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ACARTS AND FWRC SPRING BANQUETS FOOD, FUN, AND FRIENDS



More photos on pages 3 and 5. Photos by Tom, KU8T and Al, WB9SSE.



FUND RAISING FOR THE FWRC REPEATER PROJECT

I bet you have heard the “come-on” pitch. “Double Your Money” ... and the fine print that hardly anyone reads. Many of the “double your money” offers seem to be unreal . . . requirements that are difficult or impossible to meet.

NOT THIS TIME.

The FWRC Matching Fund Drive is a honest “double your money” offer. No strings attached. Here is how it works:

The FWRC is raising funds to construct a wide area coverage repeater system to be installed on the WLDE tower north of New Haven. The estimated cost of the project may total as much as \$7000, or perhaps even more. This is way beyond the capability of the FWRC treasury to fund. A Matching Fund drive has been established by the Board of Directors to help raise the money needed for this project.

Several generous and dedicated club members have joined forces to make you an offer: For every dollar you contribute to the Matching Fund drive, they (as a group) will match it dollar for dollar.

You contribute \$10, the club benefits by \$20.

You contribute \$50, the club benefits by \$100.

You contribute \$250, the club benefits by \$500.

Each dollar contributed moves the club twice as far toward the project funding needs. You can think of this as a challenge, with the matching fund donors challenging you to make them spend their money.

The current matching fund level is capped at \$1500 for

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Fort Wayne DX Association:	http://www.qsl.net/fwdxa/
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The deadline for the each issue is a few days before the end of the preceding month.

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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Wow, here it is, May already!

This year seems to be flying past, and so far it has been a blast. The Spring Banquet was a great gathering of friends, both old and new, and a good time seemed to be had by all. Speaking of a great gathering of friends, don't forget this month is the Dayton Hamfest, and that always promises to be a great adventure for all who attend.



WELT, by Erik Molberg.

As the weather warms up, and the days get longer, some of us find ourselves working on our stations, in particular, our antenna systems. Building and testing antenna's is one of the things I personally enjoy.

I would like to remind everyone the club has an MFJ Analyzer that can be borrowed by club members to check your systems to ensure all is in good operating order, and that the new antenna you just built is going to work without damaging your radios. The club also has some HF gear that can also be loaned out for those who have just received their upgrades. For information on how to borrow an item, please contact Steve Nardin, W9SAN.

Hope to see you out and about this month!

Charles Ward

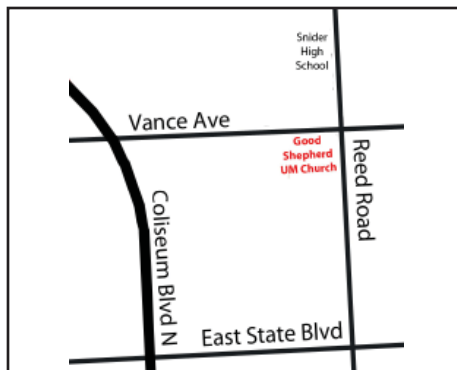
For those who don't want to venture that far away from home, we plan on operating in the Indiana QSO Party this year, and will be operating from the site of the Historic Old Fort in downtown Fort Wayne. This is a HF operating event that all are welcome to come and participate in. The contest runs from 11am on Saturday, May 7 until 11pm that evening, as it runs only 12 hours. This has always been a great event to operate in, and the location this year promises to attract some public attention to our hobby. Regardless of license class, if you are in the area that day, please stop by, get on the air, and enjoy the fun.

Speaking of fun, I am going to copy a page from last year, and hold another "Best Ham Shack" contest. I ask that you take one or two photos of your shack, and email them to me. As I get shack submissions, I will display them before club meetings as a slide show. I plan to welcome entries until the November meeting, with the winner(s) announced during the banquet in December.

Just a reminder, this month's general meeting has been moved up one week from the usual 3rd Friday to May 13th, due to the Dayton hamfest. The meeting promises to be a good one, with a presentation about the low-power FM station,

May 13: The meeting will feature a presentation about the low-power FM station, WELT, by Erik Molberg.

