

P r o g r a m M e e t i n g

June 25, 2003

The Secretary indicates that the "normal" Wednesday will be replaced with the Field Day activities

SO

do not forget Field Day activities

Preliminary activities start at 1PM Friday @ Veterans Home Grounds and of course Saturday and Sunday

DO NOT FORGET SUNDAY AFTERNOON, help to tear down is always welcome.

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President N9GKE Bruce Stewart
 Vice-Pres WB9SWD Curtis Sherwin
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 Treasurer WB9BRX Dave Dull
 Director W9TN Steve Van Frank
 Hamfest WB9BRX David Dull
www.w9reg.org

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COMING EVENTS

- 25JUN03 WED 1930 Program Meeting (moved to Field Day?)
- 27JUN03 FRI 1300 Preliminary activities for Field Day
- 28JUN03 SAT Field Day
- 29JUN03 SUN Field Day
- 06JUL03 SUN Kankakee Area Radio Society Hamfest A/ARRL
(w9az.com)(karsfest@yahoo.com)
- 08JUL03 TUE 1930 Business Meeting
- 12JUL03 SAT 0600 33rd Annual Indianapolis Hamfest, Camp Sertoma at
US52 & German Church Road (((Note: **NEW LOCATION**))),
Talk-in 146.76, \$7.00
(www.indyhamfest.com, hamfest hotline 317-261-6658)
- 23JUL03 WED 1930 Program Meeting
- 26JUL03 SAT 0600-1300 OH-KY-IN ARS, Diamona Oakes Career Development
Campus, 6375 Harrison Avenue, Cincinnati, OH, (just
east of I74 & I275), special seminars, transmitter
hunts, indoor vendors, large outdoor flea market, door
prizes, VE Exams, free parking, Talk-in 146.670(-),
\$6.00
(wd8jaw@arrl.net, www.ohkyin.org)
- 09AUG03 SAT 0700-1300 Broad Ripple Hamfest, 7373 Westfield Blvd,
There are no fees. The Hamfest is tailgate only.
Across the road is the Monon Trail, a good place for
your family members to wlk, roller bladed, or bike the
trail while you enjoy the friendship of your amateur
friends. Bring your own refreshements. There will be
a charcoal fire available.
(lobraicol@comcast.net or 317-255-3000, Joe Lobraico)
- 10AUG03 SUN 0730-1300 Kokomo & Grant County ARCs Hamfest, Greentown
Lions Club Fairgrounds, VE Sessions. Talk-in 147.24
& 146.79.79. \$5.00
(www.grantarc.com/greentown.html)(k9nqw@arrl.net)
- 10AUG03 SUN 0600 Hamfesters Radio Club Hamfest, Peotone, IL, 69th annual
air-conditioned fully enclosed pavilion ensure you a
good spot, rain or shine, hot or not. Free overnight
parking. Main exhibition Hall opens at 8 a.m.
VE Sessions. Talk-in 146.52. \$6.00
(www.hamfesters.org)(wb9wfr@arrl.net)
- 12AUG03 TUE 1930 Business Meeting
- 17AUG03 SUN **LAFAYETTE HAMFEST**
ALWAYS 3RD SUNDAY IN AUGUST
- 27AUG03 WED 1930 Program Meeting
- 06SEP03 SAT Greater Louisville Hamfest Association Hamfest A/ARRL

**Minutes of the TARA Business Meeting
13 May 2003**

Members in attendance:

Bruce Stewart, N9GKE	Clyde Mauck, K9JWI	Jeff Stewart, KF9UP
Curtis Sherwin, WB9SWD	Tom Kiespert, K9KF	Steve Van Frank, W9TN
Dave Dull, WB9BRX	Tim Gardner, N9LF	Alex Younts, KC9CYK
John Coy, KC9BPE	Jay Welsh, KC9AFE	

Visitors in attendance:

Mike Maddox, W9CBA Cody Mullen (no call)

The meeting was called to order by at 19:32 by N9GKE.

