



**Indiana Section
American Radio
Relay League**

Newsletter

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Friends we'll miss

For a Silent Key notice to be placed in the newsletter, and sent to the ARRL, please forward a copy of or a link to the obituary to the Bob Burns AK9R, ARRL Indiana Section Manager, at ak9r@arrl.org.

Richard Jackson K9EXY of Evansville

Daniel J. Fritchie W9DJF of Oblong IL

Patricia Mack WA9KIX of Indianapolis

Rudy Richardson KN9C of Greenwood

Troy Harrison KC9E of Michigan City

Public Information Coordinator's Report

From Barry Palencer KC9WMS, Public Information Coordinator

Public Information Officers are urged to send their reports to Public Information Coordinator Barry Palencer KC9WMS.

DeKalb County PIO John D Maag, KD9QDL

The date for the 5th Annual Auburn Hamfest is July 20, 2024.

March 4th – Dave (KC9YY) Jeff (KB9QG) and John (KD9QDL) did some field testing with 10, 20, 40, 80 M hamstick in the horizontal position. We used the center frequency for each position for each to figure out SWR.

In the recent past, I was asked to help a fellow ham put a 20 Meter Hamstick dipole on his attic. This should be easy to setup right? Armed with an antenna analyzer, we set to work adjusting the stringers that came with the antennas. One detail was left out of the direction for tuning. The stinger must not extend inside antenna tube very far. So, using the approach if the frequency is too low, make the stinger longer or if the frequency is too high shorten the stringer. After several hours and not getting the frequency in the 20 Meter band I gave up for the day. That night I did some research on the internet and found that you have to cut the stinger to get the antenna to tune up properly. The dilemma is if you cut the stringer to short you have to buy a new stringer. I have at home a Buddipole antenna. It uses telescopic elements for tuning in the dipole configurations. I took a pair of telescopic stingers from the Buddipole and found that it would work on the Hamsticks. Now I could tune the Hamsticks across the band and not be concerned about being too short or going inside the antenna tube. Using the telescopic stringers allows the use of the 80M, 40M, 20M and 10M band to tune the lowest VSWR in the frequency range where you want to operate. If you need a different frequency range, you just change the length of the stinger. Using the telescopic stingers make the Hamstick more versatile.

Dave Beltz (K9TZ) of the Northeastern Indiana Amateur Radio Association (NIARA) recently conducted some experiments with hamsticks, spurred by an article from NIARA about using telescopic stingers with them instead of the whips typically provided. His findings were quite impressive.

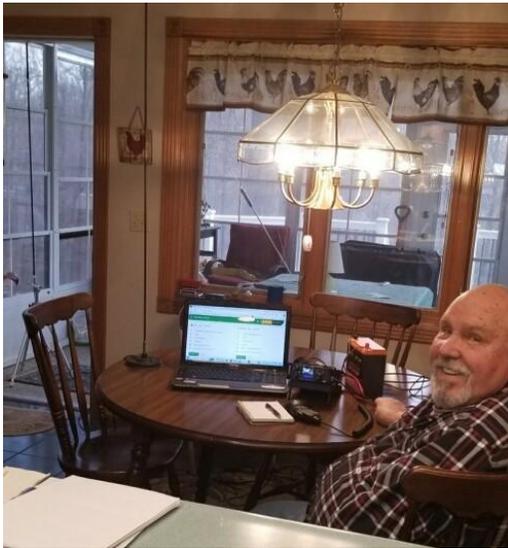
Initially, Dave set up his Xiegu G90 on his kitchen table and tried out a 10m hamstick with a mag mount. To his surprise, he managed to make contacts as far away as Japan, the Cayman Islands, and Belize. Encouraged by this success, he then tested a 20m hamstick with similar results. Using the tripod setup with a 40m hamstick to his three-season room on a camera tripod increased his reach even further, pulling in contacts from more countries.

For his final test, Dave moved the antenna outdoors and extended the mast approximately 7 feet, using 10m, 20m, and 40m hamsticks. Even outdoors, he was able to make even more contacts with stations both domestically and internationally, including some Parks on the Air (POTA) stations as a hunter.

Dave's assessment of the hamsticks is overwhelmingly positive, particularly in conjunction with the Xiegu G90 operating at 20 watts. He found that using them as a vertical antenna worked exceptionally well for him, especially considering his HOA restrictions. His next experiment will involve testing two Horizontal Hamsticks, likely aiming to explore further options for maximizing his setup's performance within the limitations of his living situation.

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Dave Beltz K9TZ operating G90 with 10m stick on table and in his 3 seasons room 40m on tripod.



We are in the process of setting up a Winlink/bulletin board system for NIARA. We lost our previous one due to having to leave the tower it was on. The owner took it off the air and put it up at his home and now we cannot reach it. We need one for ARES.

