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COMING EVENTS

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25FEB98 WED 1930 TARA Program Meeting, see page one
  28FEB98 SAT 0700-1300 Cabin Fever Hamfest, sponsored by Laporte ARC,
                  LaPorte Civic center, Talk-in 146.61 (131.8pl),
          of the S. and 146.52; ($5.00 may so the modern to so V.
   8MAR98 SUN 0800 Indiana Hamfest, Morgan County Repeater Assn., State
                   Fairgrounds, over 500 tables, Forums, Talk-in 147.06
                   repeater
   8MAR98 SUN 0800-1400 SEWFARS ARC Swapfest, Waukesha County Expo Center,
                  Waukesha, WI, License Exams, Talk-in 22/82-PL 127.3,
                   $5.00
  10MAR98 TUE 1930 TARA Business Meeting
  14MAR98 SAT 0800-1500 37th Michigan Crossroads Hamfest, sponsored by
                   Southern Michigan ARS & Marshall HS Photo Electronics
                  Club, @ Marshall HS, Crafts for the Ladies, No Exams,
                  Talk-in 146.66 or 146.52, $4.00
                                                                  A/N9SBZ
  22MAR98 SUN 0800-1400 LAMARSFest, sponsored by Libertyville & Mundelein
               ARS, w/assistance of the North Shore Radio Club, Lake
               County Fairgrounds, Grayslake, IL, Forums include
                  new FCC RF Regs, APRS & More, Commercial exhibitors
                   in Cafeteria Building, Free parking, Talk-in 146.52 &
                147.945/345, $5.00
                (add1: VE Exams, no tailgating)
25MAR98 WED 1930 TARA Program Meeting
  28MAR98 SAT
              Lincoln Trail ARC Hamfest, Elizabethtown, KY
  5APR98 SUN 0800 Madison (WI) Area Repeater Association Swapfest and
                   Computer Fair, John Q. Hammons Trade Center, Commercial
                   dealers, new location (near Middleton), Free parking,
                   Talk-in 147.15 repeater, $6.00
                                                                  A/N9SBZ
14APR98 TUE 1930 TARA Business Meeting
  19APR98 SUN 0700-1300 Spring Hamfest & & Computer Show featuring Gateway
                  Electronics, sponsored by Jefferson County ARC, Elk's
                   Club in Cedar Hill, MO, FCC Exams at 0900, Talk-in
                  147.075 or 147.105, $2.00
  22APR98 WED 1930 TARA Program Meeting, 8 days between meetings
  12MAY98 TUE 1930 TARA Business Meeting
  15MAY98 }
  16MAY98 }-- Dayton Hamvention
                                                       (The Ham Event)
  17MAY98 }
  26MAY98 WED 1930 TARA Program Meeting
   7JUN98 SUN 0600 Princeton Hamfest & Computer Show, Bureau County Fair-
                   grounds, Princeton, IL, sponsored by Starved Rock RC,
                  ARRL Central Division Representative, Free Camping,
                  Electricity available, Outdoor flea market, Free
                  parking, Talk-in 146.955 -600/PL 103.5, $ 6.00 A/N9SBZ
   7JUN98 SUN 0600 30th Wabash County ARC Hamfest & Computer Show,
                  Wabash County 4-H Fairgrounds, Indoor & Outdoor
                  market, Tables available, Major vendor participation,
                   Overnight Camping (Elect. Hook-up), Talk-in 147.03/63 &
                   442.325/447.325, $6.00
   9JUN98 TUE 1930 TARA Business Meeting
  24JUN98 WED 1930 TARA Program Meeting
  26JUN98 FRI
                  Fiddlers Meeting
                                               A/742-1419 (Kirk Hallman)
  27JUN98 SAT
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  28JUN98 SUN
                  Field Day
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TARA BUSINESS MEETING

Tuesday, February 10, 1998

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1930 hours by club president Curtis Sherwin (WB9SWD). Those in attendance are as follows:

WB9BRX	W5BWN	KF9CT
KB9JDE	K9KF	KB9OQC
KB9RLT	WB9SWD	KF9UP
KF9VA	WE9Y	N9YTE
KZ9Z		
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ATTENUANCE TOTAL TO

- 1. Howie Koehl (KZ9Z) read the minutes from the last meeting which were approved as read.
- 2. Dave Dull (WB9BRX) gave the treasurer's report......

