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# The **BANDSPREAD**

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November Meeting

November 2, 2018

Glas-Col 7:00 PM

**X5105 HF/50MHz All Mode Ultra Compact Transceiver demo  
by Chuck W9COD**

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The WVARA will be holding a Ham Radio New Operator Camp (HamCamp) on **Saturday, February 2, 2018**. This one-day seminar is for the new or inexperienced operator who is facing the dilemma:

**"Okay, I've got my license -- now what?"**

Taught by a team of amateurs with a combined experience of over 200 years in the hobby, HamCamp will cover such topics as setting up your station, operating techniques, building antennas, and more.

**General License Class**  
**Starts November 13, 2018**  
**Sign up Now**

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The technician class is finishing up on Tuesday, October 30, 2018. We will have a testing session that evening. Two of our students tested early at a regular VE session and passed.

Please welcome Dave KD9LUM and Mike KD9LUK. Both have been on the air trying out some new Technician skills.

Be sure to say hello to these new HAMS.

73 from Ray K9DUR and Jerry W9GWC



**Wabash Valley Amateur  
Radio Association, Inc.**

# **2018 TurkeyFest & Computer Expo**

with

**Commercial Vendors**

**Saturday November 24, 2018**

Indoor Event – Rain or Shine!

**8:00 AM to 12:00 PM EST**

Vendor setup begins at 6:00 AM

**Clay County 4-H Fairgrounds**

**6550 North State Road 59 – Brazil, IN**

(39° 29' 03" N, 87° 07' 30" W)



**Talk-In: K9IKQ/R – 146.685 MHz – PL 151.4 Hz**

**Admission \$7.00 (12 and under free)**

# **FREE TABLES**



**Hourly drawings for Door Prizes – Breakfast Available**

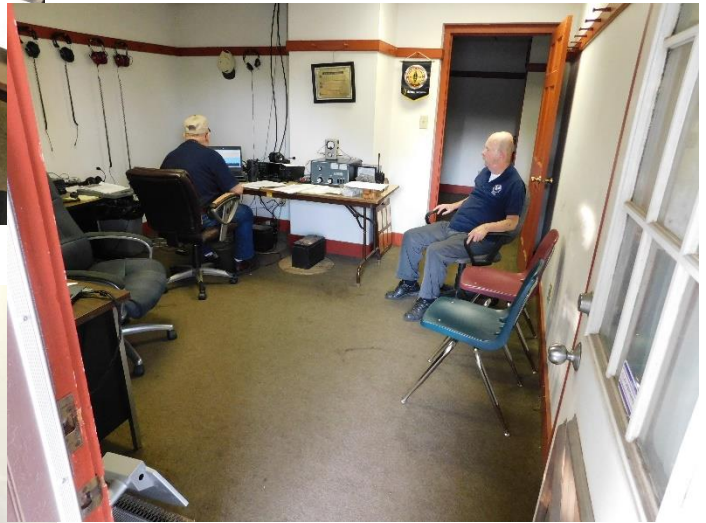
(Breakfast proceeds go to Terre Haute North High School Radio Club (K9THN))

**More information: <http://w9uuu.org> or contact [hamfest@w9uuu.org](mailto:hamfest@w9uuu.org)**

**WVARA Club Meeting for October**  
**Club Auction**



**SET (Simulated Emergency Test)  
October 6, 2018  
W9VKD Ken (EC), W9GWC Jerry, N9FMD Dave  
Vigo County ARES participated in this simulation**



# Wabash Valley Amateur Radio Association

## 2018-10-05 Club Meeting Minutes

**Call to Order** by Vice President Steve Farrington (K9TA) at 7:13 pm Indiana time.

**Pledge of Allegiance** led by Steve Farrington (K9TA).

**Roll Call/Introductions** of those in attendance plus any guests. 21 sign-ins.

**WVARA Board Meeting** – The next meeting will be held Thursday, October 18, 2018, 7:00 pm Indiana time at the WVARA Club Station. All members are invited to attend.

**Secretary's Report – LeRoy Sedgwick (AC9NF)** – September minutes were presented and approved. A correction to the September Board minutes will be made.

**Treasurer's Report – Ray Andrews (K9DUR)** – September report was presented and approved.

**WVARA Club Station Report – LeRoy (AC9NF)** – The Club Station is still open 5:30-7:00 pm Indiana time each Thursday. The Club Station is located on the N.E. corner of 7th and Idaho. Entrance and parking is in back of building.

**Public Information Officer Report – Chuck Procarione (W9COD)** – No Report

**Communications Trailer Report – Dave Littlejohn (N9FMD)** – Trailer work is continuing.

**Education Report – Ray Andrews (K9DUR)/Jerry Cockrell (W9GWC)** – The Technician class has begun with five participants.

**VE Report – Jerry Cockrell (W9GWC)** – Testing is scheduled at the Glas-Col Annex for Saturday, October 13, 9:30 am (Indiana time).

**Vigo County ARES – Ken Hauptli (W9VDK)** – There will be a Simulated Emergency Test locally tomorrow October 6. Ken (W9VDK) will be at the WVARA Club Station beginning at 8:00 am Indiana time. Net is the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday monthly, 8:30 pm EDT on 146.685 Repeater. Please check in this Sunday. The quarterly ARES meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 12, 7:00 pm Indiana time, Glas-Col Annex.