John, KD9QDL had a display from his former business and since it was no longer being used he converted it to a display for Northeastern Indiana Amateur Radio Association.



Whitley County PIO Roger McEntarfer, N9RM

I announced in the local newspapers: Churubusco News, IN Whitley County, and South Whitley The Tribune News, Local WJHS 91.5 FM (Whitley County Joint High School) radio station, Local Web based News: Columbia City Talk of the Town. HF Nets: Indiana Traffic Net and several of the local 2M and 70 CM nets around the northern Indiana area about the Whitley County Amateur Radio Club (WCARC) General Meeting on March 14, 2024, the Whitley County W5YI Virtual Remote Test Sessions every Monday at 8:00 PM, and the Whitley County Amateur Radio Club (WCARC) General Meeting on April 11, 2024.

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The next WCARC General Meeting April 11, 2024 @ 7:00 PM. The program for the evening will be Tower Constructing presented by Richard Leo W9EEE. Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83738348724?pwd=SFJSVWc2WVJ5WThlL1dlc0h6SmNXQT09> Meeting ID: 837 3834 8724 Passcode: 243817. All WCARC General Meetings are open to the Public.

The Whitley County W5YI Amateur Radio Team holds weekly Virtual Test Sessions every Monday at 8:00 PM. If you need a different day or time, please let me know as we can set up testing any day of the week or time of day to fit your needs. The cost to take the test is \$14.00. To sign up for our Test Sessions visit: <https://hamstudy.org/sessions/N9RM> For additional information visit the Whitley County Amateur Radio Club Web Page at www.wcarc.org or the Whitley County Amateur Radio Club Group Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/445281282513824/>

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Technical Specialist Coordinator's Report

From Tom Busch WB8WOR, Technical Specialist Coordinator

Technical Specialists are urged to send their reports to Technical Coordinator Tom Busch WB8WOR.

Chris Frederick KQ9Y

Well, it is finally here. The eclipse of midafternoon. April 8th, for about an hour, the moon will pass in front of the sun creating a Lunar Eclipse. As I have been reporting, the Mid-State ARC has been requested by Public Service agencies of Johnson County to provide a substantial backup to the communications systems within the county. About 18 MARC members will be stationed at firehouses, emergency management centers and the Club radio room. A LEO and fire representative will also be at each location with our HAMS. In addition to the Clubs 2 repeaters, VHF/UHF, there are 8 additional simplex frequencies that will be used as backup to the repeaters. Being split across both VHF and UHF the simplex will be used for voice and Winlink communications. Testing started a couple years ago for county coverage of simplex back to the centrally located radio room. Then tests performed for location to location that were spread all across the county. When news of the upcoming eclipse and Club involvement request came to us, we responded with a strong "CAN DO!" Because we already knew the abilities of the membership, the equipment and frequencies not in use by other Amateur clubs and operators in the area. Additionally, the repeater for IDHS and both 75M and 40M assignments will be monitored at the radio room. Tests were repeated to assure county coverage of simplex. Meetings of the involved agencies were attended. Mid-State Amateur Radio Club is ready to stand up to the slogan: "When all else fails, there's Amateur radio." Latest weather prediction: Clear, 75 degrees.

Roger McEntarfer N9RM

For the month of March, I continued keeping busy with Whitley County Amateur Radio Club meetings, Tamiami Amateur Radio Club meetings and TARC events and VE Testing locally and nationwide.

I continued working with the Whitley County W5YI VE Team with virtual remote testing, helping two teams out of Texas on Tuesday and Thursday, helping a team out of Oregon Monday through Friday, helping two teams out of Washington State and other teams out of California, Maine, Florida, and Tennessee with 15 plus sessions per week. I led the Tamiami Amateur Radio Club ARRL Live Test Session on March 9, 2024.

I assisted the Tamiami Amateur Radio Club with communications for the Shark Tooth 10K race and Shark Fin 5K race on March 2nd and 3rd.

I joined and attended my second Quarter Century Wireless Club lunch meeting on March 4, 2024.

I attended the Tamiami Amateur Radio Club second annual BBQ & QSO Picnic at Oscar Sherer State Park on March 24, 2024

I attended the Tamiami Amateur Radio Club Breakfasts every Friday morning.

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Jeff DeLucenay KB9QG

Mar 5 - Wrote a small article on Hamsticks for QST magazine. It will be in the Hints and Hacks at a later date.

Mar 12-13 - Repaired a TS180s for Gary N9GIS.

Mar 23 - Helped Robin KD9MGZ update his ICOM 300 to version 1.41.

Mar 25 - Updated the DMR repeater Pi-Star firmware plus changed GPS coordinates and antenna height settings.

Mar 17 -30 Working on setting up a Bulletin Board system on VHF with Winlink capability.