The minutes of the May 2003 meeting were read. W9TN made a motion to accept. WB9SWD seconded. Motion passed.

The Treasurers report shows a balance of \$8563. Income was \$288 and expenses totaling \$88. The Field Day auction netted \$394 including several generous donations. Some payments have been received since month end, and a few are yet outstanding. KC9BPE moved to accept the report and K9KF seconded. Motion passed.

Old Business

KC9BPE reported that he expects to receive the formal lease agreement from the Red Cross tomorrow. A club officer must sign the agreement. The "hold harmless" agreement must also be signed by any individual who wishes to climb the tower.

KC9BPE introduced a guest, Mike Maddox, W9CBA, who petitioned for membership. WB9SWD moved to accept Mike as a member and N9GKE seconded. Motion passed.

John Parker, KC4YGO, petitioned for membership via mail. KF9UP moved to accept John as a member and W9TN seconded. Motion passed.

Randall Young, KC9BFS, petitioned for membership via mail. KF9UP moved to accept John and W9TN seconded. Motion passed.

KC9CYK introduced Cody Mullen (no call) who petitioned for membership. KF9UP moved to accept Cody as a member and W9TN seconded. Motion passed.

New Business

KF9UP announced that the 2003 edition of the Soap Box Derby is to be held on June 21 at the West Lafayette High School. Contact Jeff if you would like to assist with the timing and scoring.

WB9SWD requested better coordination for monthly Siren Tests.

We received a card from Marty Lusby, thanking us for the potted plant we sent to her after her mother's death in May. Marty is the XYL of club member Bob, K9FOH.

Field Day

~~We received a written confirmation of permission to use the Veteran's Home grounds.~~

The porta-pot has been ordered.

K9JWI has volunteered to be station chief for one of the two primary HF stations. A station chief is still needed for the other HF station.

N9ZFG will be the station chief for the VHF/UHF station.

WB9BRX will attempt a satellite contact.

No major changes in the antenna plans. The "big loop" and Alpha-Delta five-band dipoles, plus a 40m dipole at $\frac{1}{4}\lambda$ above ground and one 40m coaxial dipole will provide five antennas for the three HF stations (two primaries and one GOTA).

WB9BRX will arrange the networking between the TR-log computers for the two primary stations.

A generator is available, but WB9CZC who typically heads up the crew cannot participate due to other commitments. Volunteers needed.

WB9SWD will chief the GOTA station.

Volunteers are still need for the following positions:

1. ~~Kitchen manager and cook (you do want food at FD, right?).~~
2. Bonus points manager (you don't have to do everything, just coordinate with others and make sure things are covered).
3. Generator crew (helps set up, keep the gas tank filled, check oil, etc).
4. HF station chief.

Volunteers will be needed for setup on Friday. The fun begins at 1pm, June 27.

W9IMU was not present to claim the drawing for \$30.

WB9SWD asked if there was any interest in ARRL Field Day pins and/or Tee shirts. Contact Curtis if you want to order either a pin or shirt.

Meeting adjourned at 20:08.

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The trouble with being young is that you're not old enough to enjoy it.

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If you could sell your experience for what it costs, you wouldn't need social security.

TIPPECANOE AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION

Treasurer's Report

May 1, 2003 through May 31, 2003

Income Received:

Field Day Auction (*)	5/28/03	\$285.25
Interest on Saving	5/31/03	\$3.13
	Total Income:	\$288.38

Disbursements:

Staples – Hamfest flyers (1000)	5/10/03	\$63.00
Rustic Botique	5/31/03	\$25.50
	Total Disbursements:	\$88.50

Summary:

Beginning Value of CD		0
Beginning Checking Account Balance	4/30/03	\$112.09
Beginning Saving Account Balance	4/30/03	\$8188.88
Beginning Cash on Hand	4/30/03	\$63.00
	Beginning Assets:	\$8363.97

Ending Value of CD		0
Ending Checking Account Balance	5/31/03	\$86.59
Ending Saving Account Balance	5/31/03	\$8192.01
Cash on hand	5/31/03	\$285.25
	Ending Assets:	\$8563.85

