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UPCOMING TECHNICIAN LICENSING CLASS

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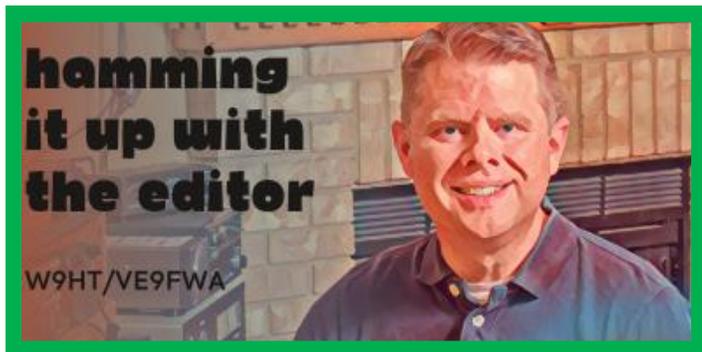
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And much,

much more!



Enjoy the upcoming time change, the last bit of winter, and the start of spring this month.

I hope to catch you on the air or at one of the local club meetings soon.

73,

Josh, W9HT

P.S. Don't forget to mark your calendars for the the Allen County FM Simplex Contest in April and the Indiana QSO Party in May!



ALLEN COUNTY HAMNEWS

HamNews is a monthly, joint publication of the Fort Wayne Radio Club, the Allen County Amateur Radio Technical Society, and the Fort Wayne DX Association.

Articles are written by members and friends of the three clubs. New submissions for HamNews are always welcome. Please send your information to the editor within two days of the end of the month for inclusion in the next edition.

HamNews Editor
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One of the fun aspects of serving as the newsletter editor is that I am never quite sure how a specific edition of the HamNews will turn out each month. Somehow it always seems to come together.

This March edition is coming out just a bit **late**, primarily since I was occupied with family and a few other things this past weekend. All is well though.

The local **ARES team** has been busy building go-boxes; check out their progress in the photos.

For those who are DXers, the **3Y0K team** has arrived on Bouvet Island and is on-the-air. The pileups have been tremendous, although I am still optimistic about making a contact for an all-time-new-one. I will have to check out K9LA's tips and hints in his monthly column.

On 2/27, our local **Fort Wayne VE team** helped 5 individuals either obtain their first license or upgrade. This number is a record for our team! In addition to our regular VE team, special thanks go out to Roger N9RM and Jeff KB9QG for helping us go paperless for the first time. Our next local VE session is scheduled for 5/30.

Beginning this month, the newsletter will include a **dxpedition calendar**. This is courtesy of DXWorld—thank you for sharing this resource with us.

With the approach of spring also comes the new hamfest season (the **Toledo hamfest** is coming up on 3/15), along with the **Skywarn** net in cases of severe weather. Please be sure to listen to the local repeaters and to be safe during severe weather.

LRBN Update for February 2026

We had another great month on the LRBN — “Little Red Barn Net” — Monday through Friday at 9:00 AM on 3.820 MHz (LSB). Check-ins usually start around 8:45 AM. We average 10 to 15 check-ins per day. Even though the 80-meter band has had its challenges lately, we’re still having a great time with self-generated topics each day from our check-ins — always a lot of fun and good conversation.

Bi-Weekly Lunch Gatherings

We continue to host lunch every two weeks, alternating between North Fort Wayne and South Fort Wayne. We typically have 10 to 15 participants at each gathering.

This month’s lunches:

- Feb 5, 2025 – Salvatori’s North
- Feb 19, 2025 –Nine Mile

As always, great food and even better fellowship!

Upcoming lunch dates (11:30 AM each day):

- March 5, 2026
- March 19, 2026
- April 2, 2026

Upcoming Lunch Dates (All at 11:30 AM)

3/5/26

3/19/26

4/2/26

Stay Connected

If you would like to be added to the LRBN email list, please contact Tom at:

- Email: gmrepair1@aol.com
- Phone/Text: 260-437-4676

Please include your email address and call sign

or name.

Net Control Operators

- Monday – KU8T (Tom)
- Tuesday – K9FW (Al)
- Wednesday – N9TB (Tom) or KD9HAV (Norm)
- Thursday – KE9IWX (Jim)
- Friday – WB9TYJ (Don)

After the net each Friday, we air Amateur Radio Newsline — thank you, Don!

Online & Net Resources

- Mobile-friendly website: gmrepair1.wixsite.com/mobile (includes lunch info, dates, photos, and more)
- Groups.io page: groups.io/g/lrbn (Sign up required — this is where we vote on upcoming lunch locations. Let us know if you need assistance.)

Net Control Operators use NetLogger. You can download the program in the Download Center at netlogger.org.

For smartphones:

Android (Google Play Store): NetLogger Companion or Net Scraper

iPhone (Apple App Store): NetLogger Companion

73,

KU8T - Tom



Ham splatter

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Hamfest Season Begins

March may be the beginning of meteorological Spring, but for us hams it has another big meaning: the start of Hamfesting season! The first one of decent size is the Toledo Hamfest at Owens Community College in Perrysburg, OH. In May there is the granddaddy of them all, the Dayton Hamvention in Xenia, OH. Got your tickets yet? And for those of you who did the Orlando Hamcation, I envy you and will try to make it next year!

For the March meeting on March 13, several have asked us to do a presentation on end fed antennas, so that is what is currently planned. I have had some success with these antennas myself, but I would really like to hear from anyone out there that has tried and used an End Fed with either success or failure. Please contact me via email and I will try to incorporate your experience into the talk.

Upcoming meetings for April will be on WIFI technology and in May we are looking to do a POTA presentation followed the next day (Saturday) with an actual on the air POTA activation at a park in Huntington.

Our club trailer is in need of a good clean out and rearrange. A club member has graciously offered a nice indoor space to work on the trailer and we will be looking for volunteers on Saturday, March 21 or 28. Stay tuned to club emails and announcements for more details! In April or May, we want to do the same activity at our Robison Park repeater shack, as it too is ready to explode and many items need to be cleaned out.

