytime, and I will assist clubs with making this update to the report.

A tutorial is also available at the following link to assist clubs in making updates to club records.
http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Clubs/Club%20Update%20Online_20150806.pdf

The following Indiana clubs need to make an update their annual report immediately:

Update the newest listing if you find your club listed multiple times (Example 2023, and 1969).

Please don't update the 1969 listing.

If the club no longer exists, please let me know.

PLEASE DO NOT click on the link to create a new club, when updating the annual report. Use the EDIT link in the upper right corner of the page on the ARRL website.

Bloomington ARC

Madison County ARC

Bloomington HS South ARC

Hendricks Co ARS

Southern Indiana ARA

Whitewater Valley ARS

Indiana University ARC

Jennings County ARA

Hoosier DX & Contest Club

Clark Co ARC

Mid-State ARC

Kentucky DX

Indiana Masonic Home ARC

Blue River Valley ARC

Blackford ARC

Michiana ARC

RCA ARC

Owen County ARA

Hoosier Repeater Builders

Terre Haute North HS

807 Club of Kokomo

Porter Co ARC

Tri County HF

Repeater Assoc Ripley Co.

White Co ARC

Daviess Co ARC

Ohio Valley ARC

Purdue University ARC

Elkhart ARC

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Section Traffic Manager's Report

From Brian Jenks W9BGJ

To all net managers, please remember to turn in your reports to Brian Jenks W9BBJ, Section Traffic Manager, by the 6th of the month.

Greetings all, Stations reporting this month are up considerably thank you everyone for getting reports in on time this month! We are back at the lake for the season and have a workable setup here so I am able to get on a little more often than I had last season and it definitely feels good to do so! Looking forward to summer conditions on the bands and of course warmer weather! So, until next month 73!

INDIANA STM REPORT MARCH 2023					
HF NETS					
NET NAME	SOURCE	QNI	QTC	QTR	SESSIONS
INDIANA SECT ARES IDTN ITN QIN	AC9EB	84	13	575	8
	K9JAJ	119	15	268	23
	N9TU	1916	111	1389	62
	K0TQ	147	35	284	31
TOTALS		2266	174	2516	124
NETS REPORTING	3 OUT OF 4				

INDIANA STM REPORT MARCH 2023						
ORS AND SAR STATION REPORT						
STATION	TYPE	ORIGINATED	RECEIVED	SENT	DELIVERED	TOTALS
W9BGJ	ORS	0	12	12	0	24
KA9QWC	ORS	0	19	48	12	79
AB9ZA	ORS	0	67	55	15	137
N1LL	ORS	0	6	0	0	6
NA9L	ORS	1	2	1	1	5
W9EEU	ORS	0	87	89	0	176
W9PC	ORS	0	1	6	0	7
W9MGB	ORS	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR

INDIANA STM REPORT MARCH 2023							
PUBLIC SERVICE HONOR ROLL							
STATION	SESSIONS	MESSAGES	APPTS	PUB SVC	EMG RES	DIGITAL	TOTAL
W9BGJ	8	10	30	0	0	10	58
KA9QWC	40	40	30	0	0	10	120
AB9ZA	40	40	10	0	0	0	90
N1LL	40	40	30	0	0	20	130
W9EEU	40	176	30	0	0	20	266
TOTALS	168	306	130	0	0	60	664
STATIONS REPORTING	5						

INDIANA STM REPORT MARCH 2023 VHF/UHF NETS					
NET NAME	SOURCE	QNI	QTC	QTR	SESSIONS
BLOOMINGTON ARC THUR NET	KC9RPX	89	43	119	6
CASS CO ARC	KA9BYN	72	0	119	5
CLAY COUNTY	W9EEU	70	0	80	6
CROSSROADS DMR	K9NQW	83	0	87	4
D STAR NET	K9NQW	77	0	127	5
DISTRICT ONE ARES	AC9EB	105	0	1030	13
HUNTINGTON CO NET	K9BME	NR	NR	NR	NR
HENDRICKS CO	KD9DHJ	95	3	50	6
IMO NET	K9SKS	NR	NR	NR	NR
JEFFERSON CO	N9XVB	39	0	71	7
MID STATE ARC	K9DY	424	0	358	8
MONROE CO ARES	KC9RPX	175	57	243	9
MORGAN CO ARES	N9JPX	62	0	82	4
NORTHEAST IN PACKET NET	KA9QWC	16	4	90	4
SCOTT CO ARES/RACES	WR9G	48	1	85	4
SOUTH CENTRAL AREA	KA9OPL	85	0	151	4
SOUTH CENTRAL IN SIMPLEX NET	K9MRV	38	0	100	6
SIMPLEX FELLOWSHIP NET	N9CJT	25	0	190	4
TARS EVANSVILLE	KE9YK	107	2	146	6
WABASH VALLEY	KC9LDJ	75	0	115	4
TRI STATE 2 METER	W9OU	274	0	336	21
WCARC SUN NET	KA9QWC	27	4	89	4
WELCOME NET	KC9RPX	117	6	286	7
WHITLEY CO ARES	K9EJS	70	0	31	4
21 REPEATER GROUP	KA9QWC	44	4	85	4
		2217	124	4070	145
NETS REPORTING		25 OUT OF 26			

