



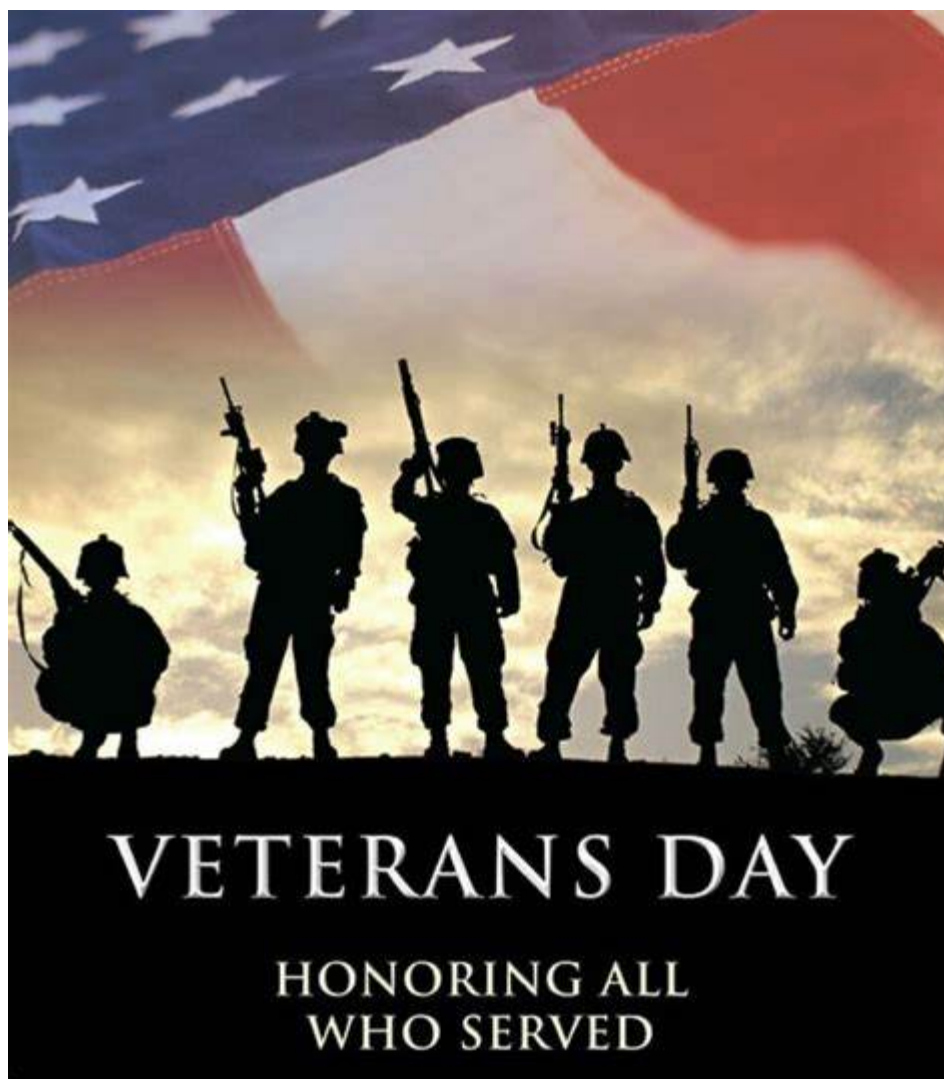
Madison County Amateur Radio Club

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November 2024

The NOVEMBER meeting will be held November 4, 2024



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From the President

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Every organization that depends on volunteers for their basic operation deals with the same issues. The most common challenge is getting people to commit. Each member of our club needs to consider how they can contribute to making our club better. Volunteering for club activities is important because it allows you to contribute to your community, develop new skills, build relationships with others, gain leadership experience, and essentially enhancing your overall amateur radio experience. Participating in your club gives you a sense of belonging. Let's make amateur radio great again!

SAVE THE DATE

In our last meeting, our club decided to have its Christmas Party this year at the Anderson Grill, located at 2238 S. Scatterfield Road on December 7th at 9:00 AM. The Grill has a room that should easily accommodate our gathering. Spouses are invited to attend this special occasion.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our next meeting November 4th at 7:00 PM.

