



THE BANDSPREAD

MARCH 2015



Local Nets

- MondayClay Co. ARES Net
9:00 pm EST145.420/R
- MondaySullivan ARES Net
8:30 pm EST146.775/R
- TuesdayVerm./Parke ARES Net
8:00 pm EST146.715/R
- TuesdayPutnam Auxcomm Net
9:00 pm EST442.225/R
- TuesdayVigo Co. Emcomm Net
9:00 pm EST147.150/R
9:00 pm EST444.350/R
- WednesdayRose Tech Radio Club
9:00 pm EST146.400
- ThursdayPutnam Auxcomm Net
8:00 pm EST147.330/R
- ThursdayCAARLA Net
9:00 pm EST146.685/R
- Fourth Thursday.....District 7 ARES Net
8:30 pm EST145.420/R
- SundayWVARA Net
9:00 pm EST146.685/R*

* First Sunday of the month is Simplex night. The WVARA Net meets, that night only, on 146.595

Regular Events

Every Thursday: The Club Station is open, 5:30-8:00 p.m. every Thursday. The Club Station is located on the N.E. corner of 7th and Idaho. Entrance and parking back of building.

1st Friday of the Month: Monthly club meeting at Glas-Col Annex, 7PM EST (former Idaho Post Office Bldg), 1715 S. 8th in Terre Haute

Club Meeting Moved For March

The March club meeting will be held at Terre Haute North Vigo High School. We will be celebrating the station dedication with the THN ARC. Bean dinner will be served beginning at 5:00PM with activities surrounding the station, followed by our business meeting, beginning at 7:00PM.

THN Amateur Radio Club Invites WVARA To Station Dedication

The March meeting of the WVARA will be held at a very special location. We will be gathering at Terre Haute North Vigo High School, where we will help the Terre Haute North Vigo High School Amateur Radio Club celebrate the dedication of their new club station. Many hours of hard work have gone into the station, and the members of the club are excited about sharing this evening with the WVARA.

The group is planning on a bean dinner for those that can be a part of the evening. There will be no charge for the dinner, but the K9THN club will be accepting donations which will be used for their new station. We look forward to spending the evening with the K9THN group.



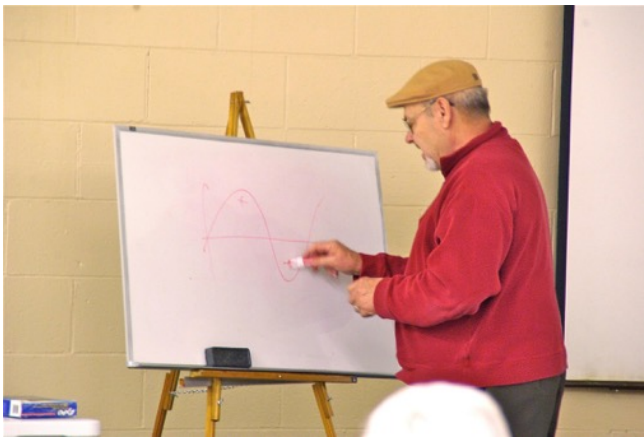
FCC No Longer Routinely Mailing Paper Licenses

Effective February 17, 2015, the FCC will no longer routinely mail paper copies of licenses for any wireless radio service, including amateur radio licenses.

Licenseses can still obtain an official paper copy of their license by any of the following methods:

- Log into the ULS and download/print their license.
- Log into the ULS and change a setting requesting to continue receiving paper copies of their license.
- Include a valid e-mail address on the Form 605. A .pdf file of the license will be e-mailed to them.

This change will impact the procedures the VE teams use to validate an applicant's existing license.



Club Approval To Purchase Headsets

The club will present for the approval of the membership at the March meeting the purchase of headsets for the club station, and the communication trailer. The plan is to purchase 5 Yamaha CM-500 headsets, along with foot switches and the necessary adapters for use with the club radios. These headsets will aid in multi-station operations, use in busy conditions, and in the annual field day operations. Approval of the membership will be for the expenditure of \$400 for the headsets and required materials.

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WABASH VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION - 2015

Please complete this form and include it with your dues. You may return this application in person or mail to:

WABASH VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, INC.
P.O. BOX 10081
TERRE HAUTE, IN 47801

Name: _____ Call: _____ License Class _____ ARRL MEMBER?
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone () _____ - _____ E-mail address _____

Date of Birth (Mo/Dy/Yr) ____/____/____ Year first licensed _____ Year of last WVARA membership _____ New Member?

ARES member? QCWA member? RACES member?

This newsletter will come to you by e-mail in .pdf format unless you specifically request a paper copy below. We encourage you to choose the electronic version because: 1. It costs the Club less to produce and deliver it; and 2. In the electronic version, the pictures are in color and it arrives earlier! Of course, you can still make a paper copy of it on your printer, if you wish.

If you are applying for a family membership please list below the licensed family members [living at home] that you wish to include.

Name: _____ Call: _____ License Class _____ ARRL MEMBER?

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Please add \$5 per family member above to the Single rate below. To include ARRL membership, see a current QST for the amount.

Dues options: Single (\$20) Family (Single + \$5 per family member) Add ARRL membership?* Total pmt. \$ _____

Note: 1. Payments made Sept. - Dec. apply to membership for the following year; 2. ARRL also has a family membership program as well. See QST.

*Club gets a rebate from the ARRL!

NOTICE: All members must submit to a criminal background check as a condition of membership.

The Presidents Corner

March is one of the months of the year where our club is quite busy with various amateur radio activities. This year is particularly active because of our support for a group of new young ham radio operators. As I write this, we are preparing to go to Terre Haute North Vigo High School for a special VE testing session. My understanding is that there may be up to 35 students taking the exam for either a technician or general class license. So the potential for a number of new hams is indeed possible. It becomes our duty as licensed operators to inform them of all the exciting facets of our hobby. As a club, we must welcome all new ARO's with open arms. Talk to them on the bands, tell them about your excitement with ham radio, invite them to participate in our nets, etc.

We will have an opportunity to chat face-to-face with these young folks during our March WVARA meeting. Please come to the ham and bean dinner put on by the THNVHS Amateur radio club. It will begin at 5:00 PM eastern at the high school. Details are available on the club website. A much anticipated tour of the K9THN club station will follow. Hope to see a big turn out!

March also signals our Hamfest. We will be at a different site this year. The Hamfest will be at the Clay County Fairgrounds North of I 70 on SR 59. Be sure to get the word out about our Hamfest. Complete information is available on the club website.

73 Jerry W9GWC

WVARA Testing

(Walk-ins Welcome)

Terre Haute, Indiana

2nd Saturday of every month (except July);
9:30 A.M., Indiana time

1715 S. 8th St., west side of 8th St. behind Glas-Col.
Park on side of bldg; use the front entrance on 8th St.

For further info contact:

Ray Andrews, K9DUR: 812-870-8810

RYVES VE Testing

(Walk-ins Welcome)

2nd Thursday of every month, 7:00 P.M., Indiana time,
Ryves Youth Cntr at Etling Hall.

For further info contact Jim Edwards at
812-235-1265 or

jedwards@catholiccharitiesterrehaute.org

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COMP= Complimentary Membership,
LIFE= Life Membership

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