

CLUB OFFICERS

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Field Day: Paul Harrington III, KB4ENQ
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Repeater: Steve McFadden, KA4TJD
News Letter: Paul Harrington III, KB4ENQ
Fund Raising: Todd Rose, KE4YAH
Adopt-a-Highway: Paul Harrington III, KB4ENQ

Trustee for KY4WC Jerry Mueller, KC4WZO

The Woodford County Amateur Radio Club meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m., at the Versailles Fire Station #2 on Big Sink Pike. Anyone interested in Amateur Radio is cordially invited.

The Club holds an ARES practice net Thursday evenings at 8:00 p.m. Nets are held on the 145.330 repeater.

The Woodford County Amateur Radio Club Home Page is located on the internet at <http://www.ky4wc.org>. The Club receives e-mail at ky4wc@ky4wc.org. E-mail may be sent to the membership by sending a message to maillist@ky4wc.org.

FORUM SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED FOR 2009 DAYTON HAMVENTION

From the ARRL Newsletter: One of the many highlights at Dayton Hamvention is the myriad of educational and fun forums that take place the entire weekend at Hara Arena. The Dayton Amateur Radio Association has coordinated 45 unique programs that encompass nearly 80 hours of programs and activities for the thousands of people expected to attend these programs. Hamvention, the largest event of its kind, will be May 15-17 at Hara Arena in Dayton, Ohio. Please keep in mind that the schedule may change before Hamvention. -- See schedule on page 3

BOSTON AREA HAMS PROVIDE COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT FOR ANNUAL MARATHON

More than 250 Amateur Radio operators provided communication support for the 113th running of the Boston Marathon <<http://www.bostonmarathon.com>> on Monday, April 20, also known as Patriots' Day <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Patriots_Day>. With more than 26,000 official runners and 500,000 spectators along the 26 mile route, the marathon utilized amateurs at the starting line, along the course at each water and first aid station, and at the finish line.

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The April 1st meeting was called to order by the Club President, Mike Brannock, KG4IES, at 7:05 p.m.

The Minutes of the March Meeting: The minutes of the March meeting were accepted with changes. The times for the Kids Safe event should read 10:00a.m. to 1:00p.m. It was also noted that on the Member Data Page, "form" should be changed to "from" in the paragraph that starts "Please help me fill in this list of nets." George Rice, KC4YUI, indicated that he has upgraded his license class to General. No motion was recorded.

Treasurer's Report: Steve McFadden, KA4TJD, reported that there was no activity for March and the balance still rests at \$\$\$\$\$. No motion was recorded.

Repeater: Steve McFadden, KA4TJD, indicated that the 220 machine is off the air. It's controller is back in the shop as part of the voice recorder upgrade program. Paul Harrington III, KB4ENQ, added that work had started on software changes to support the new hardware. The digital recorder chip used in the original design is no longer available. Steve also noted that the backup battery for that repeater is no longer taking a charge and needs to be replaced.

Program: Steve McFadden, KA4TJD, has been doing research on the proper procedure for charging lead acid batteries and will discuss his findings after the business meeting.

Field Day: Paul Harrington III, KB4ENQ, indicated that the Field Day package is available on the ARRL web site, and a copy has been downloaded.

Adopt-a-Highway: An Adopt-a-Highway event is scheduled for Saturday, April 25th. Todd, Mike, Steve and Paul indicated that they planned to participate. Volunteers should meet at McDonands at 8:00 a.m. for breakfast. Trash collection should commence about 9:00 a.m. An e-mail will be sent to the KY4WC.org mail list to announce this event.

Newsletter: Members are encouraged to offer material and suggestions for the Newsletter. Thanks to the members who have volunteered to receive the Newsletter via e-mail. If you wish to receive the Newsletter by e-mail, please contact Paul Harrington III, KB4ENQ.

