

Wednesday April 22nd

Power Line Interference

and How to Help the

Power Company Find It

A representative of PSI (Cinergy) will be present to explain

Invite as your guest anyone who is interested in the subject.

Don't embarrass the club with a small turn-out.

Kevin McDonald lost \$18.00 April 14th

2-----Drawing for \$24.00 May 12th-----0

TTTTT	AAA	RRRR	AAA	President	WB9SWD	Curtis Sherwin
T	A A	R R	A A	Vice-Pres	KF9CT	Jack Freeman
T	AAAAA	RRRR	AAAAA	Secretary	KZ9Z	Howard E Koehl
T	A A	R R	A A	Treasurer	WB9BRX	Dave Dull
T	A A	R R	A A	Director	W9YE	Bob Martin

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COMING EVENTS

22APR98 WED 1930 TARA Program Meeting, 8 days between meetings
 25APR98 SAT 1300 VE Testing at W9REG
 26APR98 SUN 0800-1300 MARK Hamfest, sponsored by Moultrie AR Klub,
 Moultrie-Douglas County Fairgrounds, Arthur, IL, indoor
 & outdoor, Talk-in 055/655, 449.275/444.275, \$4 A/N9SBZ
 3MAY98 SUN 0700-1200 Decatur Area Hamfest, sponsored by Cenois ARC,
 at Shilling Hall, Richland Community College, Decatur,
 IL, License Exam at 1000, Talk-in 13/73 & 442.250+
 pl 103.5, \$5.00 A/N9SBZ
 12MAY98 TUE 1930 TARA Business Meeting
 15MAY98 }
 16MAY98 }-- Dayton Hamvention (The Ham Event)
 17MAY98 }
 26MAY98 WED 1930 TARA Program Meeting
FIELD DAY AUCTION
 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 A/N9SBZ
 9JUN98 TUE 1930 TARA Business Meeting
 14JUN98 SUN 0700 Six Meter Club of Chicago's 41st Hamfest, DuPage County
 Fairgrounds, Wheaton, IL, also featuring Antique and
 Vintage Radios, 3 buildings & large outdoor flea market
 ARRL & dealer displays, ARRL VE Testing 0900-1200 (call
 708-442-4961 to pre-register), free parking, Talk-in
 146.52 & 146.37/97 (107.2), \$5.00 A/N9SBZ
 20JUN98 SAT 0800-1400 Milford Hamfest, sponsored by Milford ARC, Live
 Oaks Career Development Campus, Milford, OH, Commercial
 Vendors, VEC Exams 9AM (Walk-ins Welcome), follow the
 signs from I275 & SR28, Talk-in 147.345+, \$5.00 A/N9SBZ
 20JUN98 SAT 0800-1300 Midland ARC Hamfest, Midland County Fairgrounds,
 paved flea market \$5 per spot, Friday night camping \$8,
 VE Exams, free parking, Talk-in 147.000+, \$4.00 A/N9SBZ
 21JUN98 SUN Hamfest, Monroe (MI) County Fairgrounds A/N9SBZ
 24JUN98 WED 1930 TARA Program Meeting
 26JUN98 FRI Fiddlers Meeting A/742-1419 (Kirk Hallman)
 27JUN98 SAT Field Day
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 28JUN98 SUN Field Day
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 11JUL98 SAT 0600-1900 Indianapolis Hamfest, ARRL Central Div. Convention
 Marion County Fairgrounds, Homebrew contest,
 Transmitter hunts, License testing 0900-1200,
 (Appears to be only one day this year) A/N9SBZ
 12JUL98 SUN Kankakee ARS 15th Hamfest (new day, new month), Will
 County Fairgrounds, Peotone, IL, 35 acres-Free parking,
 Hourly door prizes, 1st prize \$300.00 cash, 2nd prize
 \$100.00 cash, 3rd prize \$100.00 cash, Cash prize winner
 need not be present, Talk-in 34/94, \$5.00 A/N9SBZ

TARA BUSINESS MEETING

Tuesday, April 14, 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	FK9CT	KB9JDE
KB9JDG	KB9KUQ	KB9LKD
WA9LYC	KB9RLT	WB9SWD
WE9Y	W9YE	KZ9Z
ATTENDANCE TOTAL 12		

1. Howie Koehl (KZ9Z) read the minutes from last meeting. Tim Gardner (KB9JDE) moved to approve the minutes, the motion was seconded by Bob Martin (W9YE), a vote was taken and the motion carried.
2. Dave Dull (WB9BRX) gave the treasurer's report. Bob Martin moved to accept the treasurer's report with a second from Jack Kueberth. Vote was taken and motion carried.
 - a. Note....See the full report in the TATTLER.

