

HIDDEN VALLEYS AMATUER RADIO CLUB OF SOUTHWEST WISCONSIN

President's Comments

Our speaker this month is Bill Niemth KB9ENO, President of WeComm, Ltd. They have a repeater in Dodgeville, and he will talk on how during emergencies they are prepared to help via amateur radio communications. He is coming a great distance to speak to our group. I hope we can have a nice size audience and see how they might help us should a local emergency develop in the future.



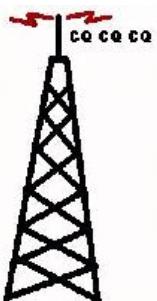
We have received the \$250 check from Alliant. We could also use one more net control for our Sunday night net. Contact John KD9ASC if you are interested.

I want to thank Paul K9OT and Larry KC9CSJ for volunteering to do our annual club audit with Randy WV9T our treasurer.

Our November meeting will be an internet conference with Katie and Tim from Ham Radio Deluxe (HRD). They will start at 7:10 PM on Nov. 10. They will tell you about how if you become a member of HRD they can help you get on the air with PSK 31, Satellites (Doppler tracking of receive and rotor control) and other modes of communication. They will be offering reduced membership rates that night. You will be able to ask them questions.

Finally, I want to remind you that our club's elections will be held at the November meeting. All of the present officers are willing to serve next year. So if you want to be considered for an office please have someone nominate you. Personally, I will only accept to be president for one more year. I have enjoyed being president, but because of other personal commitments in the future, I will only do it for one more year. This will give us time to prepare for a change in 2017.

73,
Kent K9ZMU
HVARC President





Zombie Apocalypse Survival Gear



Image courtesy Monitos en la Pared via flickr.

Happy Halloween everyone! While amateur radio may not be as exhilarating as fighting zombie hordes, it may be the most effective tool during an apocalypse. So why invest in amateur radio equipment for a potential zombie apocalypse (you can never be too prepared!)? Like most investments, amateur radio's success depends on diversification.

Downed telephone lines and cell towers without power can lead to spotty or nonexistent coverage during a disaster. A huge network of amateur radio repeaters can utilize pockets that still have power, and generators can keep them running as well.

Amateur radio's not just for zombie attacks, however. Ham operators have been instrumental in several real-life emergencies, including search and rescue efforts during natural disasters.

So if you're gearing up for a zombie battle, don't forget your radios. Finding safety among this huge amateur network may prove more useful than shotguns and baseball bats.



For Sale

70' free standing radio tower for located at the former Independence High School for sale. \$975.

Chad Lansing
jhartlmh@alpinecom.net

Meeting Minutes from September 2015

CALL TO ORDER and INTRODUCTIONS:

MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING:

Kent

Tabled until Oct meeting, Motion by Scott, 2nd by Matt

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Randy WV9T

1686.77 (includes repeater donation of \$250 from Alliant)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Parliamentarian

Roy N9NUZ

Newsletter

Dustin KC9JKV

Constitutional amendment changes should be attached to the newsletter.

ARES/RACES

Josh KC9WWH

Grant county is on hold until Josh gets a new antenna.

Repeaters

Dick K9DLI

Mark N0WLU

Hap KC9BGA

Education

David KJ4HYJ

Field Day

Paul K9OT

Web Site + Facebook

Dustin KC9JKV

kc9kq.ssoworld.org

Scott Onson

facebook.com/HVARC

Scott is the owner of our webhost and does not ask for a donation.

Nets

Kent K9ZMU

Net control for 4th Sunday needed

Red Cross Report

Matt KC9MLE

BUSINESS

Old Business:

ICS100 / NMMS classes in program. Can also take classes online.

New Business:

Dustin has been begun a facebook campaign to promote education and the radio giveaway.

Christmas party will be Dec 6th or Dec 13th.

Program was Software Defined Radio Resources by Keith Amdahl AC9BD

HAMFESTS/COMPUTERFESTS

October 31

MILWAUKEE, WI · MRC91 Amateur Radio Club Swapfest. **Location:** Elks Lodge (across from AES), 5555 West Good Hope Road, Milwaukee, WI. **Sponsor:** Milwaukee Repeater Club. **Talk-In:** 146.910 minus offset (PL 127.3). **Contact:** Karen Burris , KC9WQJ, 2415 Nicholson #200-5 South Milwaukee, WI 53172; Phone: 414-578-0492; **Email:** KC9WQJ@gmail.com; **Website:** <http://www.mrc91.org>.

November 1

APPLETON, WI · FCARC Swapfest. **Location:** Monarch Gardens, 2311 West Spencer Street, Appleton, WI. **Sponsor:** Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club. **Talk-In:** 146.760 (PL 100). **Contact:** Anthony Mach , AB9IO, 773 Yorkshire Road Neenah, WI 54956; Phone: 920-722-0482; **Email:** hamfest@fcarc.us; **Website:** <http://www.fcarc.us/hamfest.php>.

January 17, 2016

ST. CHARLES, IL ♦ WCRA 49th ANNUAL MID-WINTER HAMFEST. **Location:** Kane County Fairgrounds EXPO Center, 525 South Randall Road, St. Charles, IL. **Sponsor:** Wheaton Community Radio Amateurs. **Talk-In:** 145.310, 146.52. **Contact:** Robert Krueger, W9BK, 2 South 250 Valley Road Lombard, IL 60148; Phone: 630-916-0288; **Email:** rhkrueger@comcast.net; **Website:** <http://www.wheatonhamfest.org>.