Special thanks to all that worked to get the 91 machine (repeater) back on the air! It is operational again along with Echolink, and we are working to make it more robust for the future.

I had started a short presentation series at the February meeting on some basic technology subjects starting with "Ben Franklin's Mistake" and I plan to continue these with this month's subject, "War of the Currents" or AC versus DC and how it relates to our present state of technology. No math, just fun facts and an overview of the subject today!

See you at the meeting on Friday, 3/13, and catch on the air!

73,

Steve, W9SAN

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Editor's Note: The Fort Wayne Radio Club recently received the following thank you message from the local chapter of the American Red Cross.



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*To All In Your Organization
A very big Thank You for
your recent generous gift
to the Red Cross. These funds
are both needed and
appreciated and will be used
to bring comfort to many!
Thank You! The American
Red Cross*



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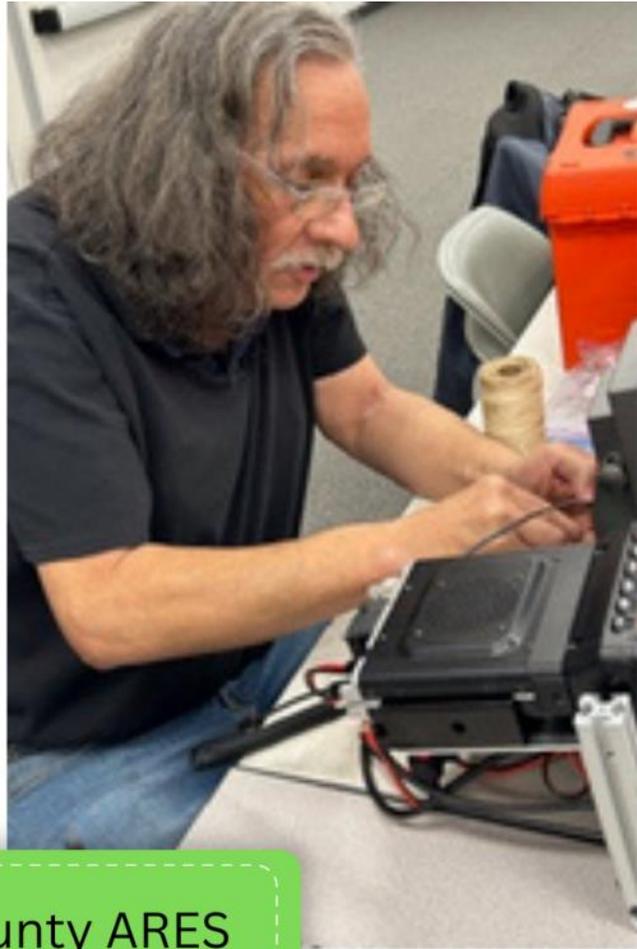
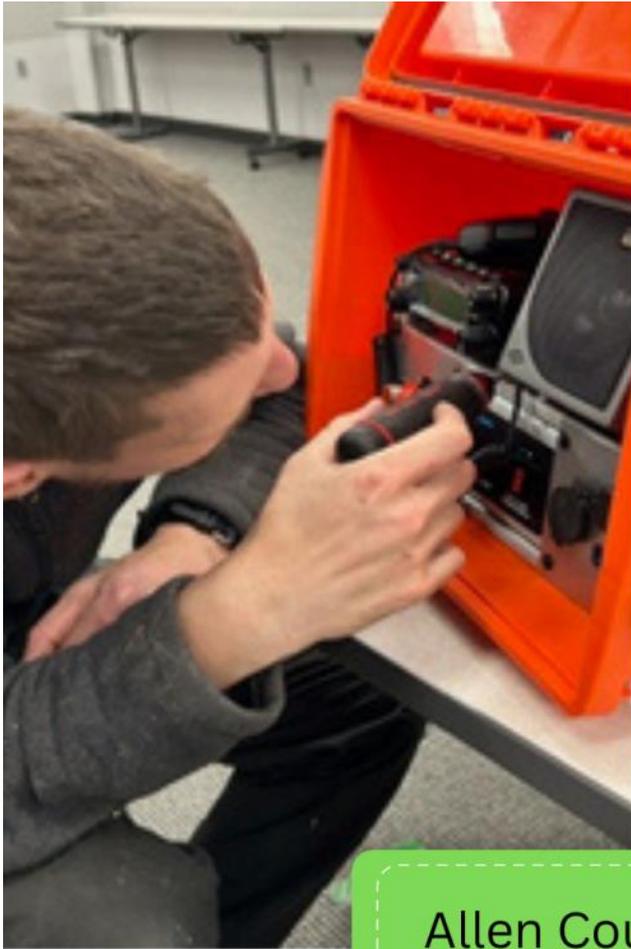
May 30

**Get your first ham radio
license or upgrade!**

SATURDAY, 5/30/26, 10AM-NOON

Location to be announced!

- Preregistration preferred; walk-ins accepted.
- Testing will conclude by noon or after last exam administered.
- Cost: \$15 (\$5 for less than 18 years old); fees covered for first-time applicants by the Fort Wayne Radio Club!
- For more information, please contact Willi, KD9ZFP at kd9zfp (at) gmail.com or 260-348-1171.



Allen County ARES
go-box build session



State of the Arts

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MARCH ACARTS MEETING

MARCH 17, 2026

STARTS AT
7PM

AT THE RED CROSS
BUILDING, FORT WAYNE



3Y0K Should Be On-the-Air

By Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA

At the end of February, I gave a presentation to the Kansas City DX Club. I covered solar topics, propagation topics, the James Webb Space Telescope and expected DXpeditions for the month of March 2026. Table 1 shows the list of major March DXpeditions that I showed to the KCDXC.