Emergency: Drew Chandler, KI4TFI, reported:

The Weather Spotter class is scheduled for Monday, April 6. Registration starts at 5:30p.m. He suggested that a large crowd was expected, and that attendees should arrive early to get a good seat.

DSL has been installed in the EOC.

A week long state wide pandemic exercise is planned for August, our EOC will be activated, date to be announced.

Emergency Management would like to have Amateur volunteers for a couple of shifts to man the Ham gear in the EOC as part of the exercise.

New flat panel monitors have been obtained for the EOC. They will be used as duplicate dispatch monitors as well as to display weather information and news outlets.

Old Business: One announcement: Safe Kids Fair will be held again this year Saturday May 9th, 10-11:00 am. Todd and Steve agreed to participate. Additional volunteers would be appreciated.

New Business: Tod Rose, KE4YAH, indicated that he was contacted about the Club participation in this year's County Fair.

George Rice, KC4YUI, seconded a motion made by Todd Rose, KE4YAH, that the meeting should be adjourned. The motion carried at 8:37 p.m.

Did You Know: Only 11% of the earth's surface is used to produce food.

Larry says:
When everything is coming your way, you're in the wrong lane.
Why do psychics have to ask you your name?

Attendance:

Net Report:

Name:	Call:	Member:	04/02/09	04/09/09	04/16/09	04/23/09	04/30/09
Steve McFadden	KA4TJD	Y	KB4ENQ	KB4ENQ	KB4ENQ	KB4ENQ	KB4ENQ
George L. Rice	KC4YUI	Y	KE400I	KF4LRK	KF4SKI	KE4GNX	KF4LRK
Todd Rose	KE4YAH	Y	KE4GNX	KE4GNX	KF4LRK	KF4LRK	KE4GNX
Mike Brannock	KG4IES	Y	KF4LRK	KE400I	KE4GNX	KE400I	KI4TLW
Rick Stanback	N4WCQ	Y	KI4TFI	KE4AIE	KI4TLW	W2IF	KE4LZP
Drew Chandler	KI4TFI	Y	KI40JG	K4H0Y	WA4PCS	KG4VAR	W2IF
Jim Hughes	K4ZPL	Y	KI4TLY	KI40JG	KI4TLY	KI4TLY	KY40Z
Paul Harrington III	KB4ENQ	Y	NB6X	K40Z	KG4RUF	KE4AIE	WD4HXE

From the ARRL Newsletter:

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Friday, May 15

9:15-11:15 -- TAPR Digital Forum (1)
 9:15-10:15 -- Engineering Manuals (2)
 9:15-10:15 -- Kit Building (3)
 9:15-10:15 -- QRP (5)
 10:30-12 -- Drake Forum (2)
 10:30-12 -- Teachers Workshop (3)
 10:30-11:30 -- ARRL Field Day (5)
 11:30-12:30 -- APRS Forum (1)
 11:45-12:45 -- QSL Cards (5)
 12:15-1:15 -- ARRL, The Doctor Is IN (2)
 12:15-2 -- Ham Radio and the Law (3)
 12:45-2:15 -- D-STAR Forum (1)
 1-2:15 -- Alternative Energy Forum (5)
 1:30-2:30 -- ARRL, Public Relations (2)
 2:15-3:30 -- Gordon West (3)
 2:30-5 -- Antenna Forum (1)
 2:30-5 -- Software defined Radio (5)
 2:45-3:45 -- Foxhunting Forum (2)
 3:45-5 -- Techniques of the
 Best Operators (3)
 4-5 -- County Hunting Forum (2)

Saturday, May 16

9:15-11:15 -- Contesting Forum (1)
 9:15-10:15 -- SATERN Forum (2)
 9:15-10:15 - Lightning Grounding
 Forum (3)
 9:15-11:00 - VHF/UHF/Microwave Forum (5)
 10:30-11:30 -- ARRL Members Forum (2)
 10:30-11:45 -- Heil Sound (3)
 11:15-1:30 -- AMSAT Forum (5)
 11:30-1:15 -- Youth Forum (1)
 11:45-2 -- Newsline Town Meeting (2)
 12-1 -- RTTY Forum (3)
 1:15-2:15 -- ARRL, Digital
 Contesting (3)
 1:30-2:30 - ARRL Presents Richard
 Garriott, W5KWQ (1)
 1:45-3 -- SSTV Forum (5)

WA4PCS WA4PCS
 KF4DSS

First call in each list
 indicates net control.

