

President's Comments

This month's program is Todd Shea of the La Crosse weather bureau. He will talk about advanced weather spotting techniques and show us how to interpret information on the National Weather Service web site. Todd will also mention other topics not covered at the usual Skywarn presentations.

We have two new amateur radio operators. Club members Dennis Morgan KD9GBI and Scott Onson KD9GBJ. They took the Great River Amateur Radio Club's sponsored class. 23 others got their license through this course. We thank the Dubuque club for including us in the class. Dennis and Scott also qualify for our "Ham radio giveaway." We are going to keep Dustin very busy. He may not have time to get married because he is programming all these radios, ha, ha.

We are still looking for programs for October and November.

The Wisconsin QSO Party is over and we are waiting for results. Our club once again was quite active.

Finally I am sorry to say that Ron (W9POF) and Sally (KC9TSY) Niemann will be moving soon to Colorado and Dick Jones K9DLI to Texas. We will all miss them. Ron is a past president and Dick has been so valuable as a technician for our repeaters, fixing radios for emergency use etc. Best wishes to all of you. Hopefully we will keep in touch via HF, echolink, e-mail, etc.

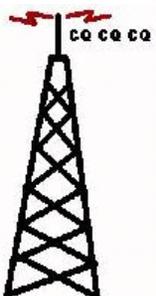
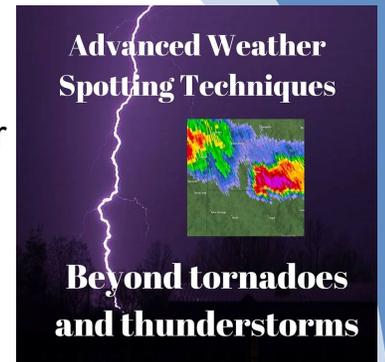
Hope to see all of you at the meeting this Tuesday, May 10, at 7:00 PM.

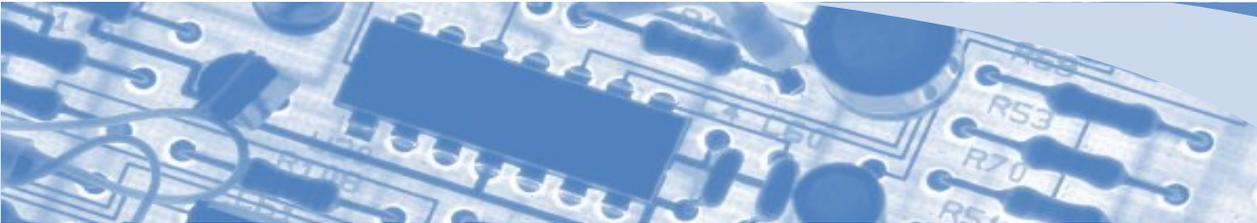
Kent K9ZMU
HVARC President

Repeater Report

New amplifier is on the way from California. Other parts are still being collected. Install date is TBD.

~Alvin KC9MCC





Future Meeting Programs

June 14: Hap Daus BGA will talk on our club's cooperation with local hospitals. He will give us a tour showing us where our station would be set up during an emergency situation.

July 12: Club Picnic at the Jamison & Mining Museum. After the meal we will be shown Plattevillian Louie Eversoll's old tube ham radio station and its log books, etc.

August 8: Scott Scheuerell N9HDE will do a presentation on contesting, how it works, and the best way to go about participating in the various on-air contests that are held every year.

Sept 13: Kent K9ZMU on the history of ham radio in the tri-state area

Sept. 24: Transmitter Hunt in Dubuque. More details to be provided later.

Oct 11: ?

Nov 8: Club elections

Dec (Date to be determined): Christmas Party

National Parks on the Air

Fellow amateur radio operators,

Rural Iowa Amateur Radio Club in northeast Iowa is planning a National Parks on the Air (NPOTA) event at Effigy Mounds National Monument near Marquette and Harpers Ferry in northeast Iowa.

We will be operating from the park over Memorial Day weekend, Saturday May 28-Monday May 30, 10AM-4PM.

We realize that there may be other hams that want to operate a radio for a NPOTA event, but didn't want to go alone or don't have equipment to setup a portable station. Because of that, we are opening up this activation to any other hams that want to come and join us.