3Y0K	9G5RR, 9G5CC, 9G5ZP
8R1WA Guyana	C5B Bijol Islands
J51A Bijagos	T8OK Palau
S21WD Bangladesh	C5C Gambia
TX5EU Raivavae	KP5/NP3VI
AU7RS Agatti Island	CY0S Sable Island

Table 1 – Major DXpeditions in March 2026

For the 3Y0K DXpedition, I went deeper showing propagation predictions from Kansas to 3Y0K. Initially, the pileups will be significant due to Bouvet being #10 on the Clublog Most Wanted List. I pointed out that later in the DXpedition would be a better time to try, as the size of the pileups should be thinned down a bit. I also mentioned that QRP DXers try to find ‘unusual times’ in the propagation predictions – for example, a decent opening late at night or even very early in the morning on, say, 20 meters when most other DXers will be asleep.

Enough of the Kansas City guys. Using the website <https://voacap.com/dx/3y0k> by Jari OH6BG, Figure 1 shows short path predictions for the Ft. Wayne area (grid square EN71) to 3Y0K, and Figure 2 shows long path predictions (see the next page).

The color codes for the probability of a QSO are below each prediction. This probability is dependent on the predicted monthly median MUF and the predicted monthly median signal strength. The predicted monthly median

signal strength is based on using modest antennas and modest transmit power.

There are many opportunities via short path, and the best opportunity on long path is at 1600 UTC on 15 meters. In between the prediction and color code are the sunrise and set times at the transmit end of the path (TX), at the midpoint of the path (MP) and at the receive end of the path (RX) are shown. These values will help your efforts on the low bands for gray line propagation and common darkness times on the path (when the entire path is in darkness).

Good luck in the chase if you need 3Y0K. And remember that Peter 1 Island will be on in early 2027 – let’s hope that Cycle 25 is still strong enough to allow QSOs on the higher bands (15 meters, 12 meters and 10 meters).

