



The **BANDSPREAD**

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2020 ARRL Field Day

One of the biggest events on the Amateur Radio calendar – just few weeks away. Field Day is a local event and an opportunity for WVARA to showcase the skills, science and technologies that make radio communication such a wonderful hobby and a valuable public service. WVARA is monitoring this situation with the coronavirus very closely and paying close attention to all of the information and guidance being offered by the CDC's Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Because of the unique circumstances presented this year, this can be an opportunity WVARA for to try something new. Field Day isn't about doing things the same way year after year - use this year to develop and employ a new approach that is in line with our current circumstances.

Stay safe and enjoy. Looking forward to seeing everyone at FD.

73, Steve K9TA

June WVARA Meeting
June 5, 2020
United Steelworkers Grounds
E Quinn Ave
Terre Haute, IN
7:00 PM
Program: Field Day Planning
THIS IS THE SITE FOR FIELD DAY!

Be Sure to follow social distancing and other mandated protocols for Indiana

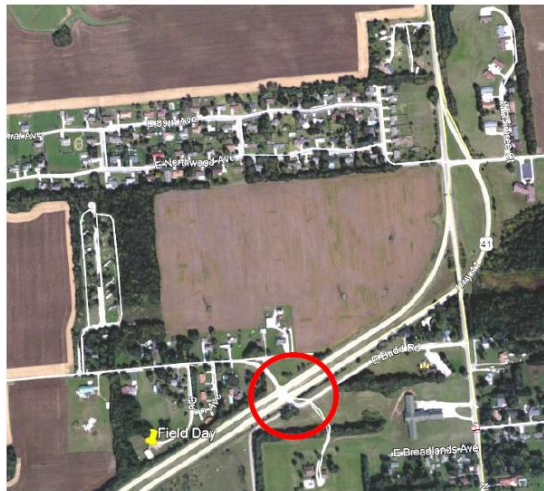
WVARA 2020 Field Day Location

Maps & Driving Directions

In 2020, the WVARA will set up for Field Day at:

United Steelworkers Grounds
E Quinn Ave
Terre Haute, IN

(39° 33' 59" N -- 87° 22' 49" W)



Go to the intersection of US Hwy 41 and Budd Rd (red circle on aerial photo).

- If you are northbound on US Hwy 41, Budd Rd is the 1st road past Hasselburger Ave (4.8 miles north of Fort Harrison Rd). Turn left (northwest) onto Budd Rd.
- If you are southbound on US Hwy 41, Budd Rd is the 1st road south of the intersection of US Hwy 41 and Clinton St. Turn right (northwest) onto Budd Rd.
- If you are northbound on Clinton St, Budd Rd is the 1st road north of the Heritage North Animal Hospital. Turn left (west) onto Budd Rd.

Proceed northwest on Budd Rd. It will curve to the left and become Quinn Ave.

Proceed west on Quinn Ave to the 2nd road on the left (0.2 mile from US Hwy 41).

Turn left (south) and proceed to the Field Day site at the end of the road.

Field Day 2020
June 27-28, 2020
Setup on June 26, 2020

United Steelworkers Grounds

E. Quinn Ave.

Terre Haute, IN

(39° 33' 59" N -- 87° 22' 49" W)



WVARA VE Session

June 13, 2020

YMCA

If you plan on taking the Amateur Extra, this will be the last time you can take it under the current question pool. New question pool takes effect in July.