OLD BUSINESS

1. None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Dave Dull (WB9BRX) reported he...
 - a. Sent a plant arrangement to the family of Jack Kueberth whose father passed away on 3/14. His funeral was held in Abingdon, MD.
 - b. Was unable to secure the arrangement for the amount stated in the club's bylaws indicating that rule needs to be changed.
 - c. Bob Martin motioned to accept the additional amount that was used to purchase the flowers with Tim Gardner (KB9JDE) seconding. Vote was taken and motion passed.
2. Tim Gardner informed us...
 - a. About a bus to Dayton, OH for the Hamvention again this year.
 - 1) More people are needed to secure the bus.
 - 2) Fourteen have signed up already.
 - 3) Must have 23 to 24 to secure the bus at a cost of \$25 each.
 - 4) Call Steve Stombaugh (N9DHH) @ 463-6218 or Tim Gardner @ 447-2615 or 497-6397.
 - 5) The bus will leave Lafayette Saturday 4/17 at approximately 0630 hours and return approximately 1930 hours the same day.
 - b. There is a bill in congress to end the Communications Act Of 1934. This bill...
 - 1) Would prohibit the FCC from taking away radio spectrum without replacing it with equivalent spectrum.

- 2) See Tim for the address to write your congressperson.
 - 3) The number of the bill is HB3572.
- c. WIRES Repeater now has or will be able to....
- 1) Sense when commercial power goes off and the repeater falls back on battery power.
 - a) Transmit an audio announcement when this has taken place.
 - b) Please keep use to a minimum when the repeater is on battery backup power.
 - 2) Have tone access....
 - a) At 88.5 frequency.
 - b) Which is not active as yet.
 - c) Which will probably be left on continually. (DTMF codes will be published so all folks will have access to the repeater.
 - d) And everyone will be notified on the keys to hit for access.
 - e) Soooo, dig out your manuals so you will be able to set your radios when the tone access is activated.
 - 3) Announce club meetings held on the 2nd Tuesday and 4th Wednesday of the month.
3. We have two new members in the club....
 - a. Bryan Hall (KB9JDG)...Jim Davis (WA9LYC) moved to accept Mr. Hall as a member and Howie Koehl (KZ9Z) seconded. A vote was taken and the motion carried.
 - b. Major Sherwin (N9ZFG)...Curtis Sherwin moved to accept Mr. Sherwin with a second from Gary Reed (WE9Y). Vote was also taken and motion passed.
 4. Curtis Sherwin (WB9SWD) told the group that...
 - a. Tim Gardner is checking on access to the Red Cross parking lot for Field Day Auction.
 - b. The next program meeting (April 22) will have a representative from Cinergy (PSI) give a talk on Interference and Power Line Problems.
 - 1) If you can squeeze in the time, please try to attend.
 5. Bob Martin asked for some more info on the building reported on last month....
 - a. Jack Freeman (KF9CT) said the building was still for sale.
 - b. Building is located in Buck Creek.
 - c. Owned by the Battleground Masonic Lodge.
 6. Jim Davis reminded everyone that VE Testing would take place at the Red Cross building on April 25th at approximately 1300 hours.
 7. Kevin McDonald was not able to collect the \$18 drawing since he was not present.
 8. Jim Davis moved that we adjourn at 2009 hours and a second followed from Bob Martin. The 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

TIPPECANOE AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION

Treasurer's Report

March 1, 1998 through March 31, 1998

Income Received:

