

July 1997

135th Edition

T.A.R.A. Tattler

P R O G R A M M E E T I N G

Wednesday, July 23rd

"Digital Signal Processing"

presented by Ed Delp

N9KWJ lost \$36.00 at the July 8th meeting

2-----Drawing for \$42.00 August 12th-----0

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President	W9YE	Bob Martin
Vice-Pres	WB9SWD	Curtis Sherwin
Secretary	KZ9Z	Howard E Koehl
Treasurer	WA9TGO	Jim Canarecci
Director	N9GKE	R Bruce Stewart

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COMING EVENTS

- 23JUL97 WED 1930 TARA PROGRAM MEETING, digital signal processing
by Ed Delp. N9YTE
- 26JUL97 SAT 0900 VE Tests, sponsored by Clinton & Boone County ARCs,
Frankfort Public Library, 1 block west of the Court
House on the south side. Talk-in 146.61. Walk-ins
are welcomed.
- 3AUG97 SUN 0700-1400 Annual Land of Lakes, Angola Hamfest, sponsored
by L/L ARC, Steuben County 4-H Fairgrounds, Crooked
Lake. VE Testing, free parking, swimming, amusement
park, outlet shopping malls nearby, Talk-in 147.18,
444.350 (131.8PL), 444.900 (100.0PL), 224.94, 54.050,
145.090 packet, \$4.00 A/N9SBZ
- 3AUG97 SUN 0600-1500 Hamfesters Hamfest (an old-fashioned hamfest)
(62nd annual), Will County Fairgrounds, Peotone, IL,
exhibits open at 0800, free flea market, 35 acres free
parking, Talk-in 146.52, 146.64 (107.2 PL), 146.94,
\$5.00 A/N9SBZ
- 8AUG97 FRI 1830 VE Tests at Cass County EMA building, 2 mile north of
Logansport on SR17, no pre-registration required.
- 9AUG97 SAT 0800 Porter County Hamfest, sponsored by Porter County ARC,
Porter County Expo Center, VE Testing 9-11, Walk-ins
welcome, free parking, Talk-in 146.52, or
146.776 (131.8 PL), \$5.00 A/N9SBZ
- 10AUG97 SUN 0800 Jackson Hamfest & Computer Show, sponsored by CARS, at
Jackson Community College, Jackson, MI, Trunk sales
spaces \$6.00, VE testing, ARRL forums, DX-Packet
Cluster forum and more, Talk-in 146.88, \$5.00 A/N9SBZ
- 12AUG97 TUE 1930 TARA BUSINESS MEETING
- 16AUG97 SAT Hamfest at Warsaw A/ARRL
- 17AUG97 SUN **LAFAYETTE HAMFEST**
ALWAYS 3RD SUNDAY IN AUGUST
- 24AUG97 SUN 1000 VE testing in Danville, IL, at the Veteran's
Administration, 1900 East Main Street, Building 98.
Room C-104 (2nd floor), Bill Wright 217-442-3916
Walk-ins Welcome, Testing from 1000 to 1400
- 24AUG97 SUN 0800 W9MJL 28th annual Hamfest and Computer Show, U.A.W. 579
Civic Center, Tilton (Danville), Illinois, ARRL Infor-
mation Booth, Grand Prize (HTX-212 2-meter mobile)
drawn at 1400, air conditioned inside,
Overnight camping is available, no hook-up,
Talk-in 22/82, \$3.00 or 2/\$5.00
- 27AUG97 WED 1930 TARA PROGRAM MEETING
- 29AUG97 FRI Globalfest at Morton
- 30AUG97 SAT Globalfest at Morton
- 6SEP97 SAT 0900-1500 Hamfest, Spencer, IN, Owen County Fairgrounds. VE
Session, Talk-in 146.985, ADMISSION FREE
- 6SEP97 SAT Greater Louisville Hamfest and Computer Show & ARRL
& Kentucky State Conventions, Kentucky Fair & Exposition
7SEP97 SUN Center, Louisville, KY, \$6.00 A/N9SBZ