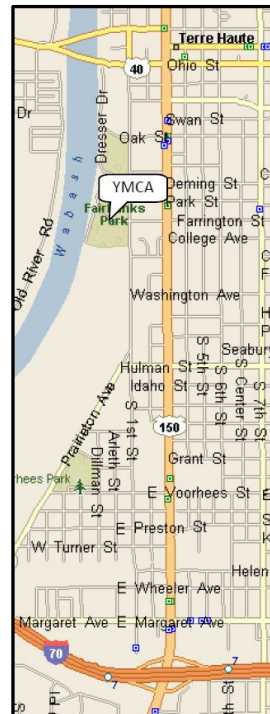
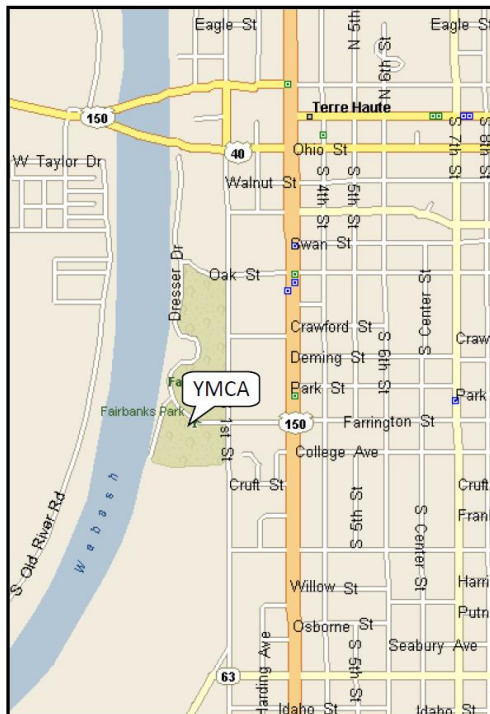
Wabash Valley Amateur Radio Association, Inc.

Amateur Radio Examinations

Maps & Driving Directions

Vigo County YMCA, 951 Dresser Drive, Terre Haute, IN
(In Fairbanks Park -- GPS Coordinates: 39° 27' 24" N, 87° 23' 06" W)

Testing will be held in the Tween Room



Driving Directions

From the south (US 41, US 150, or I-70)

- Go north on 3rd St (US 41 & US 150) to 5th stoplight north of I-70 (Farrington St.) Do not count stoplights for I-70 on/off ramps. Farrington St. is 1.7 miles north of I-70.
- Turn left (west) onto Farrington St.
- Go to stoplight (1st St.).
- Continue west on Dresser Drive into Fairbanks Park.
- The Vigo County YMCA will be the 1st building on your left.

From the east or west (Wabash Ave or US 150)

- Turn south on 1st St. (west side of Vigo County Courthouse)
- Go to 2nd stoplight (Farrington St/Dresser Drive)
- Turn right (west) into Fairbanks Park.
- The Vigo County YMCA will be the 1st building on your left.

From the north (US 41 or IN 63)

- Go south on 3rd St. (US 41) to Farrington St., which is 0.6 miles south of the courthouse.
- Turn right (west) onto Farrington St.
- Go to stoplight (1st St.).
- Continue west on Dresser Drive into Fairbanks Park.
- The Vigo County YMCA will be the 1st building on your left.

Wabash Valley Amateur Radio Association, Inc
Treasurer's Report – April 2020

Account Balances as of 04/30/2020	
Checking	\$1,781.41
Savings	\$4,420.92
PayPal	\$78.92
TOTAL	\$6,281.25

Property Loan	\$289.06
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Income & Expenses

RECEIPTS

Donations	\$25.00
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TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$25.00
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EXPENDITURES

Insurance – Liability	\$666.00
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Property Loan Payment	\$74.18
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Property Tax	\$293.76
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$1,033.94
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OVERALL INCREASE/DECREASE	-\$1,008.94
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WVARA Club Meeting Minutes

March 6, 2020

Call To Order: K9TA 7:08pm

Pledge of Allegiance: Steve K9TA

New/Upgraded Licensees: None

WVARA Board Meeting: None tonight due to Club Auction.

VP Report: LeRoy AC9NF: Club testing will take place at the Vigo County YMCA in the Tween Room beginning April 2020 at No Cost to the Club. Also Club Meeting will take place at the Hulman Regional Airport adjacent to the restaurant. We have the use for six months at no cost to the club. Much thanks to Dave N9FMB for making the airport a reality.

Secretary's Report: Matt AA9XA: Approved as read.

