

TARA BUSINESS MEETING  
TUESDAY, April 13, 1999

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Curtis Sherwin (WB9SWD).

The minutes were read by Dan Steill (KE9OV) and were approved as read/with exceptions:

NO MINUTES WERE READ. MINUTES APPROVED AS APPEARED IN THE TATTLER

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DAVE DULL moved to accept as read TIM GARDNER seconded.

A vote was taken and motion PASSED

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Dave Dull (WB9BRX) gave the treasurer's report.

DAN STEILL moved to accept, BOB FINCH seconded.

A vote was taken and motion PASSED

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OLD BUSINESS:

MAY PROGRAM MEETING IS THE FIELD DAY AUCTION. DAN STEILL ASKED FOR AN APPRIATION FOR FOOD. MOTION MADE BY BOB FINCH TO GIVE DAN \$425 FOR FOOD AND SUPPLIES FOR FIELD DAY. SECONDED BY STEVE VAN FRANK. MOTION PASSED.

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MOTION MADE BY BY TIM GARDNER TO SEE IF WE CAN GET A VANITY PLATE WITH THE CLUB CALL SIGN ON OUR CLUB TRAILER. SECONDED BY BOB FINCH. MOTION PASSED.

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NEW BUSINESS:

TIM GARDNER WAS ASKED TO CHECK ON THE ARRL RULES FOR FIELD DAY.

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~~STEVE~~ FINCH MADE A MOTION THAT BOB FINCH BE GIVEN \$50 TO GET ROPE. TIM GARDNER SECONDED. MOTION PASSED.

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~~MAJOR~~ SHERWIN AGREED TO PROVIDE A YEASU 847 FOR THE 6 METER STATION.

TIM GARDNER WILL TRY AND GET THE SATELITE STATION SET UP THIS YEAR.

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CURTIS MADE A PLEA FOR NOVICES AND TECHS, IN PARTICULAR TO PARTICIPATE THIS YEAR IN FIELD DAY AND MAN THE RADIOS.

CURTISE HAS AGREED TO HAVE THE CLUB ASSEMBLE A SUPERREGEN KIT FOR THE IMAGINATION STATION AND PROVIDE A WIRE ANTENNA.

BOB FINCH MADE A MOTION TO RENEW OUR AMSAT MEMBERSHIP. SECONDED BY STEVE VAN FRANK. MOTION PASSED

DRAWING WAS HELD. W9WQS, REX THOMAS, WAS DRAWN BUT HE WAS NOT PRESENT.

DAN STEILL MADE MOTIOPN TO ADJOURN. SECONDED BY BOB FINCH. MOTION PASSED.

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## TARA BUSINESS MEETING

ATTENDANCE LIST FOR: April YEAR: 1999

NO.	CALL	NAME
1.	W9YA	BOB FINCH
2.	N9ZFG	MAJOR SHERWIN
3.	WB9NIF	STEVE VAN FRANK
4.	KB9JDE	TIM GARDNER
5.	KB9RLT	JIM HAYNES
6.	WB9BRX	DAVE DULL
7.	WB9SWD	CURTIS SHERWIN
8.	KE9OV	DAN STEILL
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Report from the cook....

I have approached D&R Fruit Market to assist us with food and supplies for Field Day this year. They have agreed to assist. At this time, I am providing them with a proposed menu and the resulting list of supplies and foodstuffs that will be required and they will operate off of this list to get either free or reduce cost items for us.

Needless to say, your patronage to D&R Fruit Market, and letting them know that you heard about their efforts here, will help TARA.

Best Regards,

Dan Steill KE9OV

**TIPPECANOE AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION**

Treasurer's Report  
February 1, 1999 through February 28, 1999

Income Received:

Robert Smith KB9VAL 1999 Dues	2/6/99	\$6.00
Sam Brummett K9XPZ 1999 Dues	2/6/99	\$6.00
Dan Steill KE9OV 1999 Dues	2/9/99	\$6.00
Jim Haynes KB9RLT 1999 Dues	2/9/99	\$6.00
Larry Conner N9KWJ 1999 Dues	2/9/99	\$6.00
Hubert Wood N9DUK 1999 Dues	2/26/99	\$6.00
Field Day refund for food (KE9OV)	2/9/99	\$1.00
Interest on CD	2/8/99	\$69.58
Interest on Saving Account	2/26/99	\$10.21

**Total Income: \$116.79**

Disbursements: NONE

**Total Disbursements: 0**

Summary:

Beginning Checking Account Balance	11/1/98	\$156.92
Beginning Saving Account Balance	11/1/98	\$6720.26
Ending Checking Account Balance	11/30/98	\$249.92
Ending Savings Account Balance	11/30/98	\$6730.47
Current Value CD (Mature: 5/8/99)	11/8/98	\$6,597.05
Cash on hand	9/30/98	\$25.00

