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The deadline for the each issue is a few days before the end of the preceding month.

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PHOTOS OF THE FWRC TAILGATE HAMFEST



Photos provided by Al Burke, WB9SSE, Linda Nardin, W9LAN, and Steve Nardin, W9SAN.

Check out the photo section of the FWRC web page to see all of the photos.

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ACARTS PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The ACARTS Picnic at the Jefferson Township Park last month was a huge success. About 45 people attended. The weather cooperated and gave us a beautiful afternoon and evening. Everyone attending enjoyed an abundance of good food and conversation. Thanks to Charles, KC9MUT, for bringing his grill and his great skills in grilling the hamburgers and hotdogs to perfection. Thanks to Howard, N9ADS, for bringing the food, Joseph, K9RFZ, for bringing the drinks, and Pat, the XYL of W9LKH, for bringing the paper plates, cups, plastic silverware, napkins, and may other items that she thought would be useful. Thanks to all of you that brought side dishes and desserts. Thanks to the YL's and XYL's that pitched in and helped arrange the food tables, and other things that needed to be done from time to time. Thanks to Steve, W9SAN, for bringing the HF rig. Thanks to Joseph, K9RFZ, for bringing his satellite receiving equipment so that some of the new hams could witness what is available from those birds overhead. Thanks to Larry, WD9FAI, ACARTS member and President of the Fort Wayne



Astronomical Society, and the other astronomers available that evening, for their hospitality at the star gazing party at the observatory across the park. And, finally, many thanks to all of you that attended the picnic. Your presence made the picnic the success that it was.

Thanks to Jack, W9GT, one of the founders of ACARTS, it has come to my attention that the club turned 50 years old on March 17, 2017. If we had realized this earlier, we might have planned a special celebration, but now it is probably too late to do anything. In any event, HAPPY 50th BIRTHDAY ACARTS. You can read about the club history at <http://www.acarts.com/history.htm>.

The September meeting on the 19th, will be a presentation by Carl Luetzel-schwab, K9LA, on the status of Cycle 24 and a look to Cycle 25, with a broad view of propagation over the next several years. He will also talk a bit about the Ft Wayne Hamfest forum that he and Jim, KR9U, are putting on about low band DXing. Finally, he will discuss the explosion of the FT8 digital mode and how it allows modest stations to work DX. There is a possibility that Carl will be joined by another ham to give part of the presentation.

IMPORTANT! Carl was kind enough to agree to give this presentation at the last minute as the originally scheduled speaker had to cancel due to a work related scheduling conflict. Carl has a previously scheduled obligation later in the evening,

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Unless otherwise scheduled, all General meetings are held at 7:00 PM at the Red Cross Center, 1212 E California Rd, Fort Wayne, IN. Board meeting are held at the Salvation Army Facility.



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so his presentation will begin PROMPTLY AT 7:00 p.m. AT THE RED CROSS.

The October meeting will be a presentation by Steve, W9SAN, on Stealth Antennas.

73,

Dave Lindquist, W9LKH
President

ACARTS picnic photos provided by Tom Rupp, KU8T, Al Burke, WB9SSE, and Linda Nardin, W9LAN.

ACARTS AUGUST 2017 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Dave, W9LKH.

The final arrangements for the picnic on August 12th were discussed. Dave stated that from the confirmed and unconfirmed number of people expressing their desire to attend, there would be between 35 and 50 people attending. How much food to buy and who would purchase it was discussed. Howard, N9ADS, offered to purchase the food, Joseph,

K9RFZ, said that he would supply the drinks, and Dave, W9LKH, said that he would bring the paper products.

Dave, W0LKH, announced that the September meeting would be on stealth antennas.

No other business was discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Submitted by Dave Lindquist, W9LKH





Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA

The Great American Eclipse of August 21, 2017 is over. When's the next one that we here in Fort Wayne can experience? That will be April 8, 2024. It will be more than the 88% totality we just saw. So hang in there for another 7 years if you're a real solar eclipse aficionado.

When talk of the August 21 eclipse started over a year ago, I figured I would stay home, set up a 160-Meter sked or two with stations on the other side of the totality path and note signal strength throughout the eclipse period. But then my wife Vicky AE9YL asked me to help with solar eclipse activities at MPB (Most Precious Blood – K thru 8), where she's a resource teacher.

