

Allen County HamNews

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Here Comes Santa Claus

It's that time of year again, Santa is preparing for the Big Night, and the Fort Wayne Radio Club is doing our best to get in the spirit of the holiday with a Christmas Party. The party will be at the Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, December 15, 2006, 6:30 P.M. We will have a pot luck dinner with everyone bringing a covered dish to share and a voluntary gift exchange will follow. Anyone who wishes a gift should bring a \$5.00 gift. If you are a gentleman, please bring a gift for another gentleman, a ladies, please bring a gift for a lady. Very Important, please put your name on the gift tag after denoting if it is for a lady or a man. I hate anonymous gifts as I like to thank whom I got the gift from. So, bring a dish, a gift, if you wish, and a hearty appetite. Music will be provided by our own Club President, Jim, WB9WWM. See you all there.

Carole, WB9RUS



ACARTS Christmas Party

The AC-ARTS Christmas Party will be on December 19, 2006. It will be held at Casa D'Angelo 3402 Fairfield Ave, and will start at 7:00 PM. We will have a special menu that you will have a choice from. The club will pay for the cost of the meal. Reservations are required, and the deadline is December 12, 2006. [See map on pg.5]

THE MENU:

Spaghetti Parmigiano
Lasagne
Ravioli
Fettuccine Primavera (vegetables and pasta)

A small Casaburo Insalata and beverage will be included in your choice.

73,
Vic, KA9LTV

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**Deadline for Jan. issue is Friday, 1/5/07.
Please do NOT send anything in all caps!!**

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President's Corner



The weather outside is frightful... As I am writing this article, the weather has started to become more winter like. It is December after all.

The weather has been unseasonably warm this fall. With temps in the 60's the last week of November I have been able to finish all of the yard work for the year without getting to cold. Unfortunately, I wasn't able to get all of the antenna work completed that I wanted to finish.

Thankfully, we had great weather for the Fort Wayne Hamfest. For those of you I was able to make the eyeball QSO with, it was great meeting and talking to you. For those that couldn't make it, you missed another great Hamfest. I have not heard the final counts but Saturday was certainly busier than I remember past years. No matter, it seems a good time was had by all with plenty to see and do.

December is also our annual Christmas Banquet for the club. It will be held, December 15th at the Good Shepherd Methodist Church at Vance and Reed Roads beginning about 6:30pm. There is always a lot of great food and merriment. (See Carole's article elsewhere in the HamSplatter). I hope that each and every one of you will have the opportunity to make it to the banquet.

Be sure to save a little of that Christmas money for the annual club auction which will take place in January on our normal club meeting night. Every year, there is an abundance of treasures to be found (and maybe a little trash). You might even want to take some time over the holidays to clean out the shack and bring some items to sell.

February brings the National Weather Service Skywarn training. This year the Fort Wayne

Radio Club is sponsoring the presentation so the training will be held at the Good Shepherd Methodist Church on February 16, 2007. We will begin promptly at 7:00 PM, so come early for a good seat. Their presentation gets better and better each year. I am looking forward to the training again in February.

Not much more to report this month. Please take some time to get on the air over the holidays. If you haven't been on the air for a while, look up an old friend. If you are a regular to the airways, make a new acquaintance. If everyone does a little, our hobby can continue to grow.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all. Hope to see you at the banquet!

73
DE
Jim
KB9WWM

**December
FWRC Christmas
Party
Fri., Dec. 15, 6:00 PM**



Fort Wayne Radio Club Minutes 10 November 2006

The November 2006 meeting of the Fort Wayne Radio Club was held at the Good Shepherd United Methodist Church on 10 November 2006 with President Jim Moehring as the host. There were about 25 persons present.

OLD BUSINESS:

Jim Moehring started the meeting by calling all to attention for the pledge of allegiance.

The October minutes were read and there were no corrections. However, it was noted that there was no mention of a discussion (in the minutes) on the efficiency of the power supplies for the Robison Park repeaters that occurred during the business meeting.

Bob Streeter gave the Treasurer's report as follows: As of 10 November 2006 the club had a year to date income of \$2,012.74 and expenses of \$2,233.06 representing a year-to-date deficit of \$221.32. It had \$123.00 in cash and \$4,398.34 in checking/savings including \$102.00 in prepaid 2007 membership dues.