(*) Does not include \$20 gift certificate or \$69 outstanding donation

David R. Dull WB9BRX
Treasurer

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NEW MEMBER(S)

Randall (Randy) J. Young KC9BFS
8949 Tyler Road
Battleground, Indiana 47920-9741
567-4300
Technician

John R. Parker KB9YGO
30 Guinevere Court
Lafayette, Indiana 47905
446-7756
General

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Mike Maddox W9CBA
6229 South 1100 East
Otterbein, Indiana 47970
Technician

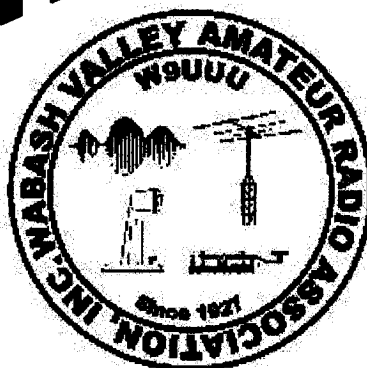
Cody Mullen (Student)
4418 Lakevilla Drive
West Lafayette, Indiana 47906
463-5681

CHANGES FOR CURRENT MEMBER(S)
Cheryl Runkle, change name to
Cheryl Parker, change address to
P. O. Box 4473

The Wabash Valley Amateur Radio Association will host it's annual

TAILGATE

PARTY



Saturday
JULY 19TH 2003
Terre Haute, Indiana
8:00 AM to 1:00 PM

ADMISSION
ADULTS \$3.00*
12 and under FREE

TALK-IN
WVARA Repeater
146.685- (PL 151.4)

*Free admission with any new WVARA membership

**INDOOR
TABLES**

Northside Bingo Hall
7339 N Clinton Rd
Terre Haute, IN

OUTSIDE
Setup also available

Contact donpine@abcs.com for additional information.

**THE KANKAKEE AREA RADIO SOCIETY'S
20th ANNUAL HAMFEST**

KARSFEST 2003
— AIR CONDITIONED BUILDING —



AMATEUR RADIO • ELECTRONICS • COMPUTERS

SUNDAY JULY 6th

WILL COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

PEOTONE, ILLINOIS



Easy to reach I-57 to Peotone Exit 327 (East) - 35 Acres - Free Parking

Tickets

Double Stub / Advance \$5.00
Single Stub / Gate \$6.00
Reserved Indoor Tables \$10.00
-Children under 12 FREE-

\$\$ CASH PRIZES \$\$
1st \$300 - 2nd \$100 - 3rd \$100
(Cash Prize Winners Need Not Be Present)



W9AZ

TALK-IN

146.94 ↓
No PL

APRS Beacon
144.39 W9AZ-9

GPS

Coordinates
41:19:32.7 N
87:47:42.4 W

Set-Up

INDOOR VENDOR Saturday, 6-8:00 PM
Sunday, 6-8:00 AM

FLEAMARKET.... Sunday, 6:00 AM

Indoor Vendor Sales Begin on
Sunday at 8:00 AM

E-MAIL questions to K9IOC
karsfest@yahoo.com
Vendors E-Mail or Phone: (815) 933-1323