Due to space and other park restrictions, we think we will only be able to have 2 HF stations running at a given time. We will have those setup, so you would only need to come and operate the radio. I don't have details on bands/frequencies we are going to operate at this time, I'm just gathering a list of those that want to come help operate during this period at this time.

Please contact n0zjt@yahoo.com if you are interested in participating and we can figure out a timeframe that will work for both of us. You can operate the radio as much time as you want. We also anticipate some interest from the public, so you can spend time talking with them and explaining amateur radio. We will have handouts for the public.

Feel free to distribute this to others as you see fit.

Thank you for your time.

Eric Grams, N0ZJT

Meeting Minutes from April 2016

CALL TO ORDER and INTRODUCTIONS:

MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING:

Dustin KC9JKV

Hap/Alvin motion to approve minutes from last month

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Randy WV9T

\$1839.77

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Parliamentarian

Roy N9NUZ

Newsletter

Dustin KC9JKV

ARES/RACES

None

Repeaters

Dick K9DLI

Repeater, Mark/Alvin- TL turned back on. New amp ordered for repeater. Thursday planned for shack assembly. 18 watts -> 90w upgrade

Mark N0WLU

Volunteers needed to help dig ditch/trench for shack. Digger to be hired for fence posts. Work day picnic was suggested. Date to be decided after meeting, info sent to club mailing list.

Hap KC9BGA

Alvin KC9MCC

Education

None

Field Day

Paul K9OT

Web Site + Facebook

Larry KC9CSQ

Dustin KC9JKV

kc9kg.ssoworld.org

facebook.com/HVARC

Facebook free radio campaign is ongoing

Nets

Scott Onson

Matt KC9MLE

Net control for 4th Sunday needed

Red Cross Report

Matt KC9MLE

BUSINESS

Announcements

- Sept 24, transmitter hunt
- Skywarn, april 18th
- Dubuque class is coming up this weekend, Dennis is going
- Todd Shea is giving a presentation next month, advanced weather, beyond skywarn
- Contesting presentation in August
- September presentation; Club History
- Christmas party will be held on the traditional day, Sunday, until the club votes otherwise
- Grant county is missing EC

Suggestion made of a repeater update in newsletter.

Facebook feedback is good. Messages are getting answered.

John KD9ASC is now chairman of the club weekly net

4th Sunday is unmanaged, any takers?

Ideas for future presenters was asked for

More info about Todd Shea's upcoming presentation. Dustin coined as "Advanced Weather Spotting Techniques: Beyond Tornados"

Invite other professors, antennas are used in classes

Adjournment

Ron motions to adjourn

HAMFESTS/COMPUTERFESTS

05/01/2016

The DeKalb Hamfest - Location: Sandwich, IL - Type: ARRL Hamfest - Sponsor: Kishwaukee Amateur Radio Club - Website: <http://www.karc-club.org>

05/14/2016

Iowa State Convention (3900 Club Hamboree 2016) - Location: Boone, IA - Type: ARRL Convention - Sponsor: 3900 Club - Website: <http://3900club.com>

06/05/2016 | Starved Rock Radio Club/Princeton Illinois Hamfest - Location: Princeton, IL - Type: non-ARRL Hamfest - Sponsor: Starved Rock Radio Club (W9MKS) - Website: <http://www.w9mks.org>

06/11/2016

SWIARA Swap Meet - Location: Creston, IA - Type: ARRL Hamfest - Sponsor: South West Iowa ARA - Website: <http://www.swiara.com>

06/19/2016

Six Meter Club of Chicago's 59th Annual Hamfest - Location: Wheaton, IL - Type: ARRL Hamfest - Sponsor: Six Meter Club of Chicago, Antique Radio Club of Illinois, Classic Radio Net Hamboree - Website: <http://K9ONA.com>

07/08/2016

Indianapolis Hamfest - Location: Indianapolis, IN - Type: ARRL Hamfest - Sponsor: Indianapolis Amateur Radio Association - Website: <http://indyhamfest.com>

07/09/2016

MAGIC TAILGATER - Location: Roseville, MN - Type: ARRL Hamfest - Sponsor: MAGIC (Minnesota Amateur Group of Independent Communicators) - Website: <http://www.magicrepeater.net/>

07/29/2016

Central States VHF Society Conference (50th Anniversary Conference) - Location: Rochester, MN - Type: ARRL Convention - Sponsor: Central States VHF Society & Northern Lights Radio Society - Website: <http://www.csvhfs.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.

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