Public Information Coordinator's Report

From Barry Palancer KC9WMS

DeKalb County PIO John D Maag, KD9QDL

The meeting of the NIARA was held at Lalos in Garrett, Indiana. The meeting was from 8:15 am to 9:00 am. 17 members and operators were present.

Secretary's Report was posted on W9OU@groups.io

A motion was made to accept the minutes by Dennis, KD9KMK and seconded by Chris, KC9ZCK and was approved. Treasurer's Report was reported. If a club member would like a copy of the report, it can be obtained by contacting Dennis, KD9KMK. A motion was made to accept the report by Richard, WB9VDK and seconded by Dave, K9TZ and was approved.

Still need a chairman for Field Day. Application for use of the First Christian Church pavilion has been approved. Payment and Key deposit are complete.

K9A

We have use for the K9A call sign around the Labor Day weekend as in the past. Gabe, AF8GO has agreed to be the chairman. We have received the ACD Festival Artwork and the draft of the QSL card has been made.

Station Trustee

Jeff, KB9QG is our station trustee. All paperwork has been filed. Richard, WB9VDK our former trustee was awarded a certificate of appreciation for all his work and granted a lifetime membership with NIARA. Thank you, Richard, for all you done.

Jeff's, KB9QG corner.

General license training will be from April 11th thru May 2nd. A testing session will be on May 6th from 9:30am until 11:30 am. Both will be held at the Comfort Suites location.

NEW BUSINESS

Communications Trailer

Patrick Henry High School, Hamler, Ohio May 8th thru 12th. Day to be decided.

Peabody Library, Columbia City, TRUCKS ALL TOGETHER NOW, June 10th, 12pm to 3pm.

Whitley County PIO Roger McEntarfer, N9QCL

I announced in the local newspapers: 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 on March 9, 2023, the Whitley County W5YI Virtual Remote Test Sessions on March 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2023. The Whitley County Amateur Radio Club (WCARC) General Meeting on April 13, 2023.

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The next WCARC General Meeting April 13, 2023 @ 7:00 PM. The program for the evening will be "POTA Update" presented by Tom Rupp, KU8T. Note: starting with the March meeting the starting time changes from 6:00 to 7:00 PM. The 2023 WCARC meetings are being held in the Parkview Whitley Hospital basement meeting Room B. Take the elevator to the basement turn left and at the end of the hall turn left again, Room B is the second room on the right.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83048867829?pwd=VjJSZFZReVJVdGNuYkpFd085M3RWQT09>

Meeting ID: 830 4886 7829

Passcode: 431119

All WCARC General Meetings are open to the Public.

The Whitley County W5YI Amateur Radio Team are holding weekly Virtual Test Sessions every Monday at 8:00 PM. The next Virtual sessions will be April 3, 10, 17, 24, 2023. The cost to take the test is \$14.00. To sign up for our In-Person or Virtual Remote Test Sessions visit:

<https://hamstudy.org/sessions/N9QCL>

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 <<https://www.facebook.com/groups/445281282513824/>>

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Technical Specialist Coordinator Report

From Tom Busch WB8WOR

Chris Frederick KQ9Y

Work continues for backup location for 2M repeater. Especially after the recent tornados that passed through county wreaking havoc across New Whiteland and Whiteland. Path was a mere 3 miles south of existing main repeater tower with both 2M and 70cm repeaters. Backup will be in Franklin at MARC radio room, 8 miles from main site. Both locations are local government owned and have backup generator power.