Amateur Radio License Exams Available May 7. The Allen County, Indiana W5YI volunteer examiner team will hold an amateur radio licensing test session Saturday, May 7 at 9 AM at the Anthony Wayne Area Council office of the Boy Scouts of America, 8315 W. Jefferson Blvd., Fort Wayne. **NOTE: If you are studying for the Extra class license, the new question pool becomes effective July 1, 2016.**



Unless otherwise scheduled, all meetings are held at 7:00 PM at the Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, 4700 Vance Avenue, Fort Wayne, IN.

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FORT WAYNE RADIO CLUB BANQUET PHOTOS

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matching dollars, so donations totaling \$1500 to the matching fund drive will result in \$3000 available to the club exclusively for the WLDE project.

Matching fund drives typically last for a specified time limit. This fund drive will last through the end of November 2016. The club will publish the fund drive totals at regular intervals.

Donations will be accepted at any time, from anyone. This fundraiser is not restricted to FWRC members. Donors can make multiple donations if it is more convenient for them. A donation of any amount may be made.

The matching fund has collected donations of \$120 thus far, yielding \$240 for the club. This is 8% of the way to the matching fund goal of \$3000.

Often donors prefer not to be identified. The amount of the donation will not be revealed unless the donor requests that it be made known. The FWRC will make provisions for anonymous donations in this way:

If you want your donation known only to the club treasurer, put your money (cash or check, do not mail cash) in an envelope and mark it "Treasurer Only-Anonymous". You may send it to the club post office box, the treasurer (W8ST) directly, or give it (in a marked envelope) to any Board of Directors member.

If you want your donation known to the Board of Directors but not to the club membership in general, send your money (cash or check, do not mail cash) in an envelope and mark it "BoD Only-Anonymous" to the club post office box or give it (in a marked envelope) to any Board of Directors member.

Donations that are identified but not marked as anonymous will be acknowledged in the ACHN at the conclusion of the fund drive.

The Interesting History of Matching Fund Drives

The first gift matching was a scheme devised and implemented by Benjamin Franklin in 1751 when he persuaded the Pennsylvania Assembly to appropriate 2,000 pounds of public money if the citizens of Philadelphia could first raise 2,000 pounds of private money. (from en.wikipedia.org)



Photos of the FWRC Spring Banquet provided by Al Burke, WB9SSE



DON'T FORGET THE INDIANA QSO PARTY

MAY 7 FROM 1500Z TO 0300Z

<http://www.hdxcc.org/inqp/>

State of the Arts

Allen County Amateur Radio Technical Society

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ACARTS PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thanks to all of the members and guests who attended the Spring Banquet last month. There were 24 people there, making for a little smaller group than we had last spring and at the Christmas Dinner. A good time was had by all attending, with lots of good conversation and food. I'll see all of you at the Christmas Dinner in December.

ACARTS has traditionally held a picnic in August. Last year, nothing was held because no one came forward to help plan or organize a picnic or a club event for an August Saturday afternoon. I will ask again, as I asked last year, for any ideas or thoughts you have regarding a picnic or club event. Let me know if you would like the club to hold a picnic or an event of some type, and how much you would



be willing to help arrange and organize the get-together.

The May meeting on the 17th will be a presentation and demonstration of Packet by Bradd, KA9LCF. Bradd will cover the current status of Packet and the forming state-wide network. If you had operated Packet in the past and thought that it no longer existed, are a current Packet user, or want to see what Packet is all about, plan on attending the meeting. Bradd has been a Packet user for decades and has been providing the area bulletin-board from his site in Auburn for years. I hope to see many of you at this informative session.

73,

Dave Lindquist, W9LKH

President

ACARTS BOARD MEETING APRIL 12, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Dave, W9LKH.

We will be having our Spring banquet at Hall's Guest House on April 19, 2016. This will take the place of our general meeting at the Salvation Army. We have as of this date 20 who will be in attendance. Dave will still be taking RSVPs until Monday, April 18, 2016.

Our speaker for our next meeting, May 17, 2016 will be Bradd Davidson, KA9LCF who will be discussing Packet Radio. He will be going over topics describing Packet Radio here in Indiana, equipment

that needs to be used as well as software. If you have an interest in digital radio but haven't taken the plunge, come to the next meeting!

