

P R O G R A M N I G H T  
Wednesday, September 28th

Tim Miller, N9DKI

An introduction to packet radio and the W9YB bulletin Board.

Don't forget the Feast of the Hunter's Moon, October 1st & 2nd  
If you can help for a few hours, it will be appreciated, and all day  
stint is not required.

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T	A A	R R	A A	Vice-Pres	W7YE	Bob Martin
T	AAAAA	RRRR	AAAAA	Secretary	N9MIH	Glenn Ward
T	A A	R R	A A	Treasurer	KF9CT	Jack Freeman
T	A A	R R	A A	Director	K9LYA	Jim Collison

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## COMING EVENTS

- 24SEP94 SAT 00600 Chicago FM Club, Lake County Fairgrounds near Routes  
& 45 and 120, Flea Market, Equipment Displays,  
25SEP94 SUN 0800 VE session 0900-1200, Free Parking, Talk-in 16/76,  
\$6.00
- 28SEP94 WED 1930 TARA Program Meeting, see page 1
- 1OCT94 SAT Feast of the Hunter's Moon  
2OCT94 SUN Feast of the Hunter's Moon
- 1OCT94 SAT The Greater Louisville Hamfest/ARRL KY State Conven-  
& tion will be held at the Commonwealth Convention  
2OCT94 SUN Center in downtown Louisville.
- 1OCT94 SAT 0800 North Central Indiana Hamfest and computer Show,  
formerly Indiana Tri-County Hamfest, sponsored by the  
Cass County ARC and the Miami County ARC, at the Miami  
County Fairgrounds on County Road 200 North, just East  
of US31, or West of Business 31. CR 200 North is just  
north of the US31/US24 intersection. Talk-in 147.345  
and 147.180, \$5.00
- 2OCT94 SUN 0800 Huntington County ARS 6th annual Hamfest, P.A.L. Club,  
2099 Riverside Drive, Huntington, VE Testing, Talk-in  
146.685(-), 443.975(+), 442.925(+), \$4.00
- 4OCT94 TUE 1930 Annual L.A.R.C. Meeting  
11OCT94 TUE 1930 TARA Business Meeting  
15OCT94 SAT 0700 WVARA 60th Anniversary Hamfest, sponsored by The Wabash  
Valley ARA, Inc. at the Clay County Fairgrounds, 2-1/2  
mile North of I-70 at the south edge of Brazil, INDOOR  
hamfest in a spacious facility, Breakfast served at  
0600, Lunch served at 1030, VE Testing Session at 1000,  
\$5.00
- 26OCT94 WED 1930 TARA Program Meeting  
29OCT94 SAT 1300 VE Testing at W9REG  
5NOV94 SAT ARRL November Sweepstakes, CW, thru November 7th  
8NOV94 TUE 1930 TARA Business Meeting  
13NOV94 SUNSUNSUN 1400 Amateur Radio Test at Danville, Illinois  
19NOV94 SAT ARRL November Sweepstakes, phone, thru November 21st  
19NOV94 SAT ARRL Indiana State Convention, Fort Wayne  
20NOV94 SUN ARRL Indiana State Convention, Fort Wayne  
23NOV94 WED 1930 TARA Program Meeting  
13DEC94 TUE 1930 TARA Business Meeting  
28DEC94 WED 1930 TARA Program Meeting  
21JAN95 SAT 0900 Northwest Missouri Winter Hamfest, Ramada Inn, Saint  
Joseph Missouri, Free Parking, close to Shopping  
Centers, FCC Exams, Talk-in 146.85 & 444.925, \$3.00
- 28APR95 }  
29APR95 }-- ~~Dayton Hamvention~~ (The Ham Event)  
30APR95 }  
13MAY95 SAT 4-H/FFA Ag Judging (Forestry & Horse)  
3JUN95 SAT 4-H/FFA Ag Judging (Poultry/Livestock/Dairy)
- 20AUG95 SUN LAFAYETTE HAMFEST

**T.A.R.A. Business Meeting  
Tuesday September 13, 1994**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Jeff Stewart, KF9UP.

