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TARA TATTLER

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Meeting Information:

Business Meeting: 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm
Program Meeting: 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:30
Location: Tippecanoe Chapter of American Red Cross
111 S. 7th St., Lafayette, IN 47901

HAMFEST

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 2005

- Where: Home Economics Building, Tippecanoe County Fairgrounds
- When: 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. Vendor setup starts at 6 a.m.
- Cost: \$5, children under 12 free. No additional fee for parking, vendor space, tables, or electricity (inside only)
- Extras: Hourly prizes, on-site licensing exams (ticket not required), fellowship with other hams, opportunities to unload those boat anchors sitting around the shack

Minutes of the TARA Business Meeting

9 August 2005 by Alex Younts KC9CYK

Members in attendance:

Alex Younts, KC9CYK Keith Hood, KC9CDQ
Eric Felz Curtis Sherwin, WB9SWD

Ryan McMarony, KB9RAM Dick Emery, WB9TIB
Bob Lusby, K9FOH Dave Dull, WB9BRX
Greg Dean, N9NWO John Parker, KC4YGO

The meeting was called to order at 19:30 by WB9SWD.

The minutes of the July 2005 meeting were read. K9FOH moved to accept the minutes, and KC9CDQ seconded, motion passed.

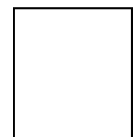
The July Treasurer's report shows income of \$64.51 and expenses of \$609.47 with a closing balance of \$8,304.41. K9FOH moved to accept the Treasurer's report, and KC9CDQ seconded, motion passed.

Old Business

Plans for the hamfest were finalized. The building has been rented and all bills paid. Only one vender will be attending this year, and it was decided that all \$350 in prizes should be bought from this vender. Volunteers will be needed all day, especially at 6:00AM for set up.

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West Lafayette, IN 47906



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COMING EVENTS

Dates	Days	Time	Event
21 Aug 05	Sun	8:00 AM	Lafayette Hamfest -- Volunteers needed to help with set up, operation, and tear down. Contact Bob, K9FOH
27 Aug 05	Sat		Wabash River Century Ride -- Volunteers needed to provide communication support for this Red Cross fund raising event. Contact Dave, WB9BRX
13 Sep 05	Tue	7:30 PM	Business Meeting
24-25 Sep 05	Sat-Sun		Feast of the Hunter's Moon -- No official word yet but volunteers are expected to be needed for this community event
28 Sep 05	Wed	7:30 PM	Program Meeting
11 Oct 05	Tue	7:30 PM	Business Meeting
26 Oct 05	Wed	7:30 PM	Program Meeting
8 Nov 05	Tue	7:30 PM	Business Meeting
19-20 Nov 05	Sat-Sun		Fort Wayne Hamfest & Computer Expo info: http://www.fortwaynehamfest.com
23 Nov 05	Wed	7:30 PM	Happy Thanksgiving -- No Program Meeting
26 Nov 05	Sat		Evansville Hamfest info: http://w9ear.org/hamfest.htm
13 Dec 05	Tue	7:30 PM	Business Meeting
28 Dec 05	Wed	7:30 PM	Merry Christmas -- No Program Meeting
10 Jan 06	Tue	7:30 PM	Business Meeting -- Officer Elections!
25 Jan 06	Wed	tba	BANQUET -- in lieu of a program meeting bring the family for an evening of fun and fellowship

HAMFEST HELP

To help contact Bob, K9FOH or Greg, N9NWO or just pitch in!

WRCC Century Ride

27 August 2005

VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL NEEDED!

This is another volunteer opportunity for club members. If you like VHF communication challenges, this is your event. Our 'mission' is to provide support to bicyclists on a course that stretches from Harrison High School in West Lafayette to Logansport. Much of the route is in low lying areas along the Wabash River with very poor cell phone coverage. Even though we will be using the Logansport repeater as well as our own, many areas are still out of range based on recent testing.

The Wabash River Cycle Club's Century ride is a fund raiser for the club and for the Red Cross. TARA has provided assistance for a number of years. If you can help out you'll ride in a SAG Wagon (support vehicle) and relay information about the course, riders in need, and refreshment supply status at the many rest areas. Assistance is needed from about 6 A.M. until completion around 4 P.M. Shifts will be approximately 3 hour but if you can donate more time that would be great! To help out, contact me and let me know if you can bring any of your own equipment.

