

CLUB OFFICERS

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Net Control: Paul Harrington III, KB4ENQ
Repeater: Steve McFadden, KA4TJD
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Fund Raising: Todd Rose, KE4YAH
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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.

For Details of the WCARC Field Day Participation, See Meeting Minutes

From The ARRL Newsletter:

FUN, FRESH AIR, FRIENDS AND FOOD: IT MUST BE TIME FOR ARRL FIELD DAY!

The 2009 ARRL Field Day will be here before you know it, so now is the time to grab your rig, grab your friends, grab some grub and get ready to get outside June 27-28 <<http://www.arrl.org/fieldday>>. If you haven't yet started planning for this year's Field Day, it's not too late -- Field Day packets are available for download from the ARRL Web site <<http://www.arrl.org/contests/forms/fd-2009-packet.pdf>>.

If you are looking for a Field Day site to attend, or are looking to publicize your Field Day site, be sure to check out the Field Day Site Locator <<http://www.arrl.org/contests/announcements/fd/locator.php>>. For more information on this service, please check out the Locator Site Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) <<http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2008/06/03/10021/?nc=1>>. "More than 1000 Field Day sites have been registered on the Locator, with more being added every day," Henderson said.

ARRL Field Day is the most popular on-the-air operating event in Amateur Radio. On the fourth full weekend in June, tens of thousands of Amateur Radio operators gather for a demonstration of our service. Field Day is part educational event, part operating event, part public relations event -- and all about fun!

"We all became hams for our own reasons," Henderson said. "Some of us were interested in public service and helping others in times of need. Many discovered the (page 3)

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Minutes of the June 3rd Meeting

The June 3rd meeting was called to order by the Club President, Mike Brannock, KG4IES, at 7:07 p.m.

The Minutes of the March Meeting: Steve McFadden, KA4TJD, seconded a motion made by Todd Rose, KE4YAH, that the minutes of the May meeting be accepted. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Steve McFadden, KA4TJD, reported an opening balance of \$\$\$\$\$\$. He indicated \$\$\$\$ from dues was deposited, and a check for \$\$\$\$ was issued for postage.

These transactions resulted in a closing balance of \$\$\$\$\$\$. Mark Currins, KI40JG seconded a motion made by Todd Rose, KE4YAH, that the treasurer's report be accepted. The motion carried.

Program: The program for June is Field Day planning. See New Business for details.

Emergency: Drew Chandler, KI4TFI, reports an emergency exercise will be held August 5th and 6th. The Club will be welcome to help staff the EOC. Details on the state wide event will be discussed at the July meeting.

Adopt-a-Highway: Scheduling additional Adopt-a-Highway was tabled until the July meeting due to the possibility that June would be a busy month for the Club.

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.

Thanks to Rob Hutchinson, KI40DT, for the article on Pod-casts.

Note: In the May Newsletter, I indicated that there was a clerical issue with my volunteer activity at Hamvention^(r). Since that publication, I have determined that the source of the confusion was definitely located in Kentucky. OOPS.

Field Day: The program for June is Field Day planning. See New Business for details.

Old Business: Todd Rose, KE4YAH, reported that he has not been contacted about our participation in the County Fair. After discussion, several members agreed to help with ticket sales if contacted by June 10th.

New Business: We regret to report the passing of Michael Pugh, KA4MKG. We should all remember Mike's family in our prayers. Todd volunteered to send a card for the Club.

Field Day preparation was the major subject for the remainder of the meeting. In brief:

Drew will needs example text for use in the community section of the Woodford Sun. Todd has arranged for the football stadium, and will get antenna trailer in place. Drew will get the EOC trailer in place. We need to check with Richard about ice. Individuals should bring their own drinks (remember this is a family event). Individuals should bring a pot luck dish. The Club will provide hot dogs. Set up will start at noon. Field Day is June 27th and 28th.

Mark Currens, KI40JG, seconded a motion made by Steve McFadden, KA4TJD, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried at 8:20 p.m.

Net Report:

06/04/09	06/11/09
KB4ENQ	KB4ENQ
W4XXL	KE4LZP
KJ4MBH	W4XXL
KG4VAR	KF4LRK
KE400I	KE400I
KF4LRK	KE4GNX
KE4GNX	KA4TJD
KI4TFI	KI4TFI
KI40JG	KI40JG
W2IF	KJ4MBH
WA4PCS	KY4EOC
KA4TJD	KD4UBE
KE4LZP	KD4UBF
N6BX	W2IF
	KE4AIE

06/18/09 See the member data page for a list of local nets. First call in each list indicates net control.