Section Traffic Manager's Report

From Brian Jenks W9BGJ, Section Traffic Manager

To all Net Managers, please remember to turn in your reports to Brian Jenks W9BBJ, Section Traffic Manager, by the 6th of the month.

INDIANA STM REPORT MARCH 2024					
HF NETS					
NET NAME	SOURCE	QNI	QTC	QTR	SESSIONS
INDIANA SECT ARES	AC9EB	13	0	21	0
IDTN	K9JAJ	157	24	383	21
ITN	N9TU	1870	142	1507	62
QIN	NJ9S	94	45	259	31
TOTALS					
NETS REPORTING					

INDIANA STM REPORT MARCH 2024							
PUBLIC SERVICE HONOR ROLL							
STATION	SESSIONS	MESSAGES	APPTS	PUB SVC	EMG RES	DIGITAL	TOTAL
W9BGJ	8	22	30	0	0	10	70
KA9QWC	40	40	30	0	0	10	120
AB9ZA	40	40	10	0	0	0	90
W9EEU	40	132	20	0	0	20	212
TOTALS							
STATIONS REPORTING							

INDIANA STM REPORT MARCH 2024						
ORS AND SAR STATION REPORT						
STATION	TYPE	ORGINATED	RECEIVED	SENT	DELIVERED	TOTALS
W9BGJ	ORS	0	10	10	2	22
KA9QWC	ORS	0	23	33	17	73
AB9ZA	ORS	0	64	53	13	130
W9EEU	ORS	0	63	69	0	132
W9PC	ORS	0	12	12	6	30
NT9F	ORS	1	1	1	1	4

INDIANA STM REPORT VHF/UHF NETS					
NET NAME	SOURCE	QNI	QTC	QTR	SESSIONS
CASS CO ARC	KA9BYN	72	0	123	5
CLAY COUNTY	W9EEU	73	1	115	6
CROSSROADS DMR	K9NQW	120	0	103	4
D STAR NET	K9NQW	40	0	80	4
DISTRICT ONE ARES	AC9EB	83	0	515	10
HENDRICKS CO	KD9DHJ	77	0	28	6
IMO NET	K9SKS	695	0	425	30
JEFFERSON CO	N9XVB	15	0	28	3
MID STATE ARC	KI6QOG	215	0	225	5
MORGAN CO ARES	N9JPX	73	0	87	6
NORTHEAST IN PACKET NET	KA9QWC	10	5	139	5
SCOTT CO ARES/RACES	WR9G	45	6	75	4
SOUTH CENTRAL AREA	KA9OPL	73	0	156	4
SIMPLEX FELLOWSHIP NET	N9CJT	29	0	215	5
TARS EVANSVILLE	KE9YK	83	0	128	6
TRI STATE 2 METER	W9OU	262	0	376	21
WABASH VALLEY	KC9LDJ	117	0	174	5
WCARC UHF	KA9QWC	44	5	79	5
WHITLEY CO ARES	K9EJS	77	0	29	4
21 REPEATER GROUP	KA9QWC	39	4	57	4
20					
NETS REPORTING					

Affiliated Club Coordinator's Report

From Jimmy Merry KC9RPX, Affiliated Club Coordinator

Affiliated clubs across Indiana are encouraged to send a note to Jimmy Merry, ARRL Indiana Section Affiliated Club Coordinator, each month. Please include the following:

- Please be sure to send me any club news. Example: Historical events, Upcoming events, Outstanding member, etc. Include captioned photos.
- Regular updates about your club, its events, special occasions, club news, outstanding members, and other newsworthy items.

This information could let hams across Indiana know what is going on in your club. Assist hams in your area know about your club. Help membership. And assist other clubs across Indiana with ideas. Please send to kc9rpx@arrl.net.

Section Emergency Coordinator's Report

From Mike Alley W9MSK, Section Emergency Coordinator

To all Emergency Coordinators, District Emergency Coordinators, and Official Emergency Stations, please remember to turn in your reports to Section Emergency Coordinator Mike Alley W9MSK.

The Indiana Section ARES Solar Eclipse Guidebook was pushed out to provide local guidance and the statewide operating frequencies.

District Emergency Coordinator's Reports

Allen Bottorff - AC9EB - District 1

District 1 actively participated in the Indiana Statewide Tornado drill, utilizing 1 GMRS and 2 VHF area repeaters. Data collected through on-the-air nets forwarded to the National Weather Service-Chicago/Northern Indiana; included outdoor tornado siren activations, receipt of NOAA radio warning drill notifications, local media, and Emergency Alert System messages. Preparing for the April Total Eclipse.

