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Local Nets

Monday Evening.....	Clay Co. ARES Net
9:00 pm EST	146.580
Tuesday Evening	Verm./Parke ARES Net
8:00 pm EST	146.715/R
Tuesday Evening	Vigo Co. ARES Net
9:00 pm EST	146.805/R
9:30 pm EST	444.350/R
Wednesday Evening	Sullivan ARES Net
8:30 pm EST	146.775/R
Wednesday Evening	Clark Co. ARES Net
9:00 pm EST	146.595
Thursday Evening	CAARLA Net
9:00 pm EST	146.685/R
Sunday Evening.....	WVARA Net
9:00 pm EST	146.685/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, 7-9 p.m. First Thursday, Downstairs, Red Cross bldg, 700 S. 3rd.

Other Thursdays: Club Station, 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

NWS Spotter Training Courses

National Weather Service has been providing valuable training across the state, including sessions around the valley. In recent weeks there have been classes held in Greencastle, Brazil, Terre Haute, Sullivan and Spencer. The folks from the Indianapolis NWS office do a fantastic job covering the materials on weather related events, and answering questions from those in attendance. We are fortunate to have this training provided to us in multiple venues permitting us to attend without driving considerable distances to attend. Now we need to put the knowledge gained to good use by providing the NWS with good reports from the ground in the upcoming weeks.

Upcoming Brentlinger Dinner

As of this printing, the Brentlinger dinner has been delayed. The date is to be determined at a later time.

WVARA Receives Special Services Club Recognition

The WVARA was privileged to have Lou (WA5LOU), the Indiana Section Manager, and Doreen (AE5QM), the Affiliated Club Coordinator, visit us last month. Lou gave a very nice talk about the state of affairs, and the current organization in Indiana. Lou reminded us that those holding ARRL appointments are here to serve all of the fine ham radio folks in the state. He encouraged local hams to become active in the NTS (National Traffic System) to help represent the west central part of Indiana. Lou also recognized the Vigo County ARES group for the work that they are doing locally to represent emergency communication services.

Doreen gave a short presentation about Special Services Clubs, and the efforts required to receive this recognition from the ARRL. Doreen presented the WVARA with the Special Services Club certificate recently issued by the ARRL. The board would like to recognize all of the WVARA members for the efforts they put forth to make the Association successful. The WVARA was organized in 1927 and has been an ARRL affiliated club since April 5, 1934. Many individuals have devoted significant efforts over the years to make the WVARA successful. It would be impossible to list individuals for all that has been done across 86 years. So we simply say thank you to those who have, who are, and who will be part of the WVARA. It is your club.



Hamfest A Huge Success

The hamfest turned out very well this year. Several vendors and private sellers attended the event, with plenty of merchandise for sale. The event was well attended, and the venue at Indiana State provides a very good setting. The VE testing session was also a success with one new technician class, two new general class, and one new extra class operators.

It was good to have Lou WA5LOU and Dorene AE5QM visit and set up the ARRL table. There were several that stopped by and chatted with Lou and Dorene throughout the day. If you are not already a member of the ARRL, we would encourage you to send in your application. The ARRL represents us very well, and your membership gives you a voice that you otherwise would not have.

Among the sellers at the hamfest were Joe KC9MLL and Pam KC9MLM with items from the estate of Charlie Kuhn N9NVV. Joe voluntarily took on the task of helping sell the items, and for anyone that has been involved in helping sell estate items can appreciate the time and effort that was required. Joe would like to thank those that purchased items, and he sent the following note of thanks:

I would like the to take a moment to thank everyone who stopped by our table, and made purchases. As some of you may have heard, or read the signs posted on our table, the equipment that I was selling belonged to Charlie Kuhn (Silent Key).

Charles call sign was N9NVV.

I accidentally happened across a huge estate sale / LARGEST YARD SALE EVER! and soon found out that his widow had no idea of what Charlie had left her. At first I started researching each piece of equipment, and let her know what it was worth, and what she might want to ask. This was a short lived idea. She only had a limited time here in Indiana before she had to return home in AZ.