Instead of just standing around and making sure the students used their approved safety glasses to view the eclipse, I thought we should add some science to this endeavor. The first experiment that came to mind was in line with my earlier plans – we would monitor the signal strength of stations at various frequencies and plot the results as the eclipse

ECLIPSE ACTIVITY AT VICKY'S SCHOOL

progressed. The second experiment was to monitor the air temperature and plot those results as the eclipse progressed.

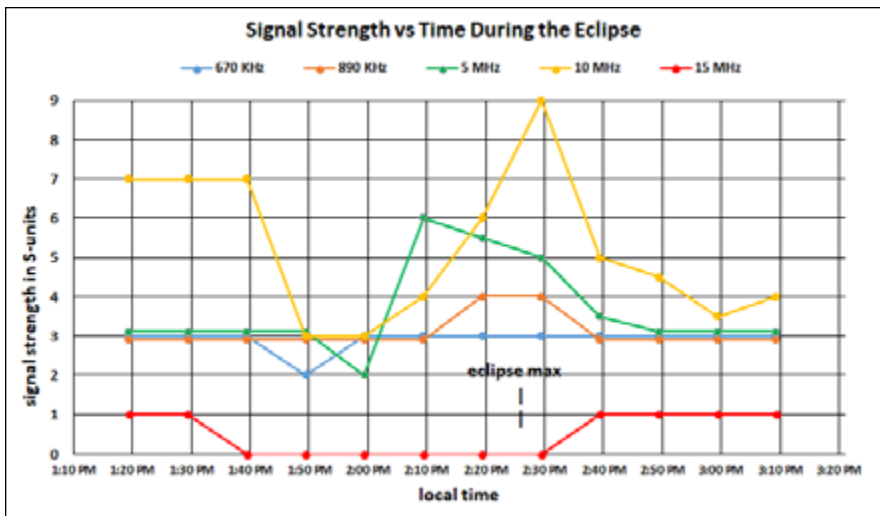
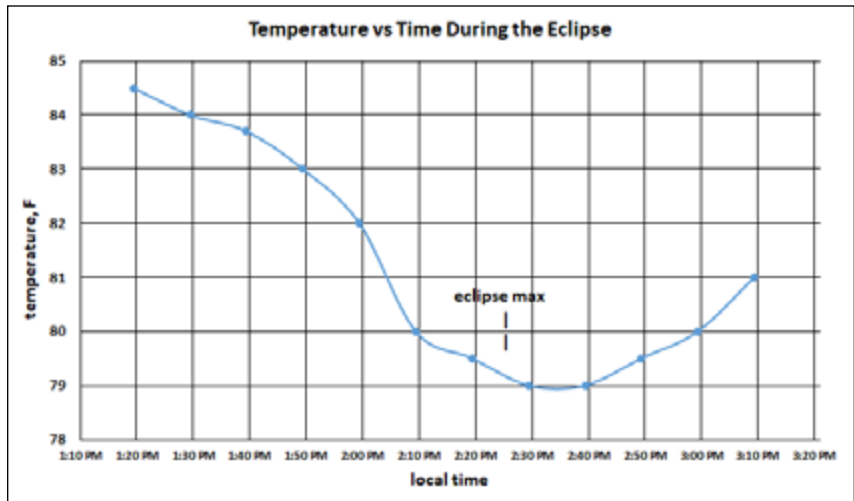
Mike WB9NOO volunteered to help, and he took care of the signal strength effort. He used my FT-747 to receive, along with a 40-Meter Hamstick mag-mounted on the top of our van. Thankfully the noise in the parking lot was quite low. The frequencies monitored were 670 kHz (WSCR in Chicago), 890 kHz (WLS in Chicago), 5.0 MHz (WWV in Colorado), 10.0 MHz (WWV in Colorado) and 15.0 MHz (WWV in Colorado). See the plotted signal strengths.

It looks as if there isn't much ionospheric propagation between Chicago and Ft Wayne on 670 kHz – it may be ground wave. WLS on 890 kHz did kind of what we expected – the signal strength came up near totality, indicating ionospheric absorption decreased. It looks like WWV on 5 MHz did the same thing – became

stronger due to less absorption. WWV on 10 MHz was interesting – its up-and-down behavior is similar to other plots I've seen from other eclipses. The drop out to our noise floor on WWV at 15 MHz was kind of what we expected, as the MUF (maximum useable frequency) likely dropped below 15 MHz during the eclipse period.