NEW BUSINESS:

Tom Baker reported that he had acquired two tables for the club for the ACARTS hamfest right next to the ACARTS table. Tom had a list of table sales rules and a sign-up sheet available for anyone interested in using the tables to sell their items, and for anyone wishing to sign-up to man the table during Saturday or Sunday.

Jim Moehring announced that ARMAD was planning to set up at the Kruse Military Vehicle war museum in Auburn on Saturday the 11th. They planned to operate both Echo-Link and ILRP stations during the day, and then they planned to be at the Golden Corral on Lima Rd. Monday evening from 6 to 9 pm.

Carole Burke noted that the Christmas banquet will be held at the Good Shepherd United Methodist Church on December 15th starting at 6:30pm. It will be a carry-in as in past years with plates, cutlery and (soft) drinks provided by the club. A male/female gift exchange (\$5.00 value) is planned for those interested in participating.

Gary Stebbins reported that the Drake Linear and the antenna tuner had not yet sold on eBay. If it did not sell during the current offering, he would wait a few weeks and put it up for sale on eBay again.

Carole Burke reported that the club had received a "thank you" note from Ted Clifton's church and another from his family in response to the offering the club made as a result of his passing.



Jim Moehring noted that after the 1st of the year work was planned regarding the repair of the club trailer flooring, and replacement/repair of the generator. Tom Baker noted that a 1KW generator has been offered to the club as a donation and Tom is evaluating it. Lloyd Roach, W3QT commented that there may be a source of surplus generators via the Federal government and that he would provide particulars to both Jim and Tom.

Ken Uhrick suggested that we might want to include a list of club Silent Keys on the club's web page. The Board agreed to consider Ken's suggestion.

Following the business meeting the 50-50 raffle was held. The \$16.00 pot was split between Gary Stebbins, KC9GGV and the club treasury. Gary donated his share to the club treasury.

Steve Nardin and Al Burke provided a "check your rig" clinic where they measured the frequency, power output, deviation and receiver sensitivity of vhf and uhf handhelds and base stations brought to the meeting by club members. A report card with the parameters measured was provided for each rig tested. About 15 radios in total were examined and it appears that this will become a popular event.

Respectfully submitted,
Al Burke, WB9SSE

W1AW 80-m Digital Transmission Frequency Changing

from *The ARRL Letter* – Effective December 15, in response to rule changes resulting from the "omnibus" Report & Order (R&O) in WT Docket 04-140, ARRL Maxim Memorial Station W1AW will change its 80-meter digital transmission frequency to 3597.5 kHz. The expansion of the 75-meter phone band to 3600 kHz makes the change necessary. W1AW will begin using the new frequency starting with the regularly scheduled 2300 UTC digital bulletin on Friday, December 15. A possible change in the W1AW 80-meter CW frequency is under consideration.



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President's Message



A reminder that the December General Meeting is our annual Christmas Party. This year we are trying something different. We will have a Christmas

dinner at Casa D'Agelo on Fairfield Ave on December 19, 2006. The start time is 7:00 PM. The club will be paying for members on record as of April. You may bring a guest, but will have to pay for the meal. We will have a special menu to select from. Reservations are required as we need to know how many people they have to set up for. The reservation deadline is December 15th. See the activities article [pg.1] for more details.

Well the year is almost over. We had another Hamfest, and are awaiting the final numbers. It appears that we are still doing alright. A lot of the vendors said that many hamfests were down this year.

We had the election of officers for 2007, with the current officers and managers being elected to another term. We still have a open position for activities manager. The person in this position arranges for the programs for our general meetings. Half of the year is always set with annual activities, so the rest of the year is open. If you are interested let me know. In the meantime the board could use your help in coming up with programs. If there is something you would like to see, let us know. Better yet, if you have something that may be of interest, volunteer to do a program.

The summer was quiet for Skywarn, as well as the hurricane season. Lets hope that the winter is mild as well.

That is all I have this month. Hope to see you at the Christmas Party. Until then, have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

73,
Vic, KA9LTV



Meeting Schedule

Christmas Party: Dec. 19, 7:00 PM, Casa D'Agelo, 3402 Fairfield Ave.

Next Board Meeting: Dec. 12, 7:30 PM All members are encouraged to attend.



Map to Casa D'Agelo 3402 Fairfield Ave.



November 2006 ACARTS Board Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Vic, KA9LTV.