GOOD FOOD AVAILABLE BREAKFAST & LUNCH
OVERNIGHT PARKING AVAILABLE \$10.00 WITH ELECTRIC

Name _____ Address _____

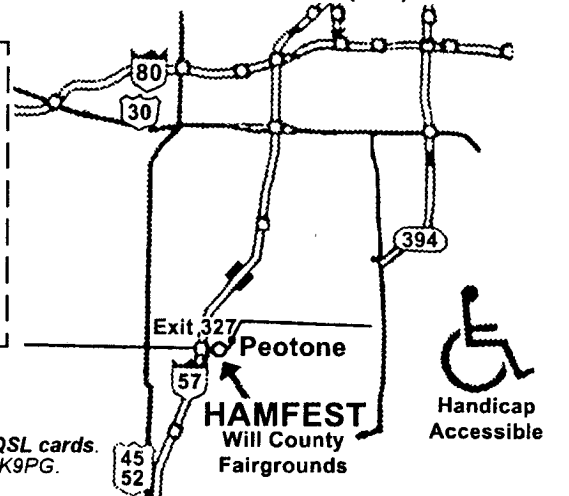
Callsign _____

Send _____ double stub tickets @ \$5.00 each. \$ _____

Reserve _____ indoor tables @ \$10.00 each. \$ _____

Send check (Payable to KARS) and S.A.S.E.
(Please reserve tables as early as possible. E-Mail or call.) \$ _____ Total

to: Chip Moore, K9IOC - 289 S. Euclid Ave - Bradley, IL 60915
(Send this form along with an S.A.S.E. and your check or M.O. - E-Mail: karsfest@yahoo.com)



Meet Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA,
editor of the National Contest Journal (NCJ)
K9LA will check DXCC QSL cards with W9VA. AE9YL will check WAS QSL cards.
Carl will also present a recognition award to SMC President, Paul Gentry, K9PG.

There will be a meeting of the Society of Midwest Contesters (SMC) www.w9smc.com
Honoring SMC's (3-Peat) Win of the 2000 / 2001 / 2002 ARRL November Sweepstakes Unlimited Club Gavel

WWW.W9AZ.COM

Meet American Radio Relay League Central Division director, Dick Isely, W9GIG
Vice director, Howard Huntington, K9KM and IL Section Mgr Sharon Harlan, N9SH



==>HAMVENTION REPORTS ATTENDANCE DOWN IN 2003

Hamvention reported June 4 that attendance for this year's 52nd show was 22,168, down a bit more than 10 percent from last year's crowd. "This is based on the number of admission tickets issued and exhibitor and staff badges issued," said a statement from the office of Hamvention Production Manager Garry Matthews, KB8GOL. Matthews told ARRL that weather played abig factor in attendance this year.

"Our biggest contributing factor to the drop was the near-constant rain on Saturday," he said. "We had a whole day washed out."

On the plus side, Matthews said, Hamvention 2003 came close to selling out vendor spaces, and many vendors reported that they had a good year, despite the smaller crowd.

The 2003 number marks the third year in a row that Hamvention's attendance had dipped. Attendance at last year's 50th anniversary event was 24,832, down about 5 percent from 2001's crowd of 26,151. The crowd size climbed to 28,804 in 2000, the year of the ARRL National Convention at Hamvention.

Matthews said Hamvention expects to wrap up negotiations within the next three weeks on a new, two-year contract with Hara Arena, Hamvention's home since the 1960s. The anticipated contract, in conjunction with support from local hotels and motels and area municipalities, "would allow Hamvention to stay in the Dayton area for the foreseeable future," Matthews' office said.

Hamvention 2004 will be held May 14-16. For more information, visit the Hamvention Web site <<http://www.hamvention.org>>.

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Covington Repeater

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in Perrysville..."

A couple of months ago we printed an article that has evoked more information.

Then on May 29th, he sent::::::::::
"As of Saturday, he has relocated his repeater to Covington.

On April 22nd, David Harsha emailed with further information that slipped trough the cracks and did not get into the May issue.

I carried it from Williamsport up to near Earl Park on US41, mobile, with my roof top 5/8 wave antenna and 50 watts from my Kenwood TM-261.....I think it would have no problem being reached in the Lafayette area.....

"Yes, this is a true story....Will Holycross, KB9ILQ, is seeking permission to locate his repeater to Covington.....It's on 145.490 -(156.7).

I have also used it from my home (half-way between Rensselaer and Monon) on my homebuilt 9 element beam up at 30 feet and the Kenwood 261 at 50 watts, as well..."

It is an open repeater...when he does obtain permission and it is moved there, look out...it will have a great coverage....it is now at the 50 foot level from his home

Will Holycross, KB9ILQ, attended the Lafayette Hamfest in 2001/02.