2:15-3:15 -- FCC Forum (2)
 2:30-3:30 -- ARES Forum (3)
 2:45-5 -- DX Forum (1)
 3:15-5 -- MARS Forum (5)
 3:30-5 -- ATV Forum (2)
 3:45-5 -- Collins Forum (3)

Sunday, May 17

9:15-10:15 -- Red Cross Forum (1)
 9:15-11 -- QCWA Forum (2)
 9:15-10:15 -- Volunteers and EmComm Forum
 (3)
 9:30-11:15 - Bicycle Mobile Forum (5)
 10:30-11:30 - When All Else Fails, South
 Carolina Is Ready (1)

For more information on forums at the 2009
 Dayton Hamvention, please visit the Dayton
 Hamvention Web site
 <<http://hamvention.org/forums.php>>.

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"This is the largest public service event in
 New England in terms of the number of
 Amateur Radio operators required for a one-
 day event, and we can always use more hams
 to help us," said Marathon Amateur Radio
 Communications (MARC)
 <<http://marc.mmra.org/marc/index.html>>
 Course Coordinator Steve Schwarm, W3EVE.
 "We're glad that the weather was cool and
 the number of ambulance requests this year
 was lower than past years, where we had
 higher temperatures and more medical
 issues."

Even with the more temperate weather, MARC
 Finish Line Coordinator Paul Topolski,

WISEX, said the medical tents at the finish line were near capacity by mid-afternoon. "Hams provided communications, status and logistical issue updates between the medical tents to our finish line net control as needed," he said.

The Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) was active with operations at the State Emergency Operations Center in Framingham, with their operations room acting as a Unified Command Center (UCC) for the marathon. RACES members staffed the communications room at the SEOC, and ARRL Eastern Massachusetts Section Manager Mike Neilsen, W1MPN, staffed the UCC. Neilsen fed status reports on any issues along the marathon route into the operations room, as well as issues from the UCC to the operations room.

"This is the first time we've had an Amateur Radio Operator in the operations room of the UCC," said Massachusetts State RACES Radio Officer Tom Kinahan, N1CPE. "We have been coordinating with the Boston Marathon Net Control and the finish line communications in Boston to provide updates into our station and to our Amateur Radio operator in the UCC."

The Net Control center is located with a line-of-sight to the Boston area and to the entire 26 mile route in case simplex communication is required. More than a dozen repeaters were utilized to provide overlapping coverage to the marathon route. The Clay Center Amateur Radio Club, the Minuteman Repeater Association, the Framingham Amateur Radio Association and many other clubs in the New England area support the marathon operations.

With so many amateurs placed along the marathon route, ARRL Eastern Massachusetts Section Emergency Coordinator Rob Macedo, KD1CY, placed Eastern Massachusetts ARES on standby in case something went wrong along the marathon route, or a major incident occurred coincident with the marathon. "This is standard operating procedure for 'Marathon Monday'" he said. "We want our members to maintain a heightened state of awareness during the event."

Patriots' Day -- a state holiday in Massachusetts and Maine -- commemorates the anniversary of the Battles of Lexington and Concord, the first battles of the American Revolutionary War.

* "Hints and Kinks": Do you have an idea or a simple project that has improved your operating? Maybe you've taken something commonly found around the home and developed a ham radio use for it? Why not share your hints with fellow hams in "Hints and Kinks," a monthly column in QST. If we publish your hint, you will receive \$20. Send your hints via e-mail to <h&k@arrl.org>; or to ARRL Headquarters, Attn: "Hints and Kinks," 225 Main Street, Newington, CT 06111. Please include your name, call sign, complete mailing address, daytime telephone number and e-mail address.