Discussion also centered on Hamfests in the area. North Central Indiana Hamfest will be on April, 16, 2016 at the Miami County 4H Fairgrounds. Starts at 7:00 AM

May 17: A presentation and demonstration of Packet by Bradd, KA9LCF.

Unless otherwise scheduled, all meetings are held at 7:00 PM at the Salvation Army Center, 2901 N. Clinton Street, Fort Wayne, IN.



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to 1:00 PM. Talk in will be on 147.345+ K9ZEV repeater. The Dayton Hamfest begins on May20, 2016. Other Hamfests around the area include:

- Indianapolis on July 8, 2016
- Angola on August 13, 2016
- Owen County ARA on August 27, 2016
- Bloomington ARC on September 24, Shelbyville (Tailgate)
- ACARTS on November 12, 2016, Fort Wayne.

For further information see the ARRL Hamfests and Conventions web page at www.arrl.org/hamfest/search.

Other discussion was on the upcoming Simplex contest. And Jim, KB9IH is building a checkout board to have at our table for the Hamfest. He mentioned he needed a dummy load and TJ, W9QHY said he has an MFJ 300 watt he can use.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.

Submitted by TJ Walker, W9QHY

Another great ACARTS Spring banquet, at Halls Guesthouse on April 19, 2016. Photos provided by Tom Rupp, KU8T.



FORT WAYNE HAMFEST
& Computer Expo

44th Year

Allen County War Memorial Coliseum
4000 Parnell Ave
Fort Wayne, IN
73,000 sq. ft. all indoors
(Coliseum Parking \$5 per vehicle)

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

- 2016 ARRL IN State Convention
- WAS & DXCC Checking
- New & Used Ham Dealers
- Main & Hourly Prizes
- Equipment Check-out table
- Talk-in 146.890-
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- Tables: \$25 Regular (8ft)
\$50 Premium (8ft)
\$30 Electricity

Ham Radio License Testing (\$14)
9 AM till 12 PM Saturday

Get the latest information at
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Download the flier for the 2016 Fort Wayne Hamfest & Computer Expo at:

<http://www.acarts.com/images/2016%20FLYER%20I.pdf>



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VISITING DXERS IN 5-LAND



Carl Luetzelschwab K9LA

Over spring break, my wife Vicky AE9YL and I headed south for a bit warmer weather and to visit several of our DX friends in the Dallas/Fort Worth area (since we lived there from 1979 – 1988).

We took the early morning American flight direct to DFW, and arrived around 8 AM (their time). After picking up the rental car and having breakfast, we drove to the Stockyards area on the Fort Worth side. We walked around, we watched the daily cattle drive (a small one, of course), we bought a shirt for the veterinary tech who was taking care of our three cats while we were gone, and we bought tickets for the rodeo the next evening. After lunch we checked into our hotel and then drove to K5RX's QTH northeast of Dallas.

Jim K5RX lives on about 50 acres. He's well shielded from civilization, but urban creep is approaching. He has two 185-foot towers, with a 40m/80m Zepp strung between them. His main interest is 160-Meters, and he uses the guy wires for the two towers to support four phased quarter-wave verticals for top-band. He has a C-3 tri-bander at about 85 feet on one of the tower, and a five element 15-Meter monobander at the same height on the other tower. He has lots of room for more HF antennas on the towers.

After visiting with K5RX, we drove a bit more northeast to visit K5IU's QTH.

Dick K5IU lives on 2 acres, and he is surrounded by houses. He was there many years before the houses came, so he has a nice tall tower with lots of HF antennas on it. He and his wife had just finished building what they call a "carriage house" in the back of their property. In reality it's pretty much another house (it's something like 3000 square feet), and the intent is to use it as a workshop and radio shack. He already has two stations set up on benches in the carriage house that are mostly populated with Collins equipment. See the

The next day we drove to Grandview, which is about 50 miles south of Fort Worth. Our longtime friends Mike K9MK and Becky had just moved there (we'd known them since our Motorola days in Fort Worth). They had lived just north of Fort Worth, but over the years they became surrounded by houses and longed for the wide open spaces again. Thus the move to Grandview.

