



THE

# BANDSPREAD

MAY 2015



## Local Nets

Monday .....	Clay Co. ARES Net
9:00 pm EST .....	145.420/R
Monday .....	Clay Co. ARES Digital Net
9:10 pm EST .....	145.420/R
Monday .....	Sullivan ARES Net
8:30 pm EST .....	146.775/R
Tuesday .....	Verm./Parke ARES Net
8:00 pm EST .....	146.715/R
Tuesday .....	Putnam Auxcomm Net
9:00 pm EST .....	442.225/R
Wednesday .....	Rose Tech Radio Club
9:00 pm EST .....	146.400
Thursday .....	Putnam Auxcomm Net
8:00 pm EST .....	147.330/R
Thursday .....	CAARLA Net
9:00 pm EST .....	146.685/R
Fourth Thursday .....	District 7 ARES Net
8:30 pm EST .....	145.420/R
Sunday .....	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, 5:30-8:00 p.m. every Thursday. The Club Station is located on the N.E. corner of 7<sup>th</sup> and Idaho. Entrance and parking back of building.

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

## Club Meeting

The topic for this month's meeting will be "One Big Party". Come and see what this is about on Friday May 1.

## Indiana SEC Visits WVARA

Brent Walls, the Indiana Section Emergency Coordinator (SEC), visited the WVARA and made a presentation on Emergency Preparedness.

Brent has served the Indiana section in many different capacities over the years, and has been the SEC since late in 2014. Brent made a presentation on what it takes to be prepared for an emergency situation, from personal and family preparedness, to preparedness as a communicator in that environment.

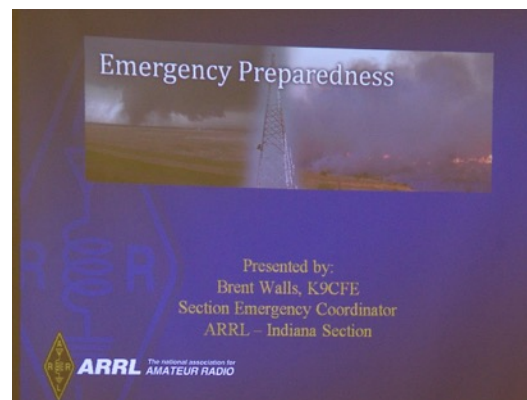


Brent also took the opportunity during his visit to present Ray Andrews K9DUR with his certificate

recognizing his appointment as Assistant District Emergency Coordinator for District 7.



Many thanks to Brent for taking time out of his busy schedule to pay a visit to Terre Haute, and spend time with the WVARA.



## INQP Takes Center Stage

The purpose of the **Indiana QSO Party** (INQP) is to encourage contact with Indiana amateur radio stations by other Indiana hams and hams worldwide. Stations outside of Indiana work Indiana stations only. Indiana stations work everybody, including other Indiana stations. See the [rules](#) for the rest of the details.

INQP 2015 takes place May 2-3 (the first Saturday in May). The [2015 rules](#) are now available. There is only one notable change (but an important one) for 2015. Logs are now due no later than June 1, which shortens the log deadline by about two weeks.

...and one late-breaking unexpected change. The Delaware QSO Party has been moved to May 2-3, joining INQP, 7QP and NEQP. It promises to be a busy day for everyone.

Please announce your operating plans on the email reflector ([inqp@yahoogroups.com](mailto:inqp@yahoogroups.com)). You can see what others have planned on the [Activity Map](#).

### Worked All Indiana Award

The INQP is a great time to work on your [Worked All Indiana Award](#). It only takes 60 confirmed counties to earn the initial certificate. Your INQP QSOs count as confirmed QSOs toward your WAI. Just indicate the INQP QSOs on your GCR, and we'll use your submitted log to confirm the QSOs.

### Stay in Touch

You are invited to join the INQP [reflector](#). Post your questions about the INQP, make suggestions for next year, or just jump in the general discussion with other participants and the organizers.