Prep is underway for Field Day. Updating logging programs on Club laptops, checking wire and vertical antennae. Tuneups as needed. HF radios and tuners checked.

VE activity: 2 new Technician Class License holders have been welcomed to the hobby

Mark Skowronski K9MQ

I provided assistance to a local ham who has the opportunity to set up an HF remote base station. While he has a station at home, he does have some yard space limitations. As I have been using Flexradio's for the past 11 years, I provided him with some information and answered some questions, if he chooses to go that route. We also had a discussion concerning using Icom equipment and their software.

Roger McEntarfer, N9QCL

For the month of March I continued keeping busy with Whitley County Amateur Radio Club and the Tamiami Amateur Radio Club meetings and VE Live and Virtual Testing.

I assisted with communications with the Tamiami Amateur Radio Club with the Shark Tooth 10 K Race on Saturday, March 4, 2023 and with the Shark Fin 5K Race on Sunday, March 5, 2023.

I assisted with the Tamiami Amateur Radio Club Live ARRL VE test session on Saturday March 11, 2023

I attended the Tamiami Amateur Radio Club's first annual BBQ, BarBeQue & Qso event on Saturday, March 25 in the Florida sunshine at the Oscar Sherer State Park in Osprey, FL with 73 members attending.

I continued working with the Whitley County W5YI VE Team with virtual remote testing, helping two teams out of Texas on Tuesday and Thursday, helping a team out of Oregon Monday through Friday, helping two teams out of Washington State 20 plus sessions per week and helping several other teams out of California, Maine, Florida, Tennessee and Georgia with 8-14 sessions per week.

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Section Emergency Coordinator's Report

From Jim Moehring KB9WWM

Greetings from Fort Wayne!

March was a busy month with several SKYWARM activations. Thanks to all of the volunteer hours reported in these SKYWARM activations.

STAY SAFE AND WELL!

ARES VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Current Open District Emergency Coordinator Positions: District 4, District 9

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, DeKalb, Dubois, Fayette, Floyd, Fountain, Fulton, Gibson, Huntington, Jasper, Jefferson, Jennings, LaGrange, Martin, Noble, Ohio, Orange, Perry, Posey, Pulaski, Ripley, Rush, Shelby, St. Joseph, Sullivan, Union, Vanderburgh, 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.

District Emergency Coordinators Reports

District Emergency Coordinators Reporting (5/8)

AC9EB, KD9EDR, KC9RVL, N9UN, KB9WWM

Allen Bottoroff – AC9EB – District 1

Busy Skywarn activity this month- 2 VHF and 2 GMRS Skywarn Nets, trained Skywarn spotters active reporting severe WX to the National Weather Service, 4 VHF Training and Information Nets, 1 HF Digital Net, 1 GMRS Training and Information Net, 3 outside Tornado/Emergency Siren Test Nets. Net Control Stations: AK9RT Kurt, KA9EFD (WROB811) Allan, KD9UOW (WRKQ418) David, and W9DLP (WQXU747) Dave continue to improve their fine performance conducting weather related Nets. Promoting summer Community Events scheduling and being-on-the-air.

Brian Sexton – KD9EDR – District 2

Leadership from the District met and had a good meeting about the good and the bad and what we needed to improve upon.

Tony Stokes – N9UN – District 5

I would like to take a moment and congratulate Dwight Kellams, N9DEK on his appoint as the new Hamilton County ARES Emergency Coordinator. I am still looking to fill the open EC positions in both Boone and Shelby counties, if you or someone you know are interested in this position, please feel free to reach out to me at N9UN@arrl.net

I had the opportunity to check into several of ARES nets around District 5 this past month, as well as attending the Marion County ARES planning meeting.

Marv Guilliand – KC9RVL – District 6

The East Central Indiana Hamfest will be held on Saturday, July 29, 2023. Here is a link to the webpage, with flyer and complete details <https://sites.google.com/view/ecindianahamfest/home>

There also is a Facebook page under East Central Indiana Ham Fest

Parking, Admission, tables and tailgate space are FREE. Grand prize is a Yaesu FT-891 HF and 6M 100 watt radio. Numerous other prizes including 3 Yaesu dual band HTs.