Brian Sexton – KD9EDR – District 2

This has been a good month with all the appointed OESs and ECs in District 2 able to meet and discuss activities for the Total Solar Eclipse. Kosciusko County ARES provided communication for a community race. Fulton County Skywarn activated a couple of times. Ken Odo, KD9MRM is working with Starke County EMA and I am working with Pulaski County EMA to develop ARES programs in those counties.

Jim Moehring – KB9WWM – District 3

Allen County ARES is preparing to support Huntington Co. EMA during the Solar Eclipse on Apr 8th.

Emergency Coordinator's Reports

Noel Taylor – N9CJT – Bartholomew County

Brown County EMA requested their ARES group to staff all county fire, police and EMA locations from 8a to 6p on Eclipse day; Brown County ARES requested mutual aid from Bartholomew County ARES for this event.

David Menges – WB9TEN – Elkhart County

A new packet BBS is now operational in Elkhart County. Callsign is K9TSM-1 operating on 145.53.

Doug Garvison – KD9PMT – Fulton County

Activated the Fulton County Sky Warn Net for the Statewide Tornado drill. Activated a Sky Warn Net for Fulton County siren test. Attended the district 2 ARES meeting in Marshall County. Was Net Control for Fulton County's Monday Evening ARES/Sky warn Net. Also checked into the Thursday Indiana AXCOMM Net thru Echolink.

Ed Brown – N9GTL – Grant County

Many increased their hours and participation due to planning & prep for April 8, 2024.

Mike Tanksley – W9MDT – Greene County

I participated in the state-wide tornado drill. Otherwise, Greene County is pretty quiet. Skywarn training is on April 2 at the Greene County 4H fairgrounds, and the TSE is on April 8. 73. Everyone is safe.

Mike Hume – KD9BKU - Hamilton County

3/2/24 Storm Spotter Training we had 28 ARES members attending. 3/13/24 ARES training net on the Noblesville repeater. We went over the ICS 213 General Message form and how to complete it. 3/27/24 I asked ARES members to send a Winlink message to me on a ICS 213 General Message form.

Kyle Burns – AD9CR – Johnson County

Continuing to prepare for support of the April Eclipse event.

Brian Sexton – KD9EDR – Kosciusko County

Skywarn net was activated for the statewide tornado drill. KD9DPA organized ARES involvement for the Shamrock Shimmy race in Warsaw. ARES training was conducted on using Winlink.

Jacob Wiese– KD9LWR – LaPorte County

La Porte County ARES supported Indiana's severe weather preparedness week's statewide tornado drill by reporting on siren activation to the county EMA.

Frank Meade – KD9FRT – Lawrence County

Conducting drills in preparation for Eclipse event.

Chuck Dilts – N9CAD – Marshall County

Marshall County ARES participated in a joint meeting with District 2 ARES. There was discussion pertaining to the Eclipse and how members can support their local community.

Jimmy Merry – KC9RPX – Monroe County

Siren tests to assist EMA 2, 4 Weekly nets, 4 Simplex nets.

Steve Jewell – WR9G – Scott County

In March, four scheduled ARES nets were conducted on the Scott County EMA repeater (146.610), with 45 check-ins and a total of 75 minutes, providing operators with an opportunity to check and test their equipment.

The Scott County EMA Group will hold a VE session on Saturday, April 13th, at 11:00 AM. Sessions are normally held on the 2nd Saturday of every even-numbered month. Walk-ins are welcome, but all new candidates must be registered in the FCC CORES system and have received their FCC Registration Number (FRN) before exam day. The testing location is at the Bacala Center, 69 E Wardell St, SE Corner of Courthouse Square, Scottsburg, IN 47170, and is ADA accessible. For more info email: steve@wr9g.net or visit www.wr9g.net/links. 73, Steve WR9G

Ed Scott – K9EJS – Whitley County

It was a busy month with four weekly nets, two normal siren tests, a statewide siren test, assisting neighbor county for the marathon, and a monthly meeting.

Official Emergency Station's Reports

Don Evilsizor – KA9QWC – Whitley County

I stood by the Thorncreek Fire Dept in the Whitley County tornado drill. The siren needs repair.

Participated in 3 AUXCOM MULTI MODE NETS and 4 Winlink Wednesday nets.

Indiana Section ARES – 002 Form Summary

Compiled from the ARES forms submitted for March.