**Cycle 25 is
still alive.
The HF
bands are
open. Join
the fun!**

Signal Strength, short-path: 13527 km, 8405 mi, 137°

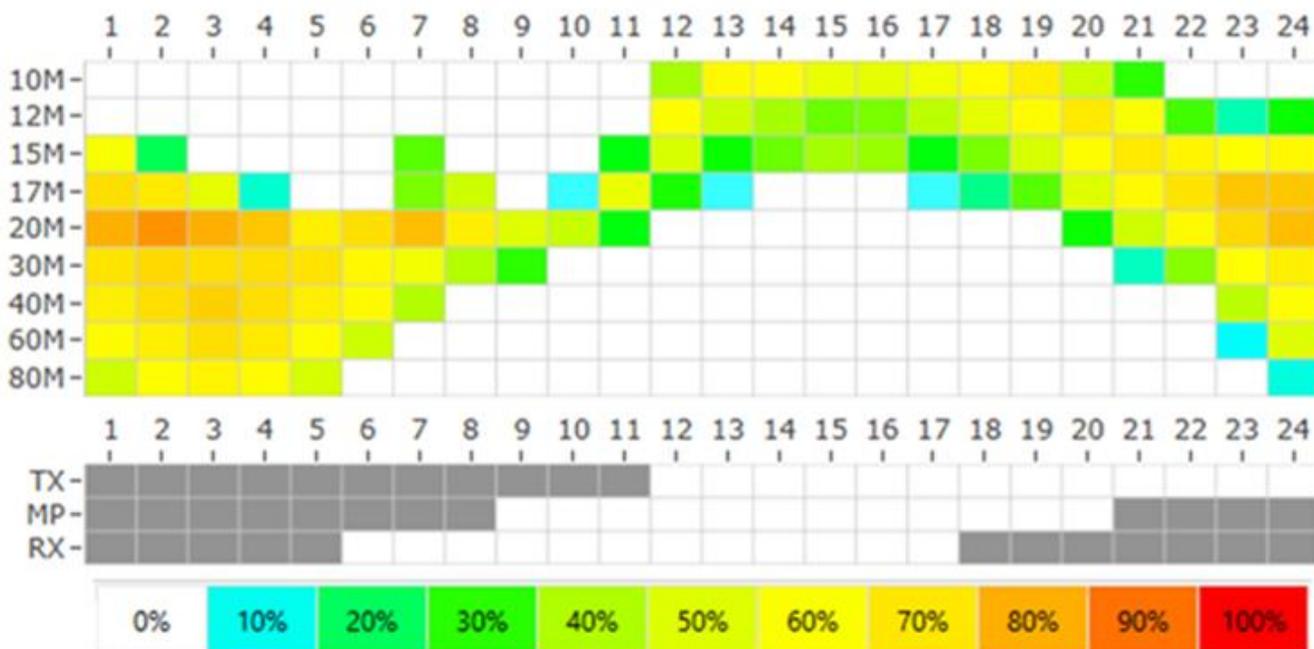


Figure 1 – Short Path to 3YØK

Signal Strength, long-path: 26497 km, 16464 mi, 317°

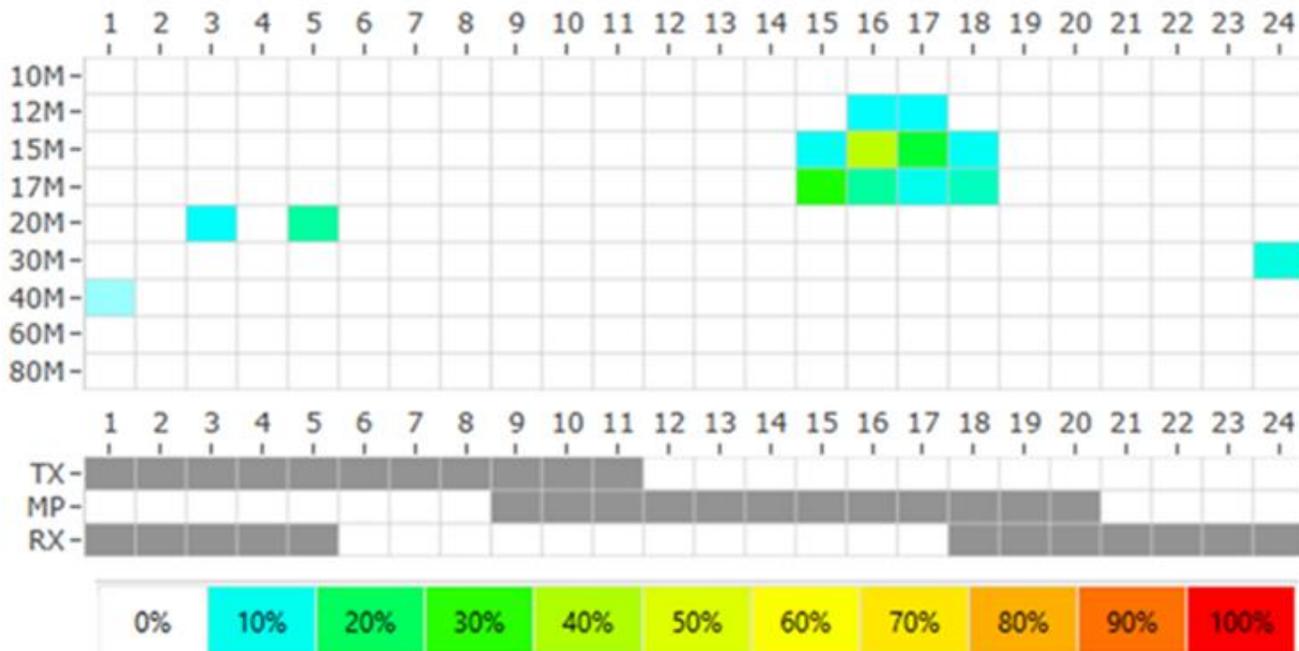


Figure 2 – Long Path to 3YØK



The Other Side of the POTA Pileup with VE2ZDX Website Tool

Happy March my fellow radio bugs! Spring has almost fought its way to the surface (hopefully) and it will soon be time to get outside and do some portable operating, be that your backyard, a POTA site, or hitting the highways for a road trip.

Speaking of POTA, a new-to-me online resource caught my eye recently – the website of Canadian amateur André VE2ZDX. In particular, VE2ZDX has created a fascinating tool called the “YouTube QSO Search.” It’s that tool that will be the subject of this month’s column.

A Little Background

My first introduction to VE2ZDX’s website came in the form of an email that appeared in my junk file. The title caught my eye, as it mentioned something about there were new qsos recorded for my callsign.

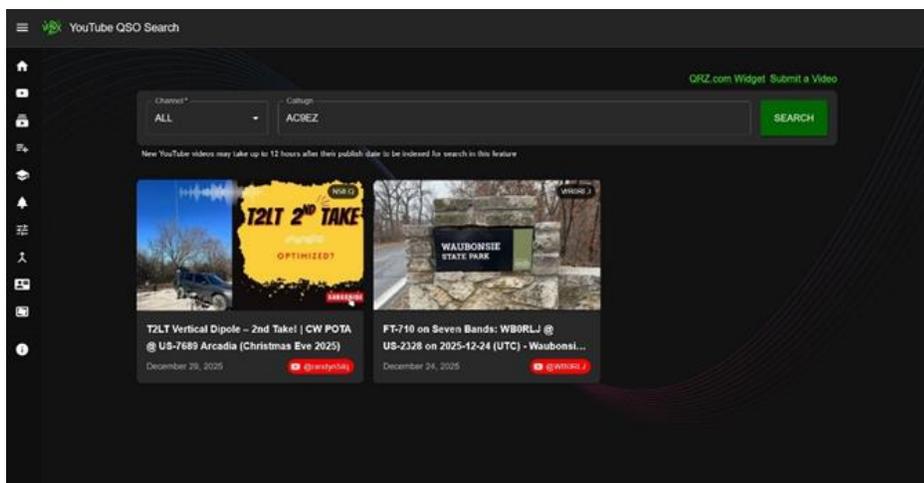
Investigating further, I came across André’s website, which hosts a variety of software tools (more than I can recount in one article).

One tool in particular that applied to me personally was his “YouTube QSO Search” tool. I don’t know how this whole process exactly works, but it seems to go along these lines:

1. A ham radio op, usually someone doing a POTA activation, records a video of himself working stations on his activation.
2. That video, either manually or automatically, gets entered both on YouTube and on the VE2ZDX website.
3. Callsigns that are worked during that activation are somehow indexed by André’s website.

4. Ops who worked the station that uploaded the original YouTube video are then emailed by André, informing them that a new video was uploaded of their qso on André’s website.
5. Ops can then go to André’s website, enter their callsign in the search bar, and pull up the exact YouTube video where their qso was recorded.

Second, seeing these videos is a good reminder to be the best op I can possibly be, both in terms of following standard operating procedures as well as maintaining my CW proficiency. One never knows who is listening/watching. It can be easy to forget that the signal that I send from my station can, literally, traverse the globe, with hundreds or even thousands of people listening to whatever I send.



The VE2ZDXS “YouTube QSO Search” tool, as shown when entering AC9EZ in the search bar

As of right now, I can only find two videos uploaded where my callsign appears, both with POTA ops doing activations using CW. The original YouTube uploaders are different ops, so it isn’t based on a single op doing all these uploads.

I listened/watched to both videos and sure enough I could hear my callsign clearly coming through the speakers of the POTA ops’ rigs as I worked them on their activation.

Two thoughts come to mind in seeing this tool.

First, it’s pretty cool to hear my own radio signal from the activators’ perspective. At the time I made those contacts, I had just put up my new 80m OCFD. Having a tool like this is very useful to analyzing my station’s performance, especially in terms of signal strength and cleanliness of my sent code (or lack thereof as the case may be).

I checked out a few other callsigns I knew, to see if their callsigns also appeared on the website. Several callsigns did return some videos – mostly POTA ops that specialize in CW activations.

Overall, I would say that this is a helpful tool with some pretty neat features. But, like anything, it will be interesting to see how this tool develops in the future.