As for the temperature experiment, Vicky took care of the temperature effort. We expected the temperature to drop during the eclipse, but we didn't know by how much it would drop. See the plotted temperatures. The trend of these results was as expected.

For both experiments, we had some questions from the students as Vicky took them by the general displays and the two experiments to explain what we were doing. Perhaps these will be the future science students. The most impressive response of the students (especially the



younger ones) was when they first put on their glasses and first saw the eclipse – there were lots of loud “oohs” and “aahs”. That made the entire day worthwhile.



ARE YOU READY? VISIT THE SAFETY FAIR AND PREPARE NOW!

The single biggest reason Amateur Radio maintains its allocated spectrum is the ability to support our communities during times of disaster. It's no coincidence that the first basis and purpose for the amateur radio service in the FCC regulations is, "Recognition and enhancement of the value of the amateur service to the public as a voluntary noncommercial communication service, particularly with respect to providing emergency communications."

The current flooding in Houston is a reminder that disasters can happen anytime. If we are going to be able to help our communities during a disaster, then the first step is to make certain our families will be safe and secure while we deploy to give others communications support.

The Allen County Office of Homeland Security along with several organizations active in disasters is sponsoring the 9th annual Family Safety Fair on Saturday September 23 from 10am to 1pm in the parking lot behind Carmike Theater at Jefferson Pointe shopping center. Here's a great opportunity to meet professional first responders and get many ideas to enhance your family emergency preparedness knowledge. The Fort Wayne Radio Club is staffing a demonstration of amateur radio. Last year, several former hams walked up and chatted about their past experience. Chick-Fil-A will be handing out sandwiches again this year. There will be door prizes and handouts. Show your support for the community. Bring a handheld. Proudly wear a hat or shirt with your call sign. Let people know we are hams and we'll stand by our community in times of need.

Joseph Lawrence, K9RFZ
Allen County RACES RO

A MESSAGE FROM ARRL PRESIDENT RICK RODERICK K5UR

Based on feedback I've received, it seems to me that some members still don't fully understand certain features of the **Amateur Radio Parity Act (ARPA)** and what it is meant to do. To make things clearer, we have developed an FAQ in the format of questions and answers. Please take a few minutes and read the FAQ to learn more about the ARPA.

Here is the direct link:

<http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Regulatory/The%20Amateur%20Radio%20Parity%20Act%20FAQ.pdf>

Here is another link with additional information:

<http://www.arrl.org/amateur-radio-parity-act>

Thanks to those of you who have written your Senators in support of the ARPA. If you have not done so, please do so by clicking on the link below. It only takes a minute.

<https://arrl.rallycongress.net/congress>

Thanks. Let's keep the effort moving!

73,

Rick Roderick, K5UR

President

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TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE



Photo of the 2017 total solar eclipse taken by your newsletter editor, AB9ZD. The next one will be April 8, 2024 and you should be able to see it from the south side of Allen County!

THE FOXHUNT CHRONICLES FOR JULY & AUGUST 2017

Well, it's two for one with this edition of the Foxhunt Chronicles. The results of both the July as well as the August contest will be, well, chronicled here.

The July hunt occurred on Sunday 9 July with just a few of the usual mob of hunters able to participate. They consisted of the team of Steve and Linda Nardin, W9's SAN & LAN, and single hunter Clarke Derbyshire, KG9FM. Their quarry, the fox, consisted of Charles Ward, KC9MUT and Fred Gengnagle, KC9EZP and they were holed-up at Dan Ward, W9WLW's Ward Metal Plating facilities located in the industrial park north of Smith Field just off Cook Rd. Charles had obtained permission from Dan to use the property as a fox hiding site. The high power fox emanated from Charles's truck which was parked back in the woods and essentially hidden from sight. The microfox was contained within a metal sleeve in the wall of one of a large collection of metal containers located behind the building, and used to store and move metal parts at the facility. Given the placement of the microfox, its signal was very weak. Steve, Linda and Clarke crawled around and about the metal containers and eventually found the microfox. Linda was the first to actually lay eyes on the little bugger. Interestingly, Clarke used a combination of body shielding and an improvised attenuator consisting of a cardboard tube wrapped in aluminum foil that he would place over his HT's antenna to reduce the microfox's signal strength when he got close to it.

Since the Nardin team was the first to locate the microfox they were in line

2017 FOXHUNT SCHEDULE

The following is the planned Foxhunt schedule for 2017. All foxhunts start at 1:30 PM on Sunday at the River Greenway Trailhead at Cobin Memorial Park near Lakeside Golf Course.