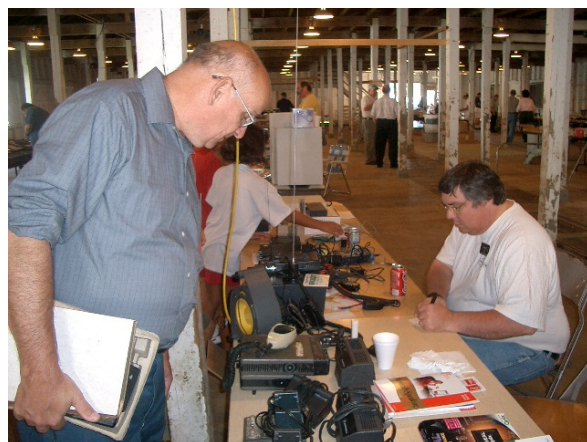
Contact:

Dave Dull WB9BRX 743-8305 wb9brx@arrl.net

Times are a-changing

From www.ARRL.com

FCC Proposes to Drop Morse Code Requirement for All License Classes (Jul 20, 2005) -- The FCC has proposed dropping the 5 WPM Morse code element as a requirement to obtain an Amateur Radio license of any class. The Commission recommended the change to its Part 97 Amateur Service rules in a Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) in WT Docket 05-235. Any rule changes proposed in the NPRM would not become final until the FCC gathers additional public comments, formally adopts any changes to its rules and concludes the proceeding by issuing a Report and Order (R&O) spelling out the changes and specifying an effective date. That's not likely to happen for several months. The FCC declined in its NPRM to go forward with any other suggested changes to Amateur Service licensing rules or operating privileges beyond elimination of the Morse requirement



Club Table — TARA Hamfest 2004

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New Business

WB9TIB informed us that John Shed, a long time member and supporter, had passed away. Plans were discussed for flowers.

It was also noted that the club's license is soon to expire, and that the Secretary should inform the Trustee soon.

Motion to adjourn was made by KC4YGO and seconded by WB9BRX.

Meeting adjourned at 20:30.

**Tippecanoe Amateur Radio Association
Treasurer's Report
July 1, 2005 through July 31, 2005**

Receipts:			
Richard Emery, WB9TIB, dues 2005, 2006	7/14/2005		15.00
Refund of equipment insurance overpayment	7/12/2005		14.00
Interest on 11/14 CD	7/13/2005		15.58
Interest on 8/13 CD	7/14/2005		19.17
Interest on Savings	7/31/2005		0.76
	Total Receipts:		\$64.51
Disbursements:			
Tippecanoe County, Fairgrounds rental	7/1/2005		\$450.00
Bob Lusby, K9FOH, ticket printing	7/12/2005		\$159.47
	Total Disbursements:		\$609.47
	Net Receipts Increase (Decrease):		(\$544.96)
CDs			
7 Month, 3.10%, Matures 11/14/05	Next Int 11/14	2536.18	
7 Month, 2.50%, Matures 8/13/05	Next Int 8/13	2532.27	
Summary:			
Beginning value of CDs			\$5,033.70
Beginning Checkbook Balance	\$847.07		
Plus outstanding checks		0.00	
Less outstanding deposits			
Beginning Statement Balance	847.07		847.07
Beginning value of Savings Account			2969.60
Beginning Cash on Hand			0.00
	Beginning Assets:		\$8,849.37
Ending value of CDs			\$5,068.45
Ending Checking Account Statement Balance	\$716.60		
Plus outstanding deposits			
Less outstanding checks	450.00		
Ending Checkbook Balance	266.60		266.60
Ending value of Savings Account			2969.36
Ending Cash on Hand			0.00
	Ending Assets:		\$8,304.41
	Net Increase (Decrease) in Assets:		(\$544.96)
	Out of Balance:		(\$0.00)

Disbursements 8/1/2005 to 8/9/2005: None

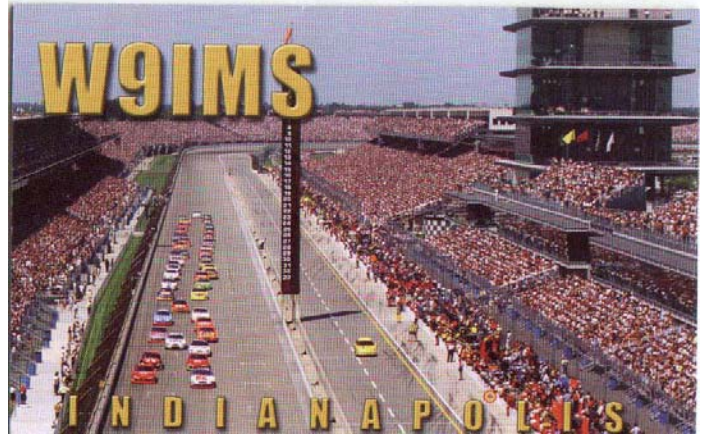
Receipts 8/1/2005 to 8/9/2005: None

John R. Parker KC4YGO
Treasurer

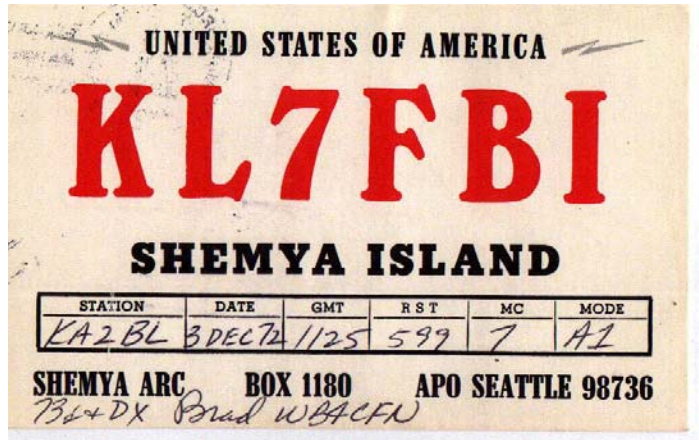
**From the K9FOH QSL file
By Bob Lusby**