You can check out this tool (and your author’s qsos) on VE2ZDX’s website: <https://ve2zdx.com/toolkit/youtube/videos/all>. Simply enter my callsign in the search bar and you will be taken right to those videos that include my qsos (or another op of your choice).

73 es good dx! De Jim ac9ez



Summary for February 2026

Another Great SKCC Hamcation

Congratulations to our recent new member Joe, AD9HW, SKCC #30718, for operating in his first Weekend Sprintathon in February!

Operating activities during the month of January follow.

The SKCC Weekend Sprintathon (WES) aims to bring together operators with different skill levels in a regularly scheduled, informal operating event lasting 36 hours. The event starts at 1200 UTC on the 2nd Saturday of each month and ends at 2359 UTC on Sunday. Participants can operate for the full 36 hours.

For the WES on February 14-15, the following local operators participated. QSO count is shown.

WA9BBN	54
KS9KCC	45
WG9K	31
N9DGL	23
KA9GKE	21
W9GOO	15
W9SA	15
W9HT	12
AD9HW	8

The two-hour Straight Key Sprint (SKS) occurs on the fourth Wednesday of each month starting at 0000 UTC. For Indiana operators the start is on Tuesday evening.

For the SKS on Tuesday evening, February 24, 7-9 PM local, the following local operators participated. QSO count is shown:

K9FW	55
WA9BBN	31
W9HT	9

Catch you on the air in March!

73!

Ed, WA9BBN

SKCC has had a significant presence at the Orlando, FL Hamcation event over the past many years.



This year was a banner year

for us with over 110 member sign-in/visitors and 10+ volunteers to staff the booth and promote SKCC! We were honored to have our very own SKCC president, Cathy-W4CMG, assist in booth staffing joining Phil-K3EW, Paul – W4PDT, Barry-NF1O, Mary-NE1F, Ken-WB2ART, Jim-WA4VGZ and Ken-N8KR. Along with booth duties, Ken and Cathy took turns operating the W1AW/4 special event station during the February WES. Also featured at the booth was a Flex station remoting Ken’s home station in Indiana operating KS9KCC. That operation was highlighted during the FIRST EVER SKCC FORUM at Hamcation. With more than 50 attendees Cathy presented the basics and special resources found on our webpage including special events and awards. Ken then did two on-the-air WES contacts (remoting KS9KCC) demonstrating the use of the sked page, SKCC Logger, and the standard SKCC RST-SPC-NAME-NUMBER exchange. DL4FN (Peter) was our first contact during the forum. Cool to work DX right away! Hamcation was a 3 day event with attendance about 25,000. As always, the weather was warm/hot and the sun was shining. It was a great time to forget about the cold and snow and enjoy a nice vacation/hamcation!

A special YouTube video on SKCC from Hamcation can be found at:

<https://youtu.be/ZjEw2cDktvM?si=NWV-ZQ5dpwNiVBk8>

FORT WAYNE RADIO CLUB MEETING MINUTES

13 February 2026

The February meeting of the Fort Wayne Radio Club occurred on 13 February 2026 at the Red Cross complex at California Rd. It was hosted by club President Steve Nardin, W9SAN and there were about 20 members in attendance. It started at 6:30 pm.

Steve led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance and invited all present to introduce themselves with their name and call-sign.

Steve noted that we anticipated working on the club trailer, to clean it out and inventory its contents, perform any maintenance that may be required and then reinstall the contents eliminating any items no longer needed. We would expect to perform this task between 27 March and 5 April and will require about five volunteers. The work will be done indoors.

The Board decided to eliminate reading of the Treasurer's report at club meetings as the report is included in the meeting minutes which are posted on the club web page monthly. This will allow more time for other club business.

Treasurer's Report: FWRC account balances as of 13 February, 2026 are as follows

Checking Account Balance	\$6,959.55
Savings Account Balance	\$510.02
Vanguard Fund Balance	\$25,067.21
Year-To-Date Income	\$410.27

Year- To-Date Expenses	\$600.00
Year –To Date Vanguard Interest	\$67.21
Year-To-Date Partners 1st interest	\$0.02
Current Club 2026 Membership	115

Steve had indicated his desire to



provide technically interesting presentations at club meetings, presentations that would appeal to the operating ham. Al Burke, WB9SSE suggested we find someone who has practical experience with building and operating with random wire end fed antennas. Discussing how to select the wire length, how to build a 49:1 Unun, and so forth.

Board member Adam Warrix, KD9NRT announced that work continues on the update to the club Constitution and By-Laws. The plan is to complete the update in time to present it to the club for a vote of approval in the Fall.

Josh Long, W9HT announced that the ARRL was supporting the America 250 celebration by initiating W1AW/P station activities and encouraging Worked All

State activities using cw, phone and digital modes during the America 250 celebration.

Josh also announced that a VE test session would occur on 28 February. Contact Josh if interested.

Jerry Eitner, KD9QHI announced that a high level presentation entitled Repeater Operations would occur at the Red Cross California Rd. site at 6:30 pm on February 19th. Everyone is invited.

Steve Nardin discussed the possibility of establishing a dinner at a local restaurant, hosted by the FWRC for club members participating in the Indiana QSO party completion. The FWRC has dominated that event for the past several years, and the completion is getting more and more vocal about taking the award away from us.

Steve presented a talk entitled "Franklin's Mistake" about Ben's mistaken understanding about the direction of flow of election in an electrical circuit. It was an interesting look at what was understood about physics in the 1700's.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Al Burke, WB9SSE

Secretary, FWRC

Free Technician Class in Fort Wayne, April 2026!