Total Number of DECs/ECs Appointed in Section	58
Total Number DECs/ECs Reporting	23

(6) Total Number of ARES Members Reported	463
(7) Total Number of ARES Nets Reported	106
(8) Number of ARES Nets with NTS Liaison Reported	47
(9) Total number of check-ins in all ARES nets	1730

<i>Event Reported</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Person Hours</i>
(10) Number of ARES exercises sessions	20	305.65
(11) Number of ARES training sessions	6	209
(12) Number of ARES public service events	7	73
(13) Number of ARES community service events	28	69.5
(14) Number of ARES emergency activations	4	50
(15) Number of SKYWARN activations	17	186.7
(16) Number of ARES meetings	14	155.8
(17) Number of unclassified events	5	68.7

Call Signs of DECs/ECs reporting

AC9EB, KD9EDR, KB9WWM, N9CJT, W9BTEN, KD9PMT, N9GTL, W9MDT, KD9BKU, AD9CR, NM9R, KD9EDR, KD9LWR, KD9FRT, W9SOX, N9CAD, KC9RPX, N9JPX, WR9G, W9DRB, AB9HP, K9EJS

Section Manager's desk

Note: Each week, I send out an Indiana Section News email for that week. If you are an ARRL member, log into your profile on the ARRL website to make sure you have "Division and Section News" selected in the "Opt In/Out" section in order to get those weekly emails. The items you see here in the "From the Section Manager's desk" section of the monthly section news are taken from the weekly emails.

Weather

Spring in Indiana can mean severe weather. Amateur radio plays a valuable role in providing "ground truth" observations of weather phenomena that are too low to the ground or too small to be seen by weather radar. You can best serve the National Weather Service by becoming a trained weather spotter. Most NWS forecast offices that cover Indiana offer some sort of severe weather spotter training. Many of these spotter training sessions are in-person while some NWS offices offer virtual spotter training. Check the NWS office for your area to find out more about severe weather.

Chicago IL: https://www.weather.gov/lot/spotter_talk

North Webster: https://www.weather.gov/iwx/Spotter_Event_List

Indianapolis: https://www.weather.gov/ind/spotter_talks

Wilmington OH: <https://www.weather.gov/iln/spottertrainingschedule>

Louisville KY: <https://www.weather.gov/lmk/skywarn>

Paducah KY: <https://www.weather.gov/pah/spottertraining>

Disaster recovery for your computer

Many of us have come to rely on computers in our radio shacks. Whether we use the computer for rig control, logging, digital modes, radio programming, or running an SDR, our computers have become valuable tools. Have you thought about what might happen if your computer suffered a major failure? A hard drive crash? Lightning strike? It might be a good idea to regularly back up your logs, configuration files, and other files related to your radios.

ARES Course changes

The ARRL EmComm courses will be changing effective April 1. The existing EC-001 and EC-016 will be closed at that time. Anyone enrolled in either of those course will need to complete them by April 1 to receive credit for them.

Two new courses will be launched in the ARRL Learning Center on April 1: Basic EmComm and Intermediate EmComm. Advanced EmComm and ARES Leadership courses are in development and should be complete by early summer.

Wilbur Wright's Birthday Special Event Station

Members of the Henry County Amateur Radio Club will celebrate Wilbur Wright's 157th birthday by activating Special Event Station W9W on April 16. They plan to get on the air from Wright's birthplace in Millville, Henry County, Indiana.

ARRL Library Book Set

Do you or your club know of a library that would like a current set of amateur radio books to add to their collection? If so, the ARRL has assembled a set of books from the ARRL Store that can be purchased for libraries. The price is \$250 for the set including shipping. I added up the price of the books in the set and

it came to \$380 plus shipping. The only stipulation is that the book set has to be purchased for a library, school, or institution. More details can be found here: <https://www.arrl.org/library-book-set>

WVARA Brentlinger Award

Each year, the Wabash Valley Amateur Radio Association presents an award, known as the Brentlinger Award, to an amateur radio operator in their club who have contributed significantly to the amateur radio community, either during the previous year or throughout their lifetime. This year's award winner was Marcus Wood KC9LDJ. Congratulations, Marcus!

Indiana QSO Party

Time to start planning for the Indiana QSO Party coming up on May 4-5.

The Indiana QSO Party (INQP) encourages contact with Indiana amateur radio stations by other Indiana hams and hams worldwide. Stations outside of Indiana work Indiana stations only. Indiana stations work everybody, including other Indiana stations. See the rules for the rest of the details.

The INQP is also a great time to work on your Worked All Indiana Award. It only takes 60 confirmed counties to earn the initial certificate. Your INQP QSOs count as confirmed QSOs toward your WAI.

More info with rules and activity map at: <http://hdxcc.org/inqp/index.html>

Indiana Volunteer Examiners on ARRL VE Honor Roll

The following VEs from Indiana have been recognized by the ARRL VE Honor Roll: Bob Begeman W9KVK and Jim Rinehart K9RU. Congratulations and thank you for your service to amateur radio licensees.