Dues 98 Jim Collison K9LYA	3/11/98	\$6.00
Dues 98 Rex thomas W9WQS	3/ 3/98	\$6.00
Dues 98-99 Anna & Scott Rumble KA9NYW & WB9WLU	3/ 4/98	\$18.00
Dues 98-99 John Baugher N9JEA	3/ 6/98	\$12.00
Dues 98 Margret Weber WB9USL	3/ 3/98	\$6.00
Dues 00 Bruce Stewart N9GKE	3/11/98	\$6.00
Dues 98 Glenn A. Ward N9MIH	3/11/98	\$6.00
Dues 98-99 Irving Wynn KB9JPT	3/21/98	\$12.00
Dues 98 David C. King N9UFP	3/30/98	\$6.00
Dues 98 Dave Chasey WN9NBT	3/30/98	\$6.00
Dues 98-99 David M. McCormick K9DV	3/10/98	\$12.00
Interest Saving Acct.	3/31/98	\$11.24

Total Income: \$107.24

Disbursements:

None

Total Disbursements:

Summary:

Beginning Checking Account Balance	3/1/98	\$137.37
Beginning Saving Account Balance	3/1/98	\$5,291.09
Ending Checking Account Balance	3/31/98	\$245.37
Ending Savings Account Balance	3/31/98	\$5,302.33
Current Value CD (Mature: 11/8/98: \$6287.02)	2/8/98	\$6,287.02
Cash & Checks for Deposit	3/31/98	\$12.00

Total Assets: \$11,846.72


David R. Dull WB9BRX
Treasurer

SILENT KEY

KB9KUQ

A card has been received addressed to 'Members of Tippecanoe Amateur Radio Association' from Anna Marie Kueberth, 2410 Sycamore Lane, Edgewood, MD 21040-2828, acknowledging our remembrance of our departed member.

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The horse would have a good laugh these days if he could see all those motorists adjusting their shoulder harnesses.

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8 DAYS BETWEEN MEETINGS

A Thank You to our Secretary for having the minutes of the last meeting in my hands LESS than 24 hours after the meeting. Last time I can remember this occurring was a couple decades ago when W9YIP, John Edwards, was Secretary and since the newsletter was not being published at that time, he placed a copy of the minutes in the mail to all officers.

Again, Thank You Howie. /K9KRE
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Watching the TV means fighting, violence and foul language. . .and that's deciding who gets to hold the remote control.

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TOWER SALE

You should recall that a couple months ago a 50' fold-over tower came available to the club. So far only one bid has been received for that tower. It could be yours for just a little over \$2.00 per foot. That sounds like a reasonable price. Final bids to be taken at Field Day Auction.

If you can not be there that evening, contact our president to make other arrangements.

FIELD DAY AUCTION
27MAY98

This is what finances FD. It pays for any rental fees, equipment purchases, et cetra. What is left over determines how good the feed is. Bring your junkie, take home the gold, and make a F-U-N thing out of the auction, it used to be!

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Some times a man gets a reputation for wisdom simply because he does not have enough money to make a fool of himself.

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S . A . M . E .

There was discussion of the new "SAME" (Specific-Area Message Encoding) receivers, which can be programmed to only sound the alert for counties you select. This is a boon for those (that) have been awakened many times in the middle of the night as a storm moved through the state. After awakening for several alerts for other counties, you may sleep through the one for your county.

Codes for Boone & surrounding counties are:

Boone	018011
Clinton	018023
Hamilton	018057
Hendricks	018063
Marion	018097
Montgomery	018107
Tippecanoe	018157
Tipton	018159

On a nationwide basis the codes are updated frequently. These are effective 03/17/98. On the Internet, the latest "SAME" codes are available at:

http://www.nws.noaa.gov/nwr/indexnw.htm
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For keeping busy, the bee is praised; the mosquito, however, is swatted. It's all a matter of give and take.

**A LETTER FROM THE STATE
RACES DIRECTOR**

The following Associated Press story appeared in the evening edition of the Indianapolis News, page A-2, Monday, March 23, 1998:

**Indiana Officials Put Focus
on Readiness
Associated Press**

A sudden winter storm two weeks ago caught officials off guard.

Next time, they want to be better prepared.

Leaders from northwest Indiana met with Gov. Frank O'Bannon and other state officials last week to talk about how to handle the next weather disaster.

"The response was heroic up here," O'Bannon said, "but the weakest thing was the communications. That is something we are going to have to fix."

The storm knocked out communication towers leaving local agencies unable to contact one another or the state about cooperative efforts. Police departments in different jurisdictions also had a difficult time communicating with one another.

Indiana State Police Superintendent Melvin Carraway favors a statewide radio system that local departments could use.