Class Schedule			
Date	Time	Instructor	Topic/Section
April 7	6:00 PM to 8:00 PM	KB9QG Jeff	Ham Radio, Call Signs, Control, Mind the Rules
April 9	6:00 PM to 8:00 PM	KB9QG Jeff	Tech Frequencies, Going Solo, Repeaters
April 14	6:00 PM to 8:00 PM	KB9QG Jeff	Emergencies, Weak signals, Talk to Outer Space, Going Digital Multimode, Interference
April 21	6:00 PM to 8:00 PM	KB9QG Jeff	Electrons-go with the flow
April 23	6:00 PM to 8:00 PM	KB9QG Jeff	M. Ohm, Picture This
April 28	6:00 PM to 8:00 PM	KB9QG Jeff	Antennas, Feed me coax, Safety First
April 30	6:00 PM to 8:00 PM	KB9QG Jeff	Review and Questions
May 2	1:30 to 3:30 PM	VE team	Testing session

Location: The Town House Retirement Community (2209 St. Joe Center Rd., Fort Wayne, Indiana) in the Theater room.

Parking: Using Campus CT road to parking lot on the West side of the Town House. Enter the building using the West Entrance 2.

Book used: Gordon West Technician Class 2022-2026, \$30 + tax from Amazon, R&L Electronics, GigaParts or Ham Radio Outlet.

No cost for the class. W5YI cost for testing is \$14.00. (If you pass the test, then FCC administrative cost is \$35.00.)

For more information, contact Jeff DeLucenay KB9QG via phone at 260-413-5982 or via email at [jdeluce \(at\) frontier.com](mailto:jdeluce@frontier.com)

FOR SALE

This section of the Allen County HamNews is available for local hams to list any ham radio related gear for sale or to place any ham radio related want ads.

Listings are posted for one month, but can be renewed upon request of the editor.

Please see page two for contact information.



Murch UT-2000A antenna tuner. 80-10m. Nice condition. Setup for end fed. Asking \$150. Contact Al, K9FW at [k9fw\(at\)frontier.com](mailto:k9fw(at)frontier.com) for more information.

For Sale: Baofeng DM-1701 DMR/FM Dual-Band Handheld. Like new condition, barely used. Programmed with all Fort Wayne DMR and FM repeaters plus GMRS frequencies (for monitoring). Factory firmware but seller will install third-party, OpenGD77 firmware at buyer's request. Seller recommends OpenGD77 firmware because it greatly improves functionality for ham radio use. Sale includes radio, 2,200 mAh battery, antenna, belt clip, USB programming cable, standard Baofeng PTT earpiece, and drop-in desk charge with two power cables: 1 AC "wall wart" adapter and one USB-A to 9V cable.



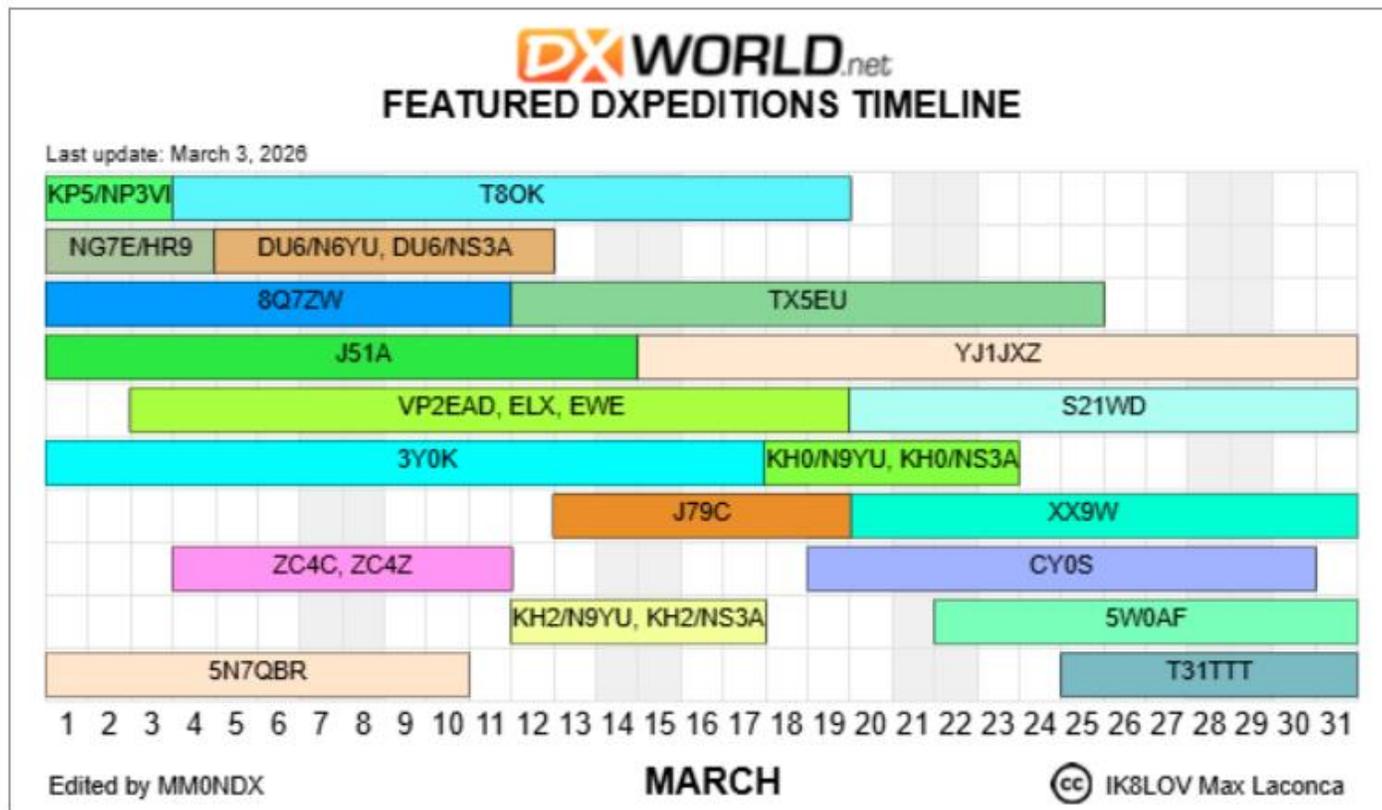
Radio sells with same accessories on Amazon (without local programming) for \$70. This unit offered for \$60. Contact Jay Farlow, W9LW, at [jmfarlow\(at\)gmail.com](mailto:jmfarlow(at)gmail.com).