September 10
October 1
November 5



to serve as the fox for the August hunt. However, because of a previous commitment to attend a Mini-Cooper "Minis on the Mac" bridge crossing at the Mackinac Bridge (1300 Mini-Coopers simultaneously crossing the Mackinac Bridge to set a world record,...and they say hams are nuts), they asked Clarke to serve in their stead as the August fox.

Hence on a spectacular Sunday on the 6th of August, Clarke and his wife Liz situated themselves at Lyons Park (in the Kirkwood Park section of Ft. Wayne) and hid the microfox in a trash container inside a plastic shopping bag. Clarke used the mobile rig in his truck as the high powered fox and commenced taunting us at the appointed time, 13:30 hours.

The foxhunters consisted of the team of Jim & Annie Pliett, K9OMA & KA9YYI plus Carole & Al Burke, WB9's RUS & SSE, the team of Charles Ward, KC9MUT & Fred Gengnagle, KC9EZP, and hunter Don Glick, K9LI, assisted by his wife Julie. They were as usual all situated at the Cobin Memorial Field starting place listening intently for Clarke's beginning fox transmissions on 146.430 MHz.

The Pliett/Burke team got an initial DF bearing azimuth of 45 degrees which indicated that the fox was north-east of Cobin Memorial Field. So they headed out east on Lake Avenue and wound up in New Haven based upon the follow-on DF bearing received. But we noticed

that the signal strength did not increase as we got to New Haven, and then to our surprise the bearings told us that the fox was now back in Ft. Wayne. So back into Ft. Wayne we went eventually winding up on Lake Ave. and then State and then we ultimately localized the fox at Lions Park. By that time Don Glick had already found the minifox, and stood there grinning at us as we pulled up. After a bit of stumbling around with our hand held yagis Jim and I also found the mini-fox's hiding place. Several minutes later Charles and Fred pulled up, got out of their vehicle and soon after also located the mini-fox.

As a reward to ourselves we proceeded to Hall's Prime Rib across the street from Parkview Hospital and took advantage of their fine menu and, well let's face it, pigged-out.

Since Don was first to find the mini-fox he gets the honor of serving as the fox for our September hunt which is scheduled to occur on 10 September.

Points earned for the August hunt and cumulative points to date are as follows:

| Call | Score This Month | Year to Date |
|--------|------------------|--------------|
| WB9RUS | 2 | 5 |
| WB9SSE | 2 | 8 |
| K9OMA | 2 | 10.33 |
| KA9YYI | 2 | 8.33 |
| KC9MUT | 1 | 22.67 |
| KC9EZP | 1 | 20.67 |
| W9SAN | 0 | 7 |
| W9LAN | 0 | 8 |
| Alex | 0 | 3 |
| KC9UOQ | 0 | 9.33 |
| KK4QXC | 0 | 8.33 |
| K9LI | 4 | 15 |
| KG9FM | 4.67 | 5.67 |

We have three hunts remaining this year. Why don't you join in on the fun?

73's

Al Burke, WB9SSE

CQ, CQ, CQ, FROM K9A, SPECIAL EVENT STATION HONORING THE 61ST ANNUAL AUBURN, CORD, DUESENBERG FESTIVAL IN AUBURN, INDIANA, HOME OF THE CLASSICS

Jack, W9OWO, is looking for operators to help with this Labor Day Weekend's special event station in Auburn for the ACD Festival. Station K9A will operate only on Friday - Sunday, September 1-3. Advertised operating hours are from 9 AM to 5 PM (local time). Participants for this event will operate from their individual "home base." Scheduled frequencies are 7.225 +/- and 14.250 +/- (Volunteers will be scheduled to cover these frequencies). If you are an unscheduled volunteer, please select another band, time, mode and frequency of your choice. All participants are asked to keep a log including: Date, Time, Call sign, Frequency and mode.

Instructions for QSL Certificate will be on QRZ Page K9A

Volunteers should contact Jack at: K9A@w9owo.com.

<https://www.acdfestival.org/>

<http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Get%20on%20the%20Air/logsheetsample.pdf>

<http://w9owo.com/acd/acd>



INDIANA PARKS ON THE AIR (INPOTA) - SEPTEMBER 9, 2017

Indiana Parks on the Air (INPOTA) is an awards program for radio amateurs and shortwave listeners that encourages portable operation in Indiana State Parks.