TARA BUSINESS MEETING

Tuesday, July 8, 1997

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1930 hours by club president Bob Martin (W9YE). Those in attendance are as follows:

KB9JDE, KB9KHM, K9KRE, KB9LKD, KE9OV, WD9SWD, WA9TGO, KF9UP,
WE9Y, W9YE, N9YTE, KZ9Z

1. Howie Koehl, KZ9Z, read the minutes from the last meeting which were approved with the following exceptions:
 - a. Tim Gardner (KB9JDE) did not volunteer to run the Novice station during Field Day.
 - b. There are 82 members in TARA, not 70.
 - c. Bob Martin (W9YE) handed out the Field Day (FD) activity list not Bob Finch (W9YA).

2. Jim Canarecci (WA9TGO) gave the treasurer's report covering items such as:
 - a. No dues had been received
 - b. Received \$44.43 interest on the savings account
 - c. Had various disbursements
 - d. \$362.63 checking account balance
 - e. \$6695.16 savings account balance
 - f. \$6052.96 on CD note
 - g. Total Assets equal \$13,110.75

OLD BUSINESS

1. J.B. VanSickle (K9KRE) stated...
 - a. The can for donations at the FD site has been used before.
 - b. In the past, if the club had a good FD auction, they ate steaks and if not, they ate hamburgers, etc.
 - c. The FD auction should support FD and the food should not be subsidized with club funds.

2. Dan Steill (KE9OV)....
 - a. Would like to see a final report on FD expenses.
 - b. Jim Canarecci (WA9TGO) estimated:
 - 1) \$214 was collected at the auction.
 - 2) \$37 (auction related) was turned in later.
 - 3) \$90 was collected at FD.
 - 4) Total contributions were \$376.00.
 - 5) There are FD bills still outstanding.

3. Curtis Sherwin (WD9SWD) reported...
 - a. There was some late satellite station purchases.
 - 1) 200' of Superflex coax @ \$177.30
 - 2) \$5.00 for an adapter.
 - b. Ed Delp (N9YTE) motioned to pay those bills and Tim Gardner seconded.
 - c. There would be an antenna party Saturday, August 2nd starting at 0800 at the tower.
 - d. A lift could be used to aid in the antenna work costing approximately \$1000.
 - 1) A discussion followed with:
 - a) Ed Delp asking how many times we need to do the antenna work. Answer was approximately every 10 years. He said the cost of the lift would be a hundred or so a year over the 10 year period. He also questioned the safety of the lift.
 - b) Curtis Sherwin said a crane would possibly be cheaper than the lift.
 - c) A question arose about the cost of replacing everything. Answer was approximately \$5000.
 - d) Jeff Stewart (KF9UP) added we could take everything down and then get a lift or crane to replace.
 - e) Curtis Sherwin said that breaking the job into 2 operations makes it easier on the tower person.

- f) Tim Gardner added we should contact Mike Diener (KB9JDA) who has previously volunteered to do antenna work.
 - g) Curtis Sherwin also said that a vendor is working on a multi-polarized antenna for 2 Meters.
 - h) Ed Delp suggested we make a list of antenna needs and present it to the club.
4. Jeff Stewart reported the FD contacts (approximate numbers) were....
- a. CW – 405 contacts
 - b. SSB – 282 contacts
 - c. Novice – 43 contacts
 - d. VHF/UHF – 20 satellite contacts
 - e. Points – 2380
 - f. Bonus points – 800
 - g. Total points – 3180
- Note....Curtis Sherwin said they were lacking operators and some of the time slots were empty.
5. Flower Policy....
- a. J. B. VanSickle handed out copies of the club's flower policy (approved in 1961 and amended in 1975) and proposed some changes that take in consideration today's prices.
 - 1) He motioned to approve the changes and Ed Delp seconded.
 - 2) Said that if a member knows of a death of another member or member's family, they should announce it in a timely manner.
 - b. Discussion followed on generic-type wording to change the policy to cover costs that fluctuate from time to time.
 - c. A vote was taken on VanSickle's motion and the motion carried.
 - d. Bob Martin recommended the treasurer send \$50 to the Red Cross in Bob Collison's name at the request of his family.
 - e. Tim Gardner motioned we send \$75 to the Red Cross in Bob's name and Ed Delp seconded.
 - f. Vote was taken on Gardner's motion and the motion did not carry.
6. Bob Martin presented to the secretary a letter titled STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE TIPPECANOE AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION AND THE TIPPECANOE COUNTY CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS regarding the use of Red Cross facilities, the tower, maintenance of antennas, etc. This letter will be kept on file by the secretary.
7. Insurance policy...
- a. Jim Canarecci asked for an interpretation of this policy. Looking at a binder we recently received, he said he thinks what we have is a liability only policy. The equipment policy that we had through the ARRL has expired but can it be reinstated.
 - b. Ed Delp said to talk to Bruce about what we have and that we definitely need both liability and equipment coverage. We need to go back to the underwriter for an explanation and convey our needs.
 - c. J.B. VanSickle says we need to get in writing what the policy covers.
 - d. Jim Canarecci is to check and compare replacement vs. actual value insurance.
 - e. Bob Martin requested it be done in a couple of weeks so that we can discuss it at our program meeting this month.
8. Larry Conner (N9KWJ) won the \$36 drawing but couldn't collect because he wasn't there.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. The topic for this month's program meeting will be "Digital Signal Processing" presented by Ed Delp.

