

TARA Meeting Minutes 4/8/2026

Alan WO9G opened the meeting at 7:06 pm and welcomed everyone. Everyone present introduced themselves.

Meeting minutes for March 2026 have been emailed out and posted to Discord by Michelle W9CHL.

Treasurer's report was given by Earle AB9EN and is attached below.

April 18th WC9IN and TARA will be hosting a POTA at Prophetstown State Park. The Blazingstar Shelter is reserved from 11am-11pm. Radios and antennas will be set up for use on multiple bands. You may bring your own equipment for show and tell also. There is an \$8 gate fee PER VEHICLE to get into the park - so load up your vehicle with people.

IN QSO party is on May 2nd. TARA station will be available - contact Earle AB9EN to set up time to operate.

Hamvention is May 17-18 in Zenia Ohio

Al Crispo KA9OUT gave information on Kit radios from QRP Labs

Field Day is last June 27-28. Earle has reserved the shelter at Ft. Ouiatenon again - but we can change locations if someone has any ideas. Earle passed around a sign-up sheet for volunteers and operators. He will be posting online / sending out via email also.

June 24th Special Event Station for Amelia Earhart Birthday - get with Alan WO9G and see Discord channel for more information.

We need to amend our By-laws to add Family Membership back in and to add a new membership level for new members testing with TCNET. We want to add a Free Into Class membership - good for one free year. Everyone will need to vote on these changes. Alan will be sending out an email about it.

A new member was voted into TARA - Welcome Aaron Cocanower KE9ETA


We are going to be adding a Social Half Hour to meetings. We discussed doing this before or after our meetings. The general consensus was to do it before. We will be doing it from 6:30-7pm before each meeting. Please come and hang out with us, ask questions, or get assistance with equipment issues, etc.

There was discussion about getting a UPS for the TARA shack.

WC9IN will be moving the 725 repeater, the end of May, to its permanent location at the West Lafayette tower site. The Crawfordsville WC9IN linked repeater is currently offline - the duplexer needs to be re-tuned.

Meeting adjourned at 7:49 pm followed by a presentation by Al Crispo KA9OUT

Sign-in sheet and Treasurer report attached below*

			
Monthly Meeting Attendance Log			
Meeting Date: <u>4/8/2026</u>			
Call Sign	Name	Email	TARA Member (Y/N)
1 W9CHL	Michelle Davis	Chell470@gmail.com	Y
2 AB9EN	EARLE NAY	fenay@gmail.com	Y
3 W996	Alan Schwab	TARA@alanschwab.com	Y
4 KA9OUT	AL CRISPO	ALWC@PURDUE.EDU	Y
5 KB9ZX	Buck Wagner	amastrees@mintel.net	Y
6 K9NMT	Bob Brent Lyman	K9NMT@Y4H00	Y
7 K9XC	SETH Goodwin	WKAZCSY@GMAIL	Y
8 K99TJH	Kevin Myers	big.k641963@hotmail.com	Y
9 KE9DOB	Tim McMath	1961Tmcmath@gmail.com	Y
10 KE9FEE	John Cole	jhcole@purdue.edu	Y
11 KB9BZX	KE9CRP	KE9CRP	Y
12 N9BWX	Bill Wagers	online	Y
13 K9AMW	Annie Wagers	online	Y
14 KB9RLT	Jim Haples	call@gmail	Y
15 K9ALB	Adrian Burris	online	Y
16 N9DD	Chuck Schwarz	online	Y
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April 2026 TARA Treasurer's report	
Checking	\$ 752.72
Savings	\$ 3,262.12
Cash	\$ 50.00
Paypal	\$ 213.85
	\$ 4,278.69