Items in "Hints and Kinks" have not been tested by QST or ARRL unless otherwise stated. Although we can't guarantee that hints published will work for every situation, QST makes every effort to screen for harmful information.

==> CALIFORNIA TEEN IS 2009 GOLDFARB SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

In April, the ARRL Foundation Board of Directors <<http://www.arrlf.org>> voted unanimously to award the prestigious William R. Goldfarb Memorial Scholarship to Dean LaBarba, KI6CUX, of Long Beach, California. LaBarba will graduate from Woodrow Wilson High School this year with a GPA of 4.0. According to ARRL Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart, K1MMH, upon graduation, LaBarba will more than meet the course requirements with 50 hours of honors and Advanced Placement credits.

LaBarba holds a Technician class license that in 2005 led him to participation in the Amateur Radio Emergency Communication (AREC) team at his high school; since 2007, he has served as president. The mobile Amateur Radio station at Wilson High School is the only high school emergency team in Long Beach. Hobart said that LaBarba took the "extra initiative" to display and demonstrate the mobile radio station at the district science fair, explaining to the public the role that Amateur Radio plays in community safety.

Upcoming Exams: Exams listed are within 100 miles of Woodford County

02-May-2009
Sponsor: CINCINNATI REPEATER ASSOC INC
Time: 8:30 AM (Walk-ins ok)
Contact: DALE W PRITCHETT (513)769-0789
Email: KC8HJL@ARRL.NET
VEC: ARRL/VEC
Location: HARTWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
210 PARKWAY AVE
INTERSECTION PARKWAY/WOODBINE
NEAR VINE/GALBRAITH & I-75
CINCINNATI, OH 45216

09-May-2009
Sponsor: BLUEGRASS AR SOCIETY
Time: 10:00AM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: FERNIE D WILLIAMS (859)245-2140
Email: KE4MAI@ARRL.NET
VEC: ARRL/VEC
Location: RED CROSS BUILDING-CLASSROOM B
1450 NEWTOWN PIKE
AT GRIFFIN GATE BLVD
HTTP://WWW.BLUEGRASSARS.ORG
LEXINGTON, KY 40511

11-May-2009
Sponsor: NKARC
Time: 6:00 PM (No walk-ins)
Contact: LYLE H HAMILTON (513)315-4032
Email: AB8SH@ARRL.NET
VEC: ARRL/VEC
Location: HILLTOP CHURCH OF CHRIST
5300 TAYLOR MILL RD
REG REQUIRED-3 DAYS PRIOR
TAYLOR MILL, KY 41015

06-Jun-2009
Sponsor: CINCINNATI REPEATER ASSOC INC
Time: 8:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: DALE W PRITCHETT (513)769-0789
Email: KC8HJL@ARRL.NET
VEC: ARRL/VEC
Location: HARTWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
210 PARKWAY AVE
INTERSECTION PARKWAY/WOODBINE
NEAR VINE/GALBRAITH & I-75
CINCINNATI, OH 45216

08-Jun-2009
Sponsor: NKARC
Time: 6:00 PM (No walk-ins)
Contact: LYLE H HAMILTON (513)315-4032
Email: AB8SH@ARRL.NET
VEC: ARRL/VEC
Location: HILLTOP CHURCH OF CHRIST
5300 TAYLOR MILL RD
REG REQUIRED-3 DAYS PRIOR
TAYLOR MILL, KY 41015

11-Jun-2009
Sponsor: KY ARS/NELSON COUNTY ARS
Time: 1:30PM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: CECIL E FERGUSON (502)252-8654
Email: GENEFERGUSON@JUNO.COM
VEC: ARRL/VEC
Location: NELSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE&NELSON EOC COURTHOUSE COMPLEX
BARDSTOWN, KY 40004