**Total Assets: \$13,602.44**

*DRRX*  
David R. Dull WB9BRX  
Treasurer

**TIPPECANOE AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION**

Treasurer's Report  
March 1, 1999 through March 31, 1999

Income Received:

Major Sherwin N9ZFG 1999 Dues	3/9/99	\$6.00
Margret Weber WB9USL 1999 Dues	3/17/99	\$6.00
Deb & Steve Belter N9SUD WB9SSGP 2000 Dues	3/17/99	\$9.00
Jim Collison K9LYA 1999 Dues	3/23/99	\$6.00
David King N9UFP 1999 Dues	3/30/99	\$6.00
Interest on Saving Account	3/31/99	\$11.33

**Total Income: \$44.33**

Disbursements: NONE

**Total Disbursements: 0**

Summary:

Beginning Checking Account Balance	3/1/99	\$249.92
Beginning Saving Account Balance	3/1/99	\$6730.47
Ending Checking Account Balance	3/31/99	\$274.92
Ending Savings Account Balance	3/31/99	\$6741.80
Current Value CD (Mature: 5/8/99)	2/8/99	\$6,597.05
Cash on hand	3/31/99	\$33.00

**Total Assets: \$13,646.77**

Note: While comparing Van's newsletter roster against my own I discovered that none of the dues paid prior to 1998 were brought forward on my books. I went back as far as 1996 and I think all the data is accurate now. Please check the latest listing and let me know if there are any changes. Thank You.

*DRRX*  
David R. Dull WB9BRX  
Treasurer

Joe Walsh to entertain at Dayton: The Dayton Hamvention '99 Awards and Banquet Committee has announced that Joe Walsh, WB6ACU, and his band will entertain at the Hamvention 1999 Banquet May 15. The Richens/Timm Irish Dancers will open for Walsh, former lead guitarist for the Eagles and a member of The James Gang-----

-----Cathi Hoskins, N8ZCQ  
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de RF-CARRIER; XLIII #08 Apr. 99

**1999 Hamvention  
AWARD WINNERS**

Via Cathi Hoskins, N9ZCQ Chairman,  
Awards and Banquet Committee

Dayton, OH ----- The 1999 Dayton Hamvention is proud to announce our 1999 Award Winners. They are:

**AMATEUR OF THE YEAR** has been award to Kenneth M. Miller, K6IR of Rickville, MD. for the leadership, vision and dedication exhibited during his nearly 60 years of continuous involvement in amateur radio.

**TECHNICAL EXCELLENCE** has been awarded to Alphonso R. Torres, KP4AQI, of Huber Heights, OH, for his numerous designs and inventions that have enhanced the art and science of amateur radio operations.

**SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT** has been awarded to Paul D. Lieb, KH6HME, of Hilo, HI, for his pioneering and record-setting work in tropospheric ducting and VHF, UHF and Microwave communications.

You've probably notice(d) there was ... no Greenfield hamfest last year, and there was serious consideration of not having a Boone county hamfest in '99. (If it wasn't the Clinton county club's insistence, there probably would-n't have been.) Note the shrinking events calendar. For the next two months all the Indiana ham-fests are in Ohio!

For all the things hams are doing in their communities and the world, they still seem to be a dying breed. Elsewhere the Tattler notes that the number of hams, particularly those holding General and above licenses, are down. In addition, businesses supplying ham equipment are closing and even the A.R.R.L's Q.S.T. is cutting back.

The first thing we need to do is support the A.R.R.L. This is the only organization American hams have which can effectively represent amateur radio.

Second, we need to remind those companies who specialize in ham gear that this is a two-way street. When the crew stops bailing, it's the captain who goes down with the ship.

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de QRM (BCARC) Vol 5 #04 Apr 99

**SOME SERIOUS DX!**

It wasn't meant the way it might have sounded, but referring to silent key Barry Goldwater's ham antennas, the A.R.R.L. Audio News reported "The system was installed in the mid Nineteen-sixties to support Goldwater's extensive phone patch activities on Mars."

**CINCINNATI HAMS RESPOND**

**AS TORNADO STRIKES**

The Cincinnati Section SKYWARN Weather Amateur Radio Net was in operation April 9 when a killer tornado struck the Blue Ash/Montgomery area of the city around 6AM. Six people died as a result of the storm, which caused heavy damage and power outages. WARN, with its W8NWS net control site at WLW radio, quickly reported weather conditions and damage as it occurred and alerted police and emergency crews.

As a result, WARN Public Information Officer and ARRL PIO Michael Nie, KB8VMX, ended up as the live lead story on the 6 o'clock news on April 15 on Cincinnati's WKRC-TV Channel 12. The station's Chief meteorologist, Tim Hedrick, interviewed Nie live on the value of severe weather spotters and especially ham radio spotters.