That is when she asked if I would be willing to take all of Charlie's stuff, and sell it for her. I gladly did, and thanks to all of you, and the MANY MANY MORE that won't even get to read this.

Thank you all so very much!

I contacted her this evening, and she is so happy! She said God Bless you all! Thanks again.

Joe & Pam

KC9MLL & KC9MLM

The WVARA would like to thank all of those that made our hamfest a success this year.



Dede Hall is a great venue for the Hamfest

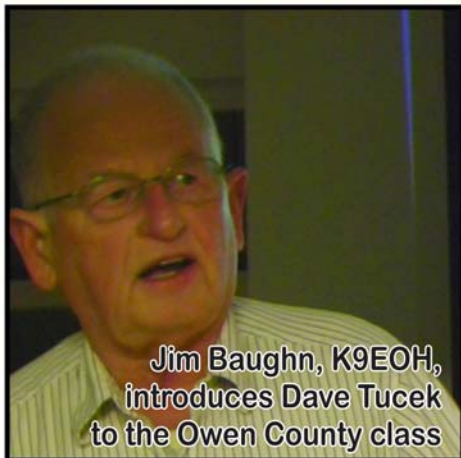


WVARA Club Table

WVARA Receives Special Services Club Recognition



Skywarn Class



General Meeting March 1, 2013

The general meeting of the WVARA was called to order on Friday March 1, 2013 at 7:20 p.m. by President Chuck Procarione W9COD. Vice President Kevin Berlin K9HX led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Introductions were made. Visitors none. We had 1 new license Dan Hunter KC9YHB

Announcements: 1) The board meeting will follow this meeting. 2) The Brentlinger Dinner will be held March 23, 2013 at St Margaret Mary's at 7th and Voorhees St Gathering at 6:00. Dinner at 6:30 The Club will provide the meat and the drink. 3) ARES meeting will be held on Monday March 4th at 7:00pm. Location Vigo County EMA/EOC 4) Clay County Ares/RACES meeting will be held on Monday March 11th at 6:00 PM EST at Four Loving Paws Veterinary Services 965 West Craig Ave Brazil, IN 47834 5) 2013 Terre Haute Hamfest & Computer Expo Sat – March 9th 9:00 am to 2:00 pm EST. Setup at 6:00 that day only. 6) QWCA Meeting No meeting details. 7) CAARLA meeting March 12th at the new Day Café. Secretary's Report As printed in the Band Spread.

Treasurers Report.

Ending Balance	Checking	\$ 5,574.17
Petty Cash		\$ 218.40
Capital Fund		\$ 2,075.00
Investment		\$ 4,393.35
TOTAL FUNDS		\$ 12,260.92

Old Business 1) Club Dues now due

No New Business

Club program was Lou Everett WA5LOU

Respectfully submitted . NIWVU Secretary Mike StClair

Board Meeting Minutes 03/01/2013

The WVARA Board met on Friday, March 1, 2013 at 8:35 P.M. Members present were Chuck Procarione, W9COD, President; Kevin Berlin, K9HX, Vice-President; Ken Hauptli, W9VKD, Treasurer; Mike StClair, N1WVU, Secretary; Gary

Adams, W9EEU, Trustee and Ted Brentlinger, K9SGL, Board Member At Large. SECRETARY'S REPORT: Mike presented the Secretary's Report, which was approved. Ken moved the Treasurer's Report be accepted and Gary seconded the motion. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: (1) The batteries for the repeater and the trailer have not been ordered yet. Also we have not yet ordered the power supply for the Red Cross Station. 2) Nothing new on the repeater upgrade. We still need to order the proper crystals. 3) School classes. The discussion was that the club needed a coordinator to start making contacts in the Vigo County school corporation to start moving amateur radio back into the schools. Kay Brentlinger KWOLF has volunteered to head the effort. 4) Hamfest ISU. The hamfest is ready to go for the 2013 session. Donnie Barlow KC9VFQ has received several items for the club table as well as door prizes. 5) Storage space. The club is still looking for property to obtain to build a pole barn on in order to store our equipment in. 6) The Brentlinger Award Dinner and program will be held on Saturday, March 23, at St. Margaret Mary. It will be a carry-in dinner and the Club will provide the meat. Jack Deal will be the featured speaker

New BUSINESS: (1) The officers have been discussing a new field day location. Over the past several years we have had field day at the Shrine Summer Place. We have been looking at 2 other locations. One would be ISU property outside of Brazil and the VFW location near Riley. 2) the safe deposit box the club has been maintaining has been closed due to non-use.