Emergency Coordinator Reports

Emergency Coordinators Reporting (21/51)

KB9WWM, N9CJT, KB9OIC, W9EEU, K9PBN, KC9RVL, N9GTL, W9MDT, N9DEK, N9CWW, KD9DHJ, N9SIU, NM9R, KD9EDR, KD9FRT, W9SOX, KC9RPX, N9JPX, W9DRB, KC9GUY, W9DAC

Jim Moehring – KB9WWM – Allen Co.

We had a very active SKWARN Event on March 31 in Allen County. 2 TORNADOS touched down in the Northeast Quadrant of the county with some significant damage.

JW Temple – KB9OIC – Clark Co.

Clark County EC was asked to do a presentation about ARES to a local home owners association about what ARES does.

Gary Adams – W9EEU – Clay Co.

We were finally able to get back into our station at the local hospital after several months of no access due to hospital COVID policy on non-employee personal. After some discussion with the hospital, we may have to relocate within the building and that can be accomplished if necessary. The staff has indicated a desire for us to be a part of their emergency planning, including participation in exercises.

Marv Gilliland – KC9RVL – Delaware Co.

We had one SKYWARN Net, beginning late on March 31st. There were 13 participants, 12 fixed and 1 mobile. Net total of 20 hours.

Mike Tanksley – W9MDT – Greene Co.

I suppose you might say that March went out like lion? A portion of Greene County was in the Tornado Warned area and we maintained a SkyWarn Net for nearly an hour as we shared conditions across the county and with NOAA in Indianapolis. This was the same system that went through Sullivan, Owen, Morgan and Johnson counties on March 31. We were fortunate in Greene county to only have minor damage, mostly downed trees. We did participate in the March 8th State wide SkyWarn drill. I helped provide communications support for the OPSF 50/50 trail run at Owen Putnam State Forest. Very muddy conditions, a little chilly, but always alot of fun. Hoping for a quieter April.

Dwight Kellams – N9DEK – Hamilton Co.

Still waiting delivery of ARES materials from ARRL. Announced my EC appointment to my Club, Central Indiana Amateur Radio Association of which I am Vice-President. Met with Joe March, Hamilton County RACES Coordinator and have his full support. Participated in Hamilton County and Hancock County ARES nets and the State Net. Started reading the Emergency Coordinator's Manual. Recurring comment is disappointment of lack of recordkeeping by and inactivity of previous EC and looking for assurance that will change. Seems to be significant interest in ARES.

Need guidance concerning how to administratively track members and their operational capability; whether that be a simple spreadsheet, database software, or club management software adapted to ARES data points. Would also like to know what other District 5 EC's define as their missions.

Don Somerville – KD9DHI – Hendricks Co.

Weekly/Monthly Nets:

We conducted four (4) weekly Tuesday Night ARES Nets on the 145.130 MHz during the month and had good participation. We accumulated just over 32.73 man-hours of airtime.

The Hendricks County ARES Hospital Net (HRH/IU) was held on March 18 at 1030 on the 147.570 MHz simplex. Matt Klabon, KD9OJB, was the Net Control Operator. These nets are to check the capability on propagation of our radios with the net control operator as well as other amateurs in and around Hendricks County.

Training:

HAM Training Classes: The next training classes/testing will be during the month of May at the Hendricks County Senior Services Center. Dates and times TBD. For further information contact Verne Madden, N9VAM or Gordon Cotton, W9GKC.

Miscellaneous:

SKYWARN was activated on the 145.130 MHz on March 31 from 2240 to 2350 local in response to severe storms entering Indiana and specifically Hendricks County. There were no observations or damage to report. In all, we had 13 volunteers out as storm spotters and 2 individuals handling net control operations. Many thanks to Jeff Pennycuff, W9JAP and the team for their outstanding support!

Upcoming Events:

The next ARES Hospital Simplex net will be at 10:30am on April 15th. Jake Stellmack, KI6PKV, will be the Net Control Operator at IU Health West hospital "operating on 147.570MHz simplex.

Robert LaGrange – N9SIU – Johnson Co,

Johnson County ARES participated in the Statewide SkyWarn Net and an actual SkyWarn Severe Weather Net on March 31 to April 1, Johnson County sustained damage from this storm system. Radio traffic from mobile stations were relayed to the Johnson County Sheriff's Department concerning road hazards and damages to homes and businesses.

David L. Anderson – NM9R – Knox Co.

Emergency weather (tornado) net (SKYWARN) 31 MAR 2023

Brian Sexton – KD9EDR – Kosciusko Co.