73

Tim

KD9PSR

Vice-President Message

I remember when Lou Holtz of the university of Notre Dame he went to his first practice and some of the players were wearing theirs hats back wards and he ask them to put the bills forward when asked why he told them we are going forward not looking back. As this club has a rich history of radio in the county, we can draw on this, but we need to move forward and look to the future of how to improve the club.

Dale

N9OLC

Madison County Amateur Radio Club

200 north Delaware Street

Anderson, Indiana

October 7, 2024

- **Call to order 7:00 pm - President Tim Bailey**
- **Pledge of Allegiance to the flag**
- **Attendance - 24 - Including 2 guests**

Gary Sherman	W9GNR		Mike Cook	KC9DJU
Jean Sherman	EMA 697		Jeff Friend	KD9TXH
Charlie Dixon	KD9RZG		Chris Mannon	KD9USK
Paula Dixon	KD9SZJ		Tony Poitras	KD9PZR
Don Billey	W9BLY		Ferrin Nice	N9VZL
Tim Bailey	KD9PSR		Mark Mace	M9MWM
Alden Paul	KE9APA		Andrew Paul	Guest
Dale Bloomer	N9OLC		Gerald Hollen	KD9GDH
Jeff Stewart	AK9JS		Lynn Edens	K9RLE
Greg Hunt	K9ALC		Kevin Wycoff	KD9TXI
Kenny Olvey	WA9QEK		Rick Wisely	W9CGA
Doug Rose	N9DR		Brian Engelhardt	KD9ZHH

- **Introductions - Visitors (Andrew Paul; Jean Sherman)**
- **Secretary report - Minutes from August Meeting - Read aloud...**

Motion to Accept - Gary Sherman W9GNR Second - Jeff Stewart AK9JS

- **Treasurer report**

- **Beginning Balance - \$2097.72**
- **Dues Deposit - \$30.00**
- **President's Fundraising - \$ 297.00**
- **EXPENSE - State Business Entity Report - \$22.00**
- **Current Balance - \$2402.72**
- **REPEATER FUND**
- **Current Balance - \$ 1,174.11**

- **Motion to accept - Jeff Stewart AK9JS; Second - Charlie Dixon KD9RZG**

▪ **VP Report - DALE N9OLC - Nets are running well... anyone interested in Net Control see Dale**

Signup sheet for Run the Mounds - November 3 - 1pm

Garage Cleanup - a lot of extra things... several antennas... other miscellaneous items.

- **Publication Editor - Gary ... Hours from the Newsletter**

- **Activity report -**

Field day - good day, lots of people, many contacts. Planning a Winter Field Day. Thank you to everyone for assistance in setting up and making it happen.

Special events - Oct 12 - 14.290 - Navy Birthday - 40/20 Meter.... 12-14 Columbus Day - 40 Meter up... 14-18 -

Schools week... 31st Halloween event... Scoutorama

- **EMA Director report**

Thank you for all the things in which you have participated. Very grateful for outreaches, schools, etc. Were in structured to get things in order in the barn... check out shelves and see if there is anything to be done in the club

Have discussed working on MCU-2... a variety of work to be done... antennas and radios. (2M and 440) Need several dual band (NMO) antennas. Would like to get MCU easier to pull out.

- **Trustee report - Repeaters are working well.**

- Tech committee report -

▪ Club points update - Posted in radio room- Kenny, Mike Cook, Mark Mace, Walter, Frank (JWL)

- Old Business

Awards Committee.... Bryan Frank, Dale Bloomer, Jeff Stewart, Gary Sherman - will meet and make recommendations.

Signup Sheet for Run the

Mounds ▪ New business

Nominations for Officers...

Vice PResident - Dale Bloomer (N9OLC)

Secretary - Don Billey (W9BLY)

Treasurer - Paula Dixon (KD9SZJ)

Activities Manager - Aiden Paul (KE9APA)

Publications Editor - Gary Sherman (W9GNR)

Trustee - Doug Rose (N9DR)

Tech Chairman - Greg Hunt (K9ALC) Members... Charlie Dixon KD9RZG, Jeff Stewart AK9JS

Christmas Party - December 7 - Breakfast meeting 9am - Anderson Grill - 9am

Training and presentation calendar available at next meeting. All of the surveys have been compiled.