Upcoming Hamfests in Indiana

The up-to-date hamfest listing for Indiana, and the entire U.S., can be found on the ARRL's website at: <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/search> Note: Hamfests must be submitted to the ARRL in order to appear on the ARRL website. For more information, see: <http://www.arrl.org/hamfest-convention-application>

If your hamfest is not listed here, please contact Bob Burns AK9R, ARRL Indiana Section Manager, at ak9r@arrl.org

North Central Indiana Hamfest—*note new location*

Start Date: 05/04/2024

End Date: 05/04/2024

Location: Hart's Celebration Center
3031 E. 450 N.
Marion, IN 46952

Website: <http://www.NCIhamfest.com>

Sponsor: Cass, Grant, Howard, Miami Counties

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 146.790 -0.6 (141.3)

Public Contact: Mitch Miller , W9DDX
3658 N. Moorland Dr. Narion, IN 46952
Phone: 765-661-5893

Email: mitchmiller55@gmail.com

Monroe County Hamfest

Start Date: 06/08/2024

End Date: 06/08/2024

Location: Community Building, Monroe County Fairgrounds
5700 W. Airport Rd.
Bloomington, IN 47401

Website: <http://bloomingtonradio.club>

Sponsor: Bloomington ARC; K9IU

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 146.640 - 136.5Hz

Public Contact: Tom Henderson , W9YW
546 W. Lois Lane Bloomington, IN 47403
Phone: 317-250-4646

Email: W9YW@arrl.net

Auburn Hamfest

Start Date: 07/20/2024

End Date: 07/20/2024

Location: Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum
1600 Wayne Street
Auburn, IN 46706

Website: <http://w9ou.org>

Sponsor: Northeastern Indiana Amateur Radio Association

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 147.015 with 141.3 tone

Public Contact: John Chalmers , W9GOO
P.O. Box 145 Auburn, IN 46706
Phone: 260-927-5746

Email: W9OU@arrl.net

East Central Indiana Hamfest

Start Date: 07/27/2024

End Date: 07/27/2024

Location: Jay County Fairgrounds

806 E. Votaw Street

Portland, IN 47371

Website: <https://sites.google.com/view/ecindianahamfest/home>

Sponsor: Jay County ARC, Whitewater Valley ARC, Randolph County ARC,

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 443.475+ PL. 100.0, 145.210- PL 97.4

Public Contact: Jeremiah Cromis , KD9CCW

604 Beech Avenue Centerville, IN 47330

Phone: (765) 238-7467

Email: kd9ccw2300@gmail.com

Elkhart East Hamfest

ARRL Central Division Convention

Start Date: 08/03/2024

End Date: 08/03/2024

Location: Northern Indiana Event Center

21565 Executive Parkway

Elkhart, IN 46514

Website: <http://elkharteasthamfest.com>

Sponsor: Northern Indiana K9DEW Repeater Network

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 147.330+ / 131.8

Public Contact: Dewey Thrash , K9DEW

53464 Baywater Place Bristol, IN 46507

Phone: 574-370-2436

Email: elkharthamfest@gmail.com

Hendricks County Tailgate Fest

Start Date: 08/10/2024

End Date: 08/10/2024

Location: Avon United Methodist Church

6850 E. US Hwy 36

Avon, IN 46123

Sponsor: Ham Emergency Radio Operations

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 145.130 MHz PL-Tone 88.5

Public Contact: Kenneth A Kayler , KC9SQD

3090 Clover Dr. Plainfield, IN 46168

Phone: 317-874-7068

Email: kc9sqd425@gmail.com

ARANCI Hamfest

Start Date: 08/11/2024

End Date: 08/11/2024

Location: Lake Village Community Center

9728 North 300 West

Lake Village, IN 46349

Sponsor: ARANCI

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 145.330 pl 131.8

Public Contact: Michael Swiader , KA9E

PO Box 215 Lake Village, IN 46349

Phone: 815-409-5070

Email: ka9e@yahoo.com

Hoosier Hills Hamfest

Start Date: 10/12/2024

End Date: 10/12/2024

Location: Lawrence County 4-H Fairgrounds

11265 US-50

Bedford, IN 47421

Website: <https://hoosierhillshamfest.com/>

Sponsor: Hoosier Hills Ham Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 146.73- PL/107.2

Public Contact: Tim Wray , KB9SNL

PO Box 891 Bedford, IN 47421

Phone: 812-675-6733

Email: bwrs1996@gmail.com

Hamtober Fest

Start Date: 10/19/2024

End Date: 10/19/2024

Location: Lynnville Community Center

416 W ST RD 68, IN-68

Lynnville, IN 47619

Website: <http://hamtoberfest.com>

Sponsor: Tri-State Amateur Radio Society of Evansville Indiana

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 145.250 C4FM

Public Contact: John Van Vorst , N9OL

8640 Sunny Brook Dr. Evansville, IN 47725

Phone: 812-305-4100

Email: n9ol@arrl.net

Shelbyville Tailgate

Start Date: 10/19/2024

End Date: 10/19/2024

Location: Shelby County Fairgrounds

500 Frank St.

Shelbyville, IN 46176

Website: <http://www.brvars.com>

Sponsor: Blue River Valley Amateur Radio Society

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 145.48 MHz 88.5 Hz PL Tone

Public Contact: John Walker , K9SVL

302 W. Hendricks St. Shelbyville, IN 46176

Phone: 317-402-5000

Email: inprinter@comcast.net

March 2024

Fort Wayne Hamfest & Computer Expo

Start Date: 11/16/2024

End Date: 11/17/2024

Location: Allen County War Memorial Coliseum
4000 Parnell Ave.