Treasurer, Jack Freeman - KF9CT, reported on financial activity for the month, including the Hamfest outcome. See the Treasurer's Report for details. It was moved (Bob Martin) and seconded (Charlie Williams) to accept the report. Motion passed.

Bruce Stewart, N9GKE, gave a short report on the Hamfest. He stated there were no major problems or complaints. Bruce has also volunteered to be Hamfest Chairman for next year. If you attend a lot of other hamfests, please contact Bruce about getting some flyers and discount tickets to take along to help publicize our upcoming Hamfest. He would like to get much more publicity for next year. Jack Out, K9AHX, and Brad Lovett, KD9SF, have volunteered to help with publicity. We may also have a new barn available for the Hamfest, though it may be more expensive.

Bob Martin, W7YE, commented on VE testing. We were paid for 11 test sessions with 16 total tests given. The Club collected \$63.25 of which \$19.25 has been forwarded to the ARRL VEC. A card received from the ARRL verified that the forms were proper and complete.

Ed Delp was a guest and introduced himself to the Club. He was a ham several years ago and is now returning to the hobby. Jeff Stewart also reported that Brady Mart, N9YAW, was interested in joining the Club but couldn't attend the meeting since he worked second shift.

A motion was made (Jim Collison) and seconded (Curtis Sherwin) to accept them as new members. Motion passed.

A new member, Bob Lusby - K9FOH, introduced himself. He is interested in QRP and 6 meters and will be joining the VE team as an Extra Class examiner.

The Feast of the Hunter's Moon is on Oct 1 and 2. People are needed to help direct traffic. Emergency Management will be handling the busiest intersections and have asked us to help them with other traffic control. Since the police and sheriff's department may be busy elsewhere, they're looking for as many people to help as we can round up, especially on Saturday. Jim Collison and Dave Azpell report that it's not a difficult job. Mostly keep traffic headed the right direction and provide communications between the parking areas. There was a sign-up sheet at the meeting. [If you'd like to help, call Jeff Stewart (474-6528) and let him know what time you're available]

VE testing is scheduled for October 29 -- the next ARRL National Testing Day -- and will start at 1:00 PM at the Red Cross Building.

The Purdue Club, W9YB, will be holding their monthly meetings on the first Tuesday of each month. Membership is open to the public, although Club officers must be P.U. students. They will be having presentations on several topics (e.g. packet, Amateur TV and satellite). Contact David Moffett, N9SBZ, or listen to the Thursday night net (7:30PM) on 147.135(+) for more information.

*This month's program meeting will be on Packet Radio. Tim Miller, N9DKI, will be presenting an introduction to packet radio and the W9YB bulletin board.*

Several members are interested in code practice sessions. They will meet after the meeting to see if something can be set up.

Pedro Castillo, WB9RVN, sent word to thank all those who participated in the West Lafayette Global Fest.

Jack Freeman has volunteered to paint the bottom part of the tower here at the Red Cross building. Other volunteers are requested. Hopefully, there will be a date and time published somewhere in this month's newsletter.

In this month's drawing, Dick Collison's name was chosen. Since Dick wasn't in attendance, next month's drawing will be for \$18.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Robert Martin, Vice President

TIFPECANDE AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION  
 TREASURERS REPORT  
 SEPTEMBER 13, 1994

DUES RECEIVED :