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a.	Income Received (dues)	\$	125.20
b.	Interest On Savings Account	\$	11.20
	Savings Account Balance	\$	5280.95
	Value 9 Mo. CD @ Maturity	\$	6287.02
	Total Assets	\$1	1.764.39

Tim Gardner (KB9JDE) moved to accept treasurer's report. Seconded by Ed Delp (N9YTE)

OLD BUSINESS

1. Curtis Sherwin (antenna update).....

- a. Had a slight medical problem that prevented him from working on the antenna for a while.
- b. Now needs volunteers to come to the station to pre-assemble the antenna elements. Ed Delp and Tim Gardner volunteered to help on Sunday February 15th @ 1300 hours.
- c. He also displayed the top of tower bearing assembly.
- 2. Jack Freeman (KF9CT).....
 - a. Reminded the group that he still has the tilt over tower (~ 57 feet) to be disposed of. Ed Delp moved to sell the tower with a second by Tim Gardner. A vote was taken and motion
 - b. The lower will be silent auctioned off with bids being spread over time. All bids are to go to Jeff Stewart (KF9UP) via e-mail (jws@purdue.edu) or phone (474-6528 Home or 496-8274 Work).
 - c. Minimum bid will be \$100 which was entered by Curtis Sherwin.
 - d. Cut off for bids will be the Field Day Auction in May.
- Ed Delp....
 - Reported the Web Site is not ready yet and is still under construction. Tim Gardner will work with Ed to develop the site.

NEW BUSINESS

- Member Nominations....
 - a. Clyde Crowder (W5BWN) was nominated by Steve Critser (KF9VA) for membership and Ed Delp seconded. Vote was taken and was unanimous.

- 2. Curtis Sherwin....
 - a. Asked for suggestions for activities for the program meeting.
 - b. Send all suggestions e-mail to Ed Delp at (n9yte@ecn.purdue.edu). Some suggestions from the multitude included Lightning Protection, Power Line Interference and Tour of TV18 Cellphone Site.
 - c. Is not comfortable with the traps for the 40M and 80M "V" antenna. The traps have weathered and need replaced. Replacement could be done for < \$100.
- 3. The drawing was won by Richard Bender (WB9QQZ) who was not in attendance to collect his \$6.00.
- 4. It was moved and seconded at 2033 hours by Tim Gardner and Jack Freeman, respectively, that we adjourn. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

TARA OFFICERS President......Curtis Sherwin (WD9SWD) V. President....Jack Freeman (KF9CT) Secretary.......Howie Koehl (KZ9Z) Treasurer......Dave Dull (WB9BRX)

Respectfully Submitted, Howie Koehl, Secretary, KZ9Z

I have reserved the same bus we took last year. The date is Saturday, May 16, 1998. The bus will leave the Great Lakes Chemical parking lot at 6:00 am, to arrive Hara Arena at 10:00 am (Dayton time). The bus will leave Dayton at 4:00 pm, to arrive back at Great Lakes at 7:00 pm (includes stop at Wendy's for dinner). At this point, I am not planning a stop at the Radisson.

The cost this year will be \$25, or \$40 including admission to the hamfest. The deadline for payment is April 15 (hamfest admission is \$20 at the door). If the bus is not funded at this point, I will refund all monies and cancel the trip.

You can send payment to:

Amateur Radio License Plates

Since they were first available, about 40 years ago, they have been \$2.00. Then about 20 years ago, there were several attempts to amend the fee to \$40.00. IRCC, among others, was responsible for seeing those attempts defeated, and usually suggested (since it is fairly obvious that \$2.00 was not covering the BMV's expenses) that amateurs would agree to a reasonable increase.