Fort Wayne, IN 46801

Website: <http://www.fortwaynehamfest.com/>

Sponsor: Allen County Amateur Radio Technical Society

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 146.880 (-) 141.3 Tone

Public Contact: ACARTS Fort Wayne , W9IXW

PO Box 10342 Fort Wayne, IN 46851

Phone: 260-579-2196

Email: FM@acarts.com

Hamfest Flyers



North Central Indiana Hamfest

Saturday, May 4, 2024

9:00 AM to 2:00 PM (EST)

Hart's Celebration Center

3031 E 450 N Marion, IN

Hosted by the Cass County, Grant County, and Miami County Amateur Radio Clubs.



Talk-In on 146.790-(141.3)



Celebration Center



Coordinates: 40° 37' 5.1" N, 85° 37' 45.18" W

Ticket Information

\$5.00 -12 and Under Free.
Free Parking, Handicap Accessible

Forums

To Be announced

Raffle & Hourly Door Prizes

Yaesu FTM-200DR Mobile Radio
Yaesu FT-65 R Handheld
ham.community- Ham MegaSheets
Gift Certificates by ARRL, R&L & more

On Site Camping – Contact Roger (765)669-2747

Electric Hookups only

Vendor & Tailgating Information

Setup Times: Friday, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. & Saturday, 7:00 - 8:45 a.m.
Inside Tables: Reserved tables \$5.00 each Tables day of event - \$7.00 each
Admission: \$5.00 / Person
Tailgating Area: \$5.00 + \$5.00 / Person Admission

Reserve Your Tables

Call Mitch Miller at 765-661-5893 or email: ncihamfest@gmail.com

\$15.00 ARRL VE Testing 8:00-10:00 a.m.

(Does not include FCC License Fees \$35.00)

Bring a Photo ID. Children can use a Student ID. The FCC now requires an FRN Number to test. Get an FRN Number at <https://apps.fcc.gov/cores/userLogin.do> If already licensed and upgrading, bring a copy of your current license.

www.NCIHamfest.com Find us on Facebook - North Central Indiana Hamfest



New Date!

The Northeastern Indiana Amateur Radio Association

AUBURN HAMFEST

Saturday, July 20, 2024

Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum

1600 S. Wayne St. Auburn, IN 46706

OPEN 9 AM TO 2 PM • TALK-IN: 147.015 (141.3) 7:00 AM • LOAD-IN: 7 TO 9 AM

FREE Admission

6,000 SQ. FT. INDOOR DISPLAY SPACE (Not counting the huge Museum Area!)



FREE AUBURN CORD DUESENBERG Museum

View an amazing collection of classic motor vehicles.

FOOD VENDOR
on the parking lot.

NEED MORE INFO?
E-MAIL: W9OU@ARRL.NET

FREE Parking

Supervised by the DeKalb County ARES Team.



Indoor Vendor Tables: \$10 ea.

Order online now at www.w9ou.org

Outdoor Sales - One raffle ticket purchase for each parking space.

Contact: W9OU@ARRL.NET

Raffle Prizes:

1st- Yeasu FTM 500

2nd- Zumspot with MD UV380 DMR

3rd- N3FJP Software (Full Access)

4th- \$50 Gift Certificate, DX Engineering

Ticket Prices \$5.00 - Buy 2, get 1 Free!



HAMFEST 2024



Jay County Fairgrounds — 806 E Votaw Street, Portland, IN 47375

*** SPECIAL LOCATION for 2024 ***

- Parking
- Admission
- Vendor Spaces*
- Door Prize Ticket

FREE

Linked Talk-in:
443.475+ PL: 100.0
145.210- PL: 97.4

EXTRA PRIZE TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR!