Vic announced that the club Christmas party would be held on the regular meeting night, Tuesday, December 19, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. at Casa D'Angelo on Fairfield Avenue. The club will cover the cost for paid members and those attending will have a choice of four menu items. Reservations must be made by December 12th.

Jim, KB9IH, said that everything was in place for the Hamfest,

Steve, KB9BGW, stated the the repeaters were operating OK.

No other business was discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Submitted by Dave Lindquist, W9LKH

November 2006 ACARTS General Meeting Minutes

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Vic announced that the club Christmas party would be held on the regular meeting night, Tuesday, December 19, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. at Casa D'Angelo on Fairfield Avenue. The club will cover the cost for paid members and those attending will have a choice of four menu items. Reservations must be made by December 12th.

Vic said that all current officers and managers had agreed to run for office for 2007. The position of Activities manager is still open. No other nominations were made.

A motion to close the nominations was made by Bernie, K9JDF, and seconded by Howard, N9ADS.

A motion to elect the slate of candidates by acclamation was made by Dave, WB9UNL, and seconded by Ken, KB9YKU.

The slate was approved by a voice vote.

Jim, KB9IH, said that the Coliseum costs for the Hamfest were down and that gate revenues were up. Attendance was down by about 150 from last year.

The Hamfest worker drawing was held and was won by Mary, KB9BNP.

Dan, KB9NGM, said that the forums went well and attendance was good.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Submitted by Dave Lindquist, W9LKH

VU7LD Lakshadweep DXpedition Hits The Airwaves



from *The ARRL Letter* – The first of two planned DXpeditions to rare Lakshadweep Islands (VU7) now is on the air. A team sponsored by the Amateur Radio Society of India (ARSI) -- the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) member-society for India -- began operating as VU7LD <<http://arsi.info/vu7/>> from Kavaratti Island December 1 at around 1830 UTC, The Daily DX <<http://www.dailydx.com>> reported this week. Lakshadweep Islands is the second most-wanted DXCC entity. When identifying, operators have been asked to append their own call signs following VU7LD (eg, VU7LD/VU2PAI), The Daily DX says. Also, be prepared to wait your turn for a QSO.

“As with any major DXpedition to a rare location, such as the Lakshadweep Islands, the pileups are going to be extremely large,” advises The Daily DX (and QST “How’s DX?”) Editor Bernie McClenny, W3UR. “Certain areas of the world will have a more difficult time than other areas. When the operator asks for a certain area please respect their plea.”

According to McClenny, the Americas could be among the “more difficult” areas. The VU7LD Web site soon will have a propagation forecast page <<http://arsi.info/vu7/propagation.html>>, he reports in The Daily DX.

VU7LD plans to operate from three or four locations on the island, with up to six stations in all. This all-Indian DXpedition will be on the air through December. QSL via W3HMK.

Meanwhile, a second Lakshadweep foray has returned to its original plans to commence in mid-January instead of December, thus avoiding the potential for on-air conflict. The second VU7 DXpedition <<http://www.vu7.in/>>, under the auspices of the National Institute for Amateur Radio (NIAR), will kick off with a three-day hamfest January 15, and the DXpedition will continue for approximately 10 days. The NIAR DXpedition plans to operate as VU7RG, in honor of the late Indian Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi,

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FWDXA

DX Activities at the Hamfest Carl Luetzelschwab K9LA

Ft Wayne DX Association The 2006 Ft Wayne Hamfest, held on Saturday November 18 and Sunday November 19, offered many activities for DX enthusiasts.

Bill NC1L, DXCC Manager at ARRL HQ, attended this year's Hamfest. This allowed the DXCC card checkers to check ALL cards for those chasing DXCC - including those cards with 160m QSOs, cards with QSOs from deleted entities, and cards with QSOs older than 10 years. DXCC card checkers Mike N9NS, Scott N9AG, and Carl K9LA, along with NC1L, handled about twenty applications. Included in this were two applications with about 450 QSOs each. Additionally Vicky AE9YL took care of two WAS (Worked All States) applications.

On Saturday afternoon, Gary K9SG gave a presentation on last January's 3Y0X DXpedition to Peter I Island (off the coast of Antarctica). Gary was one of the team, and served double duty as the DXpedition medical doctor. It was a very interesting view of the difficulties in putting this extremely rare DXCC entity on the air. It is likely that 3Y0 will not be on the air again for many years due to the difficulty of getting there and the associated high cost.