If you have not heard, starting 1JAN98, you will have to fork over \$5.00 for you 'Ham Plate'. K9KRE

TIPPECANOE AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION

Treasurer's Report January 1, 1998 through January 31, 1998

Income Received:

*Dues 98-99 Jeff KF9UP & Debbie N9ZFJ Stewart *Dues 98-99 Charles Bender WB9QQZ Dues 98 Jack Kueberth KB9KUQ Dues 98-99 Bob Niewerth KC9LI Dues 98 JB K9KRE & Nellie K9FGX Van Sickle Dues 98 Jack Ott K9AHX Dues 98 Tom Kuespert K9KF Dues 98 Bob Martin W9YE Dues 98 Jim Haynes KB9RLT Dues 98-99 Clyde Mauck N9JWI Dues 98 Gus Vavrus W9BZF Dues 98 Fran Hudlow WA9HKK Dues 98 Clarence Vaughn W9IMU Dues 98 Nancy Koehl KD9JS Savings Account Interest 1-31 Jan 98	Total Income:	18.00 12.00 6.00 12.00 9.00 6.00 6.00 6.00 6.00 6.00 6.00 6
Disbursements:		
Ben Whipple Banquet Enertainment Indiana DMV - Trailer Registration		100.00 27.25
*Listed on previous report	Total Disbursements:	127.25
Beginning Checking Account Balance Beginning Savings Account Balance	1/1/98 12/31/97	288.68 5269.75
Ending Checking Account Balance Ending Savings Account Balance Current Value 9 mo. CD (Mature: 2/8/98 \$6287.02) Cash & Checks for Deposit	1/31/98 1/31/98 5/8/97 1/31/98	242.43 5280.95 6208.01 33.00

David R. Dull WB9BRX
Treasurer

Note: Beginning with this report the reporting period will be based on the calcular month.

Total Assets:

11,764.39

ANYONE KNOW WHERE THE SIGN-IN SHEET is from the Banquet. It got lost somewhere, and the Secretary would appreciate it reappearing in his hands.

Reasonably good turn-out, not quit as huge (100+) that we had in the 70's, but a lot better than it was during the 80"s. It still intrigues me that when we had that huge number of attendees, the club membership was around 20. that we have around 90 members, we have fewer turning out. has some ideas.

By the way, historically, the Banquet was not restricted to members of TARA, anyone was wel-COMMITTEES

As soon as the President gets his committees lined up, we will be publishing them in the Tattler, & at the same time, an up to date membership list. We do have two new members, but as yet do not have their addresses or any of that and there are many soon to be delinquet members.

DUES

Below is a list of members that as of February 1st, had not paid their dues for 1998, and whose membership will expire 1MAR98.

K9DUW	WD9JLN	K9LYA	WB9SWD
K9DV	KB9JPT	N9MIH	WA9TGO
WD9HED	KB9KHM	WN9NBT	N9UFP
KE9IT	KB9KLM	KA9NYW	WB9USL
KB9IXT	KB9KNP	N9QAP	WB9WLU
KB9JDA	N9KWJ	N9RRL	W9WQS
N9JEA	KB9LSE	WB9SBV	N9XPZ

Send dues to: David R Dull, WB9BRX 49 Knoll Crest Court West Lafayette, IN 47906

Legal Issues:

As I reported at the last club meeting: Due to an unfortunate situation which occurred during the last Hamvention DARA and Hamvention has been named in a suit demanding damages. Naturally. we have turned this matter over to our attorney. Due to the legal nature of this action I am unable to discuss details with you at this time. I can however advise you the suit was initiated by a fellow ham many of you know personally and speak to via nets on a regular basis. He is Lew McCoy, Therefore I must request W1ICP. all DARA members not to discuss this pending litigation nor talk to Lew McCoy regarding to this I will say however that our position is we are not at fault in anyway.

de GEARVAKÍ BULLETIN Vol. 28 April 1988

Mysterious Disappearances Reported

Local land agents and Farm Bureau officials are stymied at the sudden and mysterious disappearances of groundhogs in the area, according to GEARVAKf Aviation Chief and wild animal expert. Phugoid G. Dutchroll. A locally prominent farmer, Mr. Moe Gorbinsky, said he first noticed the disappearances just after his son set a world's record in a wellknown amateur radio contest. Gorbinsky said the missing rodents won't bother him, however his brother, Slud, owner of Gorbinsky's Mushroom Supply, Catering, and Sanitary Service, said he may start offering vegetarian banquets soon. --WB8AJC Only six pages, either I missed some things, or it has been a slow month. Please, if you have any information, forward to share with your fellow hams. K9KRE