March was an active month. We participated in the statewide Tornado drill on the 14th where we operated a net, relayed reports, and provided backup communications to a nursing home while maintaining contact with the NWS in Syracuse as well as Public Safety in Kosciusko Co. We had a great training with a field set-up for a mock deployment. everyone was asked to bring their go-kits and "toys" to set-up as if we were asked to provide auxiliary communications. Then on the last day of the month of course we had the real tornado watches and warnings. Nets were opened and two of us were monitoring and reporting on NWSChat.

Jimmy Merry – KC9RPX – Monroe Co.

Monroe County had 5 weekly nets. Participated in the State Wide Severe Weather Preparedness Drill. Monthly warning siren test. On March 31, 2023 we had a Skywarn net that lasted 3 hours and 18

minutes. KC9RPX and WB9TLH tracked a very strong cell which started near Effingham, IL for about an hour prior to the start of the Skywarn net on March 31 due to a strong hail core and rotation. This cell traveled from Sullivan Co, IN through Greene, Owen, Monroe, and Morgan Counties, producing tornado activity along its path.

Peter Crasher – W9DRB – Spencer Co.

4 Analog and 4 Digital Nets

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Don Evilsizor – KA9QWC – Whitley Co.

Another busy month on various ham radio nets voice & digital. Still hoping to encourage more amateur radio operators to venture in to digital operations & packet radio. Been a windy month that was rough on my HF wire antennas. Fortunately, our G5RV balun is serviceable about 5 feet from the ground making it easy to repair.

INDIANA ARES BY THE NUMBERS

Total ARES Members reported: 467

Number of reporting ARES EC's: 21

Number of reporting OES's: 2

Number of reporting DEC's: 5

Number of ARES Nets: 111

Number of Nets with NTS liaison: 46

Number of exercises: 23

Number of Training sessions: 5

Public Service Events: 5

Person Hours: 93

Emergency Operations: 4

Person Hours: 86

SKYWARN Nets: 20

Person Hours: 1746.82

Form 4 - ARES Monthly SEC Report

Division: Central

Section: Indiana

Month/Year: March 2023

History: Reported by James Moehring, KB9WWM, SEC on 2023-04-18 16:41:15 UTC

Total number of ARES members: 467

Difference in ARES members from previous month: -30

Number of DECs/ECs reporting this month: 26

Total number of DECs/ECs appointed in section: 58

Number of ARES net sessions held: 111

Number of ARES net sessions held with NTS liaison: 46

Number of participants in nets: 2,016

	Number	Person-Hrs
Exercises this month:	23	190.00
Training events this month:	5	155.50
Public service events this month:	5	93.00
Community service events this month:	0	0.00
Emergency events this month:	4	86.00
SKYWARN events this month:	20	1,746.82
Meetings this month:	12	108.50
Unclassified events this month:	2	2.83

Call signs of DECs/ECs reporting:

EC: KB9WWM, N9CJT, KB9OIC, W9EEU, K9PBN, KC9RVL, N9GTL, W9MDT, N9DEK, N9CWW, KD9DHJ, N9SIU, NM9R, KD9EDR, KD9FRT, W9SOX, KC9RPX, N9JPX, W9DRB, KC9GUY, W9DAC

DEC: AC9EB, KD9EDR, KC9RVL, N9UN, KB9WWM

Activity Details:

None

Administrative and Other Comments:

None

From the Section Manager's desk

Note: Each week, I send out an Indiana Section News email for that week. If you are an ARRL member, log into your profile on the ARRL website to make sure you have "Division and Section News" selected in the "Opt In/Out" section in order to get those weekly emails. The items you see here in the "From the Section Manager's desk" section of the monthly section news are taken from the weekly emails.

Hamfest conflicts

I wrote a few weeks ago about how I see hamfests as more of a social gathering than a buying/selling opportunity. But, we can't ignore the enterprise side of hamfests, either. Buyers and sellers have to feel that your hamfest satisfied their needs or they will likely look elsewhere.

A few weeks ago, there were two hamfests in Indiana on the same day. They were about 175 miles apart, so probably no big deal. But, we have two hamfests coming up on April 29 that are about 70 miles apart and there will be two hamfests on October 14 that are about 60 miles apart.