State Police will begin contacting local departments by the end of the month about setting up an 800 MHz radio system, he said. The high band radio frequency is less crowded than the low band frequencies now being used.

Paying for it could be a sticking point.

O'Bannon said he would try to round up some federal money.

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Does the above article give you a subtle hint as to what we Amateur Radio operators need to be doing? Are YOU prepared? Why does it take a disaster to wake folks up? The storm from a few weeks ago caught even the Amateur Radio community sleeping!

VHF and UHF, and 800 are fine for local work. But, how are you going to talk back to the State when all your repeaters are down, due to disabled towers or power outages, or the telephones are out? Do you access to high a current 12 vdc source or an emergency generator to power your rigs? How about wire to construct a dipole or end fed wire for HF?

If you have not already detected, I am a firm believer in the thought that HF will be THE mode which will survive any communications blackout during a disaster.

Amateur Radio operators are noted for providing emergency communications during disasters. Remember the Alaskan earthquake of the late 1960's? Are you prepared to provide emergency communications if and when the New Madrid or Wabash valley earthquakes shake our state?

Are you truly prepared and capable of providing emergency communications support to a local community after a disaster hits?

Don't be complacent or apathetic! Get off your duff and put that equipment cache together! Put the cache someplace where you can get to it quickly and on a moment's notice! Practice quickly putting up antennas in the worse of conditions! Don't wait for Field Day or the annual SET to practice!

I'll get off my soapbox for now. Thank you for letting me vent my frustrations!

Your views and comments are always welcomed and appreciated!

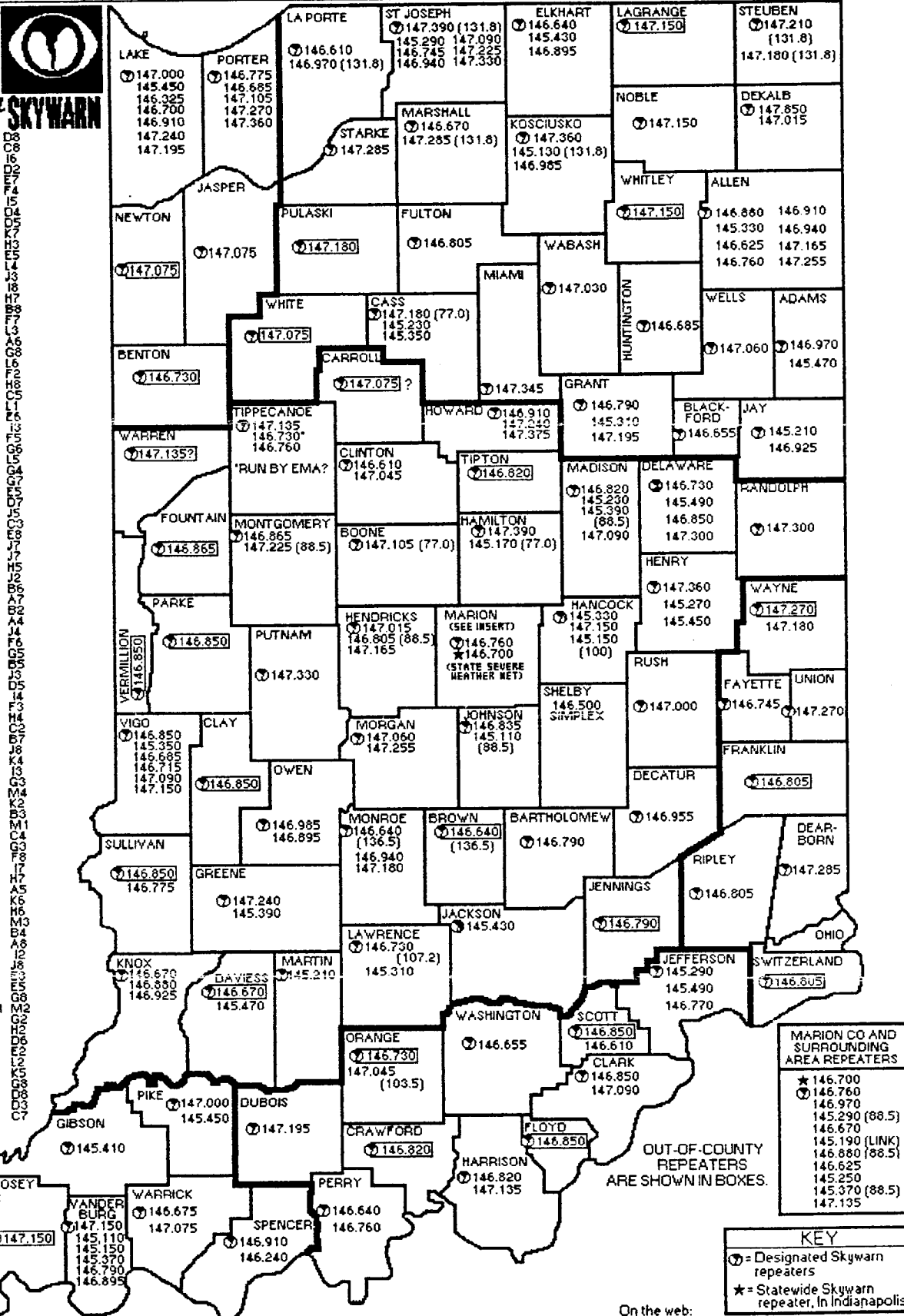
73, Dave Crockett, WA9ZCE
State RACES Coordinator

