

HIDDEN VALLEYS AMATUER RADIO CLUB OF SOUTHWEST WISCONSIN

President's Comments

This month's meeting on Tuesday, June 14, will be Hap Daus BGA talking on our club's cooperation with local hospitals. He will also give us a tour showing us where our station would be set up during an emergency situation. Hap has put in many hours over many years attending many meetings, etc. This is an important part of our club's mission and how we can help our communities in Southwest Wisconsin.

We will be making final details for Field Day at our June meeting. Paul OT and Larry CSQ have once again consented to organize the event. Larry has reserved our site again across from the engineering building at the corner of Longhorn Drive and Southwest Road.

June 24,,25,26: On Friday June 24 gather at Pizza Hut at noon to set up for Field Day June 25 and June 26. Sunday gather around noon to take down FD equipment. Also traditionally we have a meal Saturday at 5:00 PM. Bring a dish to pass and your own silverware and seating. The club traditionally furnishes a meat, water, and pop. If any of these plans change at our June meeting look for updates coming out again before FD.

July 12: The club picnic is at the Jamison & Mining Museum. After the meal we will be shown Plattevillian Louie Ever-soll's old tube ham radio station and his log books, etc.

Picnic details: Gather at 5:00 PM. Eat at 5:30 PM. Bring a dish to pass and silverware. Club will furnish a meat and drinks.

We are still looking for programs for October and November. I have a tentative program for October called "What is it?" Bring something connected to ham radio, electronics, etc. that you don't think very many people will know what it is. If another program comes along, we will delay this one.

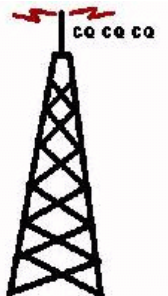
Our repeater fellows Mark WLU, Alvin MCC, and Dick DLI have been very busy. The new amplifier has arrived and is hooked up. You should now hear the repeater better. However, they are tweaking it and things will continue to improve. Come to the meeting to hear more about what is happening and what is going to be happening on our repeater.

An MOU (memorandum of understanding) has been requested by the Dubuque County ARES group for our 2 meter and 70 cm repeaters. An MOU is an agreement that states an understanding of use like for emergency communications. HVARC has an MOU with Southwest Health. Verbally we have always had such an intention. I think that an MOU should be in place for all local repeaters. However, as president, I feel I should present the document to the club before I sign it. Please see the attached copy of the document at the end of the President's Comments.

Missy Lipska who has been the Executive Assistant for the hospital CEO had her last day of employment on May 27. She has been very helpful to our club in her position. We wish her the best in her future endeavors. We look forward to continuing our positive relationship with Southwest Health. They have treated us very well. It is appreciated. The Wisconsin QSO Party is over and we are waiting for results. Our club once again was quite active.

Hope to see all of you at the meeting this Tuesday, June 14, at 7:00 PM.

Kent K9ZMU - HVARC President



Future Meeting Programs

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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: What is it? Bring something connected to ham radio, electronics, etc. that you don't think very many people will know what it is.

Nov 8: Club elections

Dec (Date to be determined): Christmas Party

Dubuque County ARES

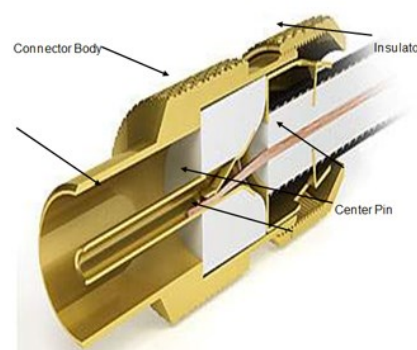
Hidden Valleys' Amateur Radio Club



Choosing Wire for an Antenna

Once you pick the wire you want make sure you have thought these points out:

- If a wire is going to be left on the ground coated/insulated wire is a must.
- If a wire is on snow you can use either as snow in an insulator.
- If a wire is up in the air and away from anything conductive you can use either type.
- If up in the air and near or touching anything conductive you must use coated/insulated wire.
- If you live in areas that are subject to bad weather especially high winds or ice storms heavier gauge wire should be used so it can with stand the elements.



Full Article: <http://www.angelfire.com/mb/amandx/wire.html>

Meeting Minutes from May 10, 2016

CALL TO ORDER and INTRODUCTIONS:

MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING:

Dustin KC9JKV

Dennis / Scott motion to approve minutes from last month

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Randy WV9T

\$1899

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Parliamentarian

Roy N9NUZ

Newsletter

Dustin KC9JKV

ARES/RACES

None

Repeaters

Dick K9DLI

Mark N0WLU

Hap KC9BGA

Alvin KC9MCC

Education

None

Field Day

Paul K9OT

Larry and Paul take on field day planning again.

Web Site + Facebook

Larry KC9CSQ

Dustin KC9JKV

kc9kg.ssoworld.org

[facebook.com/HVARC](https://www.facebook.com/HVARC)

Scott Onson

Facebook free radio campaign is ongoing

Matt KC9MLE

Net control for 4th Sunday needed

Nets

Kent K9ZMU

Red Cross Report

Matt KC9MLE

BUSINESS

Announcements

- Todd gave a FANTASTIC presentation on reading radar and spotting meteorological events!
- Congrats to our new hams, KD9GBJ and KD9GBI
- Dana brought in an anemometer warning system for show and tell. Used for tent rentals.