Mike and Becky are truly out in the country, and they're on about 60 acres. The place was formerly owned by a large-



K5IU Station 2

accompanying photos. The Hallicrafters receiver in the station 2 photo is an SX-115 – a ham-band only receiver manufactured in the early 1960s.

animal vet, but he needed more room. One of the neighbors runs cattle on much of their property, but there's still plenty of room for towers. Mike has an 89-foot rotating cylindrical tower on order, and hopes to get it up this summer (at the moment he is radio-less). Their place kind of reminds us of Southfork (from the old Dallas TV series).

We enjoyed visiting our old stomping grounds, and enjoyed visiting with friends we used to DX with. All of our lives sure have changed over the years, but the thrill of chasing DX is still with all of us.



K5IU Station 1



FORT WAYNE HAMS HELP RESIDENTS CONFIGURE WEATHER RADIOS

by Jay Farlow, W9LW

Four Fort Wayne amateur radio operators who are also volunteer storm spotters in the National Weather Service (NWS) SKYWARN program spent several hours April 11 assisting residents with their NOAA Weather Radio (NWR) receivers.

Al Burke (WB9SSE), Steve Haxby (N9MEL), Howard Pletcher (N9ADS), and Jay Farlow (W9LW) worked alongside representatives of WANE TV, the Allen County Office of Homeland Security, the National Weather Service and the Midland Radio Corporation at the Walgreens store on Stellhorn Road to configure NWR receivers.

The volunteers assured that the receivers' specific area message encoding (SAME) and receive frequency settings were correct, so users would receive warnings that the NWS issues for their home counties.

WANE TV had promoted the three-hour event, which was duplicated at other locations in the TV station's market area. The Walgreens store sold nearly 100 near NWR receivers during the event, which volunteers configured. Volunteers also assisted other visitors who brought in their own equipment, some of which was not SAME-capable (and at least one of which was not even a receiver!).



Photo above - Howard Pletcher (N9ADS) (left) and Steve Haxby (N9MEL) configure NOAA Weather Radio receivers during a public event at a Fort Wayne Walgreens store April 11, 2016. More photos of the event are available on the FWRC web site.



SOME HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2016 DuPAGE COUNTY ADVANCED SEVERE WEATHER SEMINAR

From W9LW's Ramblings

The DuPage County (Illinois) Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management hosts an annual severe weather seminar in Chicago's western suburbs to provide advanced training to SKYWARN storm spotters. This year's 25th-annual event was March 12 at Wheaton College and was attended by approximately 500 people. Here are a few tidbits that I took from the seminar.

Spotters Continue to be Essential

"A dead spotter does no good for

anybody," said National Weather Service (NWS) Storm Prediction Center lead forecaster Roger Edwards. He reassured spotters that they continue to be important, even in this high-tech age, but that it's better to miss seeing something than to risk getting hurt.

Edwards suggested that spotters plan spotting locations in advance, so they'll know where to go for the best safety as well as the best views. He also provided a list of questions spotters should ask themselves on a severe weather day, such as what types of storms to expect, how to

expect them to move, etc.

Edwards instructed spotters that if they can hear a tornado, it's too close and they should be in shelter. He also pointed out that even the inflow from a big tornado can damage or roll a vehicle.

The full article is available on Jay's blog at:

<http://w9lw.farlowconsulting.com/2016/03/30/some-highlights-of-the-2016-dupage-county-advanced-severe-weather-seminar/>

THE FOXHUNT CHRONICLES

On Saturday, April 2nd, the weather decided to go absolutely crazy! We had very cold temperatures for April, the wind was hurricane force, and the snow was horizontal! It was totally out of character for the time of year, so when Sunday the 3rd rolled around, we were happy that the sun was shining brightly. The temps were a little on the chilly side and the wind was still rather strong, but the Fox Hunters that gathered that day were thankful for the great improvement.