The Third Annual DX Dinner (that term is used rather

loosely, as the attendees weren't just DXers) was held Saturday evening at the Red River Steakhouse in the Marriott Hotel. In attendance were Scott N9AG, Terri W8CJQ and Bill K8CJQ (from Prosoft Plus in Michigan), Steve K8UD and Gerd WB8IFM (representing AMSAT), Dave N9FN, Carl K9LA, Vicky AE9YL, Hank K9LZJ, Ray K9DUR, Pam KC9JMA, Irene WO8E, Nancy WZ8C (WorldRadio Editor), Josh W9HT, Gary K9SG (3Y0X presenter), Bill NC1L (DXCC Manager from ARRL HQ), Mike N9NS, Tim N9LF, and Dan WD8AAU. Everyone had a good time, and agreed that again the dinner was great at Red River.

Two forums were held on Sunday. They weren't specifically devoted to DXing, but they did offer interesting information for those who do like to DX. The first forum was given by Carl K9LA, and it was an introduction to the 6m band. Topics covered included rigs, antennas, propagation, and the best times to get on 6m. Carl also had Dennis K7BV (Executive VP of Amateur Radio Sales for Yaesu) discuss his efforts on the Magic Band.

The second forum was given by Ted W9WT. It focused on simple multi-band antennas for HF. Some theory was followed up with practical examples of how to cover multiple HF bands with only one antenna. Ted's program generated lots of interest and questions.

All in all, everyone had a good time at the Hamfest. Good DXing and we hope to see you next year at the Ft Wayne Hamfest. [more DX dinner photos on pg. 8]



Indiana Section News for October 2006



Total number of ARES Operations this month: 76; Total Person-Hours reported: 1228.55. (These are extremely fine totals.) According to Dave Pifer N9YNF, Indiana Section Emergency Coordinator, SET reports are beginning to roll in from various appointees. To those who have already filed their reports - THANK YOU. Please remember that annual reports are due by January 31, 2007. With the holiday season coming up on us, it's easy to let these slide. Please keep that January date in mind.

On October 21 and 22, the hams in Vigo County provided comms for the Canonization of Mother Theodore Geurin at St. Mary-of-the-Woods College. 14 Hams participated. The State's Mobile Command Center was on site as well for the event. Expected crowds were predicted to be in the 30,000 to 400,000 range. However, this was not the case. The attendance was in the 2000 range. This event was an opportunity for Vigo County ARES to work with officials in a non-drill mode.

From WA9PSV/ Kosciusko County AEC: Hams were involved in an emergency drill with local hospital personnel. The hospital staff was duly impressed. The hospital now has a station set up next to the emergency room. During the exercise, 8 operators participated for 3 hours, with 3 hams at the hospital, 2 at the emergency scene, 1 at the fire station, and 2 at the EOC.

KB9OLZ/Starke County EC: attended 5 meetings as the ARES representative, assisted/taught 4 Technician classes, attended a Weather class, and checked out emergency power facilities on local repeaters.

N9JPX/Morgan County EC: Several amateurs provided comms for the Martinsville Fall Foliage Parade on Oct. 15. Participating were W9SWC, KA9NYS, KA9NFD, K9DEL, KA9JQR, KA9ZZR, N9QHW, KC9IMS, KC9IZA, KA9NPY, K9AMA, and N9JPX. They also provided comms for the Hoosier Hikers walk/run event in the Morgan/Monroe State Forest on October 28. Amateurs participating in that event included K9DEL, KC9IZA, W9SWC, KA9NYS, KA9NPY, KB9NZF, NA9L, KA9NFD, and N9JPX.

WA9DAN/Jay County: A quiet month. Members on the Jay County ARES served as safety monitors in three Halloween events, about 280 children attended these events.

KB9RVB/Monroe County: The 2-day Hilly Hundred Bicycle Tour, sponsored by the Central Indiana Bicycle Assn, was once again the highlight of Monroe County ARES-RACES October activity. Assisting this year was Marion County EC N9FEB, who contributed double-duty as a CIBA SAG driver and communicator. 26 hams volunteered for the event over Saturday and Sunday.

KC9EJL/Jasper County EC: Attended a weather class on October 13; On October 21-22 presented an amateur radio demonstration to the Boy Scouts.