Meeting was adjourned at 2030 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,
Howie Koehl, Secretary, KZ9Z

TIPPECANOE AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION
TREASURERS REPORT
JULY 8, 1997

DUES RECEIVED:

\$ 0.00

OTHER INCOME RECEIVED:

FINAL FIELD DAY AUCTION COLLECTIONS \$ 37.00
ADDITIONAL FIELD DAY DONATIONS \$ 70.00
SAVINGS ACCT. INTEREST APRIL, MAY, JUNE \$ 44.54
TOTAL INCOME \$ 151.54

DISBURSEMENTS:

BOB MARTIN W9YE COPIES, FIELD DAY INFO \$ 6.30
HENRIOTT INSURANCE, LIABILITY INSURANCE \$ 200.00
DAN STEILL KE9OV, FIELD DAY FOOD ADVANCE \$ 300.00
MIDWEST RENTALS, PORTAPOTTY, FIELD DAY \$ 75.00
US-POSTMASTER, HAMFEST POSTCARDS \$ 140.00
INSTANT COPY, HAMFEST POSTCARD PRINTING \$ 28.91
TRANSFERRED \$ 500 SAVINGS TO CHECKING
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$ 750.21

STARTING CHECKING ACCT BAL 6/10/97
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\$ 463.84
\$ 7150.62

CHECKING ACCT BAL 7/8/97
SAVINGS ACCT BAL 7/8/97
CD NOTE #5146289 BAL 5/8/97
CASH AND CHECKS ON HAND

\$ 362.63
\$ 6695.16
\$ 6052.96
\$ 0.00

TOTAL ASSETS \$ 13110.75

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED
JIM CANARECCI WA9TGO
TREASURER

LAFAYETTE HAMFEST

Sunday, August 17, 1997
Tippecanoe County Fair Grounds
1401 Teal Road, Lafayette, IN

Parking.....FREE

Tickets\$4.00

Children under 12...FREE

Indoor/Outdoor Space Available-No Charge
Electric Free inside

Food And Drinks Available

Handicap Accessible

Talk In. 147.136+/443.776+

No Tables

Saturday Setup -3:30 PM TO 6:30PM. (in doors only)

Sunday doors open at 6:00 am

VE Testing 12:00 Noon To 2:00pm @ The Red Cross, Lafayette IN. Cost is \$6.06
All License Test Given. You must have a Photo Copy of your Original License and a Photo ID.
For information contact:
Jeff Stewart @ 317-474-6628

For information Contact: Jim Canarecci, WA9TGO @
844 Southland Dr. Lafayette, IN 47906 Phone #: 317-474-6628

1-765-474-6510

No Camping, Overnight Parking, Alcoholic Beverages, Fire Arms within the Fairgrounds. Not responsible for accidents

Full
Field Day
Report
Next
Month?