Welcome again from Bob, K9FOH. Here are a few more QSL cards from my collection. The first is our own Indianapolis, W9IMS. My page scanner doesn't do justice to the card. It is a folded, two-sided card that has a nice aerial view of the Indy 500 track. This one is from the 2004 Brickyard 400 and I worked them on 6-meters. I believe Tim, N9LF, will be on this year for the 2005 NASCAR race operating RTTY & PSK. If you manage to work the Indianapolis 500, the Formula One race, and the NASCAR event, they offer a really nice 8 x 10 certificate along with the individual QSL cards.

Working special event stations doesn't take a power-house station and there is usually some event on nearly every weekend. Try for one, and submit your 'catch'.



The next three cards are from very diverse parts of the globe. The first is from the "Frost Bitten Indian" hams stationed on Shemya Island in the Aleutian chain. KL7AIZ was the Coast Guard station on Adak, another island in the chain. Those two stations are probably still on the air, check with Bruce, N9GKE, the Island chaser.



The next card is from the "Twilight Zone" in Cape Town, South Africa.



Anita was quite popular on 20-meters back in the mid-1960s. I worked her from KR6FJ, which at that time was Okinawa before it reverted back to Japan and also counted as a separate country (entity now-a-days I think they are called).

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The last offering for this month is one of Walt Disney's alter egos, "Mickey Mouse". Although at the time I don't think Father Moran made that connection, but he did sign "Nine Nancy one Mickey Mouse" for his phonetics.



Sadly, he has passed on to the big station in the sky, but for over 25 years he was the main ham in Nepal. He was also from Chicago I believe and you may have read about him in older issues of QST or CQ.

Next time I think I will feature a collection from some of the stations that were involved during the Vietnam era. Cheers for now.



Refreshments — TARA Hamfest 2004

Newsletter Notes

by Dave Dull WB9BRX

Thank you to all the newsletter contributors! Thanks again to Bob K9FOH for his continuing exotic QSL card column. Feel free to submit calendar events, story ideas, and articles that will be of interest to TARA members.

Tattler submissions are accepted in almost any electronic or physical media format. The deadline for Tattler submissions will generally be the Saturday prior the program meeting (4th Wednesday of each month).

The Tattler is published for current club members in electronic (Adobe PDF) and print form. To save on printing and postage expenses, members may elect to discontinue receiving the printed version. Contact me if you wish to change your delivery method.

John D. Shedd, 69

John D. Shedd, 69, of 129 S. County Road 675 E., died at 12:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 5, 2005, after a short illness.



Shedd

Born Feb. 8, 1936, in Knightstown, he was a graduate of Howe Military Academy, Jefferson High School

and Indiana Wesleyan University.

Mr. Shedd served as a master sergeant with the Michigan Air Guard from 1954 to 1963.

He married Caren Cockrell on Aug. 18, 1989, and she survives.

Mr. Shedd worked at Uniserve Inc., Purdue University, Westinghouse Fluid Systems Lab, Fairfield Manufacturing, Avionics Unlimited, Narco Avionics, Zantop Air Transport and the Detrex Corporation. He had also worked as a surveyor for Tippecanoe County, as a reserve for the Lafayette Police Department for 39 years and had owned P and H Electronics in West Lafayette.

He was a member of the Fraternal Order of Police, Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, Shawnee Masonic Lodge 129, Tippecanoe Masonic Lodge 492, Order of Eastern Star Hope Chapter 5, Scottish Rite of Indianapolis, Murat Shriners, the International Television Association, Society of Broadcast Engineers, National Rifle Association and the National Association for Amateur Radio.

Mr. Shedd was a professional pilot, amateur radio operator and certified computer automated design (CAD) programmer. He enjoyed designing electronic equipment, computer operations, traveling and competition shooting.

Surviving with his wife are three sons, Timothy J. Kersey (companion: Katherine) of Noblesville, Charles D. Shedd (wife: Laura) of Clearwater, Fla., and Jeffrey Morrison (wife: Donna) of Lafayette; and two daughters, Debra Borre (husband: Charles) of Mesa, Ariz., and Kathy Shedd (husband: Kenneth) of Lafayette.