N9RKY/LaPorte County EC: ARES SET conducted on October 7th. AEC Jim Jesko KB9MAS had 10 checkins for the SET - N9DSN, WA9YNE, N9RON, WA9NGO, N9XID, KA9THY, K9RIF, KB9MAS, N9TPC, and N9UCN. A formal SET message was sent to N9YNF SEC.

The 8th annual SKYWARN Recognition Day (SRD) special event will take place on Saturday, December 2, 2006. SKYWARN Recognition Day is an event co-sponsored by the National Weather Service and the ARRL, and it is the NWS's way of saying "thank you" to Amateur Radio operators for their commitment to helping keep their communities safe. During the 24-hour special event, amateur radio operators will visit their local NWS office, set up Amateur Radio stations, and work as a team to contact other hams across the world.

The following VHF/UHF Net Managers reported their net's activity for September: KC9BHJ, KE9WI, WD9HTN, KB9UAG, WA9PSV, KF9EX, WB9RVN, NA9L, WB9NCE, WR9G, W9THD, and KA9QWC. If your Net Manager's callsign does not appear in this list, then no report of your net's activity was sent to the Indiana Section VHF/UHF Net Manager, John Kinley KC9BHJ. Send monthly reports to: kc9bhj@arrl.net.

October Section Net Activity:

NET	FREQ	DAILY TIMES (UTC)	QNI	QTC	QTR	SESS
ITN	3910 KHZ	1230/2030	2556	137	1340	62
QIN	3656 KHZ	1330/2300	182	76	885	50
ARES	3910 KHZ	4TH SUN/MO @ 1200Z	1	0	5	1
HOOSIERVHF NETS	12 REPORTING		818	9	1701	77
HOOSIER DIGITAL NETS (2)	NO RPT RECD					

October ORS Traffic Reports: K9PUI 83, K9GBR 44, N9HM 10, KA9QWC 8, WB9NCE 6, NA9L 5.

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 Section Manager: James S. Sellers, K9ZBM
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Ft. Wayne Hamfest Photos



Fort Wayne Radio Club table



Carole, WB9RUS giving her YLRL forum

Lakshadweep DXpedition cont'd

VU2RG.

NIAR says “well-known, experienced operators” staffing three operating sites will “work closely together to avoid multiple stations on the air using overlapping frequencies.”

Concerns arose within the DX community in October after NIAR had rescheduled its event from January to December, and it appeared the two DXpeditions would have multiple stations on the air at the same time during early December.

DX Dinner Photos



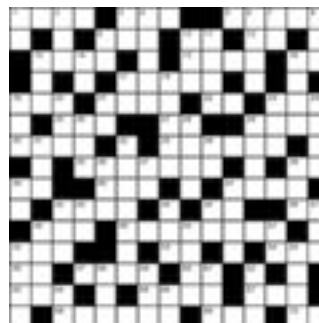
L to R: Nancy WZ8C (WorldRadio Editor), Josh W9HT, and Gary K9SG (3Y0X forum presenter)



L to R: Bill NC1L (DXCC Manager from ARRL HQ), Mike N9NS (DXCC card checker)

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Download the PDF file from the ARRL website:
<<http://www.arrl.org/news/puzzles/2006/11/22/1/puz-zler154.pdf>>





For Sale & Wanted

For Sale:

- Hewlett-Packard HP331A distortion analyzer, \$125.00
- General Radio 1840A 20watt audio output me-

ter, \$10.00

- General Radio 1432M decade resistor box, \$5.00
- Diamond D130 25-1300MHz discone antenna, \$25.00
- 440MHz vertical antenna, \$10.00
- Amateur Television Station, Tx/Rx 439.25MHz, Rx 910MHz, 440MHz antenna, 910MHz antenna and more, \$100.00
- 3 element 6meter beam, \$25.00

Paul Welty, WB9EBX, 260-485-5931, apfwelty(at)verizon.net

Free: Laser printer - Apple LaserWriter Iif, RS-232 serial interface, HP engine
Vic Guess, 260-485-7472, wb9uza(at)arrl.net

For Sale:

