



The **BANDSPREAD**

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January 2020 Club Meeting
January 3, 2020
Glas-Col
7:00 PM

David Ofsansky (K9DWO) will be presenting our program for the January meeting on "Go Boxes."

David has constructed a number of "Go Boxes". He will present his experiences with the process. We will get to view what he has constructed

HAM Radio New Operator Camp 2020
February 1, 2020
Glas-Col Annex
\$10.00 including lunch

A one-day session taught by experienced amateurs that will help get you on the air. Some topics covered with lots of hands-on experiences include:

- **Getting on the air**
- **Setting up a station**
- **Maintenance of equipment**
- **Designing a "go box"**
- **Plus you will have a chance to make actual contacts on 2 meters and HF in our club station**
- **Building an antenna**
- **Roundtable with recently licensed amateurs**

REGISTER NOW!

The President's Corner

I know it may be hard to believe, but 2019 is almost behind us. I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable holiday. It has been a very good year for Amateur Radio in the Wabash Valley. I am looking forward to 2020 and the opportunities and challenges that lay ahead, knowing the hams in the Wabash Valley will step up and meet them.

Brentlinger Award

The Brentlinger Award is presented annually to one or more Wabash Valley amateur radio operators who have contributed significantly to the amateur radio community, either during the previous year or throughout their lifetime. The award presentation will be held at a banquet during the month of March.

Nominations must be placed in a sealed envelope clearly marked "Brentlinger Award Nomination" and either mailed to the club PO box or hand-delivered to the club President. The deadline for nominations to be in the hands of the President is January 15th. Any Wabash Valley amateur radio operator may be nominated for the award whether they are a WVARA member or not.

2020 dues are due. It's that time. We rely on you to support the repeater and other projects that serve the Wabash Valley Amateur Community.

73, Steve K9TA

TurkeyFest 2019



WVRA Christmas Party 2019

Valley Grill Terre Haute



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General Meeting Minutes

12-6-2019

Call To Order: Steve K9TA 7:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance: Andy AC9SW

Roll Call / Introductions: None New

New / Upgraded Licensees: None New

WVARA Board Meeting: The Board will meet right after the general meeting. All members are invited to attend.

Secretary's Report: Leroy AC9NF Minutes for November were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Ray K9DUR Treasurers report was reviewed and approved.

Public Information Officer Report: Chuck W9COD No Report

North Vigo High School Station Report: Jay AB9CG No Report

Vigo County ARES Report: Dave K9DWO No Report

Comm Trailor Update: Gary K9ERE 12V system still being worked on. Weather has not been too productive for a lot a work to be accomplished.

OLD BUSINESS:

WVARA Club Elections for 2020: Per the nominating committee report from November the recommended Officer list was voted and approved by all except one vote nay. Officers for 2020: President: Steve K9TA, Vice President: Leroy AC9NF, Secretary: Matt AA9XA, Treasurer: Ray K9DUR, Trustee: Jerry W9GWC, Past President: Kevin Berlen K9HX, Past President: Joe KC9JAC.

Christmas Party 2019: Will be 12-14-19 beginning at 6:00pm at the Valley Grill

Dirty Santa will take place with a \$5.00 Max for gifts. Some question regarding table centerpieces.

2019 Turkey Fest Final Report: Andy AC9SW Total attendance 80. Turkey Fest made a \$330.00 plus profit. March 14, 2020 will be the Spring Hamfest.

NEW BUSINRSS:

Field Day 2020: Review of suggestions for a new site for 2020. K9YPM will be checking with Otter Creek Fire Station #2.

Adjournment: 7:37PM

Break

Program: K9TA opened floor for ideas. A number were brought up and will be given to Leroy AC9NF.

WVARA Board Meeting Minutes 12-6-2019

Call To Order: Steve K9TA 8:00pm

In Attendance:

President Steve K9YA – Yes	Gary K9ERE
Vice President Jay AB9CG – No	Matt AA9XA
Secretary Leroy AC9NF – No	Chuck W9COD
Treasurer Ray K9DUR – No	
Trustee Jerry W9GWC – Yes	
Past President Kevin K9HX – Yes	
Past President Joe KC9JAC – No	

Motion made to operate without a quorum made by Jerry W9GWC and seconded and passed.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:19pm for new officer transition.

Secretary’s Report: Matt AA9XA Board Minutes were read and approved,

Treasurer’s Report: Ray K9DUR Per General Meeting approved

Public Information Officer Report: Chuck W9COD reported that he had paid for Facebook, and that 4,974 hits took place for general business and the Turkey Fest.

NEW BUSINESS:

Field Day 2020:

- a) Need for an inventory of computers available for use at Field Day.
- b) Looking for computer donations for the club. Ideas were discussed and all will look for solutions and donations.

OLD BUSINESS:

CW Class: Per request, the CW class will resume after the first of the year (2020).

The class will begin at the beginning, and welcomes new class members. Mondays will still be the class day and time for start will again be 7:00pm. Start date will be announced at the January Club Meeting.

Comm. Trailer Report: Gary K9ERE and Kevin K9HX – same as reported in general meeting.

Adjourn: 8:41pm

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Dues

2020

\$30.00

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WABASH VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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? []

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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 8th 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