At the start of the Hunt, four teams had gathered: Charles, Fred, Robert, and Phil in one vehicle, Jason and his daughter Kylie, the team of Al, Carole, Anne, and Jim, rounded out by Kim and Jim with our first ride-along of the season, new ham Chris, KD9FNM, aboard for his first Fox Hunt. At 1:30 pm, the Fox went on the air. Two of the four teams had difficulty hearing the Fox on the input of the 146.76 machine, which prompted a furious anti-Murphy response by the Fox to try a better antenna, which turned out to be broken. So the Fox went back to the on-glass antenna on a rather low to the ground Mini Cooper but running at 50 watts output. In the process, I had completely tore apart the boot on the Cooper and had to reassemble in the field.

By now, all teams had picked up the scent of the Fox! It seems that on the way home from the Toledo Hamfest, Linda had spotted a strange little red shed on Gustin Road near the state line. Gustin is a road that was cut in half when the new US24 route was put in. We don't know the purpose of the shed, but it proved the perfect size for hiding a Mini Cooper, so we hid the micro fox nearby and waited for the hunters to arrive. In looking for a



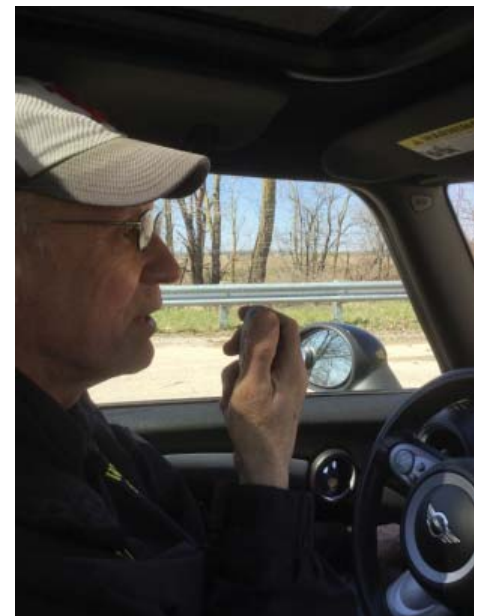
micro fox hiding place, I found two dead animals and briefly pondered hiding the fox under a real dead one, but decided that was too icky and then placed the micro fox at the end of some nice steel guard rails, just under the long grass. "Hiding in plain sight" is the usual phrase with doing this. It would prove to be a worthy hiding place!

After about 45 minutes, we noticed Kim and Jim's van going down old 24. It didn't take them a minute to realize they had over shot the fox, turned around in a fast turn you usually only see on the Dukes of Hazzard, and came screaming down dirt Gustin Road, only seeing the Cooper after passing the shed. They were followed in about a minute later by the Charles-Fred-Robert-Hooper team. Then Jason and Kylie showed up. The last to arrive was the Pliett-Burke team, who were the first to leave the start point.

With all the teams on the ground, the furious hunt for the micro fox began. The intensity of the hunting surprised my Foxy spouse and!! For a minute we thought we were at a Republican debate!! The steel guard rail spread the signal wide, but quickly everyone was literally

walking on top of the Fox. Robert decided to record the mayhem via a Drone overflying the hunt site. People going by on new US24 thought they were watching a scene from the new "X-Files" show. Antennas were flying around, people were trying to disassemble the guard rails, Charles was given a rock from the riff-raff by Fred and started banging on fence posts, Jason found some hidden barbed wire the hard way. Linda was snapping pictures of the drone, which was taking video of her. We need to put more safety warnings on these Fox Hunts!!

It seemed like a long time, but eventually, the fox, which was hiding in plain sight, just under a very thin layer of grass, got accidentally kicked by Jason, who found it first, followed by Jim Pliett, then Kim, and then the remaining teams. Al said he never actually found it. Anne and



Carole wisely stayed in their van, safe from the insanity around them.

With the electronic fox found (but missing its bottom due to the intense stomping it received) we decided on New Haven's Rack and Helens for some after Hunt food and tall tales. It was a great way to end a sunny afternoon of transmitter hunting in Allen County. Congrats to all that braved the challenge to keep our RF finding skills sharp. Be sure to check out Robert's drone video on You Tube!