The net list is short this month due to early publication.

Attendance:

Name:	Call:	Member:
Steve McFadden	KA4TJD	Y
George L. Rice	KC4YUI	Y
Todd Rose	KE4YAH	Y
Mike Brannock	KG4IES	Y
Mark Currens	KI40JG	Y
Drew Chandler	KI4TFI	Y
Jim Hughes	K4ZPL	Y
Paul Harrington III	KB4ENQ	Y

Visit one of you local Hamfests this Summer. See a list of Hamfests and Exam dates on the last page.

Podcasts By Rob KI40DT

As discussed last month in this column, podcast listening is free and informative. I hope some of you have tried it. The easiest way to do it is to download I-tunes (www.apple.com/itunes) and use it to search and find the podcasts in which you are interested.

June's podcast of the month is the ICQ podcast (www.icqpodcast.com). The ICQ podcast is from our friends in the UK and is a general interest ham radio podcast. Collin, M6BOY, and his father, Martin M1MRB, record it. They cover Ham radio news and stories of interest. They often interview other hams with interesting backgrounds and accomplishments. This is of course done with a British flair and a European point of view. They often cover US related stories with a unique point of view. This podcast is typically recorded bimonthly. Thus far they have covered power supplies, computer software, multi-meters and even had a newby round table. The most recent episode that I have heard is series two episode 12. There are several ham related software programs discussed. Most are available free of charge and some are available run on multiple platforms.

I seldom listen to this one that I don't gain a new bit of knowledge or insight. I very much enjoy this podcast's informative aspects but I enjoy hearing a father and son collaborating together only as a family can. Give it a listen and I think you look as forward to each new episode as I do.

From the ARRL Newsletter:

From page 1: hobby as an outlet to their curiosity about electronics and communications. Still others joined our ranks because of the quest to meet new people and expand their own personal bank of knowledge. Whatever the reason you became an amateur, there is one compelling thread that brought us all together. It is as simple as can be: We became hams for the fun of the hobby!"

Henderson said that while Field Day serves a wide array of interests and purposes, "there is no greater 'fundamental' goal for Field Day than to have fun! While it encompasses a broad range of Amateur Radio interests -- CW, Phone, Digital, emergency preparedness, public

service, satellites, recruitment, antennas, new and vintage equipment and so many more -- Field Day is, above all else, a chance for us to have some fun with our hobby."

Henderson reminded hams that fun is where you find it: "Some will discover the fun by operating overnight, building up their club's total number of QSOs. Others will never make a single Field Day contact, but will derive their fun by helping set up antennas and generators. The joy of sharing your radio knowledge with a newcomer will be fun for many old-timers, while other old-timers will experience the 'Field Day high' when they make their very first QSO using a new digital mode or via one of the Amateur Radio satellites. The camaraderie of the annual club Field Day picnic or covered dish supper will be a fun highlight for many, while still others will find the joy in the hobby by simply being able to spend a couple of hours from home on an otherwise busy weekend, tuning the bands and making a few contacts."

If you want to be one of the best-dressed hams at your Field Day event, be sure to pick up the 2009 ARRL Field Day T shirt, hat and pin
<<http://www.arrl.org/catalog/?category=&words=field+day&SearchWords.x=0&SearchWords.y=0>>. Featuring a woodsy, outdoor scene, these items are a great way to recognize your involvement in the excitement and fun of this annual operating event. ARRL is also offering Get On The Air (GOTA) pins
<<http://www.arrl.org/catalog/?item=8911>>. It's a great idea to have your GOTA station operators wear these attractive pins. Pins from previous Field Days are also available -- make your collection complete with this year's pin. According to ARRL Sales and Marketing Manager Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R, a new shipment of 2009 Field Day T shirts has just arrived, so be sure to order yours today.

NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER PREDICTS "NEAR-NORMAL" HURRICANE SEASON

Forecasters with the National Hurricane Center (NHC) are calling for a "near-normal" Atlantic hurricane season this

year. In its initial outlook for the 2009 Atlantic hurricane season -- which runs from June 1-November 30 -- the National Weather Service's Climate Prediction Center (CPC)

<http://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/> is calling for a 50 percent probability of a near-normal season, a 25 percent probability of an above-normal season and a 25 percent probability of a below-normal season. According to the CPC, global weather patterns are imposing a greater uncertainty in the 2009 hurricane season outlook than in recent years.

Forecasters say there is a 70 percent chance of having nine to 14 named storms, of which four to seven could become hurricanes, including one to three major hurricanes (Category 3, 4 or 5). Tropical systems acquire a name -- the first for 2009 will be Ana -- upon reaching tropical storm strength with sustained winds of at least 39 MPH. Tropical storms become hurricanes when winds reach 74 MPH and become major hurricanes when winds increase to 111 MPH. An average season has 11 named storms, including six hurricanes with two becoming major hurricanes.

"This outlook is a guide to the overall expected seasonal activity. However, the outlook is not just about the numbers, it's also about taking action," said Dr Gerry Bell, lead seasonal hurricane forecaster at the CPC. "Prepare for each and every season regardless of the seasonal outlook. Even a near- or below-normal season can produce landfalling hurricanes, and it only takes one landfalling storm to make it a bad season."

Rick Palm, K1CE, editor of the ARRL's ARES E-Letter <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/ares-el/>, warns that now is the time for ARES members to assess their portfolio of communications equipment and disaster response knowledge. Palm gives several tips for amateurs involved with hurricane operations:

Monitor major HF hurricane networks during events this season. The Hurricane Watch Net (HWN) on 14.325 MHz is one of

several key players <http://www.hwn.org/>. It serves either the Atlantic or Pacific during a watch or warning period and coordinates with the National Hurricane Center (NHC) in Miami <http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>. Frequent, detailed information is issued on nets when storms pose a threat to the US mainland. In addition to hurricane spotting, local communicators may announce that residents have evacuated from low-lying flood areas. Other amateurs across the country can help by relaying information, keeping the net frequency clear and by listening. See the HWN's Web site for more information. The net works closely with the hams at the NHC's Amateur Radio station WX4NHC <http://www.wx4nhc.com/>.

The SATERN Net (Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network) <http://www.satern.org/> provides emergency communication support to the Salvation Army and populations at large. They also handle health-and-welfare traffic. SATERN holds high profile nets on 20 meters (14.265 MHz) during major hurricanes and has a long history of excellence, discipline and service. Refer to the SATERN Web site for more information.

The Maritime Mobile Service Net (MMSN) <http://www.mmsn.org/> meets on 14.300 MHz and is composed of hams who serve and assist those in need of communications on the high seas. According to its Web site, the primary purpose of the net is for handling traffic from maritime mobile stations. The network is recognized by the United States Coast Guard and has an excellent working relationship with that agency. The MMSN has handled hundreds of incidents involving vessels in distress and medical emergencies in remote locations, as well as passing health and welfare traffic in and out of affected areas. They also work closely with the NWS and NHC by relaying weather reports from maritime stations.

The VoIP SKYWARN and Hurricane Net <http://www.voipwx.net/> operates by combining both the EchoLink and IRLP linked repeater networks, while handling critical wide area communications during major severe weather and tropical events.

Upcoming Exams:

Exams listed are within 100 miles of Woodford County

12-Jul-2009

Sponsor: THOROUGHBRED DX GROUP
 Time: 1:30PM (Walk-ins allowed)
 Contact: MARGUERITTE WILLIAMS (859)245-2140
 Email: KE4MAJ@ARRL.NET
 VEC: Western Carolinas ARS VEC
 Location: RED CROSS BLDG - CLASSROOM B
 1450 NEWTOWN PIKE
 AT GRIFFITH GATE BLVD
[HTTP://WWW.LEXKYWCARS.ORG/](http://www.LEXKYWCARS.ORG/)
 LEXINGTON, KY 40511

09-Aug-2009

Sponsor: BLUEGRASS AMT RADIO SOCIETY
 Time: 1:00PM (Walk-ins allowed)
 Contact: FERNIE D WILLIAMS
 Email: KE4MAI@ARRL.NET
 VEC: ARRL/VEC
 Location: CALL FOR LOCATION
 BARS HAMFEST
 LEXINGTON, KY 40511