- 48' Rohn Spalding tower. Buyer must disassemble and remove. \$100 or best offer.
 - 16' tower, with house brackets, new, unassembled. \$125 or best offer.
 - Hygain TH-7 HF beam, currently mounted on 48' tower. Buyer must remove. Make offer.
- House is being sold so act quickly. Photos available from seller.
Patrick O'Neil, pdo(at)gte.net

For Sale:

- Heath HW24 2m/440MHz HT with drop-in charger. Includes owners manual. Rig is clean but batteries need replacing. \$50
 - Heath HM-15 SWR meter - includes manual - \$25
 - 1/4 wave dual band magnetic mount antenna - \$20
 - Heath model HO-13 ham scan - \$ 50
 - Heath laboratory oscilloscope manual for model 0-12 \$3.00
 - Heath vacuum tube voltmeter model V-7A - \$25
- Charlie Murray 260-478-1372 evenings or email candsmurray(at)verizon.net

Test Points

23-Dec-2006

Sponsor: UNSPONSORED
Time: 2:00 PM (No walk-ins)
Contact: WALTER C VOGEL (419)394-2976
Email: AWVOGEL@BRIGHT.NET
VEC: ARRL/VEC
Location: VAN WERT COUNTY EMA
1220 OLD LINCOLN HWY
HOMELAND SECURITY BUILDING
VAN WERT, OH 45891



24-Feb-2007

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Time: 2:00 PM (No walk-ins)
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Email: AWVOGEL@BRIGHT.NET
VEC: ARRL/VEC
Location: VAN WERT COUNTY EMA
1220 OLD LINCOLN HWY
HOMELAND SECURITY BUILDING
VAN WERT, OH 45891

2007 Foxhunt Schedule

- Jan-No Hunt
- Feb 4 1:30 PM
- Mar 4 1:30 PM
- April 2 6:30 PM
- May 7 6:30 PM
- June 4 6:30 PM
- July 2 6:30 PM
- Aug 6 6:30 PM
- Sept 10 6:30 PM
- Oct 1 6:30 PM
- Nov 4 1:30 PM
- Dec-No Hunt



All foxhunts start at off track betting parking lot, Washington Ctr. & Lima Rds.

Carl, N9NRO

Regional Hamfests

Date	Location	Contact Phone	URL or E-mail
16 Dec 2006	Lowell, MI	616-897-7659	http://www.argyl.org
13 Jan 2007	Middletown, OH	513-779-1747	http://www.swohdigi.org
14 Jan 2007	Nelsonville, OH	740-593-3451	http://www.scarclub.org/
21 Jan 2007	Hazel Park, MI	248-632-3062	http://www.hparc.org
28 Jan 2007	Wheaton, IL	630-604-0157	http://www.wheatonhamfest.org
28 Jan 2007	Strasburg, Ohio	740-922-4454	http://noard.com/tuscoarc.htm

For more complete information go to <http://www.acarts.com/hamfests.htm> or <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests.html#listing>



The Last FWRC Foxhunt of 2006

The pictures below show FWRC members engaged in finding a hidden transmitter (the Fox) on Sunday Nov. 12. The transmitter was a remotely controlled hand held radio and was operated by Jim (K9OMA) and Al (WB9SSE). The location was at the Sheriffs department property located off Carroll Rd. The hill is the backstop for the small arms shooting range. The “fox “ was actually buried in the ground on the hill with just the antenna sticking out. The hunt was intense and lasted about one and a half hours. Afterwards a chili and bonfire for all the hunters was hosted by Jim (K9OMA) and Anne KA9YYI) at their home. A great time was had by everyone and it sure beat sitting home watching football.
- Jim Pliett, K9OMA



Membership Application for ACARTS - and/or - FWRC

Name: _____ Call sign: _____ License class: _____

Street address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ ZIP : _____-4_____ Phone #: (_____) _____-_____ Unlisted? Yes

Email address: _____ ARRL Member? Yes

(ARRL membership helps your club maintain affiliation.)

May we list your name, call & email address in our membership roster and on our club web site? Yes No

Both clubs now offer this newsletter as a downloadable (Adobe Acrobat) PDF file, in lieu of a paper copy sent through the mail. For FWRC a mailed paper newsletter is a \$12.00/yr. premium.

How would you like your newsletter delivered? by snail mail download from web site.

A.C.A.R.T.S. Dues

- Regular membership \$12.00 / year
 - Additional family members ¹ \$6.00 / year
 - Student membership ² \$6.00 / year
 - Associate membership ³ \$6.00 / year
- (New Regular memberships are \$1/month)

Fort Wayne Radio Club Dues

- Regular membership \$15.00 / year
 - Family membership ¹ \$21.00 / year
 - Student membership ² \$6.00 / year
 - Associate membership ³ \$15.00 / year
 - Mailed newsletter premium \$12.00 / year
- (Memberships for Jul - Dec are 1/2 the stated amounts.)

1. Please list all names and calls on an attached sheet.
2. K-12 or full time student

3. unlicensed member
4. 9 digit ZIP code required for US bulk mail

Please attach a check (number _____) for the appropriate amount and bring to a club meeting or mail to:

ACARTS
PO Box 10342
Fort Wayne, IN 46851

Fort Wayne Radio Club.
PO Box 15127
Fort Wayne, IN 46885

For dual membership, fill out both sides and send 2 checks to either club. **Payment by check is strongly encouraged!**

ACARTS Voice Repeaters

- 146.880 (-) General use / Skywarn priority
- 147.255 (+) General use / Autopatch priority*
- 443.800 (+) General use

(All repeaters have autopatch, but 88 has only speed dial emergency #'s.)

ACARTS Digital Repeaters (digipeaters)

- 144.390 (s) APRS - wide

Fort Wayne Radio Club Repeaters

- Voice: 146.76 (-) General use
- 146.94 (-) General use with autopatch
- 146.91 (-) EchoLink connection repeater
Node number 16636
- 444.875 (+) General use
- ATV: 439.25 In, 910.250 Out, 144.340 Audio & control

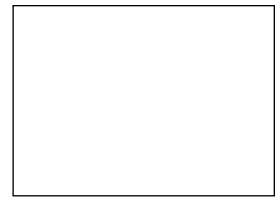
Area Traffic Nets

- (please submit any changes or corrections to the editor)
- IMO:** meets nightly at 6:30 p.m. on 146.88-
- Tri State Two Meter Net:** meets daily at 7 p.m. on 147.015+
- 21 Repeater Group:** meets each Wednesday at 9 p.m. on 147.150
- Help and Swap Net:** Mondays at 8:30 p.m. 146.94(-)
- 6 Meter AM Net:** Last Tuesday of the month at 8:00 pm EDT or EST
on 50.580 MHz <-- NEW

Miscellaneous Nets

- Huntington ARES:** Saturday at 8:00 p.m. on 146.685
- Whitley Co. / ARES:** Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m. on 145.270 (Note
131.8 PL disabled for all nets)
- Whitley Co. Sunday:** Sundays at 7:45 p.m. on 444.550 +. (The
146.460 simplex crossbanding from both nets has been
dropped.)
- 160 Meter "No-Name" Net:** Sunday and Wednesday nights at 8:00
PM Indiana time. On 1966 kHz. Everyone welcome!

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Activities Calendar

Date	Time	Event	Place
12/12/06	7:30 PM	ACARTS Board Meeting	Salvation Army Center
12/15/06	6:00 PM	FWRC Christmas Banquet	GSUMC
12/19/06	7:00 PM	ACARTS Christmas Dinner	Casa D'Angelo, 3402 Fairfield
1/5/07	---	deadline for Jan. ACHN items	
1/9/07	7:00 PM	FWRC Board Meeting	GSUMC
1/9/07	7:30 PM	ACARTS Board Meeting	Salvation Army Center
1/16/07	7:30 PM	ACARTS General Meeting	Salvation Army Center
1/19/07	6:00 PM	FWRC Auction	GSUMC
2/2/07	---	deadline for Feb. ACHN items	
2/4/07	1:30 PM	Foxhunt off track betting parking lot, Washington Ctr. & Lima Rds.	
2/6/07	7:00 PM	FWRC Board Meeting	GSUMC
2/6/07	7:30 PM	ACARTS Board Meeting	Salvation Army Center
2/16/07	7:00 PM	Combined SKYWARN training	GSUMC
3/2/07	---	deadline for Mar. ACHN items	
3/4/07	1:30 PM	Foxhunt off track betting parking lot, Washington Ctr. & Lima Rds.	
3/6/07	7:00 PM	FWRC Board Meeting	GSUMC
3/10/07	8 AM-4 PM	Advanced SKYWARN training	Elkhart Central H.S.