Indiana State Emergency Management
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This page de the BCARC newsletter. Also from the Boone County Amateur Radio Club newsletter, we are printing a map, which might be handy in your vehicle as you travel around the state. /K9KRE



Indiana SKYWARN

- ADAMS D8
- ALLEN C8
- BARTHOLOMEW B6
- BENTON B5
- BLACKFORD B4
- BOONE B3
- BROWN B2
- CARROLL B1
- CASS C5
- CLARK C4
- CLAY C3
- CLINTON C2
- CRAWFORD C1
- DAVIESS J3
- DEARBORN J2
- DECATUR J1
- DEKALB H8
- DELAWARE H7
- DUBOIS H6
- ELKHART H5
- FAYETTE H4
- FLOYD H3
- FOUNTAIN H2
- FRANKLIN H1
- FULTON G8
- GIBSON G7
- GRANT G6
- GREENE G5
- HAMILTON G4
- HANCOCK G3
- HARRISON G2
- HENDRICKS G1
- HENRY F8
- HOWARD F7
- HUNTINGTON F6
- JACKSON F5
- JASPER F4
- JAY F3
- JEFFERSON F2
- JENNINGS F1
- JOHNSON E8
- KNOX E7
- KOSCIUSKO E6
- LAGRANGE E5
- LAKE E4
- LA PORTE E3
- LAWRENCE E2
- MADISON E1
- MARION D8
- MARSHALL D7
- MARTIN D6
- MIAMI D5
- MONROE D4
- MONTGOMERY D3
- MORGAN D2
- NEWTON D1
- NOBLE C8
- OHIO C7
- ORANGE C6
- OWEN C5
- PARKE C4
- PERRY C3
- PIKE C2
- PORTER C1
- POSEY B8
- PULASKI B7
- PUTNAM B6
- RANDOLPH B5
- RIPLEY B4
- RUSH B3
- ST JOSEPH B2
- SCOTT B1
- SHELBY A8
- SPENCER A7
- STARKE A6
- STUBEN A5
- SULLIVAN A4
- SWITZERLAND A3
- TIPPECANOE A2
- TIPTON A1
- UNION M8
- VANDERBURGH M7
- VERMILLION M6
- VIGO M5
- WABASH M4
- WARREN M3
- WARRICK M2
- WASHINGTON M1
- WAYNE L8
- WELLS L7
- WHITE L6
- WHITLEY L5



MARION CO AND SURROUNDING AREA REPEATERS	
★	146.700
⊙	146.760
⊙	146.970
⊙	145.290 (88.5)
⊙	146.670
⊙	145.190 (LINK)
⊙	146.880 (88.5)
⊙	146.625
⊙	145.250
⊙	145.370 (88.5)
⊙	147.135

KEY	
⊙	= Designated Skywarn repeaters
★	= Statewide Skywarn repeater, In Indianapolis

Numbers in parenthesis are the "PL" tones for the various repeaters.
 Latest information is available on the Internet at <http://www.skywarn.indianapolis.in.us>.
 If a frequency is in a box, the repeater is in another county.

On the web:
<http://www.in-motion.net/~slipst/skywarn.htm>
 Map maintained by KG9LX
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