As Section Manager, I have no authority over the scheduling of hamfests. And, I recognize that hamfest organizers are sometimes at the mercy of the venues when it comes to dates. But, going forward, I hope that organizers will consider the world around them when scheduling hamfests. Subdividing a small pool of vendors and attendees is not a recipe for success.

Hamfest conflicts, part 2

There used to be a newspaper cartoon called "Pogo" written by Walt Kelly. One of the more famous lines attributed to Pogo is: "We have met the enemy and he is us." That certainly applies to the scheduling of hamfests.

I've received lots of feedback about my comments on hamfest scheduling. And, I understand that one of the hamfests in question is looking at the possibility of moving to a different date. Watch this space.

For any club in the planning stages for a hamfest, I recommend checking the hamfest listings on the ARRL website and checking with me to see if I know of other events in the planning stages.

ARES Appointment

Congratulations to Dwight Kellams N9DEK on being appointed Hamilton County ARES Emergency Coordinator.

Repair Cafe

Ever heard of Repair Cafe (<https://www.repaircafe.org/en/>). The idea is that you bring people who have broken appliances or electronics devices together with people who have the skills to repair them. The idea started in Europe, but it's starting to take hold in the U.S. Right now, there are no Repair Cafes in Indiana--the closest are in Chicago and Cincinnati.

But, is this a concept that clubs could tackle with regard to amateur radio repairs within their own community? I often hear from hams who have a radio, amplifier, or other piece of equipment that's not working correctly and they have no idea where to take it for repairs. Could your club be that destination?

Club Development Webinars

The ARRL is in the process of setting up a series of webinars on club development. The idea is to take a look at the different positions in the club and how the ARRL can provide training for those positions. The first webinar is on the club secretary. As we move forward more positions will be targeted. All of these

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webinars will be recorded and the recordings and Power Point slides will be available in the ARRL Learning Center. We hope this will be of interest to many of the club members and the webinar is open to anyone that wishes to attend. Click on the link below to register and you'll be sent additional info about the webinar:

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_AzCmCTdORruOmPu5gm2W_g

Special Event Station to raise awareness of pancreatic cancer

Kyle and Ken Bandy, KC9GLR and KJ9B, are assisting Rich Ryba WQ3Q in operating a special event station to raise awareness of pancreatic cancer. The stations will be on the air on Saturday, April 29. Rich's goal is to have at least one station in each of the 10 US call areas. Station N9P will activate nine land from the White River State Park near downtown Indianapolis from 9 am to 6 pm that day. The station will be operating phone (SSB) and the equipment/antennas will be provided.

If you'd like to operate this station, please sign up on this Google Sheet (https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/15Ladoyhm9IPi2CI9CyH2ees51u2R_TA0oGq-JfNaagk/edit?usp=sharing).

If you have questions, contact Kyle at kc9glr.kyle@gmail.com

Upcoming Hamfests in Indiana

The up-to-date hamfest listing for Indiana, and the entire U.S., can be found on the ARRL's website at: <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/search> Note: Hamfests must be submitted to the ARRL in order to appear on the ARRL website. For more information, see: <http://www.arrl.org/hamfest-convention-application>

If your hamfest is not listed here, please contact Bob Burns AK9R, ARRL Indiana Section Manager, at ak9r@arrl.org

Henry County Hamfest

Start Date: 04/29/2023

End Date: 04/29/2023

Location: New Castle Armory
1537 Grand Ave
New Castle, IN 47362

Website: <http://www.w9ob.org>

Sponsor: Henry County ARC

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 147.390 + 127.3

Public Contact: Steve Benson , KD9ILY

Phone: 765-529-6727

Email: kd9ily@gmail.com

North Central Indiana Hamfest

Start Date: 04/29/2023

End Date: 04/29/2023

Location: Miami County 4-H Fairgrounds
1029 W. 200 North
Peru, IN 46970

Website: <http://NCIHamfest.com>

Sponsor: Cass County, Grant County, Maimi County, Howard County

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 147.345+ (131.8)

Public Contact: Mitch Miller , W9DDX

Phone: 765-661-5893

Email: mitchmiller55@gmail.com

Auburn Hamfest

Start Date: 07/29/2023

End Date: 07/29/2023

Location: Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum
1600 Wayne Street
Auburn, IN 46706

