



Madison County Amateur Radio Club

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DECEMBER 2022

Next meeting will be DECEMBER 5th, at 7pm at the EOC



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From the President -

Greetings all. As I look back over this interesting year all I can say is wow. Jan started off being canceled because of coronavirus. The next three months we tackled the bylaws. More cancellations after that things finally smoothed out. The club finally decided what a member should be. From now on the rest should go smoothly for the next president. But through it all activities went well and were well attended. I would like to thank the members of the committee's for working hard even through the adversities the club faced this past year. Without their efforts I don't think we would have had the success that we had. We had several new members join this year. So if you see someone who you don't know, introduce yourself. Great Elmers are made this way, 73's. Lew

From the Vice-President -

MAKE AMATEUR RADIO GREAT AGAIN!

Depending upon who you talk to, there are some people who think that the best days of amateur radio are behind us, while others believe that amateur radio is getting better every day. Although I believe things are getting better, there is some truth to both positions. Without question, cellular phones certainly have changed things. Cell phones did not become popular until the late 80's or early 90's, however most who are interested in amateur radio enjoy the alternative methods of communicating. As it has been said, "When all else fails, there is amateur radio." Amateur radio, like anything else in life, is what you make it. If you put a lot into the hobby, you'll get a lot out of the hobby.

Let's all be committed to making amateur radio great again! I'm not suggesting you wear a red ball cap with the letters MARGA on it, but I do think each of us have something to contribute to enhance the local clubs. Get involved by attending the monthly meetings, participating in the events, show up for breakfast at the "Grill" and stop by the EOC for the "Donut" meetings. Without interacting with others, all we have is a radio sitting on our desk. Remember, what you put into amateur radio is what you will get out of the amateur radio.

It is nice to see we are welcoming new members almost every month. Let's work together to help them get acclimated with our clubs. Let's make amateur radio great again!

73

Tim - KD9PSR

MCARC - Minutes of Regular Meeting

ov 7th, 2022

Location: EOC, 200 N. Delaware St. Anderson, IN 46016

President's Call to Order: President Lew - K9LBB called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Motion to accept August minutes: Motion to accept Oct minutes passed.

President's Comments: President Lew stated we had a very good year. He mentioned the recent Run the Mounds exercise went well. Dues were explained to all members and Lew read off the names of the 15 members who had NOT paid their 2022 dues. He asked if anyone knew if the members were going to stay in the club or what their status was (negative reply). 5 other members had received letters from the club offering to allow a one time \$20 catch-up fee to remain in good standing. Only 1 taker, Dewey Rushin accepted the offer. The 4 other members are now inactive, cannot vote on club business, and are NOT in good standing.

Lew explained the points system and stated this year's winner of the Most Active Ham award is Dale Bloomer, N9OLC. He will be awarded his jacket at the Christmas Dinner at the Golden Corral on 2 Dec 2022.

Show and Tell: Rick - W9CGA showed his Certificate of Training and is now CERT qualified for Hamilton County.

New Correspondence: Secretary Ike -N9IKE stated he received 4 more solicitation letters from American Cancer Society.

Treasurer's Report:

Beginning balance as of 09/05/2022	\$ 2,539.92
Expenditures	\$.50
Deposits (Dues)	\$ 20.00
Balance in bank as of 05/02/2022	\$ 2,559.42

Motion to accept Treasurer's report seconded, approved, and passed.

VP Tim - KD9PSR Nets going good. Tim thanked all who have stepped up to run the nets in Gary's absence.

Media/Newsletter/Awards Gary W9GNR absent.

Trustee: Mark - W9MWM Repeater working OK. Repeater Council had elections but no word on results.

Activities: Paula KD9SZJ - stated Christmas Dinner at Golden Corral on 02/12/2022 at 6 PM.

Tech Committee: Doug - N9DR/Tim W2VZ/Charlie KD9RZG Doug reported 400 participants in the Run the Mounds, a couple of minor scrapes, 17 communicators present, a good success.

EMA: Jeff - K9DYR mentioned there were 702 man hours expended on the recent bad weather.