The meeting adjourned at 9:43 PM.

-Respectfully Submitted, Mike StClair, NIWVU, Secretary

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The Tribune Star - March 16, 2013



CASS — Thomas Glenn Ming, 64, of Cass, passed away at 4:07 p.m. Thursday, March 13, 2013, at his residence. He was born in Gorman, Texas, June 30, 1948, the son of Thomas A. Ming and Maxine Orr Ming.

Thomas was a Vietnam U.S. Army veteran, retired from Crane Naval Weapons Support, was a member of Dugger American Legion Post 224, Sullivan Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2459, and the American Amateur Radio.

He was preceded in death by his parents; daughter, Shannon Ming; a twin brother, Johnnie Ming; and a sister, Cathy Hitchcock.

Survivors include his wife of 43 years, Helen Williams Ming, whom he married October 6, 1968; one son, Kenny Ming (Devona) of Sullivan; one daughter, Dori Ming of Cass; six grandchildren, Bridget, Liam, Brenden, Kathleen, Lauren, and Nora.

Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday, March 19, 2013, at Dugger Cemetery with Matt Watson officiating. Military graveside rites by the Army National Guard Honor Guard, and Dugger American Legion. Friends may call from 11 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Tuesday at Newkirk's Funeral Home, in Dugger.

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Please complete this form and include your dues with it. You may return this application in person or mail to:
P.O. Box 10081 Terre Haute, IN 47801

Name: _____ Call: _____ License Class _____ ARRL Member ☐
 Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
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 Date of birth (mo/day/yr): _____ Year first licensed: _____ Year of last WVARA membership: _____ New Member ☐
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If you are applying for a family membership, please list the licensed family members (living at home) below 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

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What a Hamfest!!!



President's Corner

I want to start by thanking all of the people that made this year's Hamfest bigger and better than last year. It is your Hamfest and you all did an outstanding job. We did have some lower vendor turnout than we thought we were going to have, but the weather in Ohio stopped two larger ones from coming. Again thank you all, and a special Big Thanks to KC9VFQ for all the hard work with getting the word out.

Now we move on to the Brentlinger Dinner that has to be postponed until April due to a schedule conflict with our speaker. We will have a new date scheduled soon, so look for information on the list serve and club web page.

Now the Next Fun thing will be Field Day. We have selected a new site for this year, and that will bring new challenges. We are planning to move to the VFW grounds south of Riley on 159. What a new place, and it has all kinds of room and good restrooms too. It is time to move and make sure we can setup and run from a new place. We realize that the Hill where we have been for the past 6 years was a great place and some day we will be back up there. We, the WVARA, have a open invitation to come up there anytime we would like.

Don't forget to get your station ready for the spring storm season! You need an outside antenna, and backup power too, for when AC goes out. You need to make sure you can get into the repeater in bad weather conditions, when the band might have bad propagation and your HT just won't quite make it in.

Chuck Procarione

W9COD

WVARA Testing

(Walk-ins Welcome)

Terre Haute, Indiana

2nd Saturday of even numbered months; 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

Paris, Illinois

2nd Saturday of odd-numbered months; 8:30 A.M. Illinois time.

Burkybile Law Office

15175 Hwy 150

For further info contact:

Terry Hackett, KB9ZVA, 217-465-4884

April 13 – Terre Haute

May 11 – Paris

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 Osburn, WD9EYB, at 812-238-0584 or wd9eyb0409@indianakits.com

April 11 – Terre Haute

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