Website: <http://w9ou.org>

Sponsor: Northeastern Indiana Amateur Radio Association

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 147.015 with 141.3 tone

Public Contact: John Chalmers , W9GOO

Phone: 260-927-5746

Email: w9ou@arrl.net

Elkhart East Hamfest

Start Date: 08/05/2023

End Date: 08/05/2023

Location: Northern Indiana Event Center
21565 Executive Parkway
Elkhart , IN 46514

Website: <http://elkharteasthamfest.com>

Sponsor: Northern Indiana K9DEW Repeater Network

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 147.330+ PL 131.8

Public Contact: Elkhart East Hamfest , K9DEW

Phone: (574) 370-2436

Email: elkharthamfest@gmail.com

ARANCI Hamfest

Start Date: 08/19/2023

End Date: 08/19/2023

Location: Christ Presbyterian Church
7416 E 109th Ave.
Winfield, IN

Website: <http://aranciradio.com>

Sponsor: Amateur Radio Association of Newton County

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 444.250

Public Contact: Michael Swiader , KA9E

PO Box 215 Lake Village, IN 46349

Phone: 815-409-5070

Email: ka9e@usa.com

Hamtober Fest

Start Date: 10/14/2023

End Date: 10/14/2023

Location: Lynnville Community Center
416 West RD 68, IN-68
Lynnville, IN 47619

Website: <http://hamtoberfest.com>

Sponsor: Tri State Amateur Radio Society

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: None

Public Contact: Dennis Martin , WA2USA

Phone: 812-598-8333

Email: wa2usa.ham@gmail.com

Hoosier Hills Hamfest

Start Date: 10/14/2023

End Date: 10/14/2023

Location: Lawrence County 4-H Fairgrounds

11265 US-50

Bedford, IN 47421

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

Sponsor: Hoosier Hills Ham Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 146.73 - PL/107.2

Public Contact: Nathan Lowery , KB9GMU

Phone: 812-675-2450

Email: hamfest@w9qyq.org

Fort Wayne Hamfest & Computer Expo

ARRL Central Division Convention

Start Date: 11/18/2023

End Date: 11/19/2023

Location: Allen County War Memorial Coliseum

4000 Parnell Ave.

Fort Wayne, IN 46801

Website: <http://www.fortwaynehamfest.com>

Sponsor: Allen County Amateur Radio Technical Society

Type: ARRL Convention

Talk-In: 146.880 (-) No Tone

Public Contact: ACARTS Fort , W9IWX

PO Box 10342 Fort Wayne, IN 46851

Phone: 260-579-2196

Email: chairman@fortwaynehamfest.com

March 2023



Henry County Amateur Radio Club

W9OB

"Promoting fun and fellowship through amateur radio"



Henry Co Hamfest

When: Saturday, April 29, 2023 8am to Noon

(Setup begins 6:30am)

Where: **New Castle Armory**

1537 Grand Ave

New Castle, In 47362

We will have tables inside and tailgating out side.

So come rain or shine.

Follow the signs. Talk-in on W9OB repeater 147.390 + 127.3

Monitoring 146.520

We have door prizes, more coming. You must be present to win.

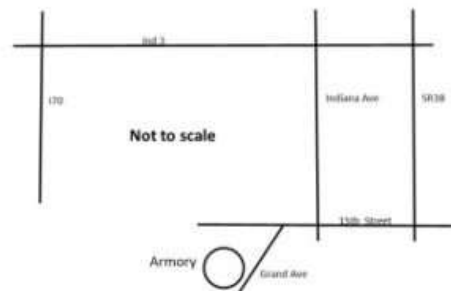
Contact: Steve Benson kd9ily@gmail.com

Cell: 765-524-1758

Entry \$5, Tables \$5, Tailgating \$5

Parking on east side of Armory will be handicap and inside setup. That's where the ramp is. The west side will be tailgaters and buyers parking.

02/10/2023





North Central Indiana Hamfest

Saturday, April 29, 2023

9:00 AM to 2:00 PM (EST)

Miami County 4-H Fairgrounds

1029 W. 200 North, Peru, IN

Hosted by the Cass County, Grant County, Miami County & Kokomo Amateur Radio Clubs.



Talk-In on 147.345+ (131.8)

Coordinates: 40° 47.521' N 86° 5.635' W

Ticket Information

\$5.00 -17 and Under Free.