Congratulations to Aiden Paul (KE9APA) on achieving EXTRA status!

Website needs to be updated... maintained...

Emergency preparedness... what to have in case you are deployed as a communicator or rescue personnel

What to have at home in preparation for a power outage

Presentation - Aiden Paul (KE9APA) - Thoughts and ideas for reaching out to and

engaging youth ISS will be doing slow scan tomorrow through the 14th.

▪ **Show and Tell - Greg Hunt... PSK Radio - 915 Mhz... In the non-licensed band of FCC for telemetry/medical devices, etc.**

Bluetooth enabled... free apps available... Character correction

Meshtastic... up and coming thing.... \$20 to \$70... includes weather chip, etc. Software free, low cost to get into.

as more people get involved it will be more widely accepted

• **Motion for Adjournment Charlie (KD9RZG) , Second by Jeff Stewart AK9JS**

Respectfully Submitted

Don Billey - W9BLY

Tech Committee Report: October 2024

Nothing new to report. The Tech Committee continues to work on existing projects and will report when significant advances are made.

Submitted 27October2024

Dennis Owen, W9DO

Tech Committee Chair

EMA COMM DIV.

	<u>Y-T-D</u>	<u>October</u>
MCU	20	0
Active Storm Net	123	0
Project:LifeSaver	2	0
Outreach	355	0
Comm Div	69	0
Nets	651	61
Training	1,265	92
EMA Activation	188	0
Total	2,663	153

THE EC SHACK

Gary-W9GNR

International Overview

Amateurs sometimes visit other countries and naturally want to operate their amateur stations. The three types of reciprocal operating authority are 1) a [CEPT](#) license; 2) an [IARP](#); and 3) a [reciprocal permit from a country which does not participate in either of these two multilateral agreements](#). Always follow all of the communications rules of the country visited. To operate under CEPT or IARP, the amateur must be a licensee in the country of citizenship.

Canada is the exception to the above. The US and Canada share an automatic reciprocal operating agreement. US amateurs must carry proof of their US citizenship and their valid US license. Identification for US amateurs is the US call separated by a stroke and the appropriate Canadian prefix identifier (e.g. N1KB/VE3). In all other instances, or as specified by the national licensing body, the prefix goes before the call sign. For further information on US/Canadian operation, visit the [RAC Web site](#).

YL - KD9SZJ - Paula



-FOR SALE-

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
November 4th	MC ARC Meeting at the EOC, 7pm
November 14th	MC UHF Net 8pm - 443.350MHz, PL tone 110.9Hz WA9CWE
November 19th	VE Testing at the EOC 7pm
November 28th	MC UHF Net 8pm - 443.350MHz, PL tone 110.9Hz WA9CWE

SPECIAL EVENTS

November 5th	Air Force MARS 0500z-0459z 3.890 7.120 14.325 28.350
November 9th - 11th	USS Cobia Veteran Celebration 1500z-2100z 7.240 12.240
November 11th	Veterans Celebration 1500z-2100z 7.240 12.240

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

HAMFESTS

WVARA Turkeyfest

HAMFEST/CONVENTION

11/30/2024

Start Date: 11/30/2024

End Date: 11/30/2024

Location: Clay County 4-H Fairgrounds

6550 North State Road 59

Brazi, IN

Website: http://www.w9uuu.org/hamfest/turkeyfest_2024.pdf

Sponsor: Wabash Valley ARA, Inc.

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 146.685 pl 151.4

Public Contact: Kevin Berlen , K9HX

308 W 4th St Clay City, IN 47841

Phone: 812-239-9140

Email: hamfest@w9uuu.org

52nd FORT WAYNE HAMFEST & Computer Expo

Sponsored by Allen County Amateur Radio Technical Society



Carl Luetzelschwab K9LA
ARRL Central Division Director

Brent Walls N9BA
ARRL Central Division Vice Director

Bob Burns AK9R
ARRL Indiana Section Manager

Mike Alley W9MSK
ARRL Indiana Section Emergency
Coordinator

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

Talk-in Radio Frequency 146.880 (-) PL 141.3

Tables: \$30 Regular, \$50 Premium, \$35 Electricity
Drive Directly to Your Table for Setup

November
16 & 17
2024

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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