12-Sep-2009

Sponsor: THOROUGHBRED DX GROUP
 Time: 1:30PM (Walk-ins allowed)
 Contact: MARGUERITTE WILLIAMS (859)245-2140
 Email: KE4MAJ@ARRL.NET
 VEC: Western Carolinas ARS VEC
 Location: RED CROSS BLDG - CLASSROOM B
 1450 NEWTOWN PIKE
 AT GRIFFITH GATE BLVD
[HTTP://WWW.LEXKYWCARS.ORG/](http://www.LEXKYWCARS.ORG/)
 LEXINGTON, KY 40511

Upcoming Hamfests:

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

9 Aug 2009

Central Kentucky Hamfest Bluegrass Amateur Radio Society
<http://www.BluegrassARS.org>
 Talk-In: 145.390 & 146.760
 Contact: Jeanie Dalton-Pugh, KB8QLC
 PO Box 4411
 Lexington, KY 40544-4411
 Phone: 859-619-8164
 Email: kb8qlc@arrl.net
 Lawrenceburg, KY
 American Legion Post #34
 725 West Broadway

These operations have gained national stature in recent years, making the Net a critical partner with WX4NHC. Whenever tropical weather is posing a threat to the US mainland and certain other areas of interest, the VoIP WX net will be fully operational. See the VoIP SKYWARN and Hurricane Net Web site for more information.

Palm said that during hurricane events, there are usually two or three regional nets (usually on 40 or 20 meters) that spring to prominence as major key assets to the disaster response on an ad hoc basis. "Watch for these nets, as well as the nationally recognized networks described above, this season. Don't transmit on their frequencies unless you are absolutely sure you have something substantive to add, and then only under the direction of the net control station," Palm advised.

ARRL Emergency Preparedness and Response Manager Dennis Dura, K2DCD, added that when ARES activates in response to any tropical event, it is crucial that information flows up through the Section and is reported to Headquarters. "These reports allow us to develop the situational awareness and disaster intelligence that is required for us as an organization to support the Sections that are impacted" he explained. "In this way, we are able to respond to relevant requests from the media and finally to coordinate with the governmental and non-governmental organizations. This information also allows us to make the decision at Headquarters on whether to stand up our Incident Management Team to support and coordinate the operations."

If you are interested in Emergency Communications, please be sure to check out the monthly ARES E-Letter <<http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/ares-el/>>. You can elect to receive this newsletter free of charge via e-mail by going to the Member Data Page on the ARRL Web site <<http://www.arrl.org/members-only/memdata.html>>.

22 Aug 2009
 Tailgators' Hamfest
 Ripley County Amateur Radio Club
<http://www.441775.com>
 Talk-In: 441.775+
 Contact: Delbert Felix, WY9L
 114 Harlan Street
 Osgood, IN 47037
 Phone: 812-689-3161
 Email: wy9l.thebigdog@gmail.com
 Osgood, IN
 Ripley County 4-H Fairgrounds
 525 Beech Street

12 Sep 2009
 Greater Louisville Hamfest Association
<http://LouisvilleHamfest.com>
 Talk-In: 146.70 (PL 79.7)
 Contact: Bob Myers, K4RVM
 c/o GLHA, Inc.
 PO Box 34444
 Louisville, KY 40232-4444
 Phone: 502-935-6710
 Email: glha09@LouisvilleHamfest.com
 Shepherdsville, KY
 Paroquet Springs Conference Centre
 395 Paroquet Springs Drive

19 Sep 2009
 Central Kentucky Amateur Radio Society
<http://www.qsl.net/ckars/hamfest/>
 Talk-In: 145.370 (PL 192.8)
 Contact: Mike Rogers, KE4ISW
 144 Allen Douglas Drive
 Richmond, KY 40475
 Phone: 859-624-9156
 Email: ke4isw@arrl.net
 Richmond, KY
 Madison County Fairgrounds
 KY Route 52

20 Sep 2009
 Greater Cincinnati Amateur Radio Association
<http://www.gcara.org>
 Talk-In: 146.88 (-600) & Alt 145.37 (-600)
 Contact: Stan Cohen, W8QDQ
 2301 Royal Oak Court
 Cincinnati, OH 45237-2939
 Phone: 513-236-0980 (days),
 Fax: 531-513-3834
 Email: stanco49@zoomtown.com
 Diamond Oaks Career Development Center
 6375 Harrison Avenue

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.