Free Parking, Handicap Accessible

Forums

**To Be
Announced**

Raffle & Hourly Door Prizes

**Icom 2730 Dual-Band Mobile
Yaesu FT-65 Dual-Band HT**

On Site Camping – Only \$30.00/Night

**Electric & Water Hookups 2 Sewage Dumpsites Restrooms with Showers
Contact: Dave McDougle, Fairground Facility Manager at 765-327-5398.**

Vendor & Tailgating Information

Setup Times: Friday, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. & Saturday, 7:00 - 8:45 a.m.

Inside Tables: Reserved tables \$5.00 each Tables day of event - \$7.00 each

Admission: \$5.00 / Person

Tailgating Area: \$5.00 + \$5.00 / Person Admission

Reserve Your Tables

Call Mitch Miller at 765-661-5893 or email: ncihamfest@gmail.com

Free Laurel VE Testing 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.

(Does not include FCC License Fees \$35.00)

Bring a Photo ID. Children can use a Student ID.

The FCC now requires an FRN Number to test.

Get an FRN Number at <https://apps.fcc.gov/cores/>

If already licensed and upgrading, bring a copy of your current license.

Need more info, contact John Fulton at email: n9vob@sbcglobal.net



www.NCIHamfest.com Find us on Facebook - North Central Indiana Hamfest



The Northeastern Indiana Amateur Radio Association

AUBURN HAMFEST

New Date! **Saturday, July 29, 2023**

Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum

1600 S. Wayne St. Auburn, IN 46706

OPEN 9 AM TO 2 PM • TALK-IN: 147.015 (141.3) 7:00 AM • LOAD-IN: 7 TO 9 AM

FREE Admission

6,000 SQ. FT. INDOOR DISPLAY
SPACE (Not counting the huge
Museum Area!)



FREE Parking

Supervised by the DeKalb County
ARES Team.



FREE AUBURN CORD DUESENBERG
Museum

View an amazing collection of
classic motor vehicles.

NEW this year—FOOD VENDOR
on the parking lot.

NEED MORE INFO?
E-MAIL: W9OU@ARRL.NET

Indoor Vendor Tables: \$10 ea.

Order online now at www.w9ou.org

Outdoor Sales - One raffle ticket
purchase for each parking space.

Contact: W9OU@ARRL.NET

Raffle Prizes:

- 1st-** Xiegu G90 HF Radio with Base
- 2nd-** Yaesu FT-70DR with Mag Mount Ant.
- 3rd-** N3FJP Logging software—Full Reg.
- 4th-** \$50.00 DX Engineering Gift Cert.

Ticket Prices \$5.00 - Buy 2, get 1 Free!

2023 ELKHART EAST HAMFEST
SATURDAY AUGUST 5, 2023
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Northern Indiana Event Center
21565 Executive Parkway - Elkhart, IN 46514

More details are available on our website
at: <https://www.elkharteasthamfest.com>.

The Northern Indiana Event Center is
a state-of-the-art convention facility
located at the MH/RV Hall of Fame in
Elkhart, Indiana. (Toll Road at Exit 96)

Questions? info@elkharteasthamfest.com



Welcome and Join us!

Indoor 20,000 sq ft of Amateur Radio, Hobby Electronics, and More Convention
125 tables of retail and consumer vendors, HAM Radio license exams all classes
\$8.00 admission comes with discounted admission to the RV Hall of Fame

\$15.00 per table 120v/220v available at no charge
One free admission per vendor / children under 12 free

Talk-in: K9DEW Mishawaka Repeater (147.330+ 131.8 pl)

Additional Reserve Info.

info@elkharteasthamfest.com
Northern Indiana Event Center
21565 Executive Parkway
Elkhart, IN 46514



Hamtober Fest 2023



Southern Indiana 5th Annual Hamtober Fest

OCTOBER 14, 2023

LYNNVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER

LYNNVILLE, IN

7:00 AM - Noon CST

GPS 38.19453 -87.30147

FREE ADMISSION

DONATIONS APPRECIATED

Raffle Announcement --- COMING SOON ---

Attendance Prizes

TABLES \$10 LIMITED AVAILABILITY

FREE Outdoor Flea Market, Food, Fellowship

Sponsored by Tri-State Amateur Radio Society www.w9og.net (<http://www.w9og.net>)

Contact Us: hamfest@w9og.net (<mailto:hamfest@w9og.net>)

For more information www.hamtoberfest.com (<http://www.hamtoberfest.com/>)