INPOTA has been carefully designed to make participation possible for everyone. The Program will accept operation from Base, Portable, or Mobile stations. The program provides for participation by Activators who make QSOs from the Parks, and Chasers who make contact with the

Activators and Short-Wave Listeners.

The Program is open to all radio amateurs, worldwide. There are no restrictions on who may activate a Park, although most Activators will live in the general area. Chasers and Short-Wave Listeners may be in any State or Country.

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<http://inpota.com/>



ARRL SEPTEMBER VHF CONTEST SEPTEMBER 9 - 11

Log Submission Deadline - *NEW* 10 Days After Event. Effective with the 2017-2018 Contest Season (September - August), all submissions must be emailed or postmarked no later than 10 DAYS after the event - by September 21, 2017. Submit your results online via our web app at <http://contest-log-submission.arrl.org/> or Mail your results to: ARRL Contest Logs, 225 Main St, Newington CT 06111 USA.

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2017 FINDLAY HAMFEST

The Seventy Fifth 2017 Findlay Radio Club Annual Hamfest will be held **Sunday September 10** (Gates open at 6:30 AM for Vendors to set up, 8 AM for the general public) at the Hancock County Fairgrounds. (1017 East Sandusky St., Findlay) General admission entrance this year will be from Sandusky Street and NOT from Fishlock Ave. Admission is \$7 per person (under 18 is free).

<https://www.findlayradioclub.org/>

CONTEST CALENDAR

Here are a few of the contests that will be held in the next few weeks. Please refer to the contest web sites for full rules, scoring information, operating periods or time limits, and log submission information.

Some of the places on-line with information on contests include:

ARRL Contest Corral Web page www.arrl.org/contests

ARRL's National Contest Journal www.arrl.org/ncj

ARRL Contest Update www.arrl.org/contest-update-issues

Contesting On-Line www.contesting.com

WA7BNM Contest Calendar www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/

DXNews <http://dxnews.com>

DX Zone Contesting www.dxzone.com/catalog/Contesting/

ARRL Contest Calendar www.arrl.org/contest-calendar

| COLORADO QSO PARTY | | | TENNESSEE QSO PARTY | | | ARRL EME CONTEST | | |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|---|---------------------|--------------------|--|---------------------|--------------------|
| SEPTEMBER 2, 1300Z | SEPTEMBER 3, 0400Z | | SEPTEMBER 3, 1800Z | SEPTEMBER 4, 0300Z | | SEPTEMBER 9, 0000Z | SEPTEMBER 10, 2359Z | |
| 1.8-28 | 50+ | PHONE, CW, DIGITAL | 1.8-28 | 50+ | PHONE, CW, DIGITAL | - | 2.3GHz+ | PHONE, CW, DIGITAL |
| CALL SIGN, NAME AND COUNTY | | | RS(T) AND TENNESSEE COUNTY | | | SIGNAL REPORT | | |
| http://ppraa.org/coqp | | | https://tnqp.org/rules/ | | | www.arrl.org/eme-contest | | |
| ARRL SEPTEMBER VHF CONTEST | | | IOWA QSO PARTY | | | NEW HAMPSHIRE QSO PARTY | | |
| SEPTEMBER 9, 1800Z | SEPTEMBER 11, 0300Z | | SEPTEMBER 16, 1400Z | SEPTEMBER 17, 0200Z | | SEPTEMBER 16, 1600Z | SEPTEMBER 17, 2200Z | |
| - | 50+ | PHONE, CW, DIGITAL | 1.8-28 | 50+ | PHONE, CW, DIGITAL | 1.8-28 | 50+ | PHONE, CW, DIGITAL |
| 4 CHAR GRID SQUARE | | | RS(T), COUNTY OR SPC | | | RS(T), COUNTY OR SPC | | |
| www.arrl.org/september-vhf | | | www.w0yl.com/IAQP | | | www.w1wqm.org/nhqso/ | | |
| NEW JERSEY QSO PARTY | | | MAINE QSO PARTY | | | TEXAS QSO PARTY | | |
| SEPTEMBER 16, 1600Z | SEPTEMBER 17, 2000Z | | SEPTEMBER 23, 1200Z | SEPTEMBER 24, 1200Z | | SEPTEMBER 23, 1400Z | SEPTEMBER 24, 2000Z | |
| 3.5-28 | - | PHONE, CW | 1.8-28 | - | PHONE, CW | 1.8-28 | 50+ | PHONE, CW, DIGITAL |
| RS(T), COUNTY OR SPC | | | RS(T), COUNTY OR SPC | | | RS(T), COUNTY OR SPC | | |
| www.k2td-bcrc.org/njqp/ | | | www.qsl.net/ws1sm/ | | | http://txqp.net/ | | |