New Business: The club, by voice vote, accepted the membership application and welcomed W9BLY, Don Billey. Dale, N9OLC showed a new Baofeng AR-152. As a FST, he wanted an HT with a 10 watt TX to hit the repeater from the far ends of the county. Mike, KC9DJU is looking for a broken/dead Baofeng radio if anyone has one. Jeff, K9DYR mentioned for the nominations to be closed. Seconded and passed.

Old Business: Greg, K9ALC accepted his nomination from the Oct club meeting.

Sick Report: No word yet on Jan Sherman's condition. Dave Troyer, KD9DVL is a SK, not active in the club.

Attendance: There were 20 members present and 1 visitor. The visitor was WA9RCY, Harry Burkart. He turned in an application for membership after adjournment and will be voted on at the December meeting.

Adjournment: President Lew - K9LBB concluded the meeting at 7:54 PM.

THE EC SHACK

Gary-W9GNR



-FOR SALE-

ITEM	ASKING PRICE	SELLER	CONTACT
HAVE AN HAM RELATED ITEM FOR SALE? ADVERTISE HERE!! E-MAIL w9vcf.mcarc@gmail.com with your Item, asking price and preferred contact info!!			

EVENTS

Every Wednesday	MCARC 2M Net 8:00 PM - 145.390 pl 151.4 Followed by an informal ragchew on 28.465
Every Thursday	Donut Meeting 09:00 AM at the EOC
Every Saturday	Breakfast at Anderson Grill 09:00 AM at 2038 S Scatterfield Rd, Anderson
December 5th	MC ARC Meeting EOC 7pm
December 20th	VE Testing at the EOC 7pm
SPECIAL EVENTS	
December 2nd - 12th	Pearl Harbor Commemoration 7.041 7.241 14.041 14.241
December 3rd - 6th	Breweries on the Air 7.240 14.240 50.175
December 8th -11th	Final Moon Landing Apollo 17 7.040 7.190 14.040 14.260
December 10th	Pearl Harbor Remembrance 1700z - 2359z 7.250 14.320
December 16th - 19th	National Wreaths Across America 7.240 14240 21.340 28.440
December 17th - 24th	Christmas in Bethlehem, NM

Have something to contribute to the newsletter?

- Participated in any recent contest?
- Have an interesting QSO?
- Try an experimental antenna?
- Get a new piece of equipment you'd like to offer a review about?

We'd love to hear about it. You are more than welcome to write a piece about something above or something else you feel worthy of sharing. If you would like to write a piece for the newsletter, please submit your article, along with any pictures that you'd like included to the club email, w9vcf.mcarc@gmail.com.

Also, if you have anything for sale that you would like to advertise in the club newsletter, please send it to the above email.

Thank you, Gary - W9GNR

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Meetings are at the Madison County EOC
200 N Delaware Street
Anderson, IN 46016

50th FORT WAYNE HAMFEST & Computer Expo



ARRL Forum - Saturday 10:00 AM

Carl Luetzelschwab K9LA

ARRL Central Division Director

Brent Walls N9BA

ARRL Central Division Vice – Director

Bob Burns AK9R

ARRL Indiana Section Manager

Jim Moehring KB9WWM

ARRL Indiana Section Emergency
Coordinator

Riley Hollingsworth K4ZDH

Administrator of the ARRL Volunteer
Monitor Program

**Ham Radio License Testing All Classes (\$14)
9 AM till 12 PM Saturday**

WAS & DXCC Card Checking and CQ Awards

Youth Lounge (under 12 accompanied by adult)

New & Used Ham Equipment Dealers

Main & Hourly Door Prizes

2 Rooms of Special Interest Forums All Day Saturday

**Including Riley Hollingsworth K4ZDH on ARRL &
Resurrecting Vintage Equipment**

Talk-in Radio Frequency 146.880 (-)

**Tables: \$30 Regular, \$50 Premium, \$33 Electricity
Drive Directly to Your Table for Setup**

**November
19 & 20
2022**

SAT 9 AM to 4 PM

SUN 9 AM to 2 PM

**Admission: \$8 Sat &
Sun**

\$4 Sun only

**Children under 12 free
(with adult)**

**Allen County
War Memorial Coliseum
4000 Parnell Ave
Fort Wayne, IN
73,000 sq. ft. all indoors
(Coliseum Parking \$8 per
vehicle)**

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