March 2026 On-Air Events

Monthly Operating Events: March 2026	
3/7-3/8	ARRL International DX Contest, SSB
3/14-3/15	SKCC Weekend Sprintathon
3/14-3/15	Oklahoma QSO Party
3/15-3/16	Wisconsin QSO Party
3/21-3/22	Russian DX Contest
3/21-3/22	Virginia QSO Party
3/25	SKCC Sprint
3/28-3/29	CQ WW WPX Contest, SSB

This information comes from the WA7BNM Contest Calendar at contestcalendar.com and is gratefully acknowledged. It is deemed accurate as of the time of publication.



This DXpedition calendar is a new monthly feature and comes to the Allen County HamNews with special permission from and credit to DXWorld.net.

Area Nets (updated as of 3/1/26)					
Daily			Tuesday		
8:00 AM	3.535	Daily (QIN) Indiana Section CW net	7:30 PM	147.150+	21 Repeater Group Net (97.4 PL)
8:30 AM	3.912	Daily Indiana Traffic Net	8:00 PM	50.580 USB	FWRC 6-Meter SSB Net
6:00 PM	3.910	Daily Indiana Traffic Net	9:00 PM	146.940-	Allen Co. ARES Training Net (141.3 PL)
6:30 PM	146.880-	IMO (alternate is 146.940)	Wednesday		
7:00 PM	147.015+	Tri State Two Meter Net	8:00 PM	145.270-	Whitley Co. ARES (141.3 PL)
8:00 PM	3.535	Daily (QIN) Indiana Section CW net	8:00 PM	50.580 FM	FWRC 6-Meter FM Net
Week-days			Thursday		
9:00 AM	3.820	Little Red Barn Net (NewsLine on Friday after net)	8:00 PM	D-STAR	Indiana D-STAR net (Note 3)
Sunday			8:00 PM	50.580	AM 6-Meter AM Net
8:00 PM	444.550+	Whitley Co. ARC Sunday Night Net (141.3 PL)	8:30 PM	145.510 simplex	Allen County ARES Digital Operations Team Training Net (Note 4)
8:30 PM	146.910-	"No-Name" Net also on EchoLink Node number 519521	Saturday		
9:00 PM	145.53 simplex	Northeast Indiana Packet Net 1200 baud (Note 2)	8:00 PM	146.685-	Huntington ARES(141.3 PL)
Monday					
8:00 PM	224.780-	Fort Wayne 224 Net			

1. All times local time.
2. NEIPN is direct accessible via any BPQ Chat Node (or through Node hopping etc.) via other packet frequencies in this area and other areas through other nodes (it is locally direct accessible on 145.53 in NC & NE Indiana/NW Ohio and SE Michigan using KA9LCF-11, KC9VYU-11, N9LCF-11, N9PXO-11, K9BIF-11) Most BPQ Nodes use an SSID of -11.
3. Reflector REF024B.
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.
5. Indiana HF Traffic Nets Web Site: <http://www.inarrl.org/index.php/public-service/indiana-nts>
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Allen County Area Voice Repeaters (updated as of 3/1/26)								
RX freq.	RX access	TX freq.	TX access	mode	network	callsign	owner	use/nets
145.33000	141.3	144.73000	CSQ/141.3	FM analog		W9FEZ	Mizpah	
146.76000	141.3	146.16000	CSQ/141.3	FM analog		W9TE	FWRC	
146.88000	141.3	146.28000	CSQ/141.3	FM analog		W9INX	ACARTS	SKYWARN, Red Cross, IMO Traffic
146.91000	141.3	146.31000	CSQ/141.3	FM analog	EL 519521	W9TE	FWRC	Echolink, No Name Help & Swap Net
146.94000	141.3	146.34000	141.3	FM/C4FM	Not networked	W9TE	FWRC	ACARES
147.25500	141.3	147.85500	141.3	FM analog		W9INX	ACARTS	
224.78000	141.3	223.18000	CSQ	FM analog		W9FEZ	Mizpah	Ft. Wayne 220 Net
442.63750	CC1	447.63750	CC1	DMR	Brandmeister	N9MTF	N9MTF	ACARES DMR Net
442.99375	W9TE-B	447.99375	W9TE-B	D-STAR	D-STAR	W9TE	FWRC	
443.10000	CC1	448.10000	CC1	DMR	Crossroads	K9MMQ	K9MMQ	ACARES DMR Net
443.80000	141.3	448.80000	141.3	FM analog		W9INX	ACARTS	Red Cross
444.25000	141.3	449.25000	141.3	FM analog		W9AVW	W9AVW	
444.80000	CSQ	449.80000	CSQ	FM analog	IRLP 8177	W9FEZ	Mizpah	
444.87500	141.3	449.87500	141.3	FM analog		W9TE	FWRC	

Allen County GMRS voice repeater (updated as of 3/1/26)								
RX freq.	RX access	TX freq.	TX access	mode	Special use	Nets	Callsign	Owner
462.675	141.3	467.675	141.3	WFM ana.	Red Cross	ACARTS	WRDC557	ACARTS

Allen County area data systems (updated as of 3/1/26)											
RX freq.	RX access	TX freq.	TX access	mode	network	BBS/ MBX/ PBBS	owner	net alias	network node	KA-node	digipeater
144.39	141.3	144.39	CSQ	APRS	APRS	W9INX-1	ACARTS	INFW	W9INX-2	W9INX-7	W9INX-8
145.53	141.3	145.53	CSQ	packet	NEIPN	W9INX-1	ACARTS	INALEN	W9INX-6	W9INX-7	W9INX-8

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The 3Y0K Dxpediton to Bouvet Island is on the air now. Best wishes to the team and to everyone looking to work them!