February 13

BROOKFIELD, WI · MRAC & MAARS Mid-Winter Interclub SwapFest. **Location:** MPTV Auction Site, 12560 West Townsend Street, Brookfield, WI. **Sponsor:** Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club & Milwaukee Area Amateur Radio Society. **Talk-In:** 145.390 (PL 127.3) & 145.130. **Contact:** David Schank , KA9WXN, 5943 West Edgerton Avenue Greenfield, WI 53220; Phone: 414-459-9741; **Email:** w9rhmrac@gmail.com; **Website:** <http://www.w9rh.org>.

HVARC CLUB INFORMATION

Club dues are \$20.00 per year for individual, and \$25.00 per year for a family membership. We also recommend a \$20.00 per family yearly donation for support of the repeaters. To support your club please send your dues to: HVARC Treasure Randy Stojan WV9T, 2029 Vaassen Lane, Platteville WI, 53818. The Hidden Valleys Amateur Radio Club meets on the second Tuesday of each month at the Southwest Health Center on the South East side of Platteville WI. The meeting is at 7:00 PM and anyone with an interest in radio is welcome to attend. We also meet each Sunday evening at 7:30 PM on the NOWLU Repeater at 146.895 MHZ. with a PL tone of 114.8 All licensed Amateur Operators are welcome to check in.

Please check out the club web site at: <http://kc9kq.ssoworld.org> Thank You to Scott Onson for hosting our club web site.

Newsletter Editor is Dustin Westaby, KC9JKV, and can be reached at dustin.westaby@gmail.com

CONSTITUTION

HIDDEN VALLEYS AMATEUR RADIO

NAME. The name of this organization shall be Hidden Valleys Amateur Radio Club.

PURPOSE. The purpose of this club shall be to provide emergency and public service communications; to advance the status of amateur radio; to improve individual skills in radio communication, and to promote goodwill among the members and the community at large.

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS. In addition to the offices of president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer, there shall be three directors. One of the directors shall be the immediate past president, who shall be ex-officio with vote for one year. The four officers and three directors shall constitute the **executive board** of the club. The executive board shall administer the club and recommend policy.

MEETINGS AND ELECTIONS. There shall be regular monthly meetings, with elections taking place at the **November meeting**, which shall also be the official **annual meeting** of the corporation.

MEMBERSHIP. There shall be four categories of membership: regular, family, student, and honorary. All persons who subscribe to the purposes of the club, complete an application and pay dues, shall be entitled to all rights and privileges of the club. However, a member who practices illegal or inappropriate behavior, may be removed from membership by a plurality vote. Membership may not be denied to any person by reason of gender, creed, national origin, or physical condition.

RULES. Roberts' Rules of Order shall be used in the conduct of club business.

AMENDMENTS. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the active membership, following a one month advance written notice to the membership.

CLUB DEACTIVATION. The Hidden Valleys Amateur Radio Club shall cease to exist following ratification of a motion to dissolve by two-thirds of the active membership. After payment of outstanding bills, the treasurer shall close the club treasury and distribute any remaining assets to the Salvation Army. The executive board shall be responsible for executing or filing all appropriate documents related to deactivation.

(February 1995)

BYLAWS - HIDDEN VALLEYS AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

MEMBERSHIP AND DUES. There shall be four classes of member.

Regular annual club dues of \$20.00 are payable in January. A voluntary annual donation of \$20 is recommended for repeater maintenance and other associated repeater needs, and the treasurer shall keep a separate record of that accumulation. (Amended 8-10-2010)

Family members. A second member of the family of a regular member shall be eligible for membership with additional fee of \$5.00; all additional members of that family may be members at no additional cost.

Student members. Persons who are full time students in elementary, secondary, vocational schools, or colleges shall pay annual dues of \$5.00.

Honorary members. Persons who have rendered years of distinguished service to the club or to the local community, or to amateur radio in general may, following nomination by the executive board and election by the club, be designated honorary members and shall not be liable for club dues.

Special Assessments. In certain unusual circumstances, the executive board may recommend a special assessment. Such a motion requires one month advance notice and requires a two-thirds affirmative vote of the active membership.

VOTING. The president may request voice votes, show of hands, or written ballots. There shall be provision for absentee and proxy voting. A member may challenge the chair's ruling on a voice vote by calling for a division of the house.

QUORUM. A quorum shall consist of forty percent of the active membership. A routine motion may be passed by more than half of a quorum.

OFFICERS. There shall be four officers.

President. The president prepares the agenda, runs the meeting, signs necessary documents, **arranges for an annual audit of the club**, and otherwise discharges the customary duties of president. (Amended 5-12-2015)

Vice President. The vice president serves in the absence of the president.

Secretary. The secretary prepares minutes of each meeting, keeps an up-to-date list of the membership, conducts needed correspondence, and signs documents which require his/her signature.

Treasurer. The treasurer collects dues and assessments, keeps books, pays club bills.

The term of office is for one year, January through December. **President and Vice President may serve for no greater than three consecutive terms.** (Amended 5-12-2015)

DIRECTORS. There shall be three directors, one of whom shall be the immediate past president, who is ex-officio with vote. Directors shall be limited to no more than three consecutive terms. The four officers and three directors constitute the executive board of the club.

MEETINGS. There shall be regular monthly meeting at a place and time determined by the executive board. The November meeting shall be the official annual meeting and officers and directors are elected for the ensuing year at this time.

(Article IA, IB, IC amended March, April, May 2010, **and May 2015**)