| ACARTS (W9INX) REPEATERS | | | FWRC (W9TE) REPEATERS | | | OTHER AREA REPEATERS | | | |
|--|------------|--------------------------------|--|-------------------|-----------------------------|--|--------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Freq/Offset | Input Tone | | Freq/Offset | Input Tone | | Call | Freq/ Offset | Input Tone | |
| 146.880 (-) | No tone | General use / Skywarn priority | 146.760 (-) | No tone | General use (Note 1) | W9FEZ | 145.330 (-) | No tone | Fort Wayne |
| 147.255 (+) | No tone | General use | 146.910 (-) | No tone | General use (Notes 1 and 4) | W9FEZ | 224.780 (-) | No tone | Fort Wayne (Note 1) |
| 443.800 (+) | No tone | General use | 146.940 (-) | 141.3 Hz required | General use (Notes 1 and 3) | W9FEZ | 444.800 (+) | No tone | Fort Wayne (Note 1) |
| 144.390 (s) | Digital | APRS - wide | 444.875 (+) | 141.3 Hz required | General use (Note 1) | K9MMQ | 443.100 (+) | N/A | Fort Wayne, DMR |
| 145.530 (s) | Digital | W9INX-1 Digipeater and Node | 442.99375 | D-STAR | General use (Note 2) | K9MMQ | 443.275 (+) | 141.3 Hz required | Fort Wayne |
| Notes: General Note: Standard 0.6 MHz (2-meter), 1.6 MHz (1.25-meter) and 5.0 MHz (70-cm) frequency offsets are used for all repeaters unless otherwise indicated. | | | Notes: 1. 141.3 Hz output tone present 2. Offset + 5.0 MHz, W9TE ___ B, W9TE ___ G 3. Yaesu System Fusion repeater, supports both FM (analog) and C4FM (digital) voice 4. EchoLink connection repeater Node number 519521 | | | N9MTF | 442.6375 (+) | N/A | Fort Wayne, DMR |
| | | | | | | W9AVW | 444.250 (+) | 141.3 Hz required | Fort Wayne |
| | | | | | | W9OU | 147.015 (+) | No tone | Auburn |
| | | | | | | WC9AR | 145.270 (-) | 131.8 Hz required | Columbia City |
| | | | | | | WC9AR | 444.550 (+) | 131.8 Hz required | Columbia City |
| | | | | | | K9HC | 146.685 (-) | 141.3 Hz required | Huntington |
| | | | | | | N9BCP | 147.150 (+) | 97.4 Hz required | Ligonier |
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Name: _____ Call sign: _____ License class: _____
 Street address: _____ City: _____
 State: _____ ZIP: _____ - _____ Phone #: (_____) _____ - _____ Unlisted? ☐ Yes
 Email address: _____ ARRL Member? ☐ Yes

(ARRL membership helps your club maintain affiliation.)

May we list your name, call & email address in our membership roster and on our club web site? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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 Additional family members¹ ☐ \$6.00 / year
 Student membership² ☐ \$6.00 / year
 Associate membership³ ☐ \$6.00 / year
 (New Regular memberships are \$1/month)

Fort Wayne Radio Club Dues

Regular membership ☐ \$20.00 / year
 Family membership¹ ☐ \$30.00 / year
 Student membership² ☐ \$5.00 / year
 Associate membership³ ☐ \$20.00 / year
 Mailed newsletter premium ☐ \$25.00 / year
 (Memberships for Jul - Dec are 1/2 the stated amounts.)

1. Please list all names and calls on an attached sheet.

2. K-12 or full time student

3. Unlicensed member

Please attach a check (number _____) for the appropriate amount and bring to a club meeting or mail to:

ACARTS

PO Box 10342

Fort Wayne, IN 46851-0342

Fort Wayne Radio Club.

PO Box 15127

Fort Wayne, IN 46885-5127

For dual membership, send a check to each club for your respective membership. Payment by check is strongly encouraged!