A fillable version of this form is also available at: <https://new.acarts.com/forms/acarts-app.pdf>



Allen County Amateur Radio Technical Society – W9INX

Email to: Sec@ACARTS.com or Tres@ACARTS.com P.O. Box 10342
Fort Wayne, IN 46851-0342

ACARTS MEMBERSHIP FORM

Membership applications can be sent via Email, Postal, or in person at a member/board meeting. Membership applications & payments via credit card can also be filed out directly online at <https://www.Hamclubonline.com>

New Member Yes No / Existing Member Yes No / Additional Household Members*: Yes No
 Change in any contact information? Yes No *Attach additional membership forms for each family member
 Membership type: Full Member or Associate Member or GMRS Family Group
 Do you want the Allen County Ham News Monthly Newsletter Emailed to you? Yes No

Amateur Call Sign: _____ Class: _____ GMRS Call Sign: _____

Are you a current **ARRL Member**? Yes No ARRL Expiration Date: _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Do you use a
 Nickname: Yes No: If so, what is your Nickname: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Type: Home Cell Work Publish*: Yes No

Phone Number: _____ Type: Home Cell Work Publish*: Yes No

Email: _____ Publish*: Yes No

Each member must have a UNIQUE email address; family accounts cannot use the same email for multiple persons in the Hamclubonline.com system database.

*Website Publication Information is only visible to registered Active members of HCO & ACARTS.

Membership Dues are calculated as follows:

	Quantity	Total
Full Membership \$12 per calendar year (Jan 1 through Dec 31)	_____	\$ _____
Associate Membership* \$6 per calendar year (Jan 1 through Dec 31)	_____	\$ _____

Additional Membership Names: _____

Total Amount Paid: \$ _____

*Associate Memberships also include Licensed Household members, non-FCC licensed members, and Students (under 18 Y.O.).

ACARTS USE ONLY: Entered Date: _____ HCO Member #: _____ By: _____
 Fees Paid: In Person/ Online via: Cash Check# _____ HCO/Square CC Trx#: _____
 Full Year/ Partial Year? _____ HCO Updated? _____ By: _____

FWRC Membership Application for 2026

Name: _____ Call Sign: _____
 License Class: _____
 Street address: _____ City: _____
 State: _____ ZIP: _____ Phone #: (____) _____
 * Email address: _____

* (@arrl.net domain is unreliable. Please use an alternate email address if you have one).
 ARRL Member? _____ (ARRL membership helps the club maintain ARRL affiliation)
 May we list your name, call & email address in our membership roster & on our club web site? Yes or No

Fort Wayne Radio Club dues:

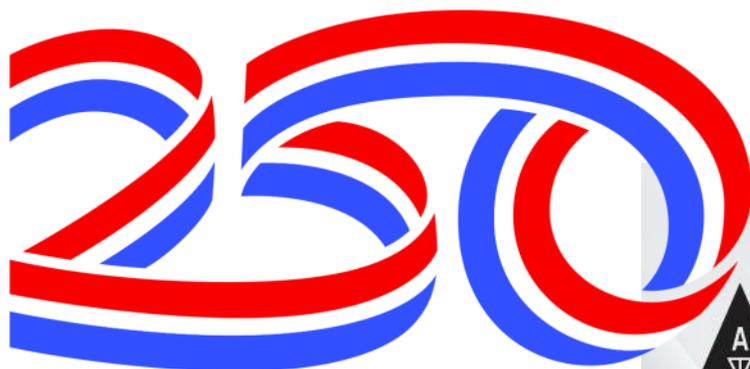
Regular membership	\$20.00 / year
Family membership ¹	\$25.00 / year
Student membership ²	\$5.00 / year
Associate membership ³	\$15.00 / year

(Memberships for July-December are ½ the stated amounts)

Please attach a check to this form (paying by check is strongly encouraged) made out to:
 Fort Wayne Radio Club (check number _____) and bring to a club meeting or mail to:
 Fort Wayne Radio Club
 P.O. Box 15127
 Fort Wayne, IN 46885-5127

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

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TOLEDO MOBILE RADIO ASSOCIATION HAMFEST 2026



TMRA 68th Hamfest - Radios/Computers/Electronics

SUNDAY March 15th 2026 8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Owens Community College, Student Health and Activity Center (SHAC)
7315 Championship Drive, Perrysburg, Ohio 43551

(Same location – just an update of the street address on campus)

(EAST side of Oregon Road. GPS N41° 35.575' W83° 32.051')

Talk-in: 147.27+ (PL 103.5)

On Campus Parking is Free and Close to the Hamfest

This ARRL-approved Huge Hamfest is Indoors and Security is Provided.

Tables are \$20.00 (floor) \$25.00 (wall) - free electric hook-up

All admission tickets are \$10.00 (Children 12 years old and under – **FREE**)

TABLE APPLICATION FORMS CAN BE DOWNLOADED FROM OUR WEB SITE

www.w8hhf.org/hamfest

OR

**SEND REQUEST FOR TABLE APPLICATION FORM and/or TICKETS TO TMRA,
P.O. BOX 9673, TOLEDO, OH 43697-9673. *Please include a SASE if just for tickets***

For information on tables, contact James WD8IOL at jamie9700@ameritech.net

VE TESTING at 9:00 am

[Please Pre-Register at HamStudy.org. No Walk-Ins](http://HamStudy.org)

For questions, email: TMRAVETeam@gmail.com

*(If attending **only** for VE testing – purchase of an admission ticket is **not** required)*

Pass your Technician Exam at the Hamfest – WELCOME TO AMATEUR RADIO !

Show your CSCE for a complimentary Hamfest admission ticket

CASH & DOOR PRIZE DRAWINGS: \$50.00 cash at 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 11:30, and Noon.

Other prizes to be announced

ALL PRIZES - must be present to win

FOOD SERVICE *Breakfast & Lunch: Sweet Nate's Coffee*

MAJOR VENDORS SCHEDULED TO ATTEND –

Tower Electronics - others to be announced