1/2 YR 94 N9XNH	\$ 3.00
1/2 YR 94 N9XPZ	\$ 3.00
1 YR 95 K9FOH	\$ 6.00
1-1/2 YR 95 KE9OV	\$ 9.00
TOTAL DUES	\$ 21.00

OTHER INCOME

AUCTION

WB9SWD	\$ 20.00
N9MIH	\$ 28.00
N9VCO	\$ 5.50
TOTAL AUCTION	\$ 53.50

HAMFEST DAY	\$ 3170.10
W7YE VE TESTING	\$ 63.25
SUB TOTAL HAMFEST	\$ 3233.35

THE ABOVE INCOME WAS DEPOSITED BACK IN SAVINGS \$ 3467.25

ADDITIONAL INCOME FROM HAMFEST FROM K9FGX THAT  
 WAS DEPOSITED INTO CHECKING ACCT. \$ 159.40

GRAND TOTAL INCOME FOR SEPT. \$ 3626.65

DISBURSEMENTS

TIPP. CTY COMMISSIONERS ( RENT )	\$ 260.00
TIPP. CTY COMMISSIONERS ( DEPOSIT )	\$ 250.00
U.S. POSTAL SERVICE HAMFEST MAILINGS	\$ 318.00
DICK COLLISON FOOD SUPPLIES	\$ 300.00
COPY PRINT SHOP - POSTERS	\$ 84.74
STARTING CHANGE BANK	\$ 1000.00
BURK ELECTRONICS DUAL BAND HT PRIZE.	\$ 355.21
A.A.R.L. VE TESTING FEE	\$ 19.25
KC9LI POSTAGE FOR MAILING PRIZES	\$ 13.35
U.S. POSTAL SERVICE K9KRE	\$ 9.42
N9GKE - SMALL PRIZES	\$ 150.00
PEPSI COLA CO.	\$ 81.50
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 2841.47

PROFIT FROM FOOD SALES	\$ 77.90
PROFIT FROM TICKET SALES	\$ 785.47
PROFIT WHEN DEPOSIT IS RETURNED	\$ 1035.47

STARTING SAVINGS ACCT 8/9/94	\$ 4789.04
STARTING CHECKING ACCT 8/9/94	\$ 67.86
C.D. NOTE BAL AS OF 8/9/94	\$ 5287.55

TOTAL IN SAVINGS ACCT 9/12/94	\$ 5756.29
TOTAL IN CHECKING ACCT 9/12/94	\$ 968.27
TOTAL IN C.D. NOTE 9/12/94	\$ 5287.55

TOTAL ASSETS \$ 12,012.11

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED  
 JACK D. FREEMAN KF9CT  
 TREASURER 9/13/94

President's Column

I want to start by thanking everyone who helped with the Hamfest this year. Whether it's helping with the planning, the setting up, the selling of tickets, or the cleaning up when it's all over, the more people that pitch in the easier the job is for everyone. I want to thank Dick Collison and Bruce Stewart for all the work they did pulling things together for the Hamfest and Nellie Van Sickle for organizing the concessions.

Bruce Stewart has agreed to be the chairman for next year's Hamfest and though the dust is still settling from this year's Hamfest, not that it was very dusty with Saturday's rain, Bruce is already working to make next year's Hamfest bigger and better. He could, however, use some help. We need to have someone step in to be second in command; someone to learn the ropes and be ready to take control. If you're interested in this position, give Bruce a call and learn more about the job. If you can't take that position but would still like to help, I'm sure Bruce will be able to find something for you to do.

October 1st and 2nd is the Feast of the Hunter's Moon. We're looking for volunteers to help direct traffic again this year. The hours will be from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM both days. If you can work 3 or 4 hours on one of these days, give me a call at 494-1787(w) or 474-6528(h).

Also coming up in October (22nd?) will be a Simulated Emergency. Check in on the Thursday night net and stay on your toes.

73 for now and see you at the next meeting,

KF9UP

Attendance for 13 Sept. 1994	
K9AHX	John Ott
KF9CT	Jack Freeman
WB9CZC	Dave Azpell
K9FOH	Bob Lusby
N9GKE	Bruce Stewart
N9JEA	John Baugher
K9KF	Tom Kuespert
KC9LI	Bob Niewerth
K9LYA	Jim Collison
KD9SF	Brad Lovett
WB9SWD	Curtis Sherwin
KF9UP	Jeff Stewart
N9VLW	Charles Williams
KF9WX	Tim Gennett
N9XTL	Brenda Williams
N9XTM	Mike Kaiser
N9XTN	Mark Conner
W7YE	Bob Martin
	Ed Delp

"Johnny," said the teacher, "If coal is selling for \$20 a ton and you pay the dealer \$80, how many tons will he bring you?"