*** Door Prizes ***

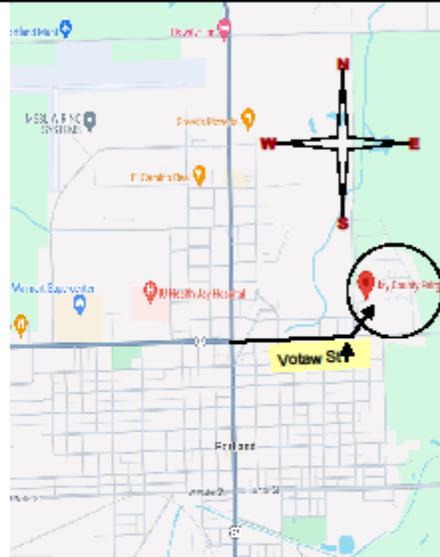
We'll have them on display at the Hamfest. We've given away some VERY nice prizes over the years like those pictured here!



PRIZES



Door prize drawings at least every half hour thanks to our awesome vendors and sponsors!



Also Available:

- Breakfast
- Lunch
- Camping - \$30
includes electric and water
- Showers

Be sure to join our **FOX HUNTS!**

We'll have a couple of AMAZING Fox Hunts. They'll either be stationary or perhaps even mobile. Don't worry, we won't make it too hard (and we'll let you know which it is). A great prize for the winner!

VE Testing Sessions:
10:00 AM and 1:00 PM



Use your smart phone to link to our website or enter the URL below!

Local Motels

Hoosier Inn

1620 N Meridian St, Portland IN 47371
Local Phone: 260-726-7113
Special pricing use discount code, "Hamfest"

Portland Inn

1147 US Hwy 27, Portland, IN 47371
Local Phone: 260-726-8888
Special pricing use discount code, "Hamfest"

Holiday Inn Express

100 Holiday Dr, Portland IN 47371
Book a Reservation: 1-888-465-4329
Front Desk: 260-726-8888
Reserve online with a 15% discount at <http://surl.li/rjghs>

*** SPECIAL LOCATION for 2024 ***

Saturday, July 27, 2024
8:00 AM to 2:00 PM Eastern

Reserve your selling spaces on our website
INhamfest.com | INhamfest@gmail.com

**Reserved tables will be held until the day of the Hamfest until 7:45 AM. If there's an issue getting there on time, you'll need to contact Dave at 419-733-0867. Info on our website, INhamfest.com.*

Elkhart East Hamfest

Saturday August 3rd, 2024	21565 Executive Pkwy Elkhart, IN 46514	Lat: 41.72927 Lon: -85.88025	Talk-in: K9DEW/R 147.330 MHz+ PL 131.8
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ELKHART EAST HAMFEST IS HOSTING THE 2024 ARRL CENTRAL DIVISION CONVENTION



AUGUST 3, 2024 - ORDER OF EVENTS

- 9am:** Open for ARRL Forums, Hamfest, VE Testing, and W1AW/9 Live.
- 11am:** VE Testing Closes
- 2pm:** All Events Close



QST QST QST SAVE THE DATE

- Over 22,000 square feet of air-conditioned indoor retail space and an outdoor flea market area for radio communication, consumer electronics, and like items.
- Twelve (12' foot tall - 6 on each side) garage doors allow pull-through access for easy setup and teardown (*during specified setup hours*).
- 20 acres (over a million square feet) of free parking (designed for recreational vehicles).
- 1,100 square foot room for VE testing.
- Bright LED lighting, with wifi throughout.
- Locally catered food available for purchase.
- Door prizes and free coffee.
- Admission \$8.00 / children under 12 free.
- Vendor tables (8') are \$15.00 each and include one admission ticket and electricity.



- Theater room (seats 70+) for ARRL forums:
- DXing Basics During High Sunspot Times: Propagation, Antennas and Equipment.
 - Emergency Communications Forum
 - Other Sessions of Interest Are In the Works

Visit www.elkharteasthamfest.com for updates.

Special Event Station W1AW/9 will be operating during the hamfest. (20 and 40m SSB, CW, and FT8)



JOIN US IN CELEBRATING ARRL'S 2024 CENTRAL DIVISION CONVENTION.
EDUCATIONAL HANDS ON EXPERIENCE FOR ALL
(INCLUDING FAMILY & FRIENDS)

– For additional information and updates, visit www.elkharteasthamfest.com –

Hamtober Fest 2024



Southern Indiana 6th Annual Hamtober Fest

OCTOBER 19, 2024

LYNNVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER

LYNNVILLE, IN

7:00 AM - Noon CST

GPS 38.19453 -87.30147

FREE ADMISSION

DONATIONS APPRECIATED

**** WATCH FOR Raffle Information ****

Attendance Prizes

INDOOR TABLES \$10 LIMITED AVAILABILITY

FREE Outdoor Flea Market, Food, Fellowship

Sponsored by Tri-State Amateur Radio Society www.w9og.net (<http://www.w9og.net>)

Contact Us: hamfest@w9og.net (<mailto:hamfest@w9og.net>)

For more information www.hamtoberfest.com (<http://www.hamtoberfest.com/>)