"I was shocked," said Nie. "All the press releases and business cards finally paid off." during the interview, Nie told how two local spotters used Amateur Radio to relay the first reports of a tornado on the ground, as they dove for cover in a ditch. Despite the close call, the spotters were not injured. (for more information on this event and on WARN operations, visit the WARN Web site, <http://www.warn.org>.)

The Queen City Emergency Net provided communication support on VHF with operators at various emergency operating centers, command posts, shelters, and disaster relief agency headquarters. QCEN is affiliated with the Cincinnati Red Cross and typically provides damage assessment and communication support for the agency. The storm also affected parts of Indiana and Kentucky.--- Fred Stone, W8LLY; Mike Nie, KB8VMX.

**CLINTON COUNTY REPEATER**

Clinton county has their new repeater (still on 146.610) on the air now. You should see a big difference in the signal. Don, N9DFK, is the new custodian. Another change everyone should be aware of is that the repeater will now delay for one second when it is first brought up. Once up, the delay is no longer necessary.

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de GEARVAKf BULLETIN May 1979

**HEW ISSUES CONTROVERSIAL REPORT**

The Department of Health, Education, and Welfare has released a report claiming that exposure to radio waves is harmful to everything. The HEW report stated that the potential effect of the radio waves could mean that people might start to explode as early as 1982 unless they turn off their radios. The report's release was triggered by the experiments of GEARVAKf researcher, Dr. Elwood P. Lishnus. Dr. Lishnus, however, termed that report, "A bunch of bullfeathers!" He said that data from his recent exploding-rat experiments could not be extrapolated to human proportions. HEW spokesman Hodding Spoogettts responded by issuing an official government statement calling Dr. Lishnus, "an old fool." Dr. Lishnus ignored the statement and remained in his laboratory putting together a six-foot copper box, "for further experimentations."

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A man entered his doctor's office with a cucumber up his nose, a carrot in his left ear and a banana stuck in his right ear.

"Doc," he asked, "What's wrong with me?"

"Simple," replied the doctor, "you aren't eating right."

# TARA Membership Shrinking

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The following 23 members of TARA are now ex-members. If your records indicate differently, please contact the Treasurer and get us set straight. This leaves a membership of 62 paid up, some through the next three years.

- Kevin Mc Donald
  - KB9BZV Nick Miller
  - N9DJK Edward R Stickrod
  - N9DKI Timothy J Miller
  - KB9JDA Mike Diener
  - KB9JDG Bryan Hall
  - KB9JDJ Gene Rausch
  - WD9JLN Charles I Bressler
  - KB9JWX Harold Loveridge (Deceased)
  - KE9KA James W Milligan
  - KB9KUQ John Kueberth (Deceased)
  - KB9LKD Tony Hardesty
  - KB9LKE Jeanette M Mc Donald
  - N9MSP John Leath
  - WN9NBT David A Chasey
  - N9QAP Steven Scherer
  - N9SBZ David P Moffett
  - KB9SSS Dana Hoggatt
  - KB9SST Phil Springer
  - N9VCO Mike Mc Donald
  - N9BWO Mike Taylor
  - W9WQS Rex E Thomas
  - WB6YYL Don C Matheson
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## BUS to DAYTON

No bus this year, but N9GKE has rented a 15-passenger van and has it almost filled for the trip. Some of us lucky ones will be going over Thursday, and returning Sunday afternoon. Hope to see some of you over there. /Van

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## MEMBERSHIP LIST

We have received a four-page membership list from the Treasurer that will be included (we hope) in the next issue of the T.A.R.A. Tattler. Postage limitations preclude it being sent this month.

I realize that this may not be news to you, but it was this editor: Bob Niewerth suffered a stroke on December 13th. He is doing fine, but still recovering. His tower went down last fall so his amateur activity is suffering, but he will be getting back on the air as that is one of the things he could do with his present limitations. You can call him at 447-3670. The land-line still lives!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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## Field Day Auction May 26th, 1999

It is time to start gathering your 'junque' and prized, but no longer needed possessions for the Field Day. It is the intent that Field Day expenses are covered by proceeds of this event. In other words, the better the sale, the better the food.

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de Kevin Craw, KA9VXS 14APR99

Frequency info for 220 & 6 meters.  
{@ Fowler, Indiana}

Latitude is 040 36 37N. Longitude is 087 20 04W. Tower height is 483 feet. Total height above sea level including the tower is 1295 feet. The tower is located in Fowler, IN. The 220 antenna will be an omni pattern. And the same goes for the 6 meter antenna. Both repeaters will be at 100 watts erp.....The call sign will be WA9TCL on the 220 machine. The call on the 6 meter will be WA9KLZ. WA9KLZ will own both repeaters. Myself, Kevin Craw, KA9VXS will maintain them.

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You can fool some of the people all the time and all of the people some of the time, but you can make a fool of yourself any time.