Dues and repeater fees collected, insurance paid in march

Amp shipped for repeater. Waiting to receive. Shack is sitting there, and need to set a day to setup and plug in. Will have good bonded grounding.

Post office, 6 month lease on box. Box 620

Sept 24th will be the fox hunt.

Feedback on dubuque's one day training course. Very positive. Adding flash cards to existing training was helpful.

Scott and Matt A. offered to email Dustin Westaby their radio programming files.

Share with club a Radio Programming file, Chirp software for Baofeng.??

Adjournment

Matt/Paul motion to adjourn.

HAMFESTS/COMPUTERFESTS

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/>

07/09/2016

Swapfest '16 - Location: Oak Creek, WI - Type: ARRL Hamfest - Sponsor: South Milwaukee ARC - Website: <http://www.qsl.net/wa9txe>

07/10/2016

Fox River Radio League's Hamfest - Location: Aurora, IL - Type: ARRL Hamfest - Sponsor: Fox River Radio League - Website: <http://www.frri.org/>

07/16/2016

Chippewa Valley Amateur Radio Club Tailgate - Location: Chippewa Falls, WI - Type: ARRL Hamfest - Sponsor: Chippewa Valley Amateur Radio Club - Website: <http://www.w9cva.org>

07/16/2016

W0MG Swap Meet 2016 - Location: Waterloo, IA - Type: ARRL Hamfest - Sponsor: Northeast Iowa Radio Amateur Association - Website: <http://www.w0mg.net/presentations/SwapMeet2016.pdf>

07/17/2016

KARSFEST - Location: Peotone, IL - Type: ARRL Hamfest - Sponsor: Kankakee Area Radio Society - Website: <http://w9az.com/karsfest.html>

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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The Salvation Army

Emergency Disaster Services

Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network

Wednesday – 18 May 2016



Major Patrick E. McPherson, WW9E
Founder of SATERN
 Born: 18 February 1946, Kansas City, KS
 Died: 14 May 2016, St. Joseph, MI

Remembering SATERN Founder Maj. McPherson, WW9E, To Be Focus Of Dayton SATERN Forum

Dayton, OH (05/17/2016) – Honoring the memory of SATERN Founder Major Patrick E. McPherson, WW9E (70), The Salvation Army will be the focus of the SATERN Forum at the Dayton Hamvention this Saturday. The Forum will be in Forum Room #3 at 9:15 AM (Eastern) on Saturday, 21 May 2016.

It will be an opportunity for people and organizational leaders at the Hamvention to remember and express their thoughts about the career and accomplishments of Maj. McPherson and how that impacted their lives or their organization.

Lt. Col. Ron Busroe, National CRD Secretary from Salvation Army USA National Headquarters will present a brief homily. The remainder of the time will be an opportunity for leaders of SATERN, other organizations and the audience to briefly share their personal memories of Maj. McPherson and his impact on them, on their organizations and upon amateur radio in general.

Anyone who will be attending the Dayton Hamvention is invited to attend the SATERN Forum. The Forum is open to everyone and not just to members of SATERN or The Salvation Army.

As reported earlier, SATERN Founder Major Patrick E. McPherson, WW9E (70), was unexpectedly Promoted To Glory at about 10:15 AM (Eastern) on Saturday, 14 May 2016, while hospitalized at Lakeland Medical Center in St. Joseph, MI.

Funeral services for Maj. McPherson will be held at 11:00 AM (Eastern) on Thursday, 19 May 2016, at the Duffield & Pastrick Family Funeral Home, 6548 Paw Paw Avenue, Coloma, MI. Burial will follow at North Shore Memory Gardens, 5027 M-63 N., Coloma, MI. Visitation will take place from 6-8 PM, Wednesday evening, 18 May 2016. Memorials in Maj. McPherson's honor may be made to The Salvation Army. Those wishing to leave a personal message for the family may do so at the funeral home's website at <http://www.duffieldpastrick.com/> and then clicking on Maj. McPherson's name and then on the Guest Book link. Cards may be sent to the funeral home or to the McPherson home at 6860 Hagar Shore Road, Coloma, MI 49038.

Maj. McPherson is survived by his wife, Maj. Carmella McPherson, KB9YSQ, son Sean McPherson of McHenry, IL, daughters Tara (Danny) Garcia in Elgin, IL, and Erin McPherson of Chicago, IL, as well as by his brother, Laurence (Judy) McPherson, KA0QEO, of Branson West, MO, and 5 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

Major Patrick E. McPherson was a second-generation Salvationist (member of The Salvation Army church) who was commissioned (ordained) as an Officer (clergy/pastor) in The Salvation Army in 1972. He served as an active Officer for 38 years, retiring in 2009.

It was during his tenure as the Springfield, IL, Corps Officer and Divisional Emergency Disaster Services Director in the Heartland Division, that Maj. McPherson founded SATERN (Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network) in June of 1988. A scant 2 months after it was founded, SATERN became a critical international communications link between the U.S. and Jamaica following Hurricane Gilbert that killed 341 people and left thousands homeless and in need of assistance throughout the Caribbean. Since SATERN was founded, Maj. McPherson helped it grow from 4 members in the U.S. and Canada to over 4,000 U.S. members and more internationally.

**Please Keep the McPherson Family
 In Your Prayers During This Difficult Time**