Special Event Stations This Month

Auburn, Cord, Duesenberg Festival

Sep 1-3 1400Z-2200Z K9A

K9A@w9owo.com

Invention of the TV, Philo Farnsworth

Sep 1-10 0001Z-0059Z K7T

[QSL. Wesley Wilkinson / W7WES](http://www.qsl.net/W7WES)

16th Anniversary of 9/11

Sep 8-12 1800Z-1200Z W8HN

www.qrz.com/w8hn

Route 66 Military Vehicle Convoy

Sep 16+ 0000Z-2359Z K4M +

<http://convoyontheair.org/>

Johnny Appleseed Festival 50th Ann

Sep 16-17 1200Z-1400Z K8GQB

<http://www.k8gqb.com/>

For a complete listing of special event stations, check the listing in QST and the ARRL web page:

www.arrl.org/special-event-stations

AREA NETS

| Daily | | | Tuesday | | |
|-----------|------------------|---|-----------|-------------|---|
| 8:00 AM | 3.535 | Daily (QIN) Indiana Section CW net | 8:00 PM | 50.580 USB | FWRC 6 Meter Net |
| 8:30 AM | 3.940 | Daily Indiana Traffic Net | 9:00 PM | 146.940- | Allen Co. ARES Training Net |
| 6:00 PM | 3.940 | Daily Indiana Traffic Net | Wednesday | | |
| 6:30 PM | 146.880- | IMO (alternate is 146.760) | 7:00 PM | 146.760- | FWRCYL Net |
| 7:00 PM | 147.015+ | Tri State Two Meter Net | 7:30 PM | 147.150+ | 21 Repeater Group |
| 8:00 PM | 3.535 | Daily (QIN) Indiana Section CW net | 8:00 PM | 145.270- | Whitley Co. ARES (131.8 PL disabled) |
| Week Days | | | 9:00 PM | 146.940- | Help and Swap Net |
| 8:30 AM | 3.820 | Little Red Barn Net | Thursday | | |
| Sunday | | | 7:30 PM | D-STAR | Indiana D-STAR net (Note 3) |
| 8:00 PM | 444.550+ | Whitley Co. Sunday (131.8 PL) | 8:00 PM | 50.580 AM | 6 Meter AM Net |
| 8:30 PM | 1.965 & 146.910- | "No-Name" Net also on EchoLink Node number 519521 | 8:30 PM | 145.510 (s) | Allen County ARES Digital Operations Team Training Net (Note 4) |
| 9:00 PM | 145.530 | Northeast Indiana Packet Net (Note 2) | Saturday | | |
| Monday | | | 8:00 PM | 146.685- | Huntington ARES |
| 8:00 PM | 224.780- | Fort Wayne 224 Net | | | |

1. All times local time. **Any changes or corrections should be submitted to the newsletter editor at AB9ZD (at) ARRL.NET.**

2. On 145.530 @ 1200 baud. Use unconnected converse mode to communicate for a roundtable net setting. Use your "UNPROTO" command or equivalent to set Digi path(s) through the strongest station(s) needed between you and your destination. Only use those that are necessary! Have all your "Monitor" settings on so you can see everyone.

3. 1st and 3rd Thursday, Reflector REF024B.

4. Net starts using BPSK-31 and switches to BPSK-250 after roll call to pass traffic etc. NBEMS suite of software (FLDIGI, FLMSG, and FLAMP) is preferred.

5. Indiana HF Traffic Nets Web Site: <http://www.inarrl.org/index.php/public-service/indiana-nts>

To:

Activities Calendar



| Date | Time | Event | Place |
|------------|---------|--|-------------------------|
| 09/05/2017 | 7:00 PM | FWRC Board Meeting | GSUMC |
| 09/10/2017 | 1:30 PM | Foxhunt - River Greenway Trailhead/Cobin Memorial Park near Lakeside Golf Course | |
| 09/12/2017 | 7:00 PM | ACARTS Board Meeting | Salvation Army Facility |
| 09/15/2017 | 7:00 PM | FWRC General Meeting | GSUMC |
| 09/19/2017 | 7:00 PM | ACARTS General Meeting | American Red Cross |
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| 10/17/2017 | 7:00 PM | ACARTS General Meeting | American Red Cross |
| 10/20/2017 | 7:00 PM | FWRC General Meeting | GSUMC |
| 11/18/2017 | | Fort Wayne Hamfest and Computer Expo | |
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