**CAARLA Report** – No report.

**Property Tax Assessment – Joe Cloutier (KC9JAC)** – No report.

**North Vigo HS Station (K9THN) – Dick Wood (N9TH)** – The club was reformed this week with 20 students. There are two licensed faculty at North Vigo with the additional assistance of two of our club members (Dick, N9TH; Jay, AB9CG). K9THN is active and will be needing help with assorted antenna repairs.

### New Business

**Upcoming Activity – Dave Littlejohn (N9FMD)** – Dave (N(FMD) and Don (K9DRP) will be broadcasting from a park in Seelyville on Saturday, October 13 beginning at approximately 10:00 am. There are four states with QSO parties. All interested operators are invited to join them. Talk-in will be on 146.685.

**Program – Steve Farrington (K9TA)** – WVARA auction.

**Adjournment** – 7:46 pm Indiana Time.

**Wabash Valley Amateur Radio Association, Inc**  
**Treasurer's Report – September 2018**

**Account Balances as of 09/30/2018**

Checking	\$942.32
Savings	\$7,185.55
PayPal	\$48.69
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,127.87</b>
Property Loan	\$1,614.60

**Income & Expenses**

**INCOME**

Donations	\$25.00
Education Income	\$95.00
Interest Earned (Savings)	\$1.15
Membership Dues	\$140.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$261.15</b>

**EXPENSES**

Donations Made	\$100.00
Education Expenses	\$49.42
PayPal Receive Funds Fees	\$1.70
Property Assessment	\$250.00
Property Loan Payment	\$74.18
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$475.30</b>

**OVERALL INCREASE/DECREASE** **-\$214.15**

# WVARA Board Meeting

## 2018-10-18 Minutes

**Date:** 2018-10-18      **Location:** WVARA Club Station

**Called to Order:** 6:23 pm Indiana time by Vice President Steve Farrington (K9TA)

### In Attendance:

N	President – Joe Cloutier, KC9JAC	Dave Littlejohn, N9FMD
Y	Vice-President – Steve Farrington, K9TA	Gary Wheeler, K9ERE
Y	Secretary – LeRoy Sedgwick, AC9NF	Andy Whitt, AC9SW
Y	Treasurer – Ray Andrews, K9DUR	Gary Winters, W9GMW
N	Trustee – Jay Sotak, AB9CG	
Y	Past President – Kevin Berlen, K9HX	
N	Past President – Jerry Cockrell, W9GWC	

**Secretary's Report (LeRoy, AC9NF):** Minutes from the September Board Meeting were presented and approved.

**Treasurer's Report (Ray, K9DUR):** Treasurer's Report for September was presented (as posted on the WVARA website) and approved.

**Club Station Report – (LeRoy, AC9NF; Andy, AC9SW) –** No report.

**Public Information Officer (Chuck, W9COD) –** No report.

**Communications Trailer (Gary, K9ERE) –** The trailer is ready for the walls to be foamed. This may take place next week.

**Property Tax Assessment (Joe, KC9JAC) –** No update report.

**Election Committee Report (Gary Wheeler, K9ERE) –** The slate of officers is complete with one exception. The Trustee position still is to be filled. This individual must be an Amateur Extra and not a Trustee in another organization.

### New Business

**Sign/Banner Request –** A request has been made for the club to have signs made with wording of or similar to “WVARA Emergency Communications.” Brief discussion about getting magnetic signs for vehicles. Andy Whitt (AC9SW) and Ray Andrews (K9DUR) will check on costs.

**Equipment on Loan –** Equipment that is on loan to Joseph Tarrant (KD9FLQ) is planned to be used in the new communications trailer. Jerry Cockrell (W9GWC) will be asked to speak with the family about returning the equipment by the first of the year.

**North HS Equipment –** Discussion about the need to swap out the IC-746 at North HS with the FT-920.

**Operating Activity –** Dave Littlejohn (N9FMD) reported on a successful operating activity this past weekend in Seelyville.

**TurkeyFest Update (Andy Whitt, AC9SW) –** Andy (AC9SW) requested contact information for TurkeyFest promotions. Chuck Procarione (W9COD) has a list. Ray (K9DUR) will see this can be an ARRL sponsored event. Additionally, SpringFest information need to be sent to QST by mid-December.

**Next Meeting –** Friday; November 2, 2018; Following the WVARA General Meeting



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

**Dues**

**2018-2019**

**\$30.00**

**Please pay now**

**WABASH VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION – 2018**

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 \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth (Mo/Dy/Yr) \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Year first licensed \_\_\_\_\_ Year of last WVARA membership \_\_\_\_\_

New Member? [ ] ARRL 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? [ ]

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Call: \_\_\_\_\_ License Class \_\_\_\_\_

ARRL? [ ]

Please add \$7 per family member above to the Single rate below. To include ARRL membership, see a current QST for the amount.

Dues options: Single (\$30) Family (Single + \$7 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.**

## Bulletin Board

### **WVARA VE Testing**

(Walk-ins Welcome)

Terre Haute, Indiana

2nd Saturday of every month (except March)

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 8<sup>th</sup> St.

For further info contact:

Ray Andrews, K9DUR: 812-236-6522

### **Terre Haute Radio Club VE Testing**

(Walk-ins Welcome)

Terre Haute, Indiana

2nd Thursday of every month

7:00 P.M., Indiana time

Storage Solutions South

5457 South State Road 63

(just south of the prison)

For further info contact Ginger Monastyrski, WB9ZHC at 812-243-9052 or [WB9ZHC@yahoo.com](mailto:WB9ZHC@yahoo.com)

**Submit your 2018-2019 dues now**