See you at the next hunt on May the 1st, where Jason will serve as the fox. And



CALL	MONTH SCORE	YEAR-TO-DATE
W9SAN	6.75	19.55
W9LAN	6.75	20.55
ALEX	-	7.8
KC9UOQ	5	17.6
KK4QXC	-	11.6
KC9MUT	1	8
KC9EZP	1	8
AB9IZ	1	5
K9DNU	-	5
KC9UHU	3	3
K9OMA	3	6
KA9YYI	3	6
WB9SSE	3	6
WB9RUS	3	6
KB9DOS	2	7
KB9DOT	2	7
KD9FNM	2	2

remember the ride along option to learn about hunting. Chris did, had a ball, and will be back to try again next month!

Results for this hunt and year-to-date are in the table.

73

Steve and Linda, W9SAN and W9LAN

2016 FOXHUNT SCHEDULE

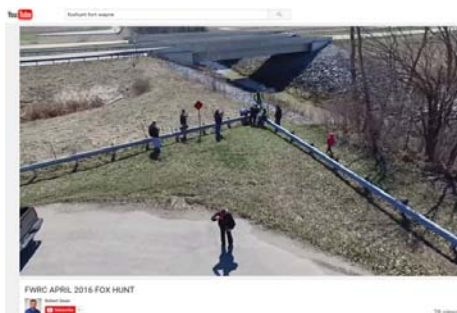
The following is the planned Foxhunt schedule for 2016. All foxhunts start at 1:30 PM on Sunday at the River Greenway Trailhead at Cobin Memorial Park near Lakeside Golf Course.

May 1
 June 5
 July 10
 August 7
 September 11
 October 2
 November 6



Photos of the foxhunt were provided by Steve W9SAN. There are more on the FWRC web page. And a short drone video of the finish on youtube at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EaEzdu5tqSI>



The 65th Dayton Amateur Radio Association sponsored Dayton Hamvention®

Hamvention will be held 20-22 May 2016 at the Hara Arena Complex in Dayton, Ohio.

Can't make it to Dayton this year?

Watch the official live coverage of Hamvention, produced by DARALive on Ustream!

Planned coverage:

Friday

- TAPR (www.tapr.org), at appx 10 AM
- IOS and Android Rig Control
- The Evolution of Radio
- Balloon Sat
- D-Star
- Antennas
- Advances in Software Defined Radios

Saturday

- Youth Forum
- ARRL
- AMSAT
- Contesting
- DX Forum

Sunday

- Engaging Youth in Ham Radio

<http://hamvention.org/media-news/live-coverage/>

<http://www.ustream.tv/channel/daralive>

<http://hamvention.org/>

CONTEST CALENDAR

Here are a few of the contests that will be held in the next few weeks. Please refer to the contest web sites for full rules, scoring information, operating periods or time limits, and log submission information.

Some of the places on-line with information on contests include:

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|------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|---|
| ARRL Contest Corral Web page | www.arrl.org/contests | ARRL's National Contest Journal | www.arrl.org/ncj |
| ARRL Contest Update | www.arrl.org/contest-update-issues | Contesting On-Line | www.contesting.com |
| WA7BNM Contest Calendar | www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/ | Contesting Wiki | https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Contesting |
| DX Zone Contesting | www.dxzone.com/catalog/Contesting/ | ARRL Contest Calendar | www.arrl.org/contest-calendar |