# Spreadsheet for WVARA April Meeting Report

WVARA Treasurer 2015 John Swez

## Report for February 28 - March 31 Checking Account

Assets Member dues + contributions

3/6/2015 extra class ex \$5.00  
 3/6/2015 7257 Harder dues \$20.00  
 3/6/2015 7258 Harder extra class ex \$30.00  
 3/14/2015 member donations \$18.00  
 3/14/2015 gate fees \$1,540.00  
 3/14/2015 food sales \$218.45

Actual Balance 2/28 \$1,592.51  
 Available Balance 2/28 \$1,430.51

## Assets

\$1,831.45 3/17/2015

## Brought Over from Mar 1 Statement and previous

Check #	Check Sent	Invoice #	Amount	Not Canceled	Check # cont.
608	2/6/2015	coffee etc.	\$13.48		
609	2/12/2015	Clay Co 4H	\$110.00	\$110.00	615
611	3/6/2015	139726 Reference Systems	\$84.00		616
612	3/6/2015	donation THN Radio Club	\$100.00		
613	3/6/2015	Ray Andrews headphones apprvd	\$375.00		
Debit	3/12/2015	Gordan Food Srv food ham fst	\$68.00		
Debit	3/12/2015	Deans Party Man,11,8 wrist badges	\$12.82		
614	3/13/2015	start-up money ck hamfest	\$400.00		
Liabilities			\$1,220.40		

3/15/2015 Ray Andrews headphones \$36.38  
 3/15/2015 Sausage HF \$20.72

Available Balance includes outstanding checks

Available Balance is the "real" balance

## Earned Savings

Balance as of 4/1/2015 \$5,274.32

## Assets

Actual Balance 3/31/2015 \$3,423.96

Available Balance 3/31 \$2,313.56

(See checks not canceled)

## assets - liabilities

Actual Balance 3/31/2015 \$2,203.56

Available Balance 3/31 \$2,313.56

Total Banking FFB 4/2/2015

\$7,587.88



## *Some Memories From the 2015 Brentlinger Dinner*



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**Sunday Night Net Manager:** John VanSandt - N9YRX

## District 7 COMU Being Developed

An organizational meeting for a Communications Unit (COMU) in District 7 was held on Saturday April 18. Several amateur radio operators have volunteered to be part of this effort and attended the initial meeting. The District 7 COMU Dave Costin has a vision to put together a cross-functional team with three disciplines operating together. It will consist of technical representatives that can work on public service radios and keep them functioning on the appropriate frequencies, radio operators that can speak the language, and strike teams of amateur operators that can deploy in the field and assist in filling communication gaps from difficult geography or distance.

The next meeting for the group will be at the Cory Nazarene Church (245 S CR 500 West, Cory, IN) parking lot on Saturday June 13 from 8:00AM - 11:00AM. Several of the district assets will be on hand and we will begin to inventory the available assets, and give some on hands training.

If you are interested in being a part of this team, please contact Gary Adams W9EEU. Email: [w9eeu@arrl.net](mailto:w9eeu@arrl.net) Cell 812-230-1218.

## 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

Sure is an exciting time to be in amateur radio, especially in the Wabash Valley. We are entering the season where a number of interesting, informative, and fun activities are scheduled.

The first is the Indiana QSO party happening on May 2, 2015. If you have never participated in this event, then come to the WVARA meeting on May 1<sup>st</sup> to hear a seasoned operator explain the “nuts and bolts” of the activity.

The next operating opportunity is the annual Field Day. The idea of operating in an environment that is away from the normal and making as many contacts as possible in a 24 hour period should get the ham juices flowing. We will be located in Cory, Indiana this year. Come out and participate in the fun event on June 27 and June 28.

The third operating activity will be our special event station at St. Mary of the Woods College on September 19, 2015. Our station will be set up in a location where hundreds of people will pass our station. The potential for generating a high level of excitement in our hobby is high.

I do hope to see many of you during these operating opportunities. Come out and show what we can do to communicate around the world. More importantly, let's show others the fun we experience with amateur radio.

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

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## 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](mailto:jedwards@catholiccharitiesterrehaute.org)

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