Treasurer's Report: Ray K9DUR; Approved as presented. Special note about the refund of the Vigo County Tax was approved.

Education Committee Report: Jerry W9GWC: No classes at this time.

Public Information Report: Chuck W9COD: No Report

WVARA Club Station Andy AC9SW: All of the station is packed and antennas are down. Equipment will be stored, and semi-trailer will be organized and stored.

Comm. Trailer Update Gary K9ERE: Working three days per week to complete by Field Day.

Vigo County ARES Dave K9DWO: Will be taking in a NVIC event with Hendricks County 4-28-20.

North Vigo HS Station: No Report

Old Business:

1. **Spring Hamfest-** Andy AC9SW will not be able to attend, need a cook.
2. **Contracts with the Clay County Fairgrounds** for Hamfest insurance certificate is not valid. New policy for new and inclusive coverage will be needed. Cost for the new insurance liability policy is \$666.00. A motion to suspend was approved. LeRoy AC9NF moved for approval of the policy, seconded and voter approved. Motion by Ray K9DUR to suspend closed bids was approved, one nay.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:27p.m.

Break

Club Auction for the remainder of evening. Attendance 26

WVARA Board Meeting Video Conference

May 26, 2020

Members Present: President K9TA, Vice President Leroy AC9NF, Secretary - Matt AA9XA, Treasurer Ray K9DUR, Trustee Jerry W9GWC, Past President Kevin K9HX, Past President Joe KC9JAC.

Meeting Called to Order by Steve K9TA at 7:04 p.m.

Secretary Report - Matt AA9XA: March 2020 minutes reviewed and approved.

Treasurer Report - Ray K9DUR: May 2020 Report reviewed and approved.

Comm. Trailer - Jerry W9GWC and Joe KC9JAC: Very close to completion, and will be available for the membership to view at the June 2020 meeting.

Background Checks: Jerry W9GWC: At this time two background checks are still outstanding.

DMR Repeater - Kevin K9HX: Questions about the repeater have been raised. At this time the problem is with the internet and connection. If we need to purchase access it would be between \$25-30 per month if needed. Discussion to follow with the general membership.

Hamfests - Kevin K9TA asked the status of the facility. Ray K9DUR informed the Board that all fees have be paid for the Turkeyfest 2020 and the Spring 2021 Hamfest. The Spring 2021 Hamfest will be on the 3rd Saturday of March.

June 2020 Meeting - Steve K9TA: The June 2020 meeting will be held at the Iron Workers Union Hall of Hwy 41 on June 5, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. Meeting at the Airport cannot take place at this time due to the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions. Social distancing will be applied for the meeting.

Old Business:

Life Memberships - Joe KC9JAC opened a discussion for the restructuring of the Life Membership fees into a special account for holding and using a portion of each Life Membership for the yearly budget. Discussion followed, A motion to suspend Life Memberships for 6 months was not seconded. The Board will take up the matter at the next Board Meeting.

New Business:

Ray K9DUR suggested that the club make a donation to the YMCA for letting us use their facility for VE Testing. The item will be moved to the general membership for consideration.

Joe KC9JAC opened a discussion for a review of the dues structure. Discussion followed, and the Board will continue to review this policy.

Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

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Dues
2020-2021
\$30.00
Please pay now

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

Vigo County YMCA, 951 Dresser Drive, Terre Haute, IN (South end of Fairbanks Park)

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

WVARA Marketplace

Please submit your Ham related items to the Bandspread editor prior to the regular publication date. Keep your announcement to less than 50 words.

FOR SALE: Gap Titan Vertical

8 Band DX Antenna. – The Titan is a center fed GAP vertical, that provides a host of benefits in a rugged, yet manageable form. The Titan offers broad, continuous frequency coverage in a no tune, easy to assemble format. Designed to work in a limited space or as the perfect complement to an antenna farm. The Titan requires NO RADIALS. \$250.00 765-592-5295. Email k9ta@arrl.net

Steve, K9TA