"A little more than three tons, ma'am," replied Johnny.

"Why, that's not right!" said the teacher.

"I know it isn't," Johnny answered. "But they all do it anyway."

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While surfing the Internet I came across a discussion of the word "we" as it is commonly misused in the world of amateur radio (at least I thought it was Mis-used. After reading this explanation, I understand now the profound psychological implications that I had previously missed.) The following is the text of that interchange that brought me to a new level of knowledge regarding amateur radio operating procedures. -ed.

The other day I heard the best (!) use of the ham-radio "we" I've heard yet...overheard: "We just had an operation to remove a blood-clot in our leg". Now that would be a sight!

Greg WB0RTK

Hi Greg, you may not know that origin of the term "we" as far as ham radio goes. It is a side effect of learning Morse Code which tends to split the brain into two distinct parts, one for normal stuff and one for emulating a modem. The split is so severe that the individual perceives two distinct entities existing within his brain and starts referring to himself as "we". It must be true because it happened to us right after we got our first ham ticket.

Cecil, KG7BK

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 ..And then there's the politician who never got elected to anything until he changed his name to "None of the Above."

### Safe Battery

By George Cook, N3OWG

Do you ever carry an extra HT battery pack in your pocket? Are you aware that even the smallest power packs can be dangerous -- that they can set a fire if keys or other metal objects short them out?

To prevent such a disaster, put the wide rubber band from a head of broccoli around the entire pack, covering the contacts. Then your only problem will be getting your kids to eat the broccoli.

from the July '94 Stanislaus ARA "The Readout" - Bob Pinheiro, WA6ZLO, editor, via ARNS.

-/-/-/-/-/-/-/---Take serious note of the above. The son of a former member was painfully injured by not taking the possibility seriously. If you have an ICOM, they supply a piece of plastic to do the job. It wears out, so I cut and expired credit card to use instead. If you cut it with design, you can leave your name on the card, but not the numbers, possibly getting a lost battery returned. (Police Officers learned early on not to carry their battery and spare bullets in the same pocket, after some of them were 'shot by their radio.'

In the early days, not even Motorola had the forethought to recess the charging contacts on the bottom of the battery pack. A problem that did come to their attention.

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At the height of his fame, John Barrymore went into a Hollywood haberdashery and bought some shirts and ties. "Charge it as usual." said Barrymore.

"The name is?" asked the clerk.

"Barrymore."

"The first name?"

The great Barrymore was furious.

"Ethel," he replied.

### North Central Indiana Hamfest

October 1st,  
at the Miami County Fairgrounds.

Remember, TARA members will get a 20% discount off the ticket price at the gate by showing a club membership card or an ARRL membership card.

See page 2 for additional details.

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Wanted,  
by the Editor

The minutes to the November 1993 and the August 1994 meetings. We get various reply from different members when we make inquiry. The November minutes purportedly contain authorization for a change in club finances, but in any case, I subscribe to the theory that all members should have access to the minutes, whether they can attend the meetings or not. With around 80 dues paying members, and only ten to twenty at an average meeting, -----.

Another point, if you are in charge of an event (like the Feast coming up) please drop a list of your helpers so that they can get credit for their efforts, and the club, as well as the clubs we exchange newsletters with, know that we actually do things. We are more active as a club than even our members are aware. Let's blow our own horn, nobody else will do it for us. K9KRE

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Little Tommy was telling his mother about his day in school.

"Mom," he said, "today our teacher asked me whether I had any brothers or sisters, and I told her I was the only child>"

"And what did she say?" asked his mother.

"She said, 'Thank goodness!'"