13-Jun-2009
Sponsor: BLUEGRASS AR SOCIETY
Time: 10:00AM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: FERNIE D WILLIAMS (859)245-2140
Email: KE4MAI@ARRL.NET
VEC: ARRL/VEC
Location: RED CROSS BUILDING-CLASSROOM B
1450 NEWTOWN PIKE
AT GRIFFIN GATE BLVD
HTTP://WWW.BLUEGRASSARS.ORG
LEXINGTON, KY 40511

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Upcoming Hamfests:

20 Jun 2009
Milford Amateur Radio Club
<http://www.w8mrc.com>
Talk-In: 147.345+ (no tone)
Contact: Jim Linn, WB8RRR
5110 Romohr Road
Cincinnati, OH 45244-1023
Phone: 513-831-6255
Fax: 513-528-7270
Email: wb8rrr@arrl.net
Milford, OH
Eastside Christian Church
5874 Montclair Blvd.
Div: Great Lakes
Sect: Ohio

May 15, 16, 17, Dayton
Hamvention, Hara Arena
Conference & Exhibition
Center, Dayton, Oh.

July 11, Indianapolis
Communidations and
Technology Expo, Camp
Sertoma, Indianapolis, In.

September 12, Greater
Louisville Hamfest, Paroquet
Springs Conference Center,
Shepardsville, KY.

September 19, Central
Kentucky Amateur Radio
Society, Madison County
Fairgrounds, Richmond, Ky.

Local Club Meetings:

Jessamine Amateur Wireless Society (Nicholasville)
Meetings are the second
Monday each month at 7:00
p.m. Location is the Corman
Building behind City Hall on
Main Street. Talk-in, and
information on the 145.490 (-
600) and 444.975 repeaters.

Capital ARS: Regular meeting
dates are the first Thursday
of the month, at 7:30 pm, at
the Frankfort Boone National
Guard Center, Emergency
Operation Center or
Communications Center, off
Highway 127, the Frankfort
West Plaza Connector. A photo
ID is required to enter thru
the guarded entrance.
Contact: PATRICK K COMPTON,
KF4FMZ Phone: (502) 607-1617
(D) (502) 454-8282 (N) Web:
<http://www.ky4eoc.com> E-mail:
ky4eoc@ky4eoc.com

Anderson County meets every
2nd Monday of the month.
7:00 p.m. at the Anderson
County EMS Building, 1191
Bypass South, next to the
Ford dealership.

Bluegrass Amateur Radio
Society The regular meeting
of the Bluegrass Amateur
Radio Society, Inc., will be
held every first Monday, 7:30
p.m. at the Red Cross
Building, 1450 Newtown Pike,
Lexington.

Scott County Amateur Radio
and Emergency Service Club (SCARES), Meetings are the
third Saturday each month,
9:00 a.m. in the EOC (lower
level o Fire Station), 2200
Cincinnati Pike (intersection of U.S. 25 N and
Delaplain Road). Check in
to their weekly simplex net
Tuesdays at 9:00 p.m. on
147.490.

Central Kentucky ARS (Richmond-Berea), Third
Thursday each month in the
Madison County EOC, Richmond,
Kentucky, at 7:00 p.m.. Talk-
in on 146.865 (-600, pl-
192.8Hz) and 145.370 (-600,
pl-192.8Hz) repeater for
location directions to
meeting site, or other
information.

Pioneer ARC (Winchester),
Fourth Tuesday each month
Golden Corral Restaurant at
7:30 p.m. Talk-in, and info
on the 147.120 repeater.

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and other material. To
change these selections--
including delivery of The
ARRL Letter--registered
members should click on the
"Member Data Page" link (in
the Members Only box). Click
on "Modify membership data,"
check or uncheck the
appropriate boxes and/or
change your e-mail address
if necessary. (Check
"Temporarily disable all
automatically sent email" to
temporarily stop all e-mail
deliveries.) Then, click on
"Submit modification" to
make selections effective.
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Members Only Web Site.)

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