INDIANA QSO PARTY			DELAWARE QSO PARTY			NEW ENGLAND QSO PARTY		
MAY 7, 1500Z	MAY 8, 0300Z		MAY 7, 1700Z	MAY 8, 2359Z		MAY 7, 1400Z	MAY 8, 0200Z	
1.8-28	-	PHONE, CW	1.8-28	ALL	PHONE, CW	3.5-28	-	PHONE, CW
RS(T), COUNTY OR SPC			RS(T), COUNTY OR SPC			W1: RS(T), COUNTY, STATE. Non W1: RS(T), SPC		
www.hdxcc.org/inqp/rules.html			www.fsarc.org/qsoparty/rules.htm			www.neqp.org/rules.html		
ARKANSAS QSO PARTY			50 MHz SPRING SPRINT			FISTS SPRING UNLIMITED SPRINT		
MAY 14, 1400Z	MAY 15, 0200Z		MAY 14, 2300Z	MAY 15, 0300Z		MAY 14, 1700Z	MAY 14, 2100Z	
3.5-28	144	PHONE, CW, DIGITAL	50	-	PHONE, CW, DIGITAL	3.5-28	-	CW
RS(T), COUNTY OR SPC			6-CHAR GRID SQUARE			RST, SPC, NAME, MBR OR POWER		
www.arkqsoparty.com/#!/rules/c205y			sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints			fistsna.org/operating.html#sprints		
EU PSK DX CONTEST			SKCC SPRINT			CQ WW WPX CONTEST, CW		
MAY 21, 1200Z	MAY 22, 1200Z		MAY 25, 0000Z	MAY 25, 0200Z		MAY 28, 0000Z	MAY 29, 2359Z	
3.5-28	-	DIGITAL	1.8-28	-	CW	1.8-28	-	CW
RST, EU AREA CODE OR SERIAL			RST, SPC, NAME, MBR OR POWER			RST, SERIAL		
www.eupsk.com			www.skccgroup.com			www.cqwp.com/rules.htm		

Classified Ads

Items for Sale

Want to Buy



If you have something you would like to have listed in the classified section then please send an email to the newsletter editor at AB9ZD@ARRL.NET.

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For Sale: Yaesu FT-1000 (Non D). Serial number indicates a March 1994 build date. Front panel is in great shape. Cabinet has some rubs and a few scratches. All 4 optional filters are installed in the 3rd IF. 2nd IF has all 4 slots filled also. The CW filter in the 2nd RX is not installed. Electrically the radio works as it should with 200 watts out on all bands into a 50 ohm dummy load. Great radio! I have two FT-1000D radios also and this one was a spare. Comes with an original manual and the power cord. Pick up at my QTH or I'll deliver within 50 miles of FWA.

Asking \$1000 Email me at n9qr@arrl.net or call me on my cell at 260-602-6193.

SILENT KEYS



William Earl Kindred, WA9RAP

Past president and life member of the Fort Wayne Radio Club.



Carole Klaehn, N9KKG

Wife of Richard Klaehn, KB9DOP.

Membership Application for ACARTS OR FWRC

Name: _____ Call sign: _____ License class: _____
 Street address: _____ City: _____
 State: _____ ZIP: _____ - _____ 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 \$20.00/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	<input type="checkbox"/> \$12.00 / year
Additional family members ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> \$6.00 / year
Student membership ²	<input type="checkbox"/> \$6.00 / year
Associate membership ³	<input type="checkbox"/> \$6.00 / year
(New Regular memberships are \$1/month)	

Fort Wayne Radio Club Dues	
Regular membership	<input type="checkbox"/> \$20.00 / year
Family membership ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30.00 / year
Student membership ²	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5.00 / year
Associate membership ³	<input type="checkbox"/> \$20.00 / year
Mailed newsletter premium	<input type="checkbox"/> \$20.00 / 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

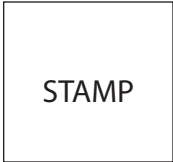
Please attach a check (number _____) for the appropriate amount and bring to a club meeting or mail to:

ACARTS	Fort Wayne Radio Club.
PO Box 10342	PO Box 15127
Fort Wayne, IN 46851-0342	Fort Wayne, IN 46885-5127

For dual membership, send a check to each club for your respective membership. Payment by check is strongly encouraged!

ACARTS AND FWRC REPEATERS		
W9INX		ACARTS
146.880 (-)	No tone	General use / Skywarn priority
147.255 (+)	No tone	General use
443.800 (+)	No tone	General use
144.390 (s)	Digital	APRS - wide
145.530 (s)	Digital	W9INX-1 Digipeater and Node
W9TE		FWRC
146.760 (-)	141.3 Hz optional	General use (Note 1)
146.940 (-)	141.3 Hz optional	General use with auto-patch (Note 1)
146.910 (-)	141.3 Hz optional	EchoLink connection repeater Node number 519521 (Note 1)
444.875 (+)	141.3 Hz	General use (Note 1)
439.25 In, 910.250 Out	ATV	144.340 Audio & control
442.99375	D-STAR	General use (Note 2)
224.780 (-)	No tone	W9FEZ, 1.6 MHz offset
Notes:		
1. Output 141.3 Hz, present		
2. Offset + 5.0 MHz, W9TE ___ B, W9TE ___ G		

AREA NETS					
Daily			Tuesday		
8:00 AM	3.535	Daily (QIN) Indiana Section CW net	8:00 PM	50.580 USB	FWRC 6 Meter Net
8:30 AM	3.940	Daily Indiana Traffic Net	9:00 PM	146.940-	Allen Co. ARES Training Net
6:00 PM	3.940	Daily Indiana Traffic Net	Wednesday		
6:30 PM	146.880-	IMO (alternate is 146.760)	7:00 PM	146.760-	FWRCYL Net
7:00 PM	147.015+	Tri State Two Meter Net	7:30 PM	147.150	21 Repeater Group
8:00 PM	3.535	Daily (QIN) Indiana Section CW net	8:00 PM	145.270	Whitley Co. ARES (131.8 PL disabled)
Week Days			9:00 PM	146.940-	Help and Swap Net
8:30 AM	3.820	Little Red Barn Net	Thursday		
Sunday			7:30 PM	D-STAR	Indiana D-STAR net (Note 3)
8:00 PM	444.550+	Whitley Co. Sunday (131.8 PL)	8:00 PM	50.580 AM	6 Meter AM Net
8:30 PM	1.965 & 146.910-	"No-Name" Net also on EchoLink Node number 519521	8:30 PM	145.510 (s)	Allen County ARES Digital Operations Team Training Net (Note 4)
9:00 PM	145.530	Northeast Indiana Packet Net (Note 2)	Saturday		
Monday			8:00 PM	146.685-	Huntington ARES
8:00 PM	224.780-	Fort Wayne 224 Net			
<p>1. All times local time. Any changes or corrections should be submitted to the newsletter editor at AB9ZD (at) ARRL.NET.</p> <p>2. On 145.530 @ 1200 baud. Use unconnected converse mode to communicate for a roundtable net setting. Use your "UNPROTO" command or equivalent to set Digi path(s) through the strongest station(s) needed between you and your destination. Only use those that are necessary! Have all your "Monitor" settings on so you can see everyone.</p> <p>3. 1st and 3rd Thursday, Reflector REF024B.</p> <p>4. Net starts using BPSK-31 and switches to BPSK-250 after roll call to pass traffic etc. NBEMS suite of software (FLDIGI, FLMSG, and FLAMP) is preferred.</p> <p>5. Indiana HF Traffic Nets Web Site: http://www.inarrl.org/inhfnet.html</p>					



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Activities Calendar



Date	Time	Event	Place
05/01/2016	1:30 PM	Foxhunt - River Greenway Trailhead/Cobin Memorial Park near Lakeside Golf Course	GSUMC
05/03/2016	7:00 PM	FWRC Board Meeting	GSUMC
05/07/2016	9:00 AM	Amateur Radio Licensing Test Session	Boy Scout Office, 8315 W. Jefferson Blvd, FW
05/10/2016	7:00 PM	ACARTS Board Meeting	Salvation Army Facility
05/13/2016	7:00 PM	FWRC General Meeting	GSUMC
05/17/2016	7:00 PM	ACARTS General Meeting	Salvation Army Facility
06/05/2016	1:30 PM	Foxhunt - River Greenway Trailhead/Cobin Memorial Park near Lakeside Golf Course	GSUMC
06/07/2016	7:00 PM	FWRC Board Meeting	GSUMC
06/14/2016	7:00 PM	ACARTS Board Meeting	Salvation Army Facility
06/17/2016	7:00 PM	FWRC General Meeting	GSUMC
06/21/2016	7:00 PM	ACARTS General Meeting	Salvation Army Facility
08/13/2016	8:00 AM	Angola Hamfest	Angola, IN (More Info to Follow)
11/12/2016	9:00 AM	2016 Fort Wayne Hamfest	Allen County War Memorial Coliseum
11/13/2016	9:00 AM	2016 Fort